

JOHN GUY

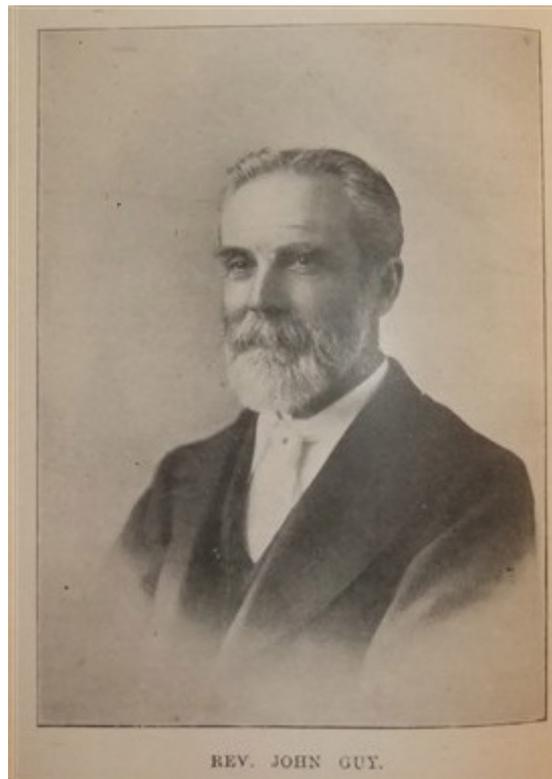
John was born on 2 October 1845 in Hertford

He was a son of the manse his father, Rev John Guy, being a Primitive Methodist minister

His brother James emigrated to New Zealand and became a prominent Primitive Methodist minister.

John married Maria Martha Green in 1873 at Petersfield, Hampshire. They had three children.

John died on 5 March 1924 at Mortimer, near Reading



There are very few newspaper records of his ministry to be found.

An excellent and fuller account of his life can be found via:

http://www.myprimitivemethodists.org.uk/category/primitive_methodist_ministers

SPECIAL SERVICES

The Primitive Methodist Connexion in this village, being desirous of manifesting their regret at parting with a faithful minister of the Gospel, and to show their appreciation of the valuable services rendered to the cause by the Rev. John Guy, who has ministered among them for two years, have held a series of special services during the week in the Chapel on the Green.

On Sunday, the 5th inst., special services were celebrated, on which occasion two able and eloquent sermons were preached to large congregations by the Rev. C. Dudley, of Dudley, the well-known author of "Tossed on the Waves." The services were of a very striking and impressive character, and the exertions of the able minister were well supported by the choir, who rendered an appropriate selection of hymns with excellent effect. Mr. Thos. Mills presided at the harmonium with his usual ability, and Mr. Geo. Hollingworth did good service by his skilful manipulation of the violin.

On Monday, a farewell tea was given in the Chapel, when a goodly number attended. The trays were generously given by ladies of the connexion. At an early part of the evening, an interesting ceremony took place, when the Rev. J. Guy was presented with a valuable oil-painting of himself. The presentation was made by Mr. Thos. Blackbourn, in an affectionate and becoming address, on behalf of the members of the circuit who had subscribed for the life-like portrait. The recipient was too deeply affected to return thanks in much speaking.

At seven o'clock, the members and friends mustered in great force to hear a lecture on "Christianity and its triumphs" The Rev. Jno. Guy occupied the chair, and the lecture was delivered with remarkable ability and eloquence by the Rev. C. Dudley. The total amount realised at the collections, tea, and lecture was about £7.

The Rev. Jno. Guy, who is leaving for the Newark district, has gained the esteem of the members throughout the circuit, but he will be best remembered in this village in connection with the Chapel restoration, which was carried out under his direction. When he entered upon his ministerial duties in Bottesford, he found the Chapel in a dilapidated condition, and he now leaves it one of the most beautiful in the circuit. His energy has been displayed in other ways, and it is gratifying to notice that his efforts are properly appreciated.

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