Baptist Records

The first Baptist congregation was established in London in 1612. The congregations were independent and over time divided into different groups, only uniting in 1891. The records we hold date from the 19th century, reflecting the growth of the church in this period.

Oxfordshire History Centre holds records for the following Baptist churches:

- Hook Norton Baptist Church
- Thame Baptist Church
- Bloxham Baptist Chapel
- Chipping Norton Baptist Church
- Banbury, Bridge Street Baptist Church
- Eynsham Baptist Church
- South Oxford Baptist Church

Many of the church registers of baptisms, marriages and burials have been transcribed and are available on the open shelves or on the computers in our searchroom.

What will I find?

The records consist of registers of baptisms, marriages and burials. There are also church administration records such as minutes, accounts, registers of members and Sunday school records.

Where are these records?

These records are held here at the Oxfordshire History Centre.

For other Baptist records and information about Baptist history there is The Angus Library at Regents Park College, Oxford. This is a national library and archive for Baptist and other nonconformist history.

Where is the catalogue?

The records themselves are not online, but the catalogues of the records are available on Heritage Search.

A copy of the catalogue is also available in the searchroom.

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