Current Research In Methodist History In The United Kingdom

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Lists of completed theses on Methodist topics have appeared from time to time in the pages of the Proceedings of the Wesley Historical Society. Readers may be interested to know that a comprehensive listing of subjects in post-graduate historical research in England has been published: History Theses 1901-70: Historical research for higher degrees in the Universities of the United Kingdom, compiled by P. M. Jacobs and published by the University of London Institute of Historical Research, 1976.

Information on the subjects of research currently in progress in British and Irish universities is given in a publication of the Institute of Religion and Theology of Great Britain and Ireland. The following details are extracted from Current Research 1976 by permission of the Rev. Ian Calvert, Assistant General Secretary of the Institute. The serial numbers are those given in the original list.

288 ROBSON, G., Church and Society in Central Birmingham in Eighteenth and Nineteenth Centuries (Univ. Birmingham, Ph.D.)
301 SHEARD, M. R., The Origins and Development of Primitive Methodism in Cheshire (Univ. Manchester, Ph.D.)
303 BARBER, B. R., The Origins of Primitive Methodism from the death of John Wesley to the year 1820 (Univ. Manchester, M.A.)
321 HOWARTH, D. H., Methodist Strands of Teaching on Christian Perfection since 1870 with special reference to its social and ethical implications (Univ. Lancaster, M.Litt.)
324 OLLERHEAD, P.E., Religious Nonconformity in Crewe 1840-1940 (Univ. of Keele, M.A.)
327 COPPEDGE, W. A., The Doctrine of Predestination in John Wesley's Theology (Univ. Cambridge, Ph.D.)
343 RACK, H.D., Religion and Society in Manchester 1688-1800 (Univ. Manchester, Ph.D.)
349 KITCHING, R.J., The Conservative Evangelical Movement in Methodism (Univ. Birmingham, M.A.)
352 WALLWORK, C.N.R., Aspects of Discipline and Worship in the Methodist Tradition (Univ. Birmingham, M.A.)
354 BATTY, M., Lay Leadership in the Wesleyan Connexion until 1932 (Univ. London, Ph.D.)
358 CLARKE, D.F., The Holy Communion in Isolation: with special reference to Methodism in and around Westmorland (Univ. Leicester, Ph.D.)
359 SCOTLAND, N., Methodism and Agricultural Trade Unionism in the nineteenth Century (Univ. Aberdeen, M.Litt.)
374 VICKERS, J.A., Methodism and Society in central southern England in the nineteenth and early twentieth Centuries (Univ. Southampton, Ph.D.)
375 MONKTON, D., An Ecumenical Study of mid-nineteenth century rural mission in East Anglica (Open University)
391 MURRAY, D.B., The social and religious origins of non-Presbyterian Protestant Churches in Scotland 1730-1870 (Univ. St. Andrews, Ph.D.)
434 WILLIAMS, C.V., The Methodist contribution to education in the Bahamas (Univ. Lampeter, M.A.)
454 WILSON, J. D., History of the Methodist Church in Ceylon (Univ. Oxford, B.Lett.)