



Official Opening
of the New Chapel
Church of Christ

Bryant Street, Rockdale



SATURDAY, AUGUST 8th, 1959

at 3 p.m.



OPENING CEREMONY

Conducted by Mr. D. HOLMES, Minister

CHURCH OF CHRIST, ROCKDALE

DEDICATION of CHAPEL

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Greetings from Conference

Hymn: "O Thou Whose hand hath Brought"

O Thou Whose hand hath brought us unto this joyful day,
Accept our glad thanksgiving, and listen as we pray;
And may our preparation for this day's service be
With one accord to offer ourselves, O Lord, to Thee.

And oft as here we gather, and hearts in worship blend,
May truth reveal its power, and fervent prayer ascend;
Here may the busy toiler rise to the things above,
The young, the old, be strengthened, and all men learn Thy love.

And as the years roll onward, and strong affection twine,
And tender memories gather around this sacred shrine,
May this its chiefest honour, its glory ever be,
That multitudes within it have found their way to Thee.

Prayer

Scripture Reading J. MacKenzie

Dedication of Building

Choir

Greetings from the Mayor of Rockdale Council

Rockdale Ministers Fraternal

Churches of Christ Ministers Fraternal

Recognition of Copley Family

Violin G. Galieh

Treasurer H. S. Creek

Offering

Solo Lois Hawkins

Appreciation of K. Sawdy, architect

Hymn: "Be with us, gracious Lord, today"

Be with us, gracious Lord, today
This house we dedicate to Thee;
O hear Thy servants as they pray,
And let Thine ear attentive be -

Within these walls let holy peace,
Let love and truth be always found;
May burdened hearts find sweet release,
And souls with richest grace be crowned.

Here when the Gospel sound is heard,
And here proclaimed the saving name,
May hearts be quickened, moved and stirred,
And souls be kindled into flame.

Address R. Greenhalgh

Prayer N. H. Matthews

Doxology

Benediction

Afternoon tea in hall.