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This is a story about Methodism, given by Methodists to Methodists, and, we hope, many others from the various Denominations in our district who are interested in our Centenary efforts. We cannot hope in the course of one evening to describe every happening in the past 100 years. With the aid of our Narrator however, we hope to cover most of the main events, and the differing scenes will bring into action a lot of our members, these being played by the various sections of our Church.

We trust the Pageant will prove of interest to one and all, and that you will have a very enjoyable evening. Thank you.

1. OPENING SCENE: SANKEY HYMNS (Choir)

Narration:

2. FOUNDERS' SCENE IN A COTTAGE, 1864 (Church Members)

Narration:

3. EARLY SUNDAY SCHOOL SESSION IN 1865 (Sunday School)

Narration:

4. A PAGEANT OF WOMEN (Sisterhood)

Narration:

5. THE CHURCH IN WARTIME (Sunday School)

INTERVAL:

Narration:

6. "A PROGRAMME OF TRIBUTE" (Guild Members)

Narration:

7. PART SONGS (Choir)

Narration:

8. FINALE (The Church)

"We love the place, O God"

The Rev. C.G. Edwards.

(The audience are asked to join in the singing of the Hymns, printed overleaf, during the Pageant)

1.
We love the place, O God,
Wherein Thine honour dwells;
The joy of Thine abode
All earthly joy excels.

2.
It is the house of prayer,
Wherein Thy servants meet;
And Thou, O Lord, art there,
Thy chosen flock to greet.

3.
We love the word of life,
The word that tells of peace,
Of comfort in the strife
And joys that never cease.

4.
We love to sing below
Of mercies freely given;
But O we long to know
The triumph song
of heaven!

5.
Lord Jesus, give us grace,
On earth to love Thee
more,
In heaven to see Thy
face,
And with Thy saints
adore.
Amen.

1. These things shall be: a loftier race
Than e'er the world hath known shall rise,
With flame of freedom in their souls
And light of knowledge in their eyes.
2. They shall be gentle, brave, and strong
To spill no drop of blood, but dare
All that may plant man's lordship firm
On earth, and fire, and sea, and air.
3. Nation with nation, land with land,
Inarmed shall live as comrades free;
In every heart and brain shall throb
The pulse of one fraternity.
4. Man shall love man, with heart as pure
And fervent as the young-eyed throng
Who chant their heavenly psalms before
God's face with undiscordant song.
5. New arts shall bloom of loftier mould,
And mightier music thrill the skies,
And every life shall be a song,
When all the earth is paradise.

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production possible.)