

ASHFORD BAPTIST CHURCH has existed at least since 1653.

A new meeting house (comprising the present lounge and the hall above it) was erected in 1829. When the present chapel was built in 1881, the original building became a schoolroom and extra rooms were added in 1893. Following the First World War the upper rooms were dedicated as a Memorial Institute in memory of those who had fallen, and for the use of those returning from war and the young people of the community

On this plate are recorded names of men who died, and the regiments in which they served. Memorial stones to them were previously erected in the Entrance Hall below

During the Second World War these rooms were used to cater for troops stationed in Ashford until bomb damage occurred in 1943. Rebuilt in 1952, they have been used ever since for many forms of activity in the Kingdom of God

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In 1995 the building was extensively redesigned and renovated for the Glory of God and for continued use in effective service and witness to Christ in the community of Ashford.

DURHAM LIGHT INFANTRY		NORTHUMBERLAND FUSILIERS	
THE BUFFS	UNRECORDED BY Mrs. AINSWORTH IN MEMORY OF MAJOR W. AINSWORTH JUNE 18 1919	ROYAL WEST KENT	
LIVERPOOL SCOTISH		WELSH FUSILIERS	
CAMBRIDGESHIRE	KINGS OWN	KENT CYCLISTS	
NOTTS & DERBY WEST YORKS		LN. LANGS. S. LANGS	
ROYAL AIR FORCE ROYAL NAVY	CANADIAN O.C. ARMY SERVICE C.	ROYAL FIELD ARTILLERY ARMY MEDICAL CORPS	

WALTER S. CURTIS SEPT 23 1914 GREEN GUARDS		HAROLD W. BUDDEN SEPT 14 1916 12th LANCES P.V.	
ERNEST H. NEWBLE MARCH 6 1916 6th BUFFS	ARCHIBALD W. GRAY AUG 9 1916 LIV SCOT	WILLIAM C. SANDWELL MARCH 15 1917 R. W. KENT	
FRANK W. MARSH JULY 31 1917 R. W. KENT		CYRIL ROBINSON SEPT 25 1917 C. V. R.	
CECIL N.F. HAMMON SEPT 28 1917 R. C. A.	OSCAR W. RUSSELL APRIL 24 1918 R. W. KENT	JAMES WARREN JUNE 28 1918 1st CHES REGT	
FREDK. J. CORHAM AUG 24 1918 R. W. KENT		CLARENCE HOLDEN AUG 20 1918 LONDON REGT.	
RALPH H. BEVAN M.M. SEPT 15 1918 2nd LONDON REGT	C. ASHTON WHITE SEPT 27 1918 R. W. KENT	GEORGE H. WATSON NOV 2 1918 10th B. REGT	