

1776. Age 72. "About eighteen hundred of us met together in London to renew our Covenant with God, and it was a very solemn opportunity."

1777. Age 73. "We met, as usual, to renew our Covenant with God. It was a solemn season, wherein many found the power present to heal, and were enabled to urge their way with renewed strength."

1778. Age 74. London, Thursday. "We had a very solemn opportunity of renewing our Covenant with God."

1779. Age 75. London, Friday, January 1st. "At length we have a house (City-road Chapel opened a few weeks previously) capable of containing the whole society. We met there this evening to renew our Covenant with God."

1780. Age 76. London. "We had the largest congregation at the renewal of our Covenant with God which ever met upon the occasion, and were thoroughly convinced that God was not departed from us. He never will, unless we first depart from Him."

1781. Age 77. London, Monday. "We begun, as usual, the service at four, praising Him who, in spite of all our enemies, had brought us safe to the beginning of another year."

1782. Age 78. London, Tuesday. "I began the service at four at West Street Chapel, Seven Dials, and again at ten. In the evening many of us at the new chapel, City Road, rejoiced in God our Saviour." [Three services at the age of 78:]

1783. Age 79. London, Wednesday, January 1. "May I begin to live to-day!"

1784. Age 80. London, Thursday. "Weary and worn," he wrote, "I retired for two or three days to Peckham."

1785. Age 81. London, Saturday. "Whether this year be my last or no, may it be the best year of my life!"

1786. Age 82. London, Sunday. "We began that solemn service, the renewing of our Covenant with God, not in the evening as heretofore, but at three in the afternoon, as more convenient for the generality of the members. God was with us of a truth."

1787. Age 83. London, Monday. "We began the service at four in the morning, to an unusually large congregation. We had another comfortable opportunity at the new chapel at the usual morning hour, and a third in the evening at West Street, Seven Dials." [Three services at 83.]

1788. Age 84. Mr. Wesley's Journals for January and February have not been printed, but letters written early in January indicate that his mind was occupied in promoting Sunday-schools and prayer-meetings.