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Mathew, Wilhelmina

(1863 - 1940)

Born	18630802, Edinburgh Scotland
Died	19400224, BrightonBrighton Victoria Australia
Occupation	Community worker, Laywoman

Summary

Wilhelmina Scott arrived in Australia with her parents at the age of two, grew up in Carlton and Fitzroy, in Victoria, and attended Presbyterian Ladies' College. She married Reverend John Mathew on July 6, 1897. After he retired from active church work in 1923, she assisted her husband in the establishment of a home mission station in Moreland, in Melbourne's northern suburbs, in 1925.

Described as 'the complete minister's wife', she raised five children, supported her husband in his calling and was involved in many community based activities. She was president of the Presbyterian Women's Missionary Union in Victoria from 1924-1935, serving as a branch president of that organisation for forty-four years. She taught at Moreland Sunday School for eighteen years and was the convenor of the Coburg Chinese School for fifteen years.

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