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John Young has written this story to mark the centenary of the opening of the church buildings on the west side of Campsbourne in 1906. The Campsbourne Lodge Estate was sold for the building of houses for artisans in 1867. Five years later a member of New Southgate Baptist Church opened a Mission in Hornsey. The challenge of starting a new church appealed to the New Southgate minister so he resigned his pastorate at the end of 1872 to devote all his efforts to raising a new church at Hornsey. A corrugated iron building (usually known as a 'tin chapel') was erected and opened for worship in March 1873. Hornsey Baptist Church was formally constituted as a Particular Baptist Church that September. It functioned as an independent cause until it became a Mission of Ferme Park Baptist Church in 1892. To secure the future of the Campsbourne work, a freehold site was acquired and a purpose-built Mission Hall was erected in January 1895. Through the generosity of two Ferme Park deacons, three adjoining houses and land were acquired in The Campsbourne. Two were converted for church use and a new Mission Hall was built. These new premises were opened in 1907. From 1903 until 1953 associate ministers of Ferme Park were responsible for the Campsbourne work, which became an independent cause in 1994. John Young ends his history rather abruptly with the call of the Revd Trefor Jones in 1994.

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