

400 AT CHURCH OPENING

Four hundred people assembled on the lawn in front of the new Inglewood Methodist Church yesterday afternoon when the official opening and dedication was carried out by the president of the Methodist Conference, the Rev. Bernard M. Chrystall.

People came from as far away as Christchurch, Wellington and Palmerston North to attend the service.

Mr. Chrystall was presented with the key by the trust secretary, Mr. S. C. Graham, who asked him to dedicate and open the church and hall.

Mr. and Mrs. Sutherland, the oldest active couple in the congregation, were invited to open the door. Mrs. C. Pollard was the first to enter and she was followed by Mr. Chrystall and those who had given memorial pews.

There was a large congregation for the last service in the old Wesley church in Rata street in the morning. The evening service was held in the new church.