

1743/48 Occurrences in Wike Cong<sup>y</sup> for the Month of Jan. 1771.  
*out of Wike plan*  
The <sup>4<sup>th</sup></sup> our dear S<sup>r</sup> Mary Carter went to our Saviour. *on the 4<sup>th</sup> Jan 71* Of her  
Course thro' this World the following is to be observed:

She was born at Greethland in Kallifax Parish March 29<sup>th</sup> 1716, and brought up in the established Church. Her Parents departing this Life when she was very young, and they being at the same time but low in the World, she was cared for by the Town to which she belonged. and tho' she was in the midst of the World in her 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> Years, yet she could not be brought in the common sinful Track thereof, partly owing to an invisible Hand of Preservation from our Lord, and partly to Stirrings and Convictions she had in her Heart from her earliest Remembrance. This Spark, which lay in her Soul from a Child, was fed and nursed by the Testimony she heard of Mr Ingham and Mr Dellamot of the free Grace in Jesus Blood and Death. and being very anxious and Restless for the Forgiveness of her Sins and true Life out of Jesus in her Heart, she followed the Course and Track peculiar to those Times, in hearing the Preaching of the Gospel; But her poor Soul never found Deliverance and Peace <sup>until</sup> in the Year 1739, <sup>when</sup> she once heard our dear Mr Boehler, during which our dear Lord manifested himself to her, so as he sweated Bloody in the Garden of Gethsemane on her Account: This not only gave her Ease and Peace, but Life and Love. In 1740 a Society of the Wm was settled at Greethland, to which she belonged from the Beginning. In 1746 she <sup>was</sup> married to the present Widower. When the Wm removed from Newhouse, she and her Husband moved with our Mr Jeremy Carter into the same in order to be nearer the Cong<sup>y</sup>, into which she was received at Dulnech May 12<sup>th</sup> 1759 and the following Year in Sept: 3<sup>rd</sup> she with her Husband enjoyed the holy Communion for the first time with the Cong<sup>y</sup>. Their Marriage has been blest with 4 Child<sup>ren</sup>, 1 is already with the Lord, and 1 Son and 1 Daughter are in the respective Choir-Houses at Dulnech, for which she was inexpressibly thankful to our dear Lord.



the being an ~~appeal~~ of called Sister, and as such respected by our People, she was accordingly made use of as a Helper in a Ward; and when the late Helpers Conference was settled, she became a Member thereof. Our late Sister had a peculiar Talent for visiting her Sisters, and contriving to relieve the Needy and those in Distress. When in the daily Course of her House Affairs, she got an impulse to visit this or the other Sister, either confined by sickness or wherever she felt it was necessary, she acquainted her husband with her Intention and recommended herself to him for that Purpose; and he during her Absence would sign to our Sav<sup>r</sup> in her behalf, that his aim with her visiting might be answered; and when in the Evening she related to him of what had occurred, they both rejoined together that our dear Lord had heard the Lights of the one and blessed the weak Endeavours of the other.

Whenever one of our Sisters was in external Need, she used to go about among the heartiest Sisters, and propose to make a Collection for the Relief of such a one, in which she always succeeded, and as for her own Part in such a Case, her left hand did not know what her right hand did.

Thro' her very maternal and loving Way, peculiar to herself, she gain'd the Affection of such Child<sup>ren</sup> who were not for ever, but, about her, in such a Manner, that they would scarcely be separated from her; and where ever she could invent any thing to be helpful to them, whether it related to internal or external Matters, in order to secure them for our Sav<sup>r</sup>, she left no Stone unturned. And as a Proof that our dear Lord was with her in this Respect, she has left Orphans behind her now in the single Sisters House at Guilford.

The Heaviest

The heaviest Circumstances which she experienced during her Course of Grace, happened about a Year and a half ago, when her eldest Son turning quite from our Sav<sup>r</sup> and the Inclinations and Convictions he had in his Heart when among the Ways; so that the Steps he then took caused <sup>her</sup> much Grief and trouble. And altho' she became comforted by our Sav<sup>r</sup> upon that head, that she could leave the Issue to his merciful Hand, yet her sickly Tabernacle received such a Shock thereby, that we are inclined to think it rather proved a Furtherance to her Disposition. About 4 Months ago she entered the first Apprehension that she should not be here long, for she said to her husband when coming from the married festival last Sept<sup>r</sup> This will be the last married Festival I shall celebrate! an old Breast Complaint which was renewed by getting repeated Cold and a bad State of Blood, were seemingly the Cause of her going to our Sav<sup>r</sup>. About 2 Months ago she was the last time here at the L<sup>d</sup>s Communion, and tho' exceedingly weak yet very much rejoiced to be once more together with her <sup>you</sup> and <sup>us</sup> on so solemn an Occasion: for she was a very constant attender of all the Meetings. The nearer she drew to her End the more Childlike she became, and used to express herself thus! I want to be nothing else than my Saviour's little Child! She was always much pleased and comforted when she was visited, especially by her Band Sisters. After our last Communion Mr and M<sup>r</sup> Lander brought her her Share, after which she had long's much, and which she enjoy'd with great Eagerness together with her husband. The being once asked how she was and felt in her Heart? she answered, My Heart is happy, I am my Sav<sup>r</sup>'s little Child, He shall do with me what he pleases! On the 4<sup>th</sup> instant 18<sup>th</sup> Lander call'd there, and finding her remarkably altered, told her, that she would soon be with her Redeemer, she

answered: That; well, I have nothing to plead but his  
precious Blood and Righteousness. Having sung a few  
verses with her, and telling her that she departed <sup>to our nearest Lord</sup> with the  
entire blessing of his Church below, and she sitting by the fire  
side, she bowed down her head in order to have it imparted  
to her; this being done, there was such a feeling of our  
dear Saviors Presence, that none present could refrain from  
shedding tears. And tho' there was not an immediate  
appearance of her going directly, yet after having taken  
leave of her children and those she had been like a Mother  
to, she laid down, and in about 4 hours after, her happy  
Soul took its flight into the Wounds of Jesus.

