

# Where the Action Will Be . . .



Brisbane will experience "Explo 80" May 10-17, but the results are expected to be felt around Australia. Already participants are booked from Perth, Adelaide, Melbourne, Sydney, Brisbane . . . with enquiries from New Zealand, South Pacific and the USA. With three months to go, preparations are stepping up, using computers, seminar leaders training courses, a promotional film, leaflets, and special speakers. Local and overseas musical talent will also be used for the special meetings to be held in the Brisbane Exhibition Grounds for those attending Explo 80. Photo: Ramon Williams.

## ARCHBISHOP'S TRIBUTE . . .

### A Man Rooted in an Unshakeable Faith in God

Mourners recently at St Andrew's Cathedral paid their last respects to the Honourable Mr Justice Norman Jenkyn, Chancellor of the Diocese of Sydney since 1973.



Justice of the Supreme Court from 1965-1975, Mr Justice Jenkyn's distinguished career included being Senior Counsel for the Naval Board on the Royal Commission into the Loss of HMAS Voyager in 1964.

In his address, the Archbishop of Sydney and Primate of Australia, Sir Marcus Loane, said, "Mr Justice Jenkyn had both an inquiring and clear mind and was a Christian by conviction."

"He was one of Australia's leading Anglican laymen particularly in his later years. All that he said or did was rooted in his unshakeable faith in God."

The service was led by the Dean of Sydney, the Very Rev Lance Shilton and Bishop R. C. Kerle, Rector of St Swithun's, Pymble.

The many eminent members of the legal profession present included the Chief Justice of NSW, The Honourable Sir Laurence Street who also read the lesson. AIO

## 2CH — 19th OPERA HOUSE CONCERT — with 30 Piece Orchestra

2CH has announced its 19th Opera House Concert. It will be held on Friday, 15th March, at two sessions, 5.15pm and 8.30pm.

The station commenced the Opera House concerts in 1972 as a public platform for its Good Music policies, and has continued at the rate of three concerts per year since.

Bob "Beetles" Young will conduct the 30-piece Good Music Orchestra; and extra emphasis this year will be on the vocal side with the Good Music Choral prominent.

John MacNally will make a special guest appearance.

2CH personalities have regularly compered the concerts, and the first for 1980 will be introduced by Bob Moore.

Tickets are available from the Opera House and Mitchells Bass.

## The Flying Bookshop

Bookmobiles are not new, but when June Perry, Sydney office worker and ex-Girl Guide leader, went out west, in 1976, by plane she found that the few books she had taken along with her, sold as fast as the proverbial "hot cakes".

She has now begun her own work, known and registered as "Bookaire". Taking supplies from the Bible Society and Scripture Book Centres, she sets up her wares in church or community halls, and country shows.

She has no financial backing, but has the assistance of Audrey Williams who helps, both in Sydney as well as in the country. Together they told of their desire to "take the books to the people".

"We are not in opposition to any established work, but prefer to work in co-operation with any that may exist. Usually there is none within hundreds of miles!" They said.

Their customers are mainly Christians, but others come along out of curiosity. With no particular program or schedule in mind, the Bookaire takes to the air when funds permit, and when the ladies "feel it's the right time".

Thought is now being given to being on hand in areas when the flying doctor services makes a regular call. "On such Clinic Days, people gather and that's where we could show them helpful literature, greetings cards and other items that are available with a scripture text on them," said Miss Perry.

Her plane is a single engine, four seater, low wing American Traveller, named "Queenie" with the registration VH-ETQ. Its range is 225 minutes or 300 miles without re-fuelling. Miss Perry has had her pilot's licence for 14 years and in 1978 gained her commercial licence, which allows her to fly for "profit or reward".

### 15 WORTH \$3000

Her usual cargo is 15 cartons with over \$3000's worth of supplies. Advance notice enables the local clergy to mention proposed visits, as well as school teachers and local shop owners. Even hospitals in lonely, out of the way, areas mention her visits to patients.

"We intend to take things slowly and quietly," said Miss Perry.

June Perry has sunk her own capital into the work, as well as her time, effort and talents.

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June Perry.

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## TWO J.C.'s AT PRAYER BREAKFAST



Photo: White House.

The Honourable Jim Cameron, member of the N.S.W. Legislative Assembly was introduced to the President of the U.S.A. prior to 28th Annual National Prayer Breakfast held recently in Washington, D.C. The President addressed the gathering which comprised not only Christians, but Moslems, Jews and diplomatic representatives from the Communist world on 'Growth in our spiritual lives. Mr. Carter said that he prayed for his enemies as well as his friends. Christian members of both Houses have for many years met weekly when in session to talk privately, to pray and reflect, and this prayer fellowship movement has spread throughout the world embracing Christians in the political sphere in small fellowship groups. This gathering was attended by 3,000 guests and the two hour function was telecast live. Mr. Cameron told the Church Record that it was impressive and encouraging to see so many political leaders who spoke boldly of their Christian faith.



### Say it in Plain (English) English

"Say it in plain English!" is the prevailing message of an Aussie Canon over from Sydney for a three month visit, and based at St. Helens, Bishopsgate, London.

"No article can possibly capture the flavour of Canon John Chapman's sharp Australian wit and good humour, but if you want to get the gospel across to the man in the street without using a single 'in' word or cliché, this is the man to listen to!" says Anne Warren in the English Church of England newspaper.

"He is a very colourful character who carries with him a distinct flavour of the Australian outback, scattering rural anecdotes which leave his audience in stitches."

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### R.C. Charismatic Leader Seeks Marriage

CHICAGO (EP) — The Rev. Francis S. MacNutt, O.P., a leading faith healer within the Catholic charismatic renewal movement, is seeking to leave the priesthood to marry. Reports that the 54-year-old Dominican priest, who has conducted healing services all over the world, took preliminary steps to leave were confirmed by Peter Foote, spokesman for the Chicago Catholic Archdiocese.

A native of St. Louis, the Rev. F. MacNutt was ordained a Dominican in 1956 and taught at a seminary in Dubuque, Iowa. He soon became a leader in the newborn Catholic charismatic movement, and participated in meetings and healing services throughout the nation and in South America, Europe, Africa and the Far East. Often he appeared on programs with President Carter's sister, Ruth Stapleton, a faith healing advocate.

He has visited Australia as a speaker at the Temple Trust's National Charismatic Conferences.

### More in myth at stake



"In the debate on the Myth of God Incarnate in England even more is at stake than the person of Jesus Christ. Another key issue shaping the argument is whether man needs to be saved. If man is good he needs a teacher, if he is lost he needs a divine saviour," said Dr. Peter Jensen at the Moore College commencement. Dr. Jensen was giving the address following his return from Oxford where he has studied theology for the past three years. "It seems ironic that in the midst of a century of atrocities theologians can still believe in humanity's fundamental goodness," he told the gathering.

Fifty new full time students entered the college in 1980, and over 100 were attending evening courses, 33 in Western suburb centres.

P. Jensen.

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### "LIKE PETER NEVER LIKE JUDAS"

### Chinese pastor freed after 22 years

A noted Chinese Christian, Wang Ming-dao, has been released from prison in China after twenty-two years.

Mr. Wang is described in a press release issued by the Overseas Missionary Fellowship as "one of the outstanding Evangelical Christian leaders at the time of the Communist takeover in 1949 who was imprisoned for his uncompromising stand for truth."

News has just arrived that Wang Ming-dao was reunited with his family in Shanghai on January 10. Now 80 years old, he is in very poor health, nearly deaf and nearly blind.

He has sent the following message to friends throughout the world who have prayed for him:

"Please tell brothers and sisters all over the world that during the 22 years in prison I have sometimes been like Peter but never like Judas. There have been times of weakness, but from 1974 I have been greatly strengthened just like I was 30 years ago."



Pastor Wang's once crowded church is now permanently locked

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# EDITORIAL

## Upstairs or downstairs Christianity

The suggested alternatives have nothing to do with one's status in life, as the popular T.V. series would have lead us to believe that there were two types in society, with two different ways of living.

Rather it is the challenge of Easter Day reflected in the Epistle which was set under the old Prayer Book, and now is a choice in an Australian Prayer Book. Not only is He risen, but the Christian has also been raised up from death to a resurrected life by reason of the Easter victory. But the emphasis in Colossians 3:1-4 is not simply that we have been raised up, but rather it is on the implications of our resurrection, namely that we are as a result to seek those things which are above where Christ is.

It is really a call to heavenly minded Christianity in an age where it cannot be said that the Christians 'are too heavenly minded'. In fact the opposite tends to be the norm. Why is this so?

It stems firstly from the problem that we are children of our age, programmed to respond to this world with the basic belief that life does consist in the abundance of the things a man possesses. The programming occurs as we look at our friends' possessions, our television and our magazines or daily papers. Here is laid before us not only a vast array of material possessions, but behind them a hidden philosophy that Australian society lives by, and one that we are in danger of continuing since we have become Christians.

This problem also stems from the fact that we are an age that is taken up with ourselves under the guise of a philosophical system called of existentialism. It is our experience, our forgiveness, our safe journey to heaven, and our coping with life in a respectable Christian manner especially in the rough patches that is the hall mark of so much Christianity that passes for the norm. It is all man centred. Australians are becoming increasingly isolated in their own garden of Eden to which they retreat. Christians are also sharing that trend made respectable by the need to get away from it all, which is a form of insulation from other people's needs. Affluence and self-centredness in Christian people are in conflict with the call to heavenly mindedness. There are two reasons why affluent and self-centred Christians find the Easter Day epistle running counter to their goals and life style.

There is a conflict of goals. It is hard to move in two directions at the same time. It is difficult to lay up treasure in heaven when it means that treasure on earth will not be as great as it could be. For example it is easy in affluent Australia to simply put an amount in the plate that by 1970 standards looks generous. The idea of "sacrificial giving" is a term that sounds hollow in the Christian scene today. The cause is gone and so has the cash.

There is a conflict in life-style in our churches and homes. There is a daily battle to fight — not to live for our own causes but to live as if we really believe that on the response to Jesus Christ hangs the issue of eternal life and eternal death. Although we would deny that we are universalists, when it comes to disadvantaging ourselves for the sake of Gospel we tend to act as if we believed all will be let in.

It will be difficult to be moved with compassion for Australia or individual Australians because they are sheep without a shepherd if we are simply taken up with a Christianity that is a comprehensive insurance policy against all risks in this world and the next.

Easter will soon be here. We like to think that Easter day is all the year around, and that is true. So also is the call to upstairs Christianity. Are we basement people, or the upstairs variety.



The second annual presentation of music and drama at Warragamba Dam to celebrate Easter will be held on Saturday March 29.

The presentation, organised by the Nepean District Music Club, will feature selected items by outstanding soloists and a dramatic re-enactment of the passion and crucifixion of Jesus Christ.

A choir of 100 voices, comprised of members of the Nepean, Goulburn and Bathurst Choral Societies, will head the performance.

Soloists will include soprano, Barbara Brangwin, contralto, Katherine Capewell and her husband David, a baritone.

David, an A.B.C. newsreader, will also narrate the programme.

Last year's performance was acclaimed by prominent artists and religious leaders as artistic and spiritually rewarding and organisers are this year expecting more than three thousand people to attend.

Admission to the evening is free but donations will be invited. All proceeds will aid the Salvation Army, The Bible Society and the Royal Blind Society.

Barbecue and picnic facilities will be available.

The programme begins at 7 p.m.

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# MAINLY ABOUT PEOPLE

## SYDNEY

John Lampier Bales, Curate, St. Thomas', North Sydney.

Philip Albert Bassett, Curate, St. Peter's, Hornsby.

Ralph Gordon Bowles, Curate, St. Clement's, Lalor Park.

Neville Walter Cooper, Curate, Christ Church, St. Ives.

Norman Leslie Fagg, Curate, St. Andrew's, Sans Souci.

Mark Harding, Curate, St. Stephen's, Port Kembla.

Ronald Raymond Johnson, Curate, St. Michael's, Flinders Street.

Simon Lorimer Manchester, Curate, St. Michael's, Woollongong.

John Lawrence Menear, Curate, St. Philip's, Caringbah.

Alan Ronald Parker, Curate, St. James, Mt. Druitt.

Barry Harold Parkins, Curate, St. Faith's, Narrabeen.

John Leonard Steele, Curate, St. Stephen's, Penrith.

Graeme Charles Toovey, Curate, Christ Church, Gladesville.

Rev. J. E. Lance has resigned as Rector of Riverwood to become Rector of Brighton-le-Sands.

## NEWCASTLE Ordinations

Rev. James Bromley, Merewether and chaplain to the University.

Rev. George Mainprize, industrial chaplain at the Water Board and assist in the parish of Raymond Terrace.

Rev. Ed. Denyer, to work amongst aged people, Gosford.

Rev. Stephen Pickard, in parish of Singleton.

Rev. John Tonkin, parish of Wallsend.

Rev. Ian Copland, Charlestown.

Rev. Ian Clark, Cessnock.

Rev. Lindsay McLaughlin, the parish of Cardiff.

Rt. Revd. William Hardie died 31st January, 1980. Bishop Hardie had been Bishop of Ballarat 1961-1975 and before that, Dean of Newcastle since 1950.

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## The church paper that became the local newspaper



Eight years ago, Rev. Barry Rainsford, Bush Church Aid Missioner in Coober Pedy, commenced Opal Chips (the paper's name was chosen by Barry, who said the paper contains small pieces of precious material). Opal Chips was to be a link between minister and people in the vast area of South Australia (800,000 square miles) which made up the Mission District of Coober Pedy. The early issues of Opal Chips had the usual church news and articles of interest, and was appreciated by all who received it.

### IN PLAIN ENGLISH From page 1

"They are standing against the walls — it is very impressive," Mr. Chapman wrote last week.

Canon Chapman is director of Sydney diocese's Department of Evangelism. He is in London on a teaching mission until late May.

His four February addresses were entitled "The Unique Man". These are now being followed by a series on "The Mighty Power of God" given by the rector, the Rev. Dick Lucas. Mr. Lucas is dealing with the conversion of Saul of Tarsus.

A 3-day evangelistic campaign by Mr. Chapman is being planned for April.

In addition to the Tuesday meetings, Mr. Chapman has been preaching on Sundays, and conducting houseparties at Fairmile Court in Surrey. He has also been travelling to the Southampton School

of Christian Studies and teaching at the School of Evangelism in St. Andrew's, London, leading clergy conferences and dialogue evangelism meetings in private homes and giving talks on doctrine at St. Helen's.

His April program includes a mission at Harlow in Essex, the Evangelical Alliance Conference and a Holiday Bible Conference at Keswick.

### DREWS REMOVALS

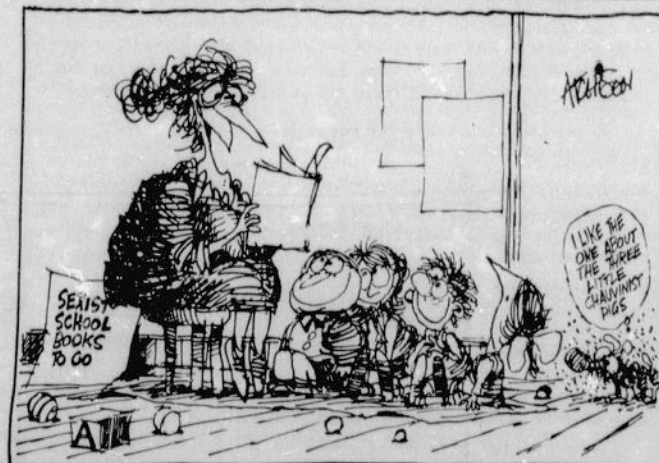
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Members of St. Edmunds, Pagewood — June Bassett, Rev. Trevor Griffiths and Ron Witham, presenting a new typewriter to the Bush Church Aid Missioner at Coober Pedy, Rev. Kerry Medway.

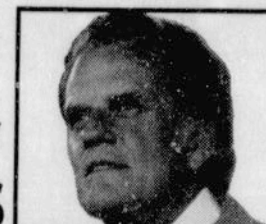
Two years ago Opal Chips adopted a new format. Coober Pedy an opal mining community in the centre of Australia, with about 5000 people, was without a town newspaper, and there was a need for some community link-up besides gossip and the local school newsletter. Members of the Catacomb Church, saw the potential for an evangelistic outreach through their church's paper. Today, Opal Chips, features community articles with headlines such as "Opal Miners Poisoned", and "Pitjantjatjara Land Rights Pilgrimage", as well as Christian feature articles and church happenings. Local business people advertise, and the paper is distributed free from Coober Pedy's supermarkets and tourist shops, and several hundred copies are forwarded to the aboriginal reserves and cattle stations in the area.

The paper has met a communities need, but primarily a larger audience than is found in the Church. It has had an opportunity to hear about the Lord Jesus Christ.

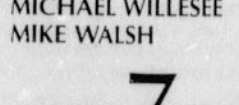
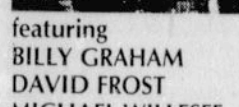
As a result of Opal Chips, a number of families have ventured along to the Catacomb Church, and there found Christ, and are actively engaged in serving Him, here, or wherever they have moved to since. One European opal miner, from a Communist country, said that he had never known about Jesus, until he read about Him in Opal Chips. A jackaroo from a lonely cattle station wrote, "I enjoy receiving Opal Chips, it helps me to feel part of a big family of Christians, and I look forward to learning more about God and His Way through your paper."

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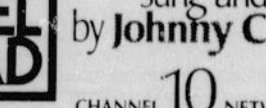
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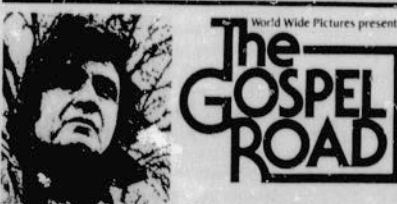
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## 100 years ago — Extracts from Church Record 1880

### BISHOP RYLE AT THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE CHURCH MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Bishop Ryle, after thanking the meeting for its kind reception of him, and bespeaking their prayers, went on to observe — "I have often said, and I never felt the truth of it more than now, that in these days an English Bishop occupies a most difficult position. He has so many knots to untie and perhaps to cut as would, in the words of Dean Alford, 'drive a man mad to think on!' (Laughter.) I hope, therefore, you will all give me your prayers that I may be enabled to do my duty as a Protestant and Evangelical Bishop. (Loud cheers.) I have tried to 'hold the fort' for Christ during the past thirty-five years in the comparative seclusion of Suffolk, and I hope by the grace of God to hold the same fort in the great city of Liverpool. (Cheers.) I am glad that my first public act since I was nominated to this new bishopric is to come forward on the platform of the Church Missionary Society — (loud cheers) — to declare my unabated confidence in this great institution, which I have written for, striven for, preached for, and spoken for on many platforms; and I never felt less ashamed of it than at the present day, I am not ashamed of its origin. There has been put forward a notion that a mission should be headed by a Bishop and his presbyters, and all the retinue attending them; but I have never held that doctrine. We do not read in the Acts of the Apostles that the first missionaries were sent out by Peter and James and John from Jerusalem, but by certain prophets and teachers at Antioch of whom little is known; and so this society did not originate at Lambeth Palace or in Convocation — for Convocation was then sound asleep — (cheers) — but with a few prophets and teachers such as Wilberforce, Scott, Cecil, and Venn. (Cheers.) I am not ashamed of the principles on which it has acted for the past eighty years. Some societies have altered their colours, some have lowered theirs; but ours have always been that of a Protestant and Evangelical society. (Cheers.) Our principles are not those of a party, but those of the Church of

England; those of Cranmer, Ridley, and Latimer, who laid the foundations of our church, and cemented them with their blood. (Cheers.) This is a downright genuine Church of England society. (Cheers.) We are found fault with for not being a church society, and not paying enough attention to the Bishops, and so forth; and a good deal has been said of the great island of Ceylon, and the Bishop of Colombo. (A laugh.) That is now a buried controversy, and one which I hope will never be dug up again; but I challenge any one to show that the society has not given a loyal obedience to every lawful command of the Bishops. There will always be difficulties — the devil is not dead. There is even now a rock ahead in the appointment of a Roman Catholic as the new Viceroy of India. (Cheers.) I hope in that matter, as in all others, the committee will act with the wisdom, faithfulness, and decision which have hitherto enabled them to steer the ship of the society safely through all difficulties. We should, indeed, fear for the safety of the ark of God if anything went wrong in Salisbury-square. (Cheers.) I have no faith in schemes for fusing all missionary societies into one — it cannot be done. (Cheers.) Let this society stand on its own ground, and not listen to the siren voice of those who plead for an apparent peace and talk of all societies having the same object. They, no doubt, have the same object; but I trust this society will never join with any other." (Cheers.)

### NATIVES OF CENTRAL AFRICA IN LONDON

A party of eight Africans has just arrived in London, in company with two missionaries of the Church Missionary Society, from Central Africa, the district through which Stanley recently carried his explorations. The party is composed of six men and two boys, one quite young, all of whom show considerable intelligence. They bring presents for the Queen, and are desirous of promoting commercial relations between Europe and the regions of Africa from which they have come. — *Christian*, April 29th.

## Fear Christian influence during Olympics

Letters and other communications received by the California-based Evangelism to Communist Lands organization indicate the Soviet government is taking steps to prevent Russian Christians from contacting Westerners during the July 1980 Olympic Games, if they are held in Moscow. These steps include the arrest of Christians and human-rights activists in Moscow and surrounding areas. The Soviets have also made plans to isolate Soviet youth from Western influence at the Olympics.

The founder of Evangelism to Communist Lands, Haralan Popov, spent 13 years of his life in Bulgarian prisons because of his faith. Mr. Popov is concerned for the safety of Russian Christians during the games. "Unless people in the free world register their abhorrence of Soviet religious persecution, the Olympic Games will bring great suffering to many Russian Christians."

## Abu Bakar

The name Abu Bakar is a very important title in Islam. The title of the Reverend Abu Bakar is a very unlikely eventuality. However, there is a Christian preacher by that name in the South Celebes of Indonesia.

Abu Bakar is a former Muslim who became a Christian in 1965 through observing Christian witness in action. "I saw how much the Christians in my village paid attention to people like the poor, the sick, the disabled," he said.

The Distribution Consultant for the United Bible Societies' Asia Pacific Region, Mr. Maurice Harvey, reports that the Reverend Abu Bakar is translating the Bible into his native language of Makassar. He has recently completed translating the Scripture portion "The Man You Can't Ignore" (The Life of Christ) and is transcribing it by hand in the old Makassar script.

The Reverend Abu Bakar plans to finish translating the rest of the New Testament in about twelve months. "I want to give something important to my people," he said, "and the best thing to give them is the Scriptures in a translation that they can understand."

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A competitive examination for two OPEN SCHOLARSHIPS will be held on Saturday 21st June, 1980. The scholarships are tenable for six years and open to girls under 13 years of age on November 30th, proximo. Entries close on Thursday 1st May, 1980. Conditions and form of entry will be supplied on application.

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## Deepest crisis for Church... Klaas Runia

Klaas Runia comments on the "far-reaching" decision of the Synod of the Reformed Churches in the Netherlands (GKN) that homosexuals are to be accepted unconditionally as full members of the church. "The deepest crisis of the church and theology today concerns the way in which we in our theology deal with the Bible and biblical questions."

"The Synod viewed the matter from the perspective of the homosexual or lesbian person, saw his or her evident needs and followed a pragmatic approach.

The root problem is that Synod failed to make clear that its decision is the Scriptural way."

Dr. Runia sees four aspects in the issue: acceptance of the homosexual person, acknowledgment of the homosexual relationship, the Christian freedom according to which each person is ultimately responsible for his or her own life style, and the need to view the homosexual as little as possible as a special category.

"The weakness of this view is that the Bible always condemns homosexual behaviour. Synod ignored this testimony and took its decision on the basis of a number of "evangelical perspectives". Scriptural givens have been overlooked. Synod in effect opted for "situation ethics" with its emphasis on acceptance in love. "Yet isn't the law the regulative framework for love?"

"A number of consequences which this decision may entail. Many church members and consistories will for the sake of conscience find it impossible to accept the homosexual behaviour of some of their fellow Christians.

## 3714 in Bible Schools

Despite the upheaval created by revolution, SIM-related Word of Life churches in Ethiopia report 65 Bible schools in operation in January, with 3714 men and women enrolled. The schools are staffed and run entirely by the churches.

"We used to think that if an average of one student per congregation was in Bible school, the theological training program was progressing well," SIM's Brian Fargher observed. "This year, one area with approximately 285 congregations has 1200 students in its 21 Bible training schools."

Training is given at the grass roots level, with none of the teachers or students separated either from his land or local church community. Students live, learn, and serve in their local communities. After graduation, they continue serving in their local churches, or take up special assignments from the District Church Council.

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In one church district where SIM formerly operated one Bible school, the churches now have two functioning, one of which has four teachers and more than 100 students. They plan to open a third school when conditions permit.

There are no expatriate teachers. Total responsibility of organization, teaching, and financing is in the hands of the churches. SIM's publishing centre in Addis Ababa, in spite of current production problems, has been able to produce text books and some teaching aids for the schools.

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## Pleads Romanyuk transfer to warmer climate

\* Fr. Vasili Romanyuk, the Ukrainian Orthodox priest, is suffering from the extremely cold climate in his place of exile, the settlement (Poselok) Sangar, in Yakutia. After seven years imprisonment, Fr. Romanyuk suffers from a severe form of haemorrhoids, rheumatism, high blood pressure, and a heart ailment. He is petitioning for his place of exile to be changed to a warmer climate. This information has reached Keston College from a Samizdat source, but is not signed or dated.

Sangar, situated on the banks of the Lena River about 240 km (150 miles) north-west of Yakutsk, at 64 degrees latitude, is outside the Arctic Circle. However, the climate in this part of Siberia is extremely cold and inhospitable. Yakutia is one of the areas which the Soviet government is

trying to develop, for its valuable natural resources, but it is finding it very difficult to attract workers because of the climate, despite the fact that salaries there are far higher than the national average.

## Anti-Soviet Agitation

Fr. Gleb Yakunin, the Russian Orthodox Priest and Religious Rights leader arrested in Moscow last week, has formally been charged with 'Anti-Soviet agitation and propaganda' (Article 70 of the RSFSR Criminal Code) according to a report reaching Keston College last Wednesday. If convicted Fr. Yakunin thus faces a maximum sentence of 7 years 'deprivation of freedom' followed by 5 years exile. The charges stem from Fr. Yakunin's activities as leader of the 'Christian Committee for the Defence of Believers' Rights in the USSR', a group which has been gathering and circulating information on infringements of religious liberty in the Soviet Union.

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# WHAT A WORLD

## The Other Side of the Wall

If ever there was a "what a world" situation, the existence of the Berlin Wall is one — this means by which the favoured citizens of a socialist state are dissuaded under pain of death, from seeking greener pastures beyond. If communism were able to deliver the goods, how could they possibly want to leave?



I often wonder by what techniques of doublethink communist authorities justify their rigid clamps on freedom of emigration. I wrote last issue about the lengths to which some Russian Christians were prepared to go in search of a way out of the Soviet Union; we know too of the sufferings of Jews longing to emigrate to Israel, and of political dissidents speaking out at great cost. Through extraordinary circumstances, Alexander Solzhenitsyn is free in exile, but scientist Sakharov and his wife, despite Western protests, have been beaten and confined in the closed city of Gorky.

I recently interviewed the Reverend Keith Bricknell, Queensland Secretary of the Bible Society, who had visited East Germany in order to see at first hand the work of the Bible Society in that country.

Like all visitors to Berlin, he was struck by the inescapable reality of the Wall, with its floodlit, mined and guarded no-man's land cutting starkly through the city. Of course it keeps all but the most courageous or reckless of East Germans penned in their Communist "paradise", but Checkpoint Charlie is open to a steady stream of visitors from the West, so long as they bring valued West German currency.

Mr. Bricknell's escort and interpreter throughout his visit was Mr. Eckhardt, secretary of the Bible Society of the German Democratic Republic, a man with whom he formed a strong bond of Christian friendship.

I asked Mr. Bricknell how much restriction there was on the work and witness of Christians in East Germany. Less than he expected, apparently. He received the impression that the closeness to the West and the freer flow of ideas contributes to their having somewhat more freedom than, say, Russian or Rumanian Christians.

Nevertheless, he said, "I became aware that Christian leaders at least were second-class citizens. Although I was most interested in it all and enjoyed the visit, I was grateful to be back in the West."

Evangelistic outreach is possible, and may take unusual forms. He

visited an ecumenical gathering in Cottbus organised by young Roman Catholic musicians who presented a "Musical Vesper", a programme of high quality chamber music as a means of attracting an audience and presenting the gospel. He was assured that on other occasions 'pop' music was also used!

There is a strong movement known as Kirchentage, gathering Christians together for large conventions for fellowship, teaching and evangelism. At one in Leipzig, 1400 were resident, and over 60,000 met for a final rally. Yet the recognised churches are, as always in Germany since the Reformation, in a tight church-State relationship, which has survived both Hitler's regime and the communists. Pastors are still paid by the State out of a church tax. The churches have outlined their stand as "Christians in a socialist society".

### The Bible in the G.D.R.

The Bible Society is allowed to publish 69.5 tonnes of Scripture each year — no more. These are produced on State presses, on paper supplied by the United Bible Societies, and with some restrictions. All titles have to be approved a year in advance. Youth materials are not allowed — the education system belongs to the State; "comic book" Scriptures are banned, as comics are decadent! However there is some hope that the Ezi Reader series, originally designed for the newly literate or intellectually handicapped, but often acceptable to children, may be allowed.

### TRANSLATION PITFALLS

Even the text of Scripture is subject to restriction. Certain words are unacceptable; one is the word for leader — 'fuhrer', nor can one use the particular German word that describes the Berlin dividing wall. So the translators of the new common language New Testament (Die Gute Nachricht) had to be wary with such phrases as "Christ our leader" and "Christ has broken down the middle wall of partition between us".

Nevertheless, over 400,000 units of Scripture were printed in 1978, including 44,000 Bibles, mostly the 16th century Luther Bible, and 108,000 modern N.T.s. They are distributed as fast as they can be produced, through churches, private bookshops, and recently, even State-owned bookshops which have begun to stock Bibles rather than have to re-order them constantly at customers' request. The demand greatly exceeds the supply. The numbers might seem healthy, but should be compared with those for N.S.W. which distributes far more Scriptures per year than are available for East Germany's 16 million people.

Clearly though, there are many who, in Christ, are free behind the Wall, and are setting others free also. We can pray for them.

LESLEY HICKS

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## Ingredients for Successful Family Life

What would you list as the essential features for successful family living? And, how would your own family compare? Would all your family members agree about the list and the comparison?

Two American family counsellors asked 310 family clinicians to provide their impressions of the kind of family which functions satisfactorily (Fisher, B.L. and Sprenkle, D.H. "Therapists' perceptions of healthy family functioning". *International Journal of Family Counseling*, 1978, 6, 9-18). From the data the following picture emerged in which three general features were mentioned significantly often.

(1) *Family members can sense that they are valued, able to be supported and safe within their family.* This means that each member of the family receives respect from, and gives respect to, the other members. If you live in a family like this you know that the other members see your worth and care enough for you to support you when you need help. This kind of family provides security and is in complete contrast to the family which makes you feel like a worthless nuisance and which destroys confidence and pulls out the supports when you most need them.

(2) *Family members are able to express themselves openly and without fear of any insensitive and inappropriate forms of judgment, or fear of being ignored.* If your family values and respects you, it should follow that you have the right and opportunity to express a point of view or to participate in family decision-making without being afraid that you'll simply be squashed or completely ignored. You should be able to expect that other family members will listen and will attempt to understand your point of view. They may not necessarily agree, but at least you know you'll get a hearing and you are ready to return the attention. You'll be prepared to allow them to express their point of view and be ready to respect and to understand it.

(3) *Family members are able to negotiate openly with one another in order to change routines and attitudes when necessary.* Just as the second feature followed from the first, so the third follows from both of them. If you value a person and

listen to them you'll be better placed to cope with change. Families must be dynamic — not remaining rigidly fixed into old routines, but able to be flexible in the face of changing demands. The mere fact that children grow older points to the need for flexibility. Family routines which were successful when the children were infants will not be adequate during childhood or adolescence.

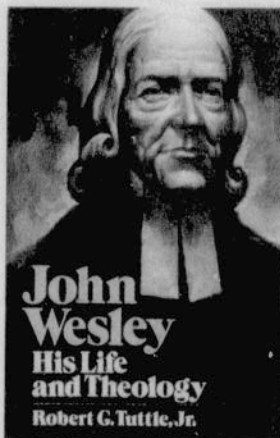
All too often change occurs only after a crisis, when stored-up resentment and frustration suddenly explodes into behaviour which can be no longer ignored or go unnoticed. It is far better to allow changes to occur slowly and smoothly without the damaging effects of angry arguments. This can only happen when all family members realise that they are of value, have the right to express their feelings and their point of view, and are able to negotiate together to find family routines which take account of all members' feelings. This is not a simple task, but the family which contains all three of these ingredients is well equipped to cope and more able to handle necessary compromises.

All three of these general features should apply to Christian families, but from a Christian point of view we would almost certainly want to add to the list. The essential ingredient for Christian families is a basic attitude in which family members acknowledge the sovereignty of God in their lives and seek to work together to live in a fashion which honours God. If we honour God in our relationships it should automatically follow that we value and support one another, that freedom of expression and attention to one another's points of view becomes possible, and that negotiation between family members and flexibility in the face of new needs, demands and situations will take place.

Failure in our family relationships can often stem from our failure to actively seek to honour God in our relationships. Instead we tend to honour ourselves, but to honour ourselves in relationships is a contradiction. Selfishness can only be expressed and satisfied at some cost to others.

DR. ALAN CRADDOCK

## BOOK REVIEWS



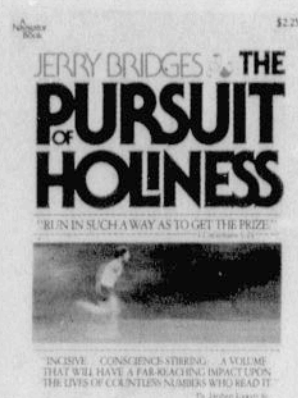
### John Wesley, His Life and Theology

R. G. Tuttle, Paternoster, 6.50 U.K. 369 pp

Dr. Tuttle's approach is unusual. Much of his book is taken up with an account of Wesley's life and thought written in the first person, as though by Wesley himself. For this, the author makes extensive use of Wesley's journals, tracts, sermons, and letters. At various stages he offers his own analysis of Wesley's theology as it developed. The result is an interesting work, and one that offers much food for thought.

Tuttle's doctoral work at Bristol University concerned Wesley's relation to mysticism, and this subject is well canvassed; so, too, is the question of Christian perfection and holiness. In both areas the doctrine of justification by faith was a central issue, and Tuttle traces the various stages of Wesley's attitude to this subject. Wesley's preconversion experience shows the great necessity of teaching faith in Christ as the first principle of sanctification as well as justification. This is a theme which remains of considerable significance today, since there is a danger of the neglect of justification, and so of scriptural holiness in our churches.

Peter Jensen



### "Pursuit of Holiness"

by Jerry Bridges  
Navpress, 1978  
158 pp. Price: \$3.00

Before I came to the last chapter I had already purchased half-a-dozen copies of this book for distribution.

Jerry Bridges shows the fruit of his self-confessed love for the Puritans. He quotes extensively from John Owen, J. C. Ryle and Martyn Lloyd-Jones to bring us a punchy, practical, easily understood case for personal holiness.

Despite a defective Biblical theology which does not do justice to the Old Testament, the author succeeds in his aim of urging the reader to diligence and effort in the lifelong task of "pursuing holiness".

A tragedy of modern evangelicalism is that in casting off the shackles of the old legalistic pietism, it has lost much of personal piety in the process.

This book should do much to redress the imbalance. There is a companion study guide for personal or group use.

Whether one reads the book is a personal choice. There is no choice for the believers in his attitude to the subject, for "without holiness, no man shall see the Lord" (Hebrews 12:14).

Donald Howard

### The Writings of John Bradford



### The Writing of John Bradford (edited for the Parker Society and reprinted by the Banner of Truth Trust in two volumes).

John Bradford is perhaps most widely remembered for his striking remark when he caught sight of a criminal on his way to the gallows: "There, but for the grace of God, go I". He was himself to die an even more terrible death, but for a noble cause. On July 1st, 1555 when no more than forty-five years old, "that holy man, Mr. Bradford", the friend and disciple of "old Hugh Latimer", the pupil of Martin Bucer, Ridley's Chaplain, Whitgift's tutor, was burned to death at the stake at Smithfield.

Bradford entered the Inner Temple to study Common Law before his conversion in 1547 or 1548; then, as his friend Thomas Sampson was to recall, "he changed not only the course of his former life, ... but even his former study". He went up to Cambridge and became a Fellow of Pembroke Hall where Ridley grew to love him as if he were his son. He was ordained in 1550 and was appointed one of six Chaplains in Ordinary to Edward VI in 1551. As such, he was sent to itinerate in Lancashire and Cheshire, and for some three years he proclaimed the Gospel in many parts of England.

He was an acknowledged master in the art of preaching; a preacher

M.L.L.



## Males are the Disadvantaged Sex

"According to every index by which disadvantage is normally measured — life expectancy, infant mortality, incidence of alcoholism and other drug addiction, criminality, proneness to accidents or death by murder, suicide, etc., and educational failure — males are the disadvantaged sex!" said Mrs. Babbette Francis.

In her address "Brave New World — the Unisex Society", given at the conference "Women for the Family and Society" held at Macquarie University on March 8th and 9th, "Only in dominance, in seeking and holding high-status roles in society, are males ahead; by and large women still won't sacrifice their families for such status, being basically too sensible to do so," she claimed.

Mrs. Babbette Francis, Anglo-Indian by race, a mother of eight children, is a somewhat isolated member of the Victorian Committee for Equal Opportunity in Schools. Overwhelmingly, that committee, like similar bodies in other states, is campaigning to eliminate so-called sexism from schools.

But Mrs. Francis, a founding member in Australia of Women Who Want to be Women, wrote a minority report in which she disagreed that women are a disadvantaged group in Australian society.

The conference was opened by Senator Shirley Walters of Tasmania,

who spoke warmly in support of its aims. Over 240 local, country and interstate delegates, most representing churches and women's groups, attended.

Delegates voted on 22 resolutions, many with amendments, dealing with such subjects as the family unit, secular humanist teaching in schools, the funding of women's refuges and rape centres, maternity leave, abortion, the nature of marriage, tax relief for single-income families, amending the Family Law Act, and the rejection of the theory of "non-sexism". It is hoped that as many as possible concerned women will be able to obtain copies of these resolutions in order to endorse all that they agree with, so that the Federal Government may hear the voice of Christian women. It will not be unanimous on every issue, but the general call should come through loud and clear. (For copies, write to Women for the Family and Society, C/- P.O. Box A87, Sydney South 2000, enclosing stamped addressed envelope.)

Lesley Hicks

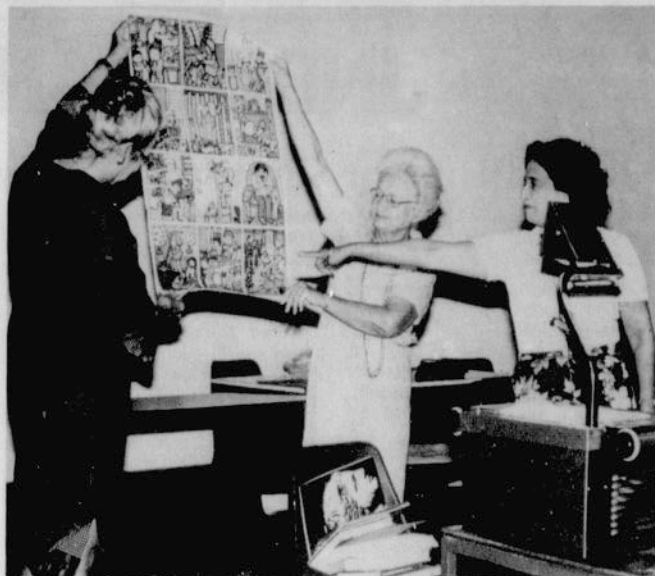


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Mrs. Babbette Francis pointing out a 'counter sexist' poster produced for and sent to most primary schools in Australia. The National Safety Council objected to the poster showing a woman mowing the lawn in close proximity to children, and a mother climbing a ladder wearing backless clogs. The council complained that vast sums of money were spent on safety education. The Women's Movement Children Literature company produced this poster funded by the Schools Commission which teaches reversal of roles, even to the father bottle feeding. She is showing the poster to Dr. Clair Isbister and Mrs. Irene Young at the conference.

## Latin American evangelical here

South American evangelical leader and thinker Dr. Rene Padilla will be in Sydney over the Easter weekend, 4th-7th April, 1980.

He will give four major public addresses at an Easter Convention to be held at St. Stephen's Church of England, Newtown. The convention is entitled "The Cross in Context — Easter and the Christian Mission". These will be Dr. Padilla's only meetings in Sydney during a three week Australia visit sponsored by the AFES, S.U. and the Zadok Centre.

Dr. Padilla is noted as one of the key formative thinkers on the role of the Christian Church in Society (especially in the volatile politics of Latin America) and on Christian Missions. He is editor of "The New Face of Evangelicalism" and director of the Fellowship of Evangelical Students' Latin American publishing house "Ediciones Certeza".

Trained in philosophy and theology, Dr. Padilla took his doctorate at Manchester under Professor F. F. Bruce. He is chairman of the SU Council of Argentina and is prominent in the international activities of IFES and SU. He won the respect of an even broader spectrum of Christians around the world for his valuable contributions to the 1974 Lausanne Congress.

## New Mission's Head



## Care Force Home for Asian Refugee Children

Care Force opened a home for refugee children at Condell Park in mid-February.

Over the past two years, staff of the Care Force new settlers team has been supporting refugee children in the Western Suburbs.

Several of these children were separated from their parents in Indo-China.

The home will cater for five children, aged 13-18 years, who will be looked after by houseparents, Mark and Jenny Walker.



The two boys help Jenny to unload the groceries.

The Reverend Owen Dykes has been appointed Senior Chaplain designate of The Missions to Seamen, Sydney, and The Missions to Seamen N.S.W. from 1 March, 1980.

Later in the year the Reverend Colin Craven-Sands will retire after more than 27 years as Senior Chaplain.

Owen Dykes was lately Dean of Bathurst Cathedral and formerly the rector of Turramurra Diocese of Sydney.

There will be an official welcome to Mr. and Mrs. Dykes and their family at the annual general meeting of The Missions to Seamen on Sunday 13 April, 1980, at 3 p.m. in Flying Angel House, 11 Macquarie Place, Sydney.

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## CARRIED CARDBOARD BEATITUDES



When 77-year-old Kem Bopha Kapom fled Cambodia, he had to travel light and was unable to bring his Bible with him. To partially make up for his loss, he asked someone to letter the Beatitudes on cardboard in the Khmer language. He reads them daily in World Vision's hospital ward at Khao I Dang refugee camp in Thailand.

Still vigorous in his faith, Mr. Kem said he became a Christian in 1939 when a missionary visited his hometown of Battambang. He is the only survivor of 25 family members, 12 of whom were killed when the Khmer Rouge captured his country in 1975. Three more died during the Vietnamese invasion early in 1979 and the other nine were lost during the escape attempt into Thailand.

Asked how he managed to survive, the old patriarch said: "God helped me have strength to keep going each day. Although I have no one left, I know I will see my family in heaven."



## Positive Power Man

Dr. Norman Vincent Peale, best known as the author of "The Power of Positive Thinking" is coming to Australia for two weeks from April 9 with "his gospel" that challenges us to 'change negative attitudes, stop complaining and criticising and believe in ourselves and our abilities. His promoters encourage people to go and hear Dr. Peale for a fee of \$17.50 because 'this dynamic human being believes that each one of us has untapped potential for happiness and success. And he challenges each one of us to seek out our inner resources. To find our own deep happiness. To make better choices. To project more genuinely and more positively.



The new Archbishop of Canterbury, the Most Rev. Robert Runcie, greets the Roman Catholic Cardinal Basil Hume of Westminster, with a handclasp, after the new Archbishop's enthronement in Canterbury Cathedral. Among the churchmen looking on is American evangelist Dr. Billy Graham. Cardinal Hume, who read the Epistle, is the first Roman Catholic to have taken part in the service since the reformation. AAP.

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## Lady Day enthronement of Arch. of Canterbury

March 27, the Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary, commonly called "Lady Day" was chosen by the Most Reverend Robert Runcie for his enthronement as Archbishop of Canterbury.

In addition to the Primates of the Anglican Church, members of the diplomatic corps and church leaders, a personal representative of the Pope attended as well as Dr. Billy Graham. Cardinal Hume, Archbishop of Westminster read the Epistle, and in the prayers Dame Betty Ridley prayed for the Archbishop of Canterbury and the members of the Anglican Communion, Pope John Paul and his church, and 'for those who hold office in the churches of the Reformation'.

The Archbishop was applauded by the congregation of 3,000 when he was enthroned in Augustine's Chair. In his sermon, the Archbishop who spoke of the theme of authority noted that the church has often tried short cuts to authority, enforcing respect and obedience by worldly methods and so obscuring the face of God. He warned against 'salesmanship' which 'may seem a sensible strategy for securing the church's prosperity and survival as an institution. The temptation to gain the church's ends by using the world's means is still with us. We are tempted to organise ourselves like any other party or pressure group. The church like any other institution can in making its bid for power, act like any other institution.

The Archbishop of Sydney as the Primate of Australia attended the enthronement.

A group of the Forest Players performing at the Eureka Swapaid of the Youth Department of the Diocese of Sydney. They told seminar groups in various centres through their drama that pleasure and its pursuit needs money that is what Australian society seeks. They also performed at the Muster which was attended by 600 young people, at which 'Presence' a Christian band performed.

The Reverend David Boan of Charlton, Melbourne spoke on the theme of the Christian's Warfare, and the Reverend Bruce Winter of Moore College on the theme of the Playboy and the alternative Jesus present.

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