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THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE

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## PARTNERSHIP IN TRAINING

*The writer of this article, the Rev. W. J. Lawton has the responsibility of the oversight of the pastoral training of the students at Moore College.*

A quiet knock on the door introduced a young man who had just entered College for theological study. He hopes one day to become a clergyman. Now he is seeking training of a special kind. "How do I go about becoming a Catechist?" — that is usually his first question.

This is a strange new world he has entered. Last week, he was Fellowship leader and Sunday School teacher. There, he had a limited area of authority. Today, he begins theological study, and before the end of the month, hopes to give that study a practical outlet "to test his vocation". He is very serious about it all and understandably so. Part of him is committed to a whole new world of Bible study and Christian doctrine; much of his day is spent struggling with Greek verbs and Hebrew nouns. It is a stimulating world, with its own strange attractions and pitfalls. But there is another part of him that needs training in practical ministry.

From the outset of his training, last year's Fellowship leader and Sunday School teacher is to be in a Parish as a Catechist. As he progresses, people will expect him to have answers to their questions. They will justifiably look for pastoral qualities — sympathy, concern, hard work, diligent preparation and godliness.

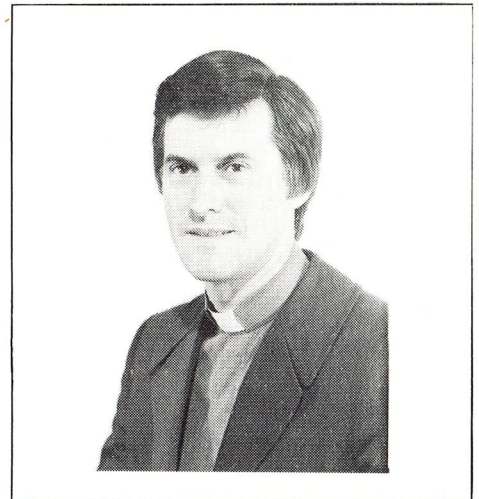
"How do I become a Catechist?" Part of the answer lies in the Parish where he goes to work. The Rector will be a man of broad sympathies, because his new Catechist may not yet have many answers at all. One new sermon a month will be a massive, time-consuming enterprise; parish visiting, a terrifying confrontation; the fellowship group may initially be the place where tediously he works through College lectures. The Rector will need to have vast patience and insight. He has a job **with**

this young man. He will show him **how** the ministry works. His own years of experience will be shared with his Catechist.

The young man from College has the joy of seeing Christian homes where parents and children express a spontaneous faith. They are a witness to him of the truth of Christianity as it is expressed in ordinary people's lives. Here is the best training of all, where godly people see their role helping form the character and personal discipline of a future clergyman.

All this while, the College is not idle. Over the next four years, our new student has much to learn. Not all his week is filled with academic studies. Some part of every week is committed to what we call "Practical and Applied Ministry". There are the courses you would expect to find — discussions on how to conduct services, voice training, personal counselling, and theories of education. Competent teachers from University and secular life share their expertise. But these are all courses you would expect to find; they fit together in a broad integrated unit which for two of these four years goes under the title of "Developing Professional Integrity". Our new student has to learn to relate theology to life.

This year, some new programmes have been commenced. A group of first year students are piloting a course on audio-visuals — overhead projectors, cassettes, movie films, video-tape equipment and photography. Another group is undertaking a small journalistic enterprise. The aim is to prepare a teaching programme for a local church on a small restricted budget.



Course III began this year with a series of experimental sermons all of which led us as a group to question our view of man. We researched contemporary issues such as euthanasia, abortion, fear of death. These were exciting things to do, and we were all stimulated to think more deeply about the relationship between the Gospel and our world.

We also engaged in a Personal Development Course. We looked at ourselves and our relationships; we examined our attitudes to the family; to sexuality; to marriage. We looked at ourselves as well as the ministry that begins to open up beyond training.

The question about being a Catechist is hard to answer. Many hours and many people are going to share that task of training. We have begun a totally new programme but programmes are not enough. Training is for people. Men and women in scores of parishes are an essential component in this work. Patience and dedication are qualities of life the new College student will in some measure learn from you. The clergyman will by his own ministry commend the denomination and help the student see a vision of Christian leadership. "How do I go about becoming a Catechist?" The answer is crucial; it is in the training. You are in partnership with us.



# COLLEGE NOTES

## VACATION JOBS FOR STUDENTS

It is becoming increasingly difficult for students to find vacation employment in our present economic climate. This is particularly so for Moore College students, who unlike most other students, do not have their fees paid by the government or receive any Tertiary Education allowance. The fees, costs of books and living expenses are quite considerable.

The vacation period is from 23rd November to 6th March. If any reader is in a position to offer a vacation job to a student, please ring the College Office at 7 King Street, Newtown, 519 6460.

## RECEIPTS FOR DONATIONS AND LOST MAIL

From time to time, donations sent by mail fail to reach the College. Receipts are sent for all donations in cash; receipts are also always sent for cheques, unless otherwise requested.

Donors who do not receive a receipt in a reasonable time (but please note that May, June, September and October are very busy months) should contact Mrs. Alchin, 519 6460.

## TEACHING CASSETTES

The College produces teaching cassettes, and a list may be obtained by filling in the form on page 4.

Since this Tape Ministry commenced in 1972, 2,270 cassettes have been sold to interested people in all Australian states, as well as Papua New Guinea, and America. Many have expressed their appreciation of blessings received through the tapes.

## COLLEGE DEPUTATIONS AND AUDIO-VISUALS

Rev. John Webb of the Department of Evangelism has accepted the position of College Deputation Secretary. All enquiries should be directed to him at the Department, St. Andrew's House, Sydney Square, George St., Sydney, 2 0642.

Country and interstate clergy are reminded that copies of the Audio-Visuals are also available for them.

The Audio-Visuals — one concerning the Call to the Ministry, the other, Training for the Ministry — have been shown with acceptance and profit in many Dioceses as they deal in general with both these aspects of theological education.

## APRIL APPEAL

The Treasurer and Organising Secretary would like to express their gratitude to the donors and thanks to God for the response to the Appeal for the Maintenance and Repairs Fund. \$11,000 was budgeted for urgent repairs and \$9,600 was received in donations.

## WOMEN'S AUXILIARY NOTES

The Women's Auxiliary continues to encourage prayer for the College. A group meets at **Newtown** at the home of the Rev. Dr. W. J. Dumbrell, 44 Carillon Avenue, at 8 p.m. on the first Wednesday of each month.

Another group meets at **Caringbah**, in the Parish Room, St. Philip's Church, at 2 p.m., on the first Monday of each month. For immediate and relevant information for prayer, contact the Prayer Co-Ordinator, Mrs. Norma Dumbrell, 519 5506.

To assist Library Funds, the Auxiliary is planning a "Book Sale" on the afternoon and evening of Friday, 10th March, and the morning of Saturday, 11th March, 1978 at the College.

Please send **ALL TYPES** of second-hand books to the College Office, 7 King Street, Newtown, or with your Catechist **as soon as possible**. Make room on your shelves — then come with the family and friends to buy more books at the Sale.

Members of the Auxiliary welcome the opportunity to speak at women's groups and screen their Audio-Visual. Arrangements may be made with Mrs. Mary Rowland, 524 3801 or Mrs. Barbara Collins 524 7114.

## ***Come, see for yourself***

### **WHAT HAS BEEN DONE — WHAT NEEDS TO BE DONE**

The Principal and Members of the Staff of Moore College invite you to visit the College,

**SATURDAY, 24th SEPTEMBER  
1.30 p.m.-4.30 p.m.**

See where the students work, worship and live. See displays of various aspects of the work of the College.

Please come to the Dining Hall on the south side of Carillon Avenue, where students will be waiting to show you over the College.

**Ample parking is available in Carillon Avenue**

**Afternoon Tea will be served continuously**

## **THE MOORE COLLEGE WOMEN'S AUXILIARY**

invites you and your friends to  
**LUNCH**

**ST. MARK'S CHURCH HALL,  
Crown Street, West Wollongong  
TUESDAY, 20th SEPTEMBER,  
11.30 a.m.**

Hear Mrs. Mary O'Brien, wife of Moore College Lecturer; testimony from a Student's wife; musical item. View the Audio-Visual.



# EVENING COURSES POPULAR

*The Rev. I. R. Mears reports on the 1977 Evening Courses for Laypeople.*

The College extension work has continued to expand. The evening courses have continued to be popular and drawing near to the end of the second year.

An average of sixty people enrol each semester and attend regularly from one to four different units per week, although most do units on the one night. Those attending four units a week have now finished a general introduction to the Old and New Testaments; a detailed study of Romans, Exodus, Job and Amos; and a study of such doctrines as The Person and Work of Christ and The Church.

They have also studied Church History. One student I spoke to said he found the course very stimulating; another entered College this year for full-time study, after attending last year. This semester, a prospective student asked whether he could listen to the first two lectures before paying for the course. He came out after the first one and promptly paid up! "This one alone was worth coming for," he said.

## PRACTICAL UNITS FOR LEADERSHIP TRAINING

This course was also meant to help church leaders, and two units on Christian work were offered. Next year, a unit on Evangelism, led by the Rev. John Chapman should be a help to parishes in preparation for the coming Graham Crusade.

## MISSIONARY TRAINING TOO

The Church Missionary Society has actively supported this course, and last semester, the Rev. David Hewetson led a study of other religions, particularly for people interested in Missionary Service. Mr. Hewetson approached the course to stimulate people in Sydney who are being increasingly exposed to other faiths.

## EXTENSION WORK BEGINS

The Western Suburbs have been particularly interested but find distance daunting. Negotiations have led to the decision to offer an extension of the course in the area. Two units will be offered each semester commencing 1978. Doctrine and St. John's Gospel will probably be studied.

## CHRISTIAN TEACHER'S COURSE

This course has also been very stimulating. Though small in numbers, the teachers have come regularly and shown a keen interest, critically appraising their work from a Christian perspective. The course looks at theory and practical issues such as the open classroom, Federation and Personal Development.

The fellowship the Christian Teachers enjoyed was particularly enriching.

## THEOLOGICAL EDUCATION BY EXTENSION (T.E.E.)

This year, the Rev. I. Mears went to study T.E.E. at a series of seminars at Tamworth. Miss Pat Harrison, the seminar leader, is attached to the Faculty of Education of the University of New England, and is a theological graduate of Fuller University. She has been involved in T.E.E. work since its inception in Guatemala. Mr. Mears hopes to re-write one of the P.T.C. Units to adapt it for T.E.E. use next year, and run it as an experiment for further development.

## COURSES FOR CHRISTIANS

### CORRESPONDENCE COURSES

Term 1, 1978 commences 6th March.  
Enrolments close 6th February.  
Subject: New Testament I.

### EVENING LECTURES AT THE COLLEGE

1st Semester commences 7th March.  
Subjects: Old Testament, Romans, Doctrine, Basic Teaching Method.

### COURSE FOR CHRISTIAN TEACHERS

1st Semester commences 8th March.

For further information on all the above courses, fill in the form on page 4, or ring the Department of External Studies, 519 6460 (9 a.m.-4.45 p.m.).

## BOOKS ON THE NEW TESTAMENT

As Christians, we all need guidance in selecting books to buy, particularly as there is so much available on the market today.

In 1973, the College staff provided a list of useful commentaries on the Old and New Testaments. These volumes were divided into three categories ranging from the introductory to the technical. Since some worthwhile commentaries have appeared subsequent to the publication of that list, it was decided to draw the attention of readers to those which are regarded as particularly helpful on the New Testament for in-depth Bible Study. These are:

*Mark's Gospel* — W. L. Lane (New International Commentary)

*2 Corinthians* — C. K. Barrett (Black N.T. Comm.)

*Philippians* — R. P. Martin (New Century Bible)

*Colossians & Philemon* — R. P. Martin (New Century Bible)

*1 & 2 Thessalonians* — E. Best (Black N.T. Comm.)

*James* — J. Adamson (New International Comm.)

*Revelation* — G. R. Beasley-Murray (New Century Bible)

Two commentaries that readers may find useful at the introductory level are: Luke's Gospel by L. Morris (Tyndale) and the Epistles of John by F. F. Bruce (Pickering).

These books may be purchased from the College Bookshop, 7 King St., Newtown, phone 51 2225.

## I.M.P.A.C.T. BOOKSHOP

**MOORE COLLEGE  
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## ANNUAL EMBERTIDE APPEAL

\$23,000 is required in 1977 to meet the repayments on our building loans.

For 121 years, Moore College has been training men for the Christian Ministry. In recent years it also has provided training for other avenues of Christian service, and for laypeople in their own parishes.

The College Committee would be sadly neglectful of its responsibilities if it failed to provide the necessary facilities for the present, and to provide for the future.

### DON'T LEAVE IT TO THE FAITHFUL AND COMPARATIVE FEW TO PROVIDE FOR THE NEEDS OF THE COLLEGE

#### *Let all share in this important work*

Please forward your donation to the College  
in the enclosed envelope.

*Donations to the Building Fund are allowable  
deductions for taxation purposes.*

## RETURN FROM TANZANIA

by the Rev. F. Ntiruka

Training for pastors has the highest priority in the Anglican Church in Tanzania. This will continue for a long time because the population is growing rapidly and opportunities for service are increasing.

But the emphasis of training pastors brings another challenge for those engaged in training them. They need to be equipped to train others as well as possible, so that the trainees will be prepared to meet the challenges posed by Africa's changing circumstances. This is why I am back at Moore College.

I came here first as a layman nearly 15 years ago to study for a Th.L. Diploma. I was ordained in 1962, and was immediately given a Parish with a population of 25,000. Three years later, I was called to lecture at St. Philip's Theological College, Kongwa, where I have been ever since. Each week at St. Philip's, I was required to give at least 15 lectures, mainly in Pastoralia and Biblical Theology, using Swahili as a medium of instruction.

The course I did at Moore College in 1961-62 not only laid a foundation for my teaching work, but was also a stimulus for further studies. So in 1967 I began to study towards Th.Schol., which I passed in 1975. Studying in the "Third World" has

many problems. One does not have good facilities, as in Australia, where there are not only good libraries, but experts as well to explain difficult issues.

So, when the College Board of St. Philip's gave me two years to study, I thought that it would be better to do it away from my ordinary work.

Both the Church Missionary Society and Moore College were glad to help me, as a result of which I arrived here to start my two year course on 22nd March. Back at home, in a village far from St. Philip's, I left my wife and three sons.

While I am here, I look forward to spending much more of my time studying than would have been possible had I continued working at St. Philip's.

One of the things I hope to learn is good study methods. I will also be allocated to at least three Parishes for six months, each, to enable me to learn at first hand, about a pastor's work in Australia.

At the end of my course, I will resume my work at St. Philip's. I think that the experience I shall have gained in this country, will give me a new impetus in training pastors in my country. I hope that it will bear fruit in the years to come.

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### PAUSE A MOMENT ...

#### to pray for

- ★ *The Staff* — the Principal, Vice-Principal, and all other members of the teaching staff in their teaching, studies, and pastoral care of the students.
- ★ *The Students* — as they face their annual examinations; and for their work as Catechists in Parishes; for the overseas students; and for those who will be ordained at the beginning of 1978.
- ★ *College Government* — the Trustees and College Committee; the Secretary, Mr. P. Nicholson; the Treasurer, Mr. N. Malone; and the Hon. Organising Secretary, Rev. R. Palmer.
- ★ *College Administration* — the Accountant and Bursar, Miss V. Munnerley, and her office staff; the Matron, Mrs. J. Pitkin and her staff.
- ★ *The Department of External Studies* — for all studying the Correspondence Courses; the Evening Courses; and the Course for Christian Teachers.
- ★ *Finance* — giving thanks for the generous response to the April Appeal; and commending this month's Embertide Appeal.
- ★ *Candidates for the Ministry* — for all considering entering College in 1978; and for the Candidates Committee as they interview applicants in November and February. And praying for an increasing number of men for the work of the Ministry.