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THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE

## NEWS BULLETIN



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*The Principal, the Rev. Dr. D.B. Knox considers . . . .*

# A Theological College's Priorities

The object of a theological college is to assist those whom God is calling to the ministry to equip themselves for that ministry. The aim is that which St. Paul enjoined on Timothy, namely, "to teach those who are able to teach others also" (2Tim.2:2)

In fulfilling this objective the first and primary need is for good theological teachers, that is, spiritually minded men who have the personal gifts and academic training so as to emulate, if possible, the Apostle Paul who conveyed to his hearers "the whole counsel of God". (Acts 20:27)

Because of the wide scope of the theological curriculum and the high level of



attainments that a modern congregation looks for in its minister, a teacher at a theological college, if he is to accomplish these objectives, must be able to spend time deepening his own knowledge of the subject in which he lectures, as well as devoting time to personal counselling and pastoral care of the students. If there are too few teachers on the faculty, it means that they are so over-burdened as not to be able to do their job properly.

Overseas standards (for example, in England, Canada and India) suggest that if a theological curriculum is to be adequately covered so that teachers have time to deepen their own studies as well as time for

personal care of the students, a minimum number for the faculty of a theological college is 11 or 12 full-time teachers. (In the U.S.A. the number is greater.) This number is required because of the breadth of the curriculum and the number of subjects to be taught.

Good teachers will, in turn, draw good students to the College, and send them out as good ministers.

The gathering together and keeping together of a spiritually minded and able body of teachers is the first priority of the governing body of a theological college.

Going very closely in hand with this is the maintenance of the College Library. The Library is firstly an instrument of research and learning for the teaching staff and secondly, through their guidance, of research students (if any) and of the undergraduate students. Overseas colleges are better placed than we are in Australia. They have not only their own resources but also access to libraries of universities and cognate bodies. But this latter is denied the student on the Sydney scene. The universities have the flimsiest of holdings in theological subjects and the public libraries are not much better. Consequently, the teachers and students at Moore College are entirely dependent on the resources of the College Library, which is growing, but not as fast as is needed for the calls made on it.

It need hardly be said that the great objective of a theological college is that students should grow in the knowledge of God in order that they might help others, in due course, to grow in the knowledge of God as well.

To know God is life eternal as our Lord affirmed in His great prayer of John 17, and God is known through His word, so that to minister His word truly in all its depth and meaning is the greatest undertaking to which anyone can be called, and



to assist those who are called to this undertaking is one of the noblest of tasks. It is to this to which the College is devoted and it depends for the fulfillment of this task on the quality of its teachers and the resources which are made available to them.

It will be seen, then, how the College needs and depends on the prayers and help of its supporters for the fulfillment of this objective.

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Commence next month the Moore College

### CORRESPONDENCE COURSE

Subject for Term 2, 1974

CHRISTIAN DOCTRINE

Enrolments close 20th May.  
For further information, ring  
Miss V. Munnerly, 519 6460 (9am-5pm)  
or post the form on page 4.

RING OR WRITE TODAY

Moore College  
Library





Dear Friends,

As Honorary Treasurer of the College, I welcome this opportunity to write to you concerning the College finances.

In May last year, we informed our friends that the College faced a substantial deficit of \$40,000 on its General Account due in large measure to the general inflationary trend of rising costs.

As a result of prayer, economies, deferral of maintenance, the teaching staff cooking weekend meals, and the Special Appeal, the deficiency was reduced by 50% - from \$40,000 to \$20,000.

We have much for which to be thankful to Almighty God in 1973, including a rise of 55% in donations to \$29,700.

Unfortunately the inflationary spiral continues with the result that in 1974 the Committee is facing a deficiency of some \$39,000 in the General Account.

We again appeal to all our friends concerned with the important work of training men for the Ministry, and request that you send your donation in the enclosed envelope to the College.

Gifts marked specifically for the Building Fund are tax deductible, and when applied to maintenance of buildings, contribute towards reducing the general account deficiency.

Thank you for your support in 1973, and we look forward in prayer to its continuance in 1974. God is surely to be praised, and we must continue to pray for all that is essential to fulfill His task of training men for His Ministry that He has committed to us.

Yours very sincerely,  
Neville Malone, Hon. Treasurer.

## PROGRESS IN AUSTRALIANA

The College collection of Australian books which was already an interesting and substantial group was greatly augmented by a bequest of a very fine library of Australian and other books from the late Douglas Tilghman of Berry, N.S.W. This library which is now known as the "Margaretta Mary Woodriff Memorial Library" in honour of Mr. Tilghman's mother, will be a valuable source of research material in Australian religious and social history. As well as books, this collection includes many periodicals, pamphlets and photographs, as well as collections of College and church archives and personal papers.

## MISSIONARY BOOKS

The Librarian is at present endeavouring to build up the collection of books on Missionary topics. The Library has for some time been falling behind in this area.

The Church Missionary Society has generously given the College the duplicate books from its own Library. It is hoped that this example may be followed by people who have books on missionary work which they could donate to the College.

## HOW THE LIBRARY CAN HELP YOU

- ☆ the library is open to the public 9.00am to 5.00pm Monday to Friday.
- ★ Come in and browse, or use the Library books in the Reading Room.
- ☆ Background reading for Christian Teaching, Sunday School work, youth talks, sermons.

## REGIONAL THEOLOGICAL TRAINING

The joint concern of Moore College, Parramatta Regional Council, and the Evangelical Society.

Courses are held at St. Paul's, Wentworthville each week, 8pm - 9.30pm.

Course 1 BIBLICAL THEOLOGY  
by Bishop D.W.B. Robinson, every Wednesday, 22nd May-24th July.

Course 2 EPHESIANS  
by Canon Peter Watson, every Tuesday, 21st May-23rd July.

Course 3 OLD TESTAMENT  
INTRODUCTION

by Rev. D.G. Peterson, every Tuesday, 10th September - 12th November

Course 4 EXODUS  
every Wednesday, 11th September-13th November.

For further details and enrolment forms ring Rev. Brian Johnson, St. Paul's, Wentworthville, 631 8407

★ Research material for History, Bible Study, Theology

☆ Books from the Lending Library may be borrowed by the public.

★ For further information, ring the Librarian, 51 5916.



## SIDNEY GEORGE STEWART

For 37 years, the late Canon S.G. Stewart gave his time and abilities to further the work of Moore College.

As a member of the Committee and as Honorary Treasurer for many years, his sound judgment and knowledge proved of great value, especially on the many occasions when the College faced problems.

When the late Archbishop H.W.K. Mowl arrived in Sydney, he found the College in a serious financial position. He appointed Sidney Stewart as Organising Secretary. At the end of six years, half in full-time, half in a part time capacity, the College was almost out of debt.

After his war service, he resumed the task of Honorary Organising Secretary, and continued this work until 1958. As a result of his energy and drive and a successful Centenary Appeal, the College was able to erect urgently needed buildings and to be in a satisfactory financial position.

But Sidney Stewart was not only concerned about finance. He never ceased to put the claims of the Ministry before young men, and many from his own parishes entered the College.

A true pastor to his own flock, his great desire was that others should enter Moore College to serve Him who is the Shepherd and Bishop of souls.



Keith Cole writes about . . . . .

# NUNGALINYA COLLEGE

the Combined Church Training and Research Centre, Darwin.



*The Reverend Dr. E.K. Cole, M.A., B.D., Th.D., was trained at Moore College and then became a member of the staff from 1945-1950. He served with the Church Missionary Society in Kenya from 1950-1963, for the most part of the time being Principal of St. Paul's United Theological College, Limuru. On his return to Australia in 1964 he was appointed Vice-Principal of Ridley College, Melbourne. Last year, he accepted an appointment as Founding Principal of Nungalinya College.*

Nungalinya College, Darwin, is a new venture being undertaken jointly by the Anglican Church in the Northern Territory and the United Church in North Australia, made up of Congregationalists, Methodists and Presbyterians. The project is under the direction of eight Trustees, four being appointed each from the two constituent bodies. Two of the four Anglican appointees are members of the Church Missionary Society.

## A College for Aborigines

Nungalinya College is a multi-purpose College, aimed initially at Aboriginal ordination and leadership training. As such it is the first College of its kind in North Australia, and is designed to become the first theological college there. While the need for training Aborigines for the ministry is of primary importance, the numbers are necessarily few, as the Aboriginal communities themselves are not numerous and the populations of each not large. The College therefore is also involved in lay-leadership training, and specific training in community development in the various Aboriginal communities.

One important function of the College is research and it is hoped that a good and serviceable theological and general purpose library will be established. We have already about 3,000 volumes, but would be interested to receive more books. If anyone could help us in this way, would he please contact me at P.O. Box 39001, Winnellie, N.T., 5789. Continuing research is also being undertaken in physical and social anthropology, with the long-term aim of a deeper understanding of Aboriginal religion and culture and the communication of the Christian gospel to that culture.

## Staff and Building Programme

As we are in our infancy, the staff of the College is small. As well as the Principal, a Registrar, the Reverend Gowan Armstrong, a Methodist Minister with ten years' experience at a Government Aboriginal Settlement, has been appointed, together with Mrs. Joyce Gullick, the College Secretary. It is anticipated that within the next few years, the staff of the College will increase by several extra staff members.

At the moment the College has no buildings and courses are being undertaken in various places in Darwin. Quite a number of courses are also being taken by staff members travelling into Arnhem Land. Ten acres of land, however, have been acquired in one of the new Darwin northern suburbs, opposite Community College, the multi-purpose Government tertiary institution, and building is to commence later in 1974.

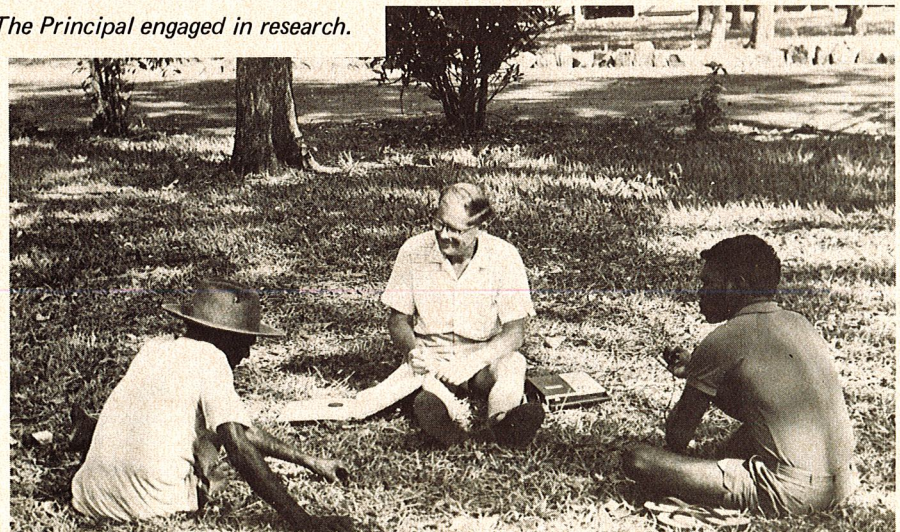


*Rev. Michael Gumbuli of Roper River, the first Anglican Aboriginal of Arnhem Land to be ordained Priest, 4.11.73.*

An Appeal has been launched in order that the necessary finance might be raised, and with capital in hand and promises made, the total stands at just over \$100,000. It is estimated that \$150,000 will be needed for Stage 1 of the building programme which would include two staff houses, accommodation for 24 students, a temporary library and lecture room and dining hall/kitchen facilities.

Donations to the Nungalinya College Darwin Building Fund Appeal are tax deductible, and you are invited to help in this new and exciting work for the advancement of the Aboriginal people of Australia. The address of the College is P.O. Box 39001, Winnellie, N.T. 5789.

## The Principal engaged in research.





# COLLEGE NEWS

## STAFF APPOINTMENTS

The Rev. Peter O'Brien, B.D., Ph.D., has re-joined the staff as Head of the Department of New Testament. From 1964 he served with the Church Missionary Society on the staff of the Union Biblical Seminary, Yeotmal, India.

The Rev. I.R. Mears, B.Sc., M.Ed., Th.L., has been appointed Warden of But-Har-Gra (the College's annexe at Croydon Park) and Tutor.

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## NEW ACCOUNTANT & SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF EXTERNAL STUDIES

Miss Violet Munnerly, A.A.S.A., was appointed to the Administrative Staff last year in the above dual capacity. Her ability and efficiency have been greatly appreciated and the College is fortunate in having one so well qualified and dedicated to God in charge of the College Office.

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## PRAYERS FOR THE COLLEGE

The importance of prayer for the College cannot be overestimated.

In order that friends of the College might be able to pray more effectively, a Prayer card for 1974 has been prepared. To obtain a copy, please fill in the form on page 4.

Last October, a profitable evening of prayer was held at the College. This year, the evening will be held on Thursday, 26th September. Full details will appear in the September issue of the News Bulletin.

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## WOMEN'S AUXILIARY

The Women's Auxiliary has produced an Audio-visual about the College. If any Women's Groups would like to know more about the College through it or a speaker, the Secretary, Mrs. Jean Knight can be contacted at 46 3361.

Last year, the Auxiliary was able to provide a clothes-dryer for married students living in college houses. This year they plan to re-carpet and refurbish the Students Common Room.

Two important dates for your diary are:

23rd MAY,	AT HOME	10.30am
at Moore College		

2nd OCTOBER	GARDEN INSPECTION
10.30am BISHOPCOURT, Darling Point.	

**WHEN MAKING YOUR WILL  
REMEMBER MOORE COLLEGE**

## NEWS BULLETIN MAILING LIST

The Honorary Organising Secretary is anxious to keep the mailing list up to date. If your title or address is incorrect, or if you receive two copies, please let him know by filling in the form on page 4.

We gladly mail the Bulletin to all who wish to receive it. If, however, you wish your name deleted from the list, please fill in the form on the back page.

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## STUDENTS MAGAZINE

"Societas", the students magazine, will not be produced this year. However, the August edition of "Southern Cross", the Diocesan Magazine, will contain a supplement to take its place. Copies are 50c posted (\$4.00 for a yearly subscription), and may be obtained from the students or from: The Editor, Southern Cross, P.O. Box Q190, Queen Victoria Building, York St., Sydney. 2000.

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## OLD STUDENTS NEWS

The Rev. Hugh Cox, of the Parish of Kameruka in the Diocese of Canberra-Goulburn, and a graduate of the College, has been awarded the Lucas Tooth Travelling Scholarship for 1974.

He will spend two years at Keeble College, Oxford, and will undertake the Honours Course in Theology. He hopes to do special work in the fields of New Testament and Church History. He expects also to have time to examine new methods of Christian Education.

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The Rev. Max Pengelly was ordained by the late Bishop D.B. Blackwood, and served in the Diocese of Gippsland for 19 years. He writes from West Australia:

"Just over three years ago, whilst on Long Service Leave, we were led to apply for service with the Native Mission Farm at Roelands. This is an inter-denominational Mission caring for Aboriginal children from broken and unsatisfactory homes.

The change has been complete and satisfying with many continuing adjustments as house parents, and in performing a multitude of tasks that make up Mission life on a farm. Although our boys and girls have a good grounding in the Gospel, it is the real faith and commitment for which we pray continually."

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## COLLEGE GRADUATES IN AUSTRALIAN BIBLE COLLEGES

The Rev. Geoffrey Paxton, is Principal of the Queensland Bible College; the Rev. Arthur Deane, Principal of the Sydney Missionary and Bible College; and the Rev. Dr. Bryan Hardman, the Principal of the South Australian Bible College.

This year, the Rev. Ken Churchward, formerly of St. Thomas' Kingsgrove, was appointed Dean of Students of Melbourne Bible Institute.

To: Rev. R.H. Palmer,  
Hon. Organising Secretary,  
Moore College,  
7 King Street,  
NEWTOWN. N.S.W. 2042.

Please

- ☐ find enclosed my donation to the Building Fund
- ☐ add my name to the News Bulletin Mailing list
- ☐ delete my name from the mailing list
- ☐ note my correct address
- ☐ send me information about the Correspondence Courses.
- ☐ send me the Prayer Card

NAME Mr/Mrs/Miss .....

ADDRESS .....

PARISH .....

## PAUSE A MOMENT ... to pray for

- ☆ the Principal and the teaching staff
  - ★ the Trustees and College Committee
  - ☆ the Accountant, Administrative Staff and Domestic Staff.
  - ★ the Students
- pray also for
- ☆ an increase of interest, prayer and financial support
  - ★ an increasing number of students for the Ministry
  - ☆ the Department of External Studies, and the College's part in regional theological training.

## and give thanks for

- ★ an increase in the number of students in 1974
- ☆ the substantial increase in donations in 1973
- ★ the progress of the College and the Principal's contribution to it in the past 20 years.