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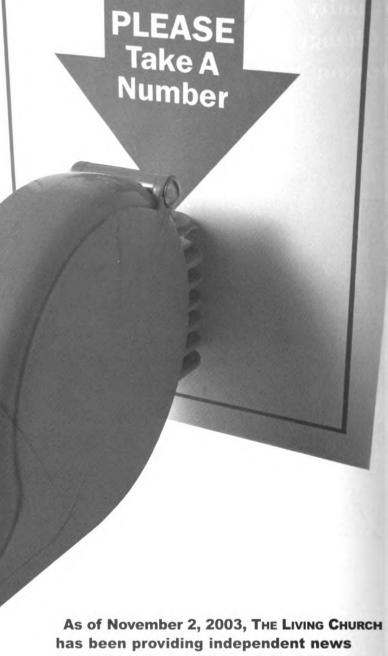
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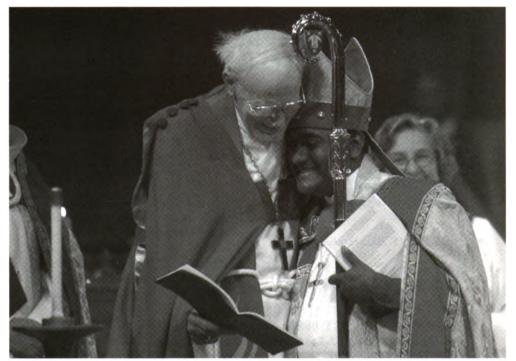
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# THIS WEEK



The Rt. Rev. Robert L. Ladehoff, eighth Bishop of Oregon, shares a moment with his successor, the Rt. Rev. Johncy Itty, during the latter's consecration in Salem on Sept. 20 [p. 9].

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# SUNDAY'S READINGS

# **Eternal Life Now**

What must I do to inherit eternal life?' (Mark 10:17)

**The 18th Sunday after Pentecost, Oct. 12, 2003 (Proper 23B)** Amos 5:6-7, 10-15; Psalm 90 (or Psalm 90:1-8, 12); Heb. 3:1-6; Mark 10:17-27(28-31)

A man runs up to Jesus. He was not leisurely spending time with Jesus. He does not casually come up to Jesus. He is a man in a hurry with much on his mind, worried about yesterday's investments and the futures' market. He runs because he knows that timing in the market is crucial. He is characterized by a spirit of restless acquisition. He wants to add the best to his portfolio. Eternal life sounded like a good investment. If only he could inherit eternal life he would be rich indeed. However, Jesus contrasts eternal life with money - not that money is bad, not that people who have money cannot live in the kingdom of God. It is just that eternal life calls for a different focus. When Jesus suggests to him that he sell all that he has and give the money to the poor, the man is shocked and goes away sad. His focus was gain. Divesting himself of his goods was not his purpose, but rather increasing his goods by adding eternal life to his storehouse. His encounter with Jesus ended up like a bad market day.

Eternal life is not limited to the afterlife. Many references to eternal life in scripture indicate that it is a gift from God now. Eternal life also is not endless time, a succession of one moment after another, on and on endlessly. God is not bound by our division of time into past, present and future. God holds everything together in the ever-present now. This is one of the nuances of eternal life. Eternal life is the realm of God as God holds together all things in the all present. The pathetic rich man could not perceive eternal life because he could not stop to see the present moment. He was always running into the future envisioning his elusive greater wealth.

Amos tells us to seek the Lord and live, and God will be with us. For Amos this is not just some mystical good feeling. His mysticism results in justice, another nuance of eternal life. There is no injustice when God holds everything together. Just as God's eternal life does not except the limits of time, it also does not except the limits of insiders and outsiders. We can learn from the past and must plan for the future, God willing, but God is found now, eternal justice is now.

The Buddhist concept of mindfulness may be helpful to us in seeking God. Mindfulness is the practice of completely being where we are in the present. We Christians may add to the Buddhist concept that if we can practice mindfulness we will find God, the God Amos urges us to seek, the God the rich man could not see because he was running. Brother Lawrence in the 17th century made this connection in what he called the practice of the presence of God. He even saw working in the kitchen on dirty pots and pans as an encounter with God. Brother Lawrence lived in the present moment. He lived in eternal life. So may we.

# Look It Up

For more on mindfulness check out the book *Wherever You Go There You Are* by Jon Kabat-Zinn. For more on Brother Lawrence, read his *The Practice of the Presence Of God.* 

# Think About It

How often are we off somewhere else from where we physically stand? Are not the most satisfying moments those when we are present, in attendance, to the moment God has given us here and now? Could those moments just be a glimpse of eternal life, a glimpse of the presence of God?

# **Next Sunday**

The 19th Sunday after Pentecost, Oct. 19, 2003 (Proper 24B) Isaiah 53:4-12; Psalm 91 (or Psalm 91:9-16); Heb. 4:12-16; Mark 10:35-45

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# BOOKS

# An Introduction to the Christian Orthodox Churches

By John Binns. Cambridge University Press. Pp. 270. \$19.95. (softcover, also available in hardcover). ISBN 0-521-66738-0.

For 40 years, the complete introduction to the life and history of Eastern Orthodoxy was Bishop Kallistos Ware's *The Orthodox Church*. As a new century begins, John Binns has written a fresh new guide to the Orthodox churches. He includes chapters on popular piety, the mission of the Church, and tentative thoughts about a "cautious reforming" as Orthodoxy confronts modern society and the



post-Communist world. An Introduction to the Christian Orthodox Churches moves between the age of the ecumenical councils and the beginning of Perestroika with ease, and the result is both readable and informative. The section on the often-

overlooked Oriental Ortho-

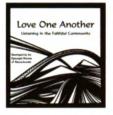
dox churches gives an interesting glimpse into Christian life in Armenia, the Middle East, India, Ethiopia and Egypt. Binns also takes into account sweeping changes in the religious life of Russia in the last decade, and briefly discusses the possibility of the ordination of women to the diaconate and priesthood in an Orthodox context.

The 20th century included calendar reform, the emergence of the ecumenical movement, and the growth of the Orthodox diaspora in the West episodes in what Binns calls "a period of breathtaking change" in Orthodoxy. Not all of these changes were by any means welcome across the Orthodox spectrum. Conversions to Orthodoxy by Christians from other religious traditions have also increased during the last several decades. The author predicts that present trends will continue in the foreseeable future: "a strong and determined conservative and traditional majority will remain, alongside an open and progressive minority, both of which will be held together by a cautious episcopate."

Binns balances straightforward history with clear explanations of Ortho-

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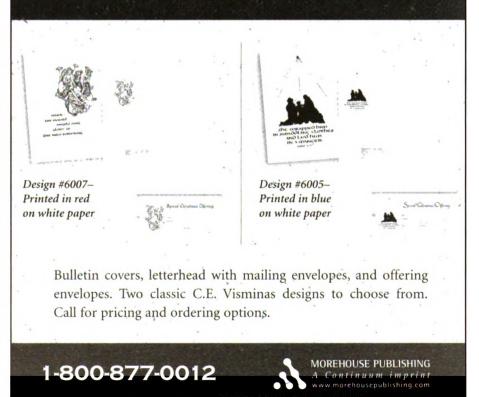
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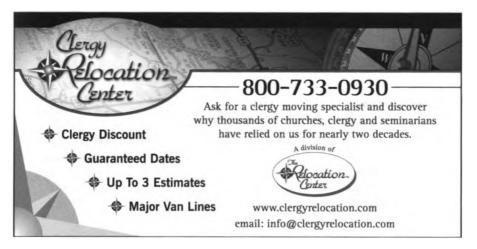


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dox theology, along with a tasteful number of photographs and a handful of helpful maps. Bishop Ware's book is probably still the best for the inquirer about Orthodoxy's belief and practice, but for the reader interested in a fresh perspective on the cultural, political and artistic dimensions of Orthodox life, this will make a fine textbook.

> Richard J. Mammana, Jr. Lake Delaware, N.Y.

# Image and Spirit Finding Meaning in the Visual Arts

By Karen Stone. Augsburg. Pp. 171. \$16.99. ISBN 0806645504.

Here, at last, is a handbook for anyone who wants a way to approach the

visual arts. Karen Stone, an artist, college art instructor, and specialist in art for a school system, gives the reader a vocabulary, a direction, and questions to ask as well as a direction for interacting with visual art. She ignores many of



the traditional, limiting methods of standard art criticism, choosing instead a more personal approach appropriate for each individual viewer. While this seems to fit in with the general deconstructionist attitude that all meaning that matters is my meaning and, therefore, any interpretation is fine, Ms. Stone suggests that personal response and interpretation, within a basic vocabulary, is often the way we can find our blind eyes opened by the Spirit of God. Thus, a piece of art becomes the communicator rather than the communication between the artist and the viewer. If one is able to accept this basic premise, the book offers many avenues of exploration.

Karen Stone agrees with many who feel that art, like royalty, should speak first. We need to quiet our minds and let the art be the communicator. She gives us the words, a set of questions and activities, and a door through which to enter. The rest is up to us.

> Elizabeth Hudgins Fairfax, Va.

# **Central Florida Disassociates from Convention Actions**

Confronted by its bishop with a choice between agreeing with the majority who voted at General Convention or upholding the belief of the majority of the Anglican Communion, clergy and lay deputies to a special convention in the Diocese of Central Florida voted Sept. 20 by a 4-to-1 margin to distance the diocese from the Episcopal Church.

In a possible indication of the depth of alienation, convention struck the words "Episcopal Church" from a compromise resolution offered by a coalition of 55 clergy who sought to reaffirm diocesan unity and continued participation with the See of Canterbury, the Anglican Communion and the Episcopal Church.

General Convention "triggered both a constitutional and a pastoral crisis throughout the Episcopal Church and the worldwide Anglican Communion," the Rt. Rev. John W. Howe, Bishop of Central Florida, said in his convention address. In the course of a long day of debate that had 10 conservative for every one liberal speaker, the convention adopted an additional three resolutions: disassociating the diocese from the General Convention vote. endorsing the recent request made to worldwide Anglican primates by Episcopal bishops who seek the primates' intervention in the pastoral emergency within the Episcopal Church, and eliminating diocesan contributions to the national church. A fifth resolution, which sought to study issues of real and personal property within the diocese, was discharged after Bishop Howe said a resolution was not necessary for the diocese to undertake the study.

The Rev Don Lyons, rector of St. Barnabas' Church, Deland, and cosponsor of the resolution disassociating the diocese from the General Convention decision, explained, "We love this Church, and we are bound in absolute association and unity with our Church, and when we feel that it makes inappropriate or wrong decisions, it is our right and responsibility to separate ourselves from these decisions."

Those opposed to removing the



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A candlelight vigil is held outside a post-General Convention forum sponsored by the Diocese of Virginia, Sept. 24 at Virginia Theological Seminary. Participants include (clockwise form top left) Heather Adams, the Rev. Kathleen Christopher (assistant rector, St. Francis' Church, Arlington, Va.), Dave Wolenski and June Leeuwrik. The vigil was organized by the Virginia Chapter of the American Anglican Council and sought to surround the forum in prayer.

Episcopal Church from the unity resolution argued that it would create a de facto schism between the diocese and the national church. The Rev. Paul McQueen, executive director of the Canterbury Retreat and Conference Center in Oviedo, stated, "we are in schism with the Episcopal Church by this convention." Fr. McQueen added that he and other clergy who opposed the actions of the convention would appeal directly to the Presiding Bishop, the Most Rev. Frank T. Griswold, for alternative episcopal oversight. In further evidence of dissent within the diocese, on Sept. 23 the Rev. Canon Ernest Bennett resigned his position as canon to the ordinary. declaring that the diocese is headed in a direction which he cannot follow.

# Albany Joins Voices in Opposition

A special convention on Sept. 20 in the Diocese of Albany voted by overwhelming margins to disassociate itself from recent General Convention decisions to condone same-sex blessings and grant consent to the consecration of a sexually active homosexual person as Bishop Coadjutor of New Hampshire.

The call to the convention identified several purposes, including providing "mission opportunities for individual and parish contributions as an alternative to the General Convention budget," and disavowing resolutions of General Convention consenting to the consecration of the Rev. Canon V. Gene Robinson as Bishop Coadjutor of New Hampshire, and affirming the blessing of committed same-gender relationships.

Prior to the special convention, a group of clergy and laity calling themselves "Albany Via Media" circulated an open letter expressing opposition to the "precipitous actions being proposed." The letter stated that the sign-

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ers disagreed on the propriety of the New Hampshire election and on the issue of liturgies for same-sex unions. However, the signers were united in opposition to any reduction of the diocesan contribution to the program budget of General Convention.

The resolutions proposed that the diocese:

• Affirm the traditional teaching of the Church regarding marriage and sexual relations;

• Disassociate itself from the election of the Bishop of New Hampshire and same-gender blessings, as well as any resolution violating the "plain teaching" of scripture and Anglican tradition;

• Affirm "loyalty as a diocese in the Episcopal Church and the Anglican Communion" and seek the opinion of the Anglican primates regarding the New Hampshire election and same-gender blessings;

• Appoint official representatives to attend the Dallas conference in October and to report back;

• Commit itself "to the faith and unity of the Church."

The convention began with a celebration of the Holy Eucharist, followed by an address by the Bishop of Albany, the Rt. Rev. Daniel Herzog. In his address, Bishop Herzog set the context for the meeting, describing a variety of reactions that he has encountered since General Convention. He sought to reassure the convention about his own position, affirming traditional teaching and his continuing participation in the life of the Episcopal Church. At the same time, he said, "I cannot even say that our church will endure." While he insisted, "I am not endorsing breaking away to join some schismatic sect," and "Our pledge is loyalty to the Episcopal Church and the Anglican Communion," he made no direct reference in his address to the "realignment" mentioned in the letter written by Albany Via Media.

# The 38 Primates of the Anglican Communion

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**Anglican Church of Australia** The Most Rev. Peter Fredrick Carnley

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Bishop Itty at the altar with Bishop Griswold (left), Bishop Browning and children representing Sunday school classes at churches throughout the Diocese of Oregon.

# Youngest Bishop Consecrated in Oregon

In future years, former Presiding Bishop Edmond Browning believes the most important thing to bear in mind about the episcopacy of the Rt. Rev. Johncy Itty will not be his birthdate — the new Bishop of Oregon is 40, the youngest bishop in the Episcopal Church — but rather his unflagging commitment to establishment of justice on earth.

"The bishop-elect is a man more centered on Isaiah than on technology (although he knows a lot about technology)," said Bishop Browning in his consecration sermon in Salem Sept. 20. Justice, he added, "has been an undergirding theme in his life, and I suspect we will hear much from him about it."

Bishop Browning was joined by his successor, the Most Rev. Frank T. Griswold, who served as chief consecrator. In addition to Bishop Browning, co-consecrators included: the Rt. Rev. Robert L. Ladehoff, retired Bishop of Oregon; the Rt. Rev. Rodney Michel, Bishop Suffragan of Long Island; the Rt. Rev. James H. Ottley, assistant Bishop of Southeast Florida; and the Rt. Rev. Orris G. Walker, Jr., Bishop of Long Island. Born in India, Bishop Itty was raised in New York. He transferred from the Church of South India in 1995 and served as social justice officer at the Episcopal Church Center in New York City from 1998 until he became canon residentiary at the Cathedral of the Incarnation in the Diocese of Long Island in 2000. He was elected from that position last May.

It was never his goal to become either a priest or a bishop, he said in a joint interview with his predecessor, the Rt. Rev. Robert Ladehoff. The article was published in *The Oregonian*, a Portland daily newspaper. Bishop Itty told *The Oregonian* that he intends to build on what Bishop Ladehoff has brought to the diocese during his 18year episcopacy.

He brought strength, peace and structure to a diocese which had none of those things two decades ago, Bishop Itty said. Now there is a good climate of trust.

"I think the energy and the will is there," he said. "It's a matter of trying to channel that ... I want to build on the strengths that are here."

# Churches Make Common Cause in Hurricane Relief

The victims of Hurricane Isabel were not the beach houses but the millions of people whose homes were flooded, their food spoiled, their belongings, their furniture, their appliances, lost. The heroes were the churches whose congregations rallied to feed, house, transport and comfort the suddenly destitute.

The area of the country most significantly affected included areas comprising the dioceses of East Carolina and Southern Virginia, with Maryland, Easton, and Washington close behind. Some areas were still without electricity or sanitary water nearly a week after the Sept. 20 hurricane.

"The devastation is huge," said Scott Nunn, editor of the East Carolina diocesan newspaper and website. "We are most concerned about the homes of people in small towns, trailer parks, Hispanic neighborhoods, and agricultural and back-in-thewoods communities not even on the maps."

Mr. Nunn said the diocese is in an ecumenical social service partnership with other area churches that plan to coordinate with agencies and officials such as the Red Cross and Federal Emergency Management Agency who can help.

St. Paul's, Edenton, the oldest parish in the diocese, is still standing, reported the Rev. Tom Rickenbaker. rector. "The church building, built in 1736, presently has a large tree on top of the east end of the church, with some damage to the roof," he said. "The 31/2-foot exterior brick walls undoubtedly prevented further damage. The rectory had a tree fall on it damaging the roof and crashing through windows. The church yard has over a dozen trees down with a projected removal cost of \$20,000. Much of the parish hall and Christian education complex's slate roof was

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Fallen trees at St. George's, Valley Lee, Md.

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blown off." St. John the Evangelist, Edenton, he added, "had much of the roof blown off the parish hall and some water damage inside."

In Maryland's tidewater areas, there were widespread power outages and flooding. The Rev. Cynthia Mainolfi, deacon-in-charge of Church of the Ascension, Middle River, in Baltimore, just off the Chesapeake Bay, said, "Half of our parishioners had nothing else left because of the flooding. The whole area smells like fuel oil. They had no flood insurance. They are trying to stay with their things to prevent looting. It's really sad. We are taking food to them. And calling agencies and officials to help."

On the Eastern Shore of Maryland, many boats and piers were lost but no one was hurt when a tree came down on one room of the rectory of St. Mary's Church, Pocomoke. And one room of the rectory at Old Trinity Church (c.1675) in Church Creek was partially flooded.

A tree fell on a church in the Diocese of Washington, at St. George's in Valley Lee, in St. Mary's County, southern Maryland.

"The tree is literally stuck in the apex of the roof over the sacristy," said the Rev. Christopher Halliday, rector. "We were spared rain damage, but services went on as usual. We have no idea what the costs of a crane will be."

A tree landed next to the rectory near the "church of presidents," St. John's, across the street from the White House in the Lafayette Square

# **Bishop Spong: 'We Can't Tolerate Blackmail'**

The Episcopal Church should be proud of its vote to confirm the election of the Rev. Canon Gene Robinson

as Bishop Coadjutor of New Hampshire, and should offer no concessions to the shrill voices within the community who have subsequently denounced the General Convention vote, according to the



Bishop Spong

Rt. Rev. John Spong, noted author and retired Bishop of Newark.

"I don't wish anybody to leave the church. But I don't want them to try to blackmail the church into being unfaithful to its vision to rise to a humanity that does not know prejudice. I am not willing to pay that sacrifice to keep angry members of the Christian community. They've got to live with that."

Bishop Spong made his comments in response to questions following his speech Sept. 6 to an audience of about 350 at Trinity Church in Reno. He had just finished leading a clergy conference for the Diocese of Nevada. In introducing Bishop Spong, the Rt. Rev. Katharine Jefferts Schori, Bishop of Nevada, told the audience that some at

neighborhood of Washington. There were no injuries.

Much of southern Maryland was without power for several days, but services went on with candlelight and prayers for members with severe flooding. Deacon Carl W. Rehling and his family had water from the Chesapeake Bay right up to his front door. Most waterfront communities lost their power and docks.

Much of the Diocese of Southern Virginia was still without power at the end of a week.

"The worst hit were Norfolk, Virginia Beach, Hampton Roads and Richmond, which was battered by the hurricane and then a tornado," according Dennis Sipes, parish administrator at St. Andrew's in West Ghent, Norfolk. the clergy conference, including those who had come expecting to argue with him, were converted by his pastoral presence, and the depth of his scholarship and his faith. He received a standing ovation.

"Homosexuality," Bishop Spong said, "is one more part of the human spectrum which we have denigrated historically, like we did black people, like we did women, like we did left-handed people, like we did mentally ill people.

"I think we crossed a Rubicon of enormous significance," he added.

That decision occurred "despite the quaking in our boots of some of our leaders, such as the Archbishop of Canterbury, who is still quaking," noted Bishop Spong.

Now there are "shrill and harsh voices that are opposing it," he continued. The Church, he explained, needs "to make our witness to the truth, and stand with integrity ... in confidence that we've done the right thing.

"We can't tolerate blackmail. It's unworthy to dignify that kind of response that has been used historically, with the prayer book and with women priests," he added.

Dick Snyder

"Trees are down, neighborhoods are impassible, but we're trying meet people's needs," he added. "That's our first priority. "We celebrated the Eucharist with candlelight and piano powered by the Holy Spirit."

"Everybody is working together," said Robert S. Tomlinson, property manager for the Diocese of Washington, "to help each other get through this."

Val Hymes

# BRIEFLY ...

The Rt. Rev. **Leo Alard**, Bishop Suffragan of Texas since 1995, has retired. Bishop Alard, 62, underwent quadruple heart bypass surgery last year and has recently been added to the national registry for a liver transplant.

# **No Longer Needed**

Unlike some readers, General Convention 2003 was not for me a time of sensitivity, encouragement, or caring. My feelings of discouragement began even before we gathered in Minneapolis when I received a phone call from the Rev. Canon Patrick Mauney, director of Anglican and Global Relations at the Episcopal Church Center.

Canon Mauney asked me to step down as master of ceremonies at the World Mission reception put on by the Anglican and Global Relations Cluster. This is something I have done for the last several conventions, so I asked why. Canon Mauney told me that in signing the letter sent by some bishops to the primates of the Anglican Communion seeking their counsel and direction on the matter of the blessing of same-gender unions, I had made it clear that my allegiance was "else-

where," and that it might be awkward or embarrassing for me to serve as master of ceremonies. I acceded to the request.

There were many issues of great importance to the overall church that were under consideration at this convention. I was, therefore, somewhat angered by the fact that for three straight days the editors of the *General Convention Daily* forced me to view on the front page a story and picture of Gene Robinson, as if this were the only issue of signifi-

cance. I felt this was unacceptable and insensitive.

Shortly thereafter, I found myself at a convention Eucharist receiving communion from a person wearing a pin that stated "I am Gene." I was asked to step down as master of ceremonies because of my particular position on this issue, yet the person who was at the heart of this controversial and painful time was asked to distribute communion to deputies and others, certainly a more important responsibility. In doing so, he displayed his "campaign button." To me this was an insensitive act by the organizers, and, frankly, by the person who agreed to function in this manner.

I kept thinking of Isaiah's call and the ref-

erence to listening yet not hearing as I realized that our small Episcopal Church had disregarded:

• The call of the Archbishop of Canterbury

• The request of the Anglican Consultative Council

• The statement from the Lambeth Conference (1998)

• The clear voice of the primates

• The pleas of Province 9 and beyond, whose stand was made painfully clear.

As one missionary said, "I watched as the bishops of the developing world pleaded with the leaders of the church that they also belong to, and yet they were ignored."

For years we have spoken about listening to all and we have tried to be careful in our actions and words of not saying to one part of the body, "I have no need of you." So I was

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saddened when I realized the Episcopal Church has done just that.

I began my sabbatical in September by offering to serve in the Dominican Republic, while its bishop took a muchneeded vacation. I have had the opportunity to visit with the clergy and congregations of this growing and vibrant missionary church. I have listened to their expressions of disbelief, pain,

and embarrassment about the transactions which took place at the General Convention. They are concerned, and rightfully so, that the actions in Minneapolis will have a negative impact on the Episcopal Church in this conservative, and mostly Roman Catholic, country.

My stated position is clear — both in my words and actions. However, in the midst of all this I have tried to hold up the non-negotiable call to love.

I do not want to leave the church, but the church has left me. It will never be the same again.

Our guest columnist is the Rt. Rev. William J. Skilton, Bishop Suffragan of South Carolina. Digitized by GOOGLE

# Did You Know...

The Rt. Rev. Samuel A. McCoskry served as Bishop of Michigan for 46 years.

# Quote of the Week

Billie Greer, of North Myrtle Beach, S.C., in *The Sun News* of Myrtle Beach, on whether to remain an Episcopalian: "I've always been interested in the old, conservative Church. I don't want any of this Oprah Winfrey theology." Rather than expecting the primates to exceed their restricted authority, we might look for them to make a recommendation or a suggestion of how to respond to the Robinson situation.

# What the Primates Can Do

When the primates of the Anglican Communion gather in London this week, a large share of the 70 million or so members of the 38 Anglican churches around the world will be paying attention. We hope they do not expect too much of the primates when they meet to discuss the ramifications of the Episcopal Church's decision to consent to the consecration of the Rev. Canon V. Gene Robinson as Bishop Coadjutor of New Hampshire.

The archbishops, presiding bishops and moderators who will assemble for the extraordinary meeting Oct. 15-16 will be limited in what they can do. Because these various Anglican churches are autonomous, their relationship with each other is more of a federation than anything else. The primates have no canons behind them to take action against the Episcopal Church or the Diocese of New Hampshire. No vote by the primates can discipline the Episcopal Church, or expel it from the Anglican Communion. Only the Archbishop of Canterbury, the Most Rev. Rowan Williams, through his limited judicial power, can determine who is in, or out, of the Anglican Communion. It is through Canterbury that the churches of the Communion find their focus of unity.

Rather than expecting the primates to exceed their restricted authority, we might look for them to make a recommendation or a suggestion of how to respond to the Robinson situation. The primates should be in a position to make a strong statement to the American church. After all, the issue has been under study by them for several years, and the primates will have feedback from three recent gatherings of concerned Anglicans — in Vancouver, Nairobi and Dallas.

The Archbishop of Canterbury and the other primates will need our prayers. We hope they will be blessed by wisdom, vision and insight during their meeting. Millions are looking to them for leadership.

# Thoughtful Responses

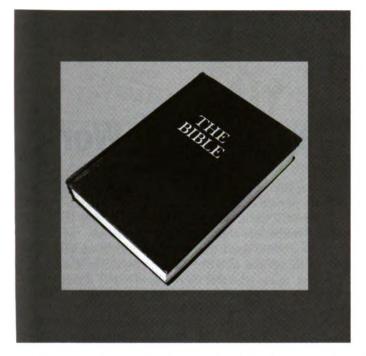
Since General Convention, we have been inundated with articles written in response to the decisions made at the 74th General Convention. It seems that everyone has something to say. Most of the articles are written by clergy. Some of them are sermons delivered immediately after the conclusion of General Convention. Others are pastoral letters written for parish newsletters or special mailings to members of their congregations. A few of them are almost like prophecies — predictions of what will happen after the important meeting in Texas and the gathering of primates.

Some of the articles sent to us are quite good. Some of them are very long. Most of them are thoughtful. Unfortunately, we have been able to publish only a few of the articles submitted. Many of the manuscripts said essentially the same thing, so at times it's been difficult to determine which article to publish.

The large number of articles is indicative of how important the V. Gene Robinson case is for the future of the Episcopal Church. Many church leaders probably underestimated how strongly people feel on both sides of the issue. We are grateful to all who submitted articles. Their thoughts and opinions are welcomed and appreciated.

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# **READER'S VIEWPOINT**



# LIVING with Differences

What we can learn from the communities that produced the Bible.

By Donn F. Morgan

magine, if you will, a large national church convention. There will be, as always, at least one hot and controversial agenda item for the delegates. Perhaps, as has been the case with the Episcopal Church and many other denominations in this country recently, this agenda item will deal with one facet or another of sexual orientation and the church. But it could also deal with gender, worship, or any other number of divisive topics. The issues raised for this particular convention are enormous and familiar: diversity, trust, the role of tradition and scripture, the meaning and possibility of unity, the mission of the church and the ability to have common agreement on what God is calling it to do.

To this point it would not be hard to imagine a convention like this, for we have much experience of such gatherings. But now imagine that the participants in this convention are not contemporary Episcopalians, but rather that the delegates are representatives from every community responsible for the 66 books we have in our Bible. So, for example, instead of diocesan delegates, we have folks from communities faithful to the writings of Jeremiah, of Nahum, of Isaiah, of Deuteronomy, of Mark, of Matthew, of Paul. Each of these biblical delegations is firmly committed to the "truth" found in the writings pertinent to their community, whether it be reflected in a particular place (e.g. Corinth vs. Galatia), or a particular prophet, or a particular way of prayer and worship, or a particular conception of church order, or ...

"Diversity" is almost euphemistic as a description of this convention's representation. For, in this convention, with all the opinions, all the different authors, all the different settings, all the different notions of God, all the different agendas, it may be hard to imagine unity on anything.

What are we to do with such a picture? What kind of model does this provide for the contemporary Church as it struggles to ascertain God's will for the 21st century? We as a contemporary community, following almost two millennia of tradition, have taken the diversity of opinion, of theology, of geographical and cultural locale in these writings, and bound it together, called it scripture, and claimed that this diversity was normative for us. We have taken the divisiveness that these communities might feel toward each other and said we will find a way to be faithful to it all, that we will believe it all, that we will abide in its tension-filled "truth." The question before us, always before us, is "how" we will do this. We are heirs of many scriptural communities which differ with each other and

which we have put together into one book. How can we be faithful to one and all of these authoritative voices?

Surely the dilemma created by the diversity of the Bible is not new to the Church, nor is it new to the particular brand of governance found in the United States of America. In the early days of this republic there were many different visions and perspectives

there were many different visions and perspectives concerning how best to govern this country and what principles should be embedded in the Declaration of Independence, the Constitution, the Bill of Rights, and much more. Adams, Washington, Franklin, Madison, Jefferson, Hamilton and others argued their points of view with eloquence and vehemence, often with ideological fervor and disdain for opposing views. Like the Church and the biblical communities of which we are heirs, there were "new" situations which for some called for "new" ways of thinking and acting, and, for others

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called for tried and true principles and praxis of the past. Somehow, in the midst of winning and losing, in the midst of war with England and internal conflict, in the midst of all this, there was no dissolution of relationship, no abandonment of the republic. Identity and membership, citizenship, was based not on the "right" way or the "wrong" way to conceive of the new republic, but on a commitment to a process and to the community formed by that process, with all of its diversity.

What would it be like for the Episcopal Church to understand the Bible and our particular American experience as a sanction for the diversity in and between our communities? What would it be like for us to see our unity not in terms of doctrine, or in a particular way of reading the Bible, or in homogeneity of belief, but rather in terms of dialogue? We might see each other as faithful when we engaged in a dialogue with biblical voices and with each other, committed, as were the founders of this republic, to staying together. In such a setting we might see God active in the community in many different ways, even as we hope for more.

Today we are a microcosm of the communities that produced the Bible, though not nearly as diverse. We are heirs of a particular way of dealing with conflict and difference in our American republic, though not nearly as ideologically and polemically divided as were some of our founders. Can we now live into diversity and difference, continuing to honor their presence in our midst? Can we also continue to give thanks for their part in shaping our identity, continuing to experience through them the grace and direction of God's guidance and will for our ministry and mission, to the Episcopal Church, our society, and the Anglican Communion?

Donn F. Morgan is the president and dean of the Church Divinity School of the Pacific. LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

# System Doesn't Work

I have participated in more than 500 vestry meetings thus far in my life as a lay person and as a priest. When it is asked, "Who is willing to represent us at convention?," it is mostly the older, wealthier and traditional-minded who are too busy, who can't afford to be away, who don't want to use up their vacation time doing churchy things and who beg off. Consequently, it is usually the more liberal, those who feel more passionately about issues. who volunteer to be delegates. The same is often true when deputies to General Convention are sought.

The result is that neither diocesan conventions nor the General Convention are really representative of the whole church — but the whole church is to blame for that fact. We should not be surprised that often these bodies take more liberal positions than many of us might. Liberals or conservatives shouldn't be blamed for voting their positions. This is why the Episcopal Church is founded on the principle of representative government. Our problem is that the system isn't working as it was intended.

The action by General Convention has confirmed a concern I have felt for several years — namely, that there seems to be something in the Episcopal DNA that causes some to seek to do the unique, the innovative, "the cutting edge" thing, especially if they think it will look like they are people of deep faith and intelligence when in reality they want the church only if it serves their political or social needs.

(The Rev.) Ken Thompson Taylorsville, Ky.

# **Evidence Needed**

I was frustrated with the article by the Rev. Whis Hays, titled "The Church According to Garp" [TLC, Sept. 14]. It may have had the nugget of a good idea in it, but the name calling (liberal church people are racist) based on no real evidence made it an embarrassment for the writer and for TLC's editors.

Apparently, "bishops below the equator" think that charity funds have been withheld from their dioceses because of their vote on sexuality at Lambeth.

Quotes would have been helpful here. The judgment that money was withheld for this reason could be important, but instead of exploring that eventuality, Mr. Hays took it and ran with it, rather than test it for credibility. Other explanations might have pertained, like there has been a recession for two and one half years worldwide and might have something to do with lagging donations.

My hope is that the editors will help writers such as Mr. Hays aim their criticism better and do the Church a service by challenging it rather than letting people grouse about it mindlessly in the same lame way TLC supported throughout the "debates" on ordination of women and prayer book reform.

(The Rev.) Russ Murphy St. James' Church Digitized by GOOS Sault Ste. Marie, Mich.

Fr. Hays' claim, "I have been told by bishops from below the equator that funds to their dioceses were cut back severely or cut off entirely in 1999 because their stance in favor of sexual morality at Lambeth in 1998 offended the liberal establishment in the Episcopal Church" is a remarkable statement that warrants investigation [TLC, Sept. 14]. If such did take place, it is amazing to me to get the news from Fr. Hays four years after the event, when no one else seems to have noticed such a marked and dramatic change in the financial program of the Episcopal Church. It also seems to me to deal with a matter of public record. Surely the church must issue annual financial reports, and checking those reports should confirm or refute Father Hays' allegation. Is anyone checking?

> (The Rev.) David Rivers Philadelphia, Pa.

# Not Important

The editorial, "Not a Wise Strategy" [TLC, Sept. 14], makes a very simple error. If the "815" offices felt the foreign mission projects they undertake were important enough, they would continue to fund them --- even if it meant cutting back on staff or other expenses.

The decision to cut funding to international mission is not one made by parishes withholding funds, but the national church offices. Rather than chide parishes that withhold funds, the author of the editorial ought to ask "815" why the first programs to be cut would be foreign missions.

Of course, this demonstrates once again what has been obvious for some time — that international mission is simply not important to the staff at "815," and their connections with worldwide Anglicans are similarly unimportant. They haven't been important for quite some time.

> Erik Nelson Alexandria, Va.

In the editorial, "Not a Wise Strategy," I think it lamentable that the editors are chastising local churches and dioceses for "acting unilaterally" and "in essence (being) a congregational church" in reducing or withholding apportionment to the greater Episcopal Church. Isn't unilateral action and a defiant congregational mindset the very modus operandi of the Episcopal Church in its relationship within the Anglican Communion? I think TLC is preaching to the wrong choir.

> (The Rev.) Carl F. Brenner Farmington, N.M.

The editorial, "Not a Wise Strategy," was right on. It may make upset people feel vindicated, but it smacks of an old song my father used to play on his wind-up Victrola: "I'll get even with that ferry; I'll buy tickets and swim across!" Suzanne Voorhies

Rockport, Maine

Bible and so it should be in our discussions.

One cannot dispute the fact that it is not a major issue, especially in the New Testament, though the reasons for this may be argued. However, Fr. Middleton is wrong in several of his statements. First, he says that Paul rejected the Holiness Code (roughly Lev. 17-26); yet Paul (and Jesus) quote Lev. 19:18, at least. Then the comment that Paul was really condemning Christians who made use of cultic prostitutes is incorrect and untenable. His primary reference is, of course, in Rom. 1:26-27 in which, clearly, cultic prostitution is not in view, though apostasy certainly is.

While one can reasonably say there are not many references to homosexual activity in the Bible, one must also

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# **Overlapping Jurisdictions**

Why do we keep hearing that it is impossible to have two overlapping jurisdictions in the Anglican Communion?

I was on a small committee appointed by the Archbishop of Canterbury after the 1978 Lambeth Conference to get the overlapping jurisdictions in Europe (Church of England and American Convocation) to share the one area, also including the Polish National Catholic Church. The English bishop wanted nothing to do with such a division of authority. Canterbury gave up after several meetings, the last including the archbishop and our Presiding Bishop.

> (The Rt. Rev.) Milton L. Wood Elberta, Ala.

# It Doesn't Hold

In his letter [TLC, Aug. 10], Fr. Middleton says that, in effect, homosexuality is a very minor element in the say that what scripture does state is univocal, completely opposed, and also that it is not focused simply on the culture of the time. Fr. Middleton's assessment will not hold.

> (The Rev.) Richard McCandless Parsons, Kan.

# Not a 'Bible Issue'

I disagree that Gene Robinson is a "Bible issue." The Bible can be interpreted in a variety of ways. Consider the cursing of parents (Exodus 21:17). Jesus seems to agree (Matt. 15:4) that such people should be put to death. Which is to say that all of us pick our passages carefully and ignore others.

Also, I hope that TLC will become supportive of the decision of convention. It just may be right, and TLC will be tiresome if it does not become supportive.

(The Rev.) Richard Guy Belliss St. Stephen's Church Digitized by Google

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# St. Luke: Poet, Artist and Narrator

Clever is thy range of talent Most noble. A hand to write thy word So able Is that of an artist So light Of touch as to heal The sight When most blinded are we To thy might When we every day sing the music Of Mary's song Polished and tuned to the Acclamation Of grateful Hannah's miracle Of Temple child. Blessed Luke, you paint for us a vision To our veiled sight And now we pray to you for healing For we are deaf and blind In our search for him who in faith You heard and saw. It is the well-educated Luke, poet in makeup, artist in reflectiveness, and narrator in word who raises up for us the many men and women who enliven the Christ we might otherwise miss.

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16. He was 67.

The Rev. Ruth Cummings, as associate at

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Retirements

Deaths

in the Diocese of Puerto Rico and a

deputy to General Convention died Sept.

ated from the University of Puerto Rico and

the Evangelical Seminary of Puerto Rico,

before joining the Episcopal Church. He was

ordained deacon in 1987 and priest in 1988.

Fr. Olivero was vicar of two churches and

vice-chancellor of the diocese. He is survived

by his mother, two brothers and five children.

Next week...

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The Rev. Jim Hunter, as vicar of St. Jude's.

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(The Rev.) James Kaestner

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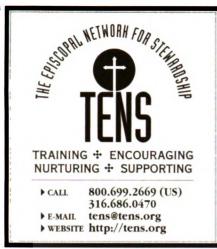
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