

The Evangelical Fellowship in the Anglican Communion

AUSTRALIA. Following the resignation of the Most Rev. Hugh R. Gough, President of EFAC, Dr. Marcus L. Loane, who has been joint-secretary of EFAC since its inception, has been elected Archbishop of Sydney. Dr. Loane is assured of the gratification of all EFAC members at his appointment and of their prayerful good wishes as he assumes the onerous responsibilities of leadership in the great diocese of Sydney.

CANADA. The Rev. Dr. J. I. Packer, Warden of Latimer House, Oxford, was the principal speaker at a conference sponsored by the Canadian Anglican Evangelical Fellowship and held at the Anglican Conference Centre, Aurora, Ontario, from 2 to 4 September.

In April a copy of the brochure "The Church meets the Challenge", produced by the Canadian Anglican Evangelical Fellowship, was mailed to every bishop and clergyman of the Anglican Church of Canada, together with a letter from the President, Archdeacon Desmond Hunt. Many letters were received in response and between 75 and 100 new members were added to the fellowship. The following extracts are from letters of encouragement received from different bishops:

Thank you very much for your courtesy in sending me the brochure of the Anglican Evangelical Fellowship. I am looking at it carefully and am delighted to find some people who are definitely concerned with the striking of a strong positive note in these uncertain days. I think that is what we need very much at the present time.

I fully agree, especially in these days of uncertainty, that there is a pressing need to enunciate clearly the facts of the Faith. Thank you for sending me the brochure of the CAEF. I am glad to have it and have read it with much interest. While I do not wish to join the Fellowship, I should be pleased to receive the quarterly newsletters.

I am grateful for your brochure telling us about the Canadian Anglican Evangelical Fellowship. I think your sending it out is very timely. I feel that our trumpets have been giving forth very uncertain notes. Please keep up this good work.

I certainly feel that there is a need for a sure and certain message of salvation and hope to counteract the uncertainties which have been proclaimed from the housetops. May God bless you as you seek to face up to the present situation and, under the guidance of the Holy Spirit, bring about a revival of living faith and hope.

I am interested to know of the work of the Fellowship and appreciate your informing me of its programme, aims, and objectives. I will follow with interest its work and will be glad to hear from time to time of its progress.

The Canadian Anglican Evangelical Fellowship has an important

and necessary witness to give in its clear enunciation of evangelical principles.

I am very glad not only to hear of the formation of this Fellowship but to receive the literature which you so kindly sent and I wonder whether it would be possible for you to send copies of your letter and the literature to all men in the Diocese. I feel sure that they will be more than interested, and may I wish you every blessing in this task.

While I have no desire to be associated with a new group within the Church, I do wish you every blessing. I feel that the Church itself still officially proclaims the eternal Gospel, and we must make sure (whether we are in a group dedicated to that purpose or not) that we are faithful to the ancient truths of the Church. May I assure you of my encouragement and prayers as you work for renewal in the life of the Church.

Please enrol me as a member. I enclose my membership fee.

More than one hundred persons were present at the Canadian Anglican Evangelical Fellowship Breakfast Meeting held in Toronto in May at which the speaker was the Rev. Dr. Stuart Barton Babbage, Guest Professor of Practical Apologetics and Church History at Columbia Theological Seminary in Decatur, Georgia.
