

VIEWS & NEWS

on Education of Episcopal Colleges

Anglican Colleges and Universities hold historic first meeting

Archbishop of Canterbury heralds "bright vision"

Christ Church College, Canterbury, was the site of the founding conference which launched **Colleges and Universities of the Anglican Communion**. The new worldwide association will include all institutions of higher education which have historic Anglican roots and ties. Almost 100 institutions of higher education around the globe have been identified; 47 were represented at Canterbury.

The four day conference was spent in planning, mutual sharing, identifying programs and institutional needs, and finally, in an exciting climax, the voting on a series of resolutions which brought the new organization into existence.

Eleven nations—Canada, Hong Kong, India, Jamaica, Japan, Liberia, the Philippines, Taiwan, Uganda, the United Kingdom (including Wales), and the United States—were represented. The delegate of an Anglican College in Ireland, who had planned to attend, remained at home in Dublin to participate in a demonstration for peace following a serious incident which escalated the Irish/English conflict. That, together with the concern for the fate of Cuttington University College in Liberia which, at the time of the Conference, was the target of bombing in the devastating civil war, gave special meaning to the Conference theme, *Forward in Partnership: Church Colleges Addressing the Global Agenda into the 21st Century*.

One question asked throughout was, "How can our Church Colleges around the world work collaboratively on behalf of

colleagues and institutions facing a crisis?" The Conference voted, as the first official act of CUAC, for a resolution to support Cuttington in every possible way and to urge the U.N., through Sir Paul Reeves, the official Anglican Communion observer to the U.N., to further peace efforts in Liberia. In a keynote address, which all agreed was an intellectual tour de force,

the Rt. Rev. Neville de Souza, Bishop of Jamaica and Chair of the Board of Trustees of Church Teachers College in Jamaica, reminded the 141 Conference participants that changing loci of power and spheres of influence is God's way; that CUAC must recognize such change and not merely seek to preserve the status quo.



The highlight was the inaugural service at Canterbury Cathedral. The Archbishop of Canterbury, pictured above with bishops of 5 nations, College and Association heads, presided and preached. Lessons and intercessions were read in Japanese, Spanish, Tamil, Welsh, Chinese, Grebo, Filipino, and English.



Delegates from two Anglican Bilingual Colleges discuss methods of teaching as they process to Canterbury Cathedral. The Rev. Dr. Carlos Plazas, President, Chaplain and founder of St. Augustine College in Chicago (Spanish/English) with the Rev. Rachel Lewis, Trinity College of Carmarthen (Welsh/English).



Charles Jago, President of Huron College in Canada, followed by delegates from the U.K., U.S., and the Philippines process together in full academic regalia.



Dr. Thomas Law (standing center), President of Saint Paul's College, VA, responds with his support to the remarks of Dr. Philip Shen (left of dais), President of Chung Chi College, Hong Kong, who asked for the interest and involvement of colleagues around the world as the College and city look to the 1997 change to People's Republic rule.



Dr. Alec Dickson, founder and president emeritus of Voluntary Service Overseas, and Nobel Peace Prize nominee, 1992, touched the hearts and minds of all when he asked participants to think of the Christian founders of their colleges: "Surely it wasn't only that education should be on-going. Something more precious is needed. It should be on-giving... Anglican colleges should be places where goodness glows." Promoting student volunteer service is a major goal of CUAC.



England talks to India of common concerns, shared history, and a future together through CUAC. Both look forward to faculty and student exchanges.

Hymn composed for the historic inaugural service of CUAC. In keeping with the international character of CUAC, the text was written by the Rev. John L. Bell, minister of the Church of Scotland and member of the Iona Community, and the music was written by world-renowned composer, Dr. Francisco Feliciano, who is head of the Asian Institute for Liturgy and Music at Trinity College in the Philippines. Copies are available from the AEC office.

AGELESS GOD OF BOUNDLESS WONDER

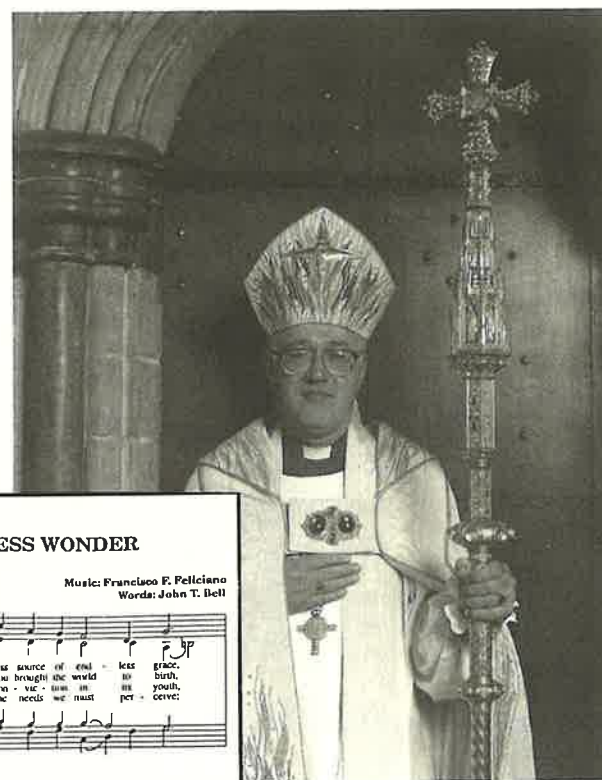
Colleges and Universities of the Anglican Communion Music: Francisco F. Feliciano
Words: John T. Bell

1 Age-less God of bound-less won-der, an-less source of end-less grace,
2 None a-ming us saved at-ten-ive, when you brought the world to birth,
3 Each i-de-a still gets its sing-ing, each one - vic-tim in its youth,
4 Train our son-ence to be ser-vant of the needs we must per-ceive:

who to shall ser-vice-cu-la-tion, came in-car-nate, face of face;
nor can a-my claim full know-ledge of the fu-ture races of earth;
each ex-claim, each ca-pa-pa-ma, each in-pas-sioned search for truth;
teach our in-ter-locu-tion, where blind-ed, that to-see we must be-ieve:

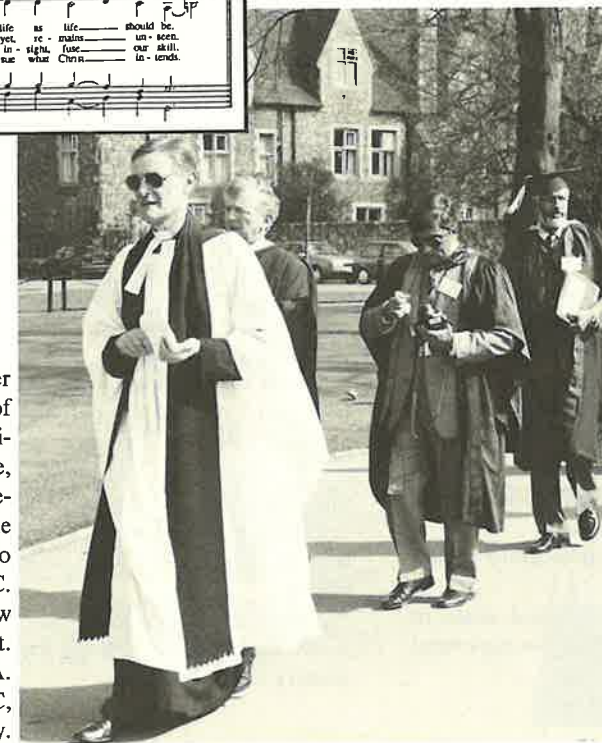
you we praise, al-migh-ty Ma-ter, Pa-rent of hu-man-ty, I-ty,
Sail we, far-cl-nd, strug-gle to make sense of what has been;
nase we of-for-ness for-bis-sing but for shap-ling to your will;
in our pol-i-tics pre-vent us from con-fu-sing means and ends:

Power be-hind the powers we cher-ish, Lord of life as life-should be,
and, with diff-er-ent dreams, I-mag-ine what, as yet, re-main un-learn,
Here, good Lord, in-spire, a-maze us, fire our in-ter-locu-tion, our skill,
and through faith, and doubt, di-rect us to per-sue what Chris-tian-ends.



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"I congratulate you for bringing to birth a vision which, I believe, holds such promise for the Communion," wrote The Most Rev. and Rt. Honourable George Leonard Carey, Archbishop of Canterbury, about the founding of CUAC.



The Rev'd David Peacock, Master of Ceremonies, and Principal of Whitelands College, London, a division of the Roehampton Institute, leads the procession to the Cathedral. Mr. Peacock is chair of the Working Party which was chosen to guide the development of CUAC. Also appointed were Dr. Andrew Chang, Principal of St. John's & St. Mary's, Taiwan, and Dr. Linda A. Chisholm, President of the AEC, who will serve as General Secretary.

U.S. Trust Company and AEC to Honor Trinity, Wall Street

A gracious invitation from the U.S. Trust Company to host an evening event on behalf of The Association to be held in the Spring of 1994 has been received. Friends and patrons in the New York City area will be invited. The Board of Trustees will be present in conjunction with their annual Board meeting on April 14.

The Board has designated this event to honor Trinity Parish in the City of New York for its historic, generous, and constant support of Church and community. The AEC has itself been the grateful recipient of such support, first of LEARNING THROUGH SERVICE, and most recently the visionary grant of \$60,000 to assist in the founding of Colleges and Universities of the Anglican Communion.

Since its founding nearly 300 years ago, Trinity Parish has proven over and over to be the institution which has funded new and exciting initiatives. The AEC is profoundly aware of how such support for a program in its infancy provides a solid and lasting foundation.

New Trustees and Staff

The Board of Trustees of The Association of Episcopal Colleges has elected two new members: Mr. Nevin C. Brown, Principal, School/College Trust, American Association of Higher Education, and active Churchman, and the Rt. Rev. Douglas E. Theuner, Bishop of New Hampshire, who chairs the American Friends of Trinity College of Quezon City. Both serve on the Strategic Planning Committee, and bring significant experience and wisdom to Board deliberations.

The AEC is also pleased to welcome two new staff members.

Dr. Mary Jane Trout Barretta, formerly Provost and Vice-President for Academic Affairs at Salem Teikyo University, WV, has been named Vice-President for Academic Planning and Development for the AEC. She is an active Episcopalian and has been a research associate at Rikkyo University in Japan.

The Rev. Canon John C. Powers has joined the staff as Director of Special Projects. A graduate of General Theological Seminary, he was rector of Trinity Church, Tulsa, for fourteen years, and was formerly on the Board of the AEC.