

## **Mathew Hale**

Mathew Hale (1811-1895) was second bishop of Brisbane.

Influenced by the evangelical movement at Cambridge University in the 1830s, Hale developed a keen interest in the church overseas. Consecrated first bishop of Perth in 1857 he had a difficult time struggling to administer an isolated and under-resourced diocese.

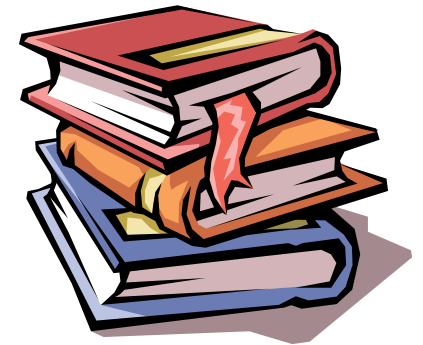
At the age of 64 he reluctantly accepted the unanimous call of the Australian bishops to the diocese of Brisbane, which was also in financial difficulties with struggling remote parishes and independent city churches that would not help them.

Nevertheless, Mathew Hale's personal discipleship and commitment were recognised by those who knew him. He was a man of prayer with a fervent evangelical zeal for people's spiritual welfare, a faithful pastor to his clergy, and was committed to missionary outreach to Aboriginal people. Generous with his own resources and able to relate to a wide range of people, he was known as "the good bishop".

The Simeon Association intends that the Mathew Hale Public Library will honour this largely forgotten Christian leader and hopes that Anglicans today will be encouraged by his personal example in difficult circumstances.

# The Mathew Hale Public Library

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*Making bequests...*

## Background of the Mathew Hale Public Library

The Mathew Hale Public Library is an initiative of the Simeon Association Inc. The Association was formed in 1998 under the *Associations and Corporations Act 1981 (Qld)*. The Association has been endorsed by the Australian Taxation Office as a deductible gift recipient for the Mathew Hale Public Library.

The Mathew Hale Public Library is based in the Blue Room in the basement of St Andrew's, South Brisbane.

The objectives of the Library are as follows:-

1. To provide resources for Christian ministry to people and parishes in Brisbane and beyond;
2. To provide facilities for research;
3. To hold lectures and discussions about historical, contemporary and future issues;
4. To publish from time to time reviews, comments, research reports etc.

The Library aims to have a varied general collection with special emphasis on the following categories:

Preaching and Bible commentaries; Bible reference books; Biblical counseling books;

Prayer and spirituality;

Theological and historical studies with emphasis on the reformation and evangelical revival, Anglicanism and its Protestant heritage, history of missions and evangelism, apologetics;

Mission for the 21<sup>st</sup> century including Gospel communication through evangelism, service and social justice; cross cultural mission particularly to Aboriginals, Torres Strait Islanders and Muslims;

The Anglican Church – contemporary and strategic issues.

## Making a Will

A will is a very good way to ensure that your possessions are well used beyond your lifetime according to your wishes.

Making a Will allows you to:

- Provide for your family and friends;
- Make arrangements for the care of your children;
- State your preferences regarding funeral and burial arrangements and organ donation;
- Name a person who will be responsible for carrying out the wishes that you have outlined in your Will;
- Make provision for others such as the Mathew Hale Public Library.

It is helpful to seek the advice of a solicitor when you prepare your Will. A solicitor can help to make sure that the document is valid and meets all the legal requirements.

## Types of bequests

There are three types of bequests:

1. *A specific bequest*  
This is a gift in your Will of a particular item of value such as houses or land, shares, cars and jewelry.
2. *A general bequest*  
This is usually a gift of a sum of money or a percentage of the value of your estate.
3. *A residual bequest*  
This is a gift in a Will of whatever is left (the residue) after specific and general bequests have been given and expenses have been paid. Your solicitor will be able to give you more information about types of bequests.

We have provided examples of wording if you are considering making a gift to the Mathew Hale Public Library in your Will.

Please discuss these alternatives with your solicitor.

### ***To give a percentage of your estate to the Mathew Hale Public Library***

I give and bequeath ..... per cent of my estate to the Mathew Hale Public Library of Brisbane in the State of Queensland free of all duties for the general purposes of the Library and declare that the receipt of the secretary or another officer of the Library shall be a sufficient discharge of my executor's duty.

### ***To give an amount to the Mathew Hale Public Library***

I give and bequeath the SUM of \$..... to the Mathew Hale Public Library of Brisbane in the State of Queensland free of all duties for the general purposes of the Library and declare that the receipt of the secretary or another officer of the Library shall be a sufficient discharge of my executor's duty.

### ***To give the whole of your estate to the Mathew Hale Public Library***

I give to the Mathew Hale Public Library of Brisbane in the State of Queensland the WHOLE of my estate free of all duties for the general purposes of the Library and declare that the receipt of the secretary or another officer of the Library shall be a sufficient discharge of my executor's duty.

### ***To give the remainder of your estate to the Mathew Hale Public Library***

After the foregoing provisions of my Will for my family and friends have been carried out, I give the rest and residue of whatever kind of my estate remaining free of all duties for the general purposes of the Mathew Hale Public Library of Brisbane in the State of Queensland and declare that the receipt of the secretary or another officer of the Library shall be a sufficient discharge of my executor's duty.