



Library Update

Hello and welcome to the March issue of the Mathew Hale Public Library newsletter, informing you as to what is happening in the Library.

Regarding the recent flooding, I hope you were spared the worst of the water, and that you will be able to help and serve those that are not among you. Please keep all those affected in your prayers.

The very good news is that Reverend Adrian Lane is returning in the second half of this year to be the full-time Warden of the Library. Many people were greatly encouraged by his Ministry and we look forward to his return with thankfulness to God.

Among other things that were achieved, Adrian contributed to a Going for Growth Conference in which 10 Parishes in Brisbane participated. This conference comprised good music, discussion about effective leadership of parishes to encourage healthy churches, good bible studies and teaching as well as some people telling others about how they came to develop their Christian faith.

Adrian was involved in a number of other activities as can be seen from the Library newsletters which can be downloaded from the website. He preached at a number of Churches. He mentored a number of people. He advised the Library Committee and worked in the Library writing an Accessions Policy for the Library which in the near future you will be able to view on the website. This policy provides clear guidance as to the appropriate books etc for the Library collection.

Robin Lake and other members of the Library Committee have been working hard in developing the resources for the Library, including cataloging the books.

With the closure of a number of Christian bookshops throughout Australia, which I believe is due to the increase of online purchasing, the role of public libraries is very important, both as resource centers and places for the community.

The Mathew Hale Public Library aims to be a useful place for resources and for the community.

Thank you for your interest in the Mathew Hale Public Library. I look forward to your continued support and seeing you at the events for this year. If you would like to make

a tax deductible donation to support the work of the library, please use the form included on this newsletter.

With best wishes.
Dr Keith Weller
Honorary Warden

Online Book Resources

With an increasing number of people purchasing online, and bookshops closing down, one resource the Library can provide is details of websites for purchasing Christian books.

Although there are a large range of online stores, here are two which may be of interest to you.

- www.youthworks.net and
- www.acornpress.net.au.

Bishop Dr. John Wilson

We were sad to hear of the death of Bishop Dr John Wilson. He studied at Ridley Melbourne from 1960-1962. He went to the USA for his doctoral studies. He returned to Ridley as a lecturer in Old Testament and Hebrew from 1973-1985. He left in 1985 to become Bishop of the Southern Region of the Melbourne Diocese.

Among many other activities, he was instrumental in establishing the Ridley Bookshop. He was both a scholar and a pastor. He was a great supporter of women in ministry. He recognised the importance of Christian publishers for promoting local scholarship and put considerable time and energy into building Acorn Press. In more recent times John turned his attention to Islamic studies publishing the major study, *Christianity alongside Islam*.

He was a great supporter of the Mathew Hale Public Library and has provided a large number of books for the Library for which we are very grateful. We extend our deep sympathy to his wife Jill and his family.

Kingdoms in Conflict: Reading Daniel Today

By Andrew Reid, C., published by Aquila Press

"Readable, practical and accessible commentary on the book of Daniel."

"It is good to see this series of non-technical commentaries. Such books are greatly needed. I look forward to using this series, especially among young Christians."

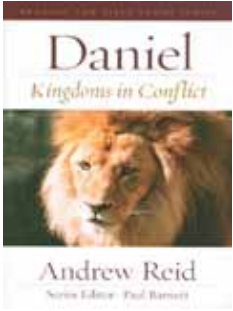
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*Note that the library is currently open for advertised events, by appointment and every Tuesday from 3.00pm to 6.00pm.



Andrew Reid is well-equipped to write for this series, having pursued post-graduate studies in the history of the period in which Daniel was written.

Andrew's commentary on Daniel is the end product of some years of 'field testing' the material with various campus groups among whom he works as a university chaplain.

He is deeply conscious that the books of the old Testament must be read through Christian eyes. So understood, Daniel will prove nourishing to Christians today. No part of the Old Testament is more significant to Jesus than Daniel. Here we meet the kingdom of God, one like a Son of Man, the Saints of the Most High and the Abomination of Desolation.

I am confident that Kingdoms in Conflict will prove a significant and outstanding addition to this series.
- Dr Paul Barnett, Series Editor.

This review is from thegoodbook.co.uk.

Upcoming Events

April 8: "Canon Jeff Roper's Influence on the spread of the Gospel" by Archdeacon Don Campbell

7:30pm. Entry fee is a plastic note.

April 13: "The Uniqueness of Christ" - Bishop Trevor Edwards, Assistant Bishop of Canberra

7:30pm. Entry fee by donation. St Stephens Church, Cavendish Road, Coorparoo.

May 20 Mathew Hale Public Library Dinner" with Hon. John Anderson (Former Deputy Prime Minister)

Topic: The Wisdom of the Ages in a Time of Instant Gratification

Time: 6.30pm for 7pm

Location: Kedron Wavell Services Club, Kittyhawk Drive, Chermside

Cost: \$45/person



For details please email info@mathewhalepubliclibrary.com or call 3236 4399

June 9: "The Good Bishop Hale Comes to Brisbane" By Dr Michael Gourlay

7:30pm. Entry fee by donation.

**All events are at the Mathew Hale Public Library unless otherwise mentioned.*

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