

# Baptist Quarterly Volume 41

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With the approach of the Centenary Congress of the Baptist World Alliance in Birmingham, England, in July 2005, this issue focuses on the first Congress and the early years of this international fellowship.

#### **BRITISH BAPTISTS AND THE BEGINNINGS OF THE BAPTIST WORLD ALLIANCE**

Professor John Briggs, Senior Research Fellow in Church History, Regent's Park College, Oxford, and Editor of the Baptist Quarterly, examines the circumstances that lead to the foundation of the BWA, the initial meetings. Some of the issues boldly explored at the first two congresses are examined in this paper.

#### **BRITISH WOMEN AND THE BAPTIST WORLD ALLIANCE: Honoured partners and fellow workers?**

Dr Karen A. Smith, Tutor in Church History, South Wales Baptist College, Cardiff, explores the involvement of British women in the BWA from 1905 to 1923 and highlights the way J.H. Shakespeare encouraged the ministry of women.

#### **CROSSING THE BAR**

Geoffrey R. Breed, author of *Particular Baptists in Victorian England* (BHS 2003) tells of two respected strict-communion ministers, J.E. Cracknell and H.J. Galley, who in 1864 and 1926 respectively left Strict Baptist pulpits to pastor open-communion Baptist Union churches.

#### **STRIVING FOR AN EDUCATED MINISTRY THEN - AND NOW? A review article**

Alan P.F. Sell, Visiting Professor at Acadia University College of Divinity, Nova Scotia, reviews Peter Shepherd's book, *The making of a northern Baptist college*, Manchester: Northern Baptist College, 2004, £4-95 from Northern Baptist College, Luther King House, Brighton Grove, Rusholme, Manchester M14 5JP

#### **DOVE-TAIL**

[See 'The Dove', BQ 40, July 2004] An obituary from the Baptist Magazine, 1847, tells of the Revd Thomas Thompson who sailed to Africa on The Dove.

#### **REVIEWS**

Anthony R. Cross reviews Alan P.F. Sell, *Philosophy, Dissent and Nonconformity 1689-1920*, Cambridge: James Clarke, 2004. £50-00 hb. ISBN 0-227-67977-6.

Peter J. Morden reviews Ken R. Manley, *Redeeming Love Proclaim: John Rippon and the Baptists*, Carlisle: Paternoster, 2004. ISBN 1-84227-193-8. £19-50.

John Briggs reviews T.G. Carter (ed.), *The Journal and Select Letters of William Carey, Smyth and Helwys*; John Parratt (ed.), *An Introduction to Third-world Theologies*. CUP 2004, 190pp, hb ISBN 0521793351, £40; pb ISBN 052179739X, £14-99 (Amazon prices)

#### **SOCIETY NOTES**

We apologize for two errors in the editorial of the October 2004 issue of the Baptist Quarterly. For Brian Ramsbottom, it should read B.A. Ramsbottom, and the price of the book is £12-00 plus postage.

## **THE STRICT BAPTIST HISTORICAL SOCIETY**

invites BHS members to their meeting on Friday, 18 March 2005, at 7 p.m. at Bethesda Baptist Church, Kensington Place, W.8 (near Notting Hill Gate station). Norman Hopkins will give a lecture on 'The Strict Baptists of Kent and Sussex'. Refreshments afterwards. All welcome.

## **ANNUAL MEETING AND BOOK LAUNCH**

Ian Randall's book, *The English Baptists of the 20th Century*, which completes the new Baptist History series, will be launched on Saturday, 16 April 2005, 11 a.m., at Bloomsbury Central Baptist Church, 235 Shaftesbury Avenue, London WC2H 8EP. The Baptist Historical Society AGM will precede this at 10.20 a.m. and the Annual Lecture, to be given by Dr Randall, will follow the launch.

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### **CELTIC STUDIES IN CHURCH AND SOCIETY J.H.Y. Briggs**

The editor reviews R. Tudor Jones, *Congregationalism in Wales*, 2004, 376pp, £35; R. Tudor Jones, *Faith and the Crisis of a Nation: Wales, 1890-1914*, 535pp, 2004, £35; Robert Pope, *Seeking God's Kingdom: the Nonconformist Social Gospel in Wales, 1906-1939*, 194pp, 1999, £30; and Robert Pope, *Religion and National Identity: Wales and Scotland, c1700-2000*, 355pp, 2001, £30. All published by the University of Wales Press

### **SPURGEON'S FUNERAL**

Peter Shepherd, minister of Broadway Baptist Church, Derby.

Spurgeon's funeral, a massive London event, is recorded in a scrapbook of contemporary press cuttings.

### **DEPICTIONS OF THE FALL COMPARED in Milton's Paradise Lost and Bunyan's The Holy War**

Galen K. Johnson, professor of church history and theology, John Brown University, Siloam Springs, Arkansas

This paper introduces an understanding of Bunyan's pastoral purpose in *The Holy War* through exploring its many imaginative resemblances to its better-known contemporary *Paradise Lost*, which nonetheless reveal in the end a slight but important difference in Bunyan's narrative focus.

### **DOCTRINAL DEVIANCE IN ABINGDON: Thomasine Pendarves and her circle**

Manfred Brod, post-doctoral fellow at Harris-Manchester College, Oxford, and convenor for local history in the Abingdon Area Archaeological and Historical Society

In its early days, the Abingdon Baptist community comprised a wide range of religious opinions. Extreme spiritualist views were held by a group that included Thomasine Pendarves, who was in contact with the Ranter Abiezer Coppe and the magus John Pordage. It was part of the achievement of John Pendarves that his church remained cohesive and that the Quakers, heirs to the spiritualist tradition, failed to make serious inroads in the Abingdon region.

### **'SHARP SHREWD SCOTCHMAN': David McLaren (1785-1850)**

Brian Talbot, minister of Cumbernauld Baptist Church

David McLaren was a leader among the Scotch Baptists who helped to found the Baptist Highland Mission and was instrumental in Scotch Baptists joining the Baptist Union of Scotland. A shrewd businessman, while commercial manager of the South Australia Company he ensured Adelaide's position as the state capital.

## **A REGISTER OF BIRTHS among Eccles Baptists 1831-1837**

Roderick D. Cannon

## **THESE CHAINS - AND OTHERS WHO HELPED TO BREAK THEM**

Basil Amey, former Editor of the Baptist Missionary Society

## **MANUSCRIPT ADDITIONS TO THE ANGUS LIBRARY**

### **REVIEWS**

Stephen Copson on A.P.F. Sell, *Testimony and Tradition: Studies in Reformed and Dissenting Thought*, Ashgate, 2005, 376pp, ISBN 0 7546 4082 5, £60-00 hb.

David M. Thompson on Ian Randall, *The English Baptists of the Twentieth Century*, volume 4 in the New Baptist History series, Didcot: Baptist Historical Society, 2005, 600 pp. ISBN 090 3166 356, £30-00 pb.

Christopher J. Ellis on Paul P. J. Sheppy, *Death Liturgy and Ritual: Volume I A Pastoral and Liturgical Theology*, Ashgate, 2003. Hb ISBN 07546 0579 5, £47-50; pb ISBN 07546 0580 9, £15-9; Volume II A Commentary on Liturgical Texts, Ashgate 2004. Hb ISBN 07546 3899 5, £47-50; pb ISBN 07546 3900 2, £15-99.

John Briggs on: Peter Mommsen, *Homage to a Broken Man: the life of J. Heinrich Arnold*, Plough Publishing House, (Darvell Bruderhof, Brightling Road, Robertsbridge, East Sussex, TN32 5DR), 2004, 339pp. ISBN 0874869307. £10 (Amazon).

Ed. T. George, *Mr Moody and the Evangelical Tradition*, T&T Clark, Edinburgh, £12-99, 185pp.

William A. Dryness, *Reformed Theology and Visual Theology: The Protestant Imagination from Calvin to Edwards*, Cambridge University Press, 2004, 399pp. £55 hb/£19.99 pb.

And notes three volumes from IVP/Apollos: Mark Noll, *Between Faith and Criticism: Evangelicals, Scholarship and the Bible*, British Edition 1991, 271pp, £17.99; Mark Noll, *Turning points: Decisive Moments in the History of Christianity*, 335p, 1997, £11.99; and Peter Hicks, *Evangelicals and Truth, A Creative Proposal for a Postmodern Age*, 240p, 1998, £12.99.

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## **July 2005 Vol 41 No. 3**

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### **Editorial:**

*The Revd Dr Roger Hayden and English Baptist History and Heritage* - John Briggs acknowledges the contributions Dr Hayden has made to the Baptist Historical Society, including service as Secretary 1981-95 and President 1999-2005. His retirement is marked by the publication by the Baptist Union of Great Britain of the second, enlarged edition of his book, *English Baptist History and Heritage*.

### **"Andrew Fuller and the Baptist Missionary Society"**

Peter J. Morden, senior minister of Shirley Baptist Church, Solihull, considers Fuller's role in the foundation and subsequent development of the BMS.

### **"From a thunderstorm to a settled still life: Estonian Baptists 1959-72"**

Toivo Pilli, Course Leader in Baptist and Anabaptist Studies, International Baptist Theological Seminary, Prague, considers a difficult period in the life of Estonian Baptists under atheist domination during the 1960s. Part 1. This won the E.A. Payne Memorial Essay prize, 2004.

## "The worship of all believers"

Frank D. Rees, Professor of Systematic Theology and Dean, Whitley College, the Baptist College of Victoria, Melbourne, Australia. In the light of changing worship patterns in which the preacher no longer leads the whole service, this paper reflects on the underlying theology of priesthood and worship, and the involvement of each and all in both the gathered and the dispersed life of the church.

The Pacific Journal of Baptist Research is to be launched in October 2005, edited by Dr Martin Sutherland of Carey Baptist College, Auckland, New Zealand.

### Reviews:

Gary S. De Krey, *London and the Restoration 1659-1683*, Cambridge 2005. Reviewer: Stephen Copson

Tim Carter, Anthony Clarke (ed.), Stephen Finamore, Hazel Sherman, Graham Sparkes, *Expecting justice, but seeing violence: some Baptist contributions to following Jesus in a violent world*, Whitley Publications, Oxford 2004. Reviewer: Simon Carver

T. Larsen (ed.), *Biographical Dictionary of Evangelicals*, IVP 2003. Reviewer: Stephen Copson

Tom Nettles, *The Baptists: key people involved in forming a Baptist identity, Volume 1: Beginnings in Britain*, Fearn: Mentor 2005. Reviewer: Brian Talbot

Paul Wood (ed.), *Science and Dissent in England, 1688-1945*, Ashgate Publishing, Aldershot, 2004. Reviewer: Brian Bowers

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## October 2005 Vol 40 No. 4

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### EDITORIAL: PERSONALITY AND PROTEST

On Timothy Larsen, *Contested Christianity: The Political and Social Contexts of Victorian Theology*, Baylor University Press, 234pp, ISBN 0918954932. £28-50 (Amazon).

J.H.Y. Briggs

### ‘THE BREATH OF REVIVAL’: The Welsh Revival and Spurgeon’s College

The influence of the Welsh Revival of 1905 reached out far beyond the Principality. This paper looks at the impact of Spurgeon’s College and the Metropolitan Tabernacle through the six Welsh students at the College.

Ian M. Randall, Vice-Principal and Tutor in Church History and Spirituality, Spurgeon’s College, London

### FROM A THUNDERSTORM TO A SETTLED STILL LIFE: Estonian Baptists 1959-1972

This completes the paper, based on the E.A. Payne Memorial Prize Essay 2005, showing how a period of apparent still life for Estonian Baptists allowed them to develop internal fellowship and find the beginnings of new confidence.

Toivo Pilli, Course Director in Baptist and Anabaptist Studies at the International Baptist Theological Seminary in Prague

### SHAKESPEARE’S MAN AT THE FRONT: The ministry of the Revd William Cramb Charteris OBE MC during the Great War (1914-1918)

This paper looks at the life and work of William Charteris, a Baptist minister, and one of the first to become a Free Church military chaplain.

Neil Allison is presently serving as a chaplain to the 1st Battalion The Royal Scots (The Royal Regiment) and is based in Dreghorn Barracks, Edinburgh)

### **WAINSGATE BAPTIST CHURCH is taken into the care of the Historic Chapels Trust**

### **ASSOCIATION RECORDS OF THE PARTICULAR BAPTISTS OF THE WEST COUNTRY TO 1659: Some queries**

Local knowledge suggests some different identifications Alec Barber, a lifelong Baptist, worked in Local Government, and has preached for over fifty years in the village churches east of Taunton

### **BAPTISTS IN THE NEW OXFORD DICTIONARY OF NATIONAL BIOGRAPHY**

Modern technology makes it easy to find the 630 entries in the new DNB that mention a Baptist connection.

Brian Bowers, an engineering historian, was one of the 372 Associate Editors of the Dictionary and one of the 10,000 contributors. He is a member of Bloomsbury Central Baptist Church, London, six of whose former members appear in the Dictionary.

### **ANOTHER WAY OF BEING CHRISTIAN IN FRANCE: Review article**

Some years ago a group of French Baptists began to gather an archive and to research their history. Sébastien Fath, an historian and sociologist, drew on and extended this research for his doctoral study, producing his pioneering and magisterial book, *Une autre manière d'être chrétien en France: socio-histoire de l'implantation baptiste (1810-1950)* (Geneva: Labor et Fides, 2001. 1222 pages. ISBN 2-8309-0990-9.. Amazon price £37-15) . Drawing on plentiful resources (for 'les Baptistes ... écrivent beaucoup'), Fath shows how Baptists have been implanted in the nation's life.

Faith Bowers, Sub-editor, Baptist Quarterly

### **REVIEWS AND NOTES ON BOOKS**

Anna M. Robbins, *Methods in the Madness: Diversity in Twentieth-Century Christian Social Ethics*, Paternoster Theological Monographs, Carlisle: Paternoster Press, 2004. pp.xx+294. ISBN 1-84227-211-X. £19.99. Reviewed by Brian Haymes, Minister, Bloomsbury Central Baptist Church

Paul Weller, *Time for a Change: Reconfiguring Religion, State and Society* (London: Continuum, 2005), 244 pages, ISBN 0 567 08487 6, £19.99. Reviewed by N.G. Wright, Principal, Spurgeon's College, London.

Clive Field, ed., *Church and Chapel in Early Victorian Shropshire: Returns from the 1851 Census of Religious Worship*, [Shropshire Record Series, Volume 8], Centre for Local History, University of Keele, available from SRS, 12 Oakfield Road, Shrewsbury, SY3 8AA, £15 including p & p. Reviewed by J.H.Y. Briggs

Michael A G Haykin (ed.), *At the Pure Fountain of Thy Word: Andrew Fuller as an Apologist*, Volume 6 Studies in Baptist History and Thought, Paternoster, Carlisle 2004, 255pp. ISBN 1-84227-171-7 £19.99. Reviewer: Brian Talbot Minister Cumbernauld Baptist Church

B.R. Talbot, *A Brief History of Central Baptist Association 1909-2002*, Baptist Union of Scotland, 2005. 40pp £3-50 inclusive from BU of Scotland, 14 Aytoun Road, Glasgow G41 5RT, 01414326169. Reviewed by John Barclay, who was President of the Baptist Union of Scotland 1994-5

Andrew Rollinson, *Liberating Ecclesiology: Setting the church free to live out its missionary nature*, The Whitley Lecture for 2005, Whitley Publications, Regent's Park College, Oxford, OX1 2B, 40pp, £3-50. Reviewed by J.H.Y. Briggs

*Courage and Hope: The Stories of Ten Baptist Women Ministers*, edited by Pam and Keith Durso, Baptist History and Heritage Society and Mercer University Press, 2005

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## January 2006 Vol 41 No 5

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### **EDITORIAL: A PATTERN OF CONNEXIONS**

J.H.Y. Briggs

Elizabeth Harman Pakenham, Countess of Longford, *The Pebbled Shore: the Memoirs of Elizabeth Longford*, London and New York: Weidenfeld & Nicolson, 1986

### **STRANGE BEDFELLOWS: Isaac Hollis and family, Baptist benefactors.**

R.E. Davies

Revd Dr Ron Davies was a Baptist minister in Darlington and then a lecturer at All Nations Christian Colleg for 34 years until his retirement in 1998. He travelled and taught extensively in Central and Eastern Europe during the Communist era. His PhD on the Missiology of Jonathan Edwards led to an interest in Edwards' English connections.

Very little is known about Isaac Hollis, the eighteenth-century English Baptist who was the main benefactor of the Stockbridge Mission in Massachusetts where Jonathan Edwards was a missionary for the last eight years of his life. However, a study of contemporary journals, wills and other documents provides interesting facts about Hollis, not least his involvement in the exotic activities of the French Prophets. There is uncertainty as to whether he was a minister (as his American correspondents assume) or a layman (as indicated by English references.) A recent discovery sheds new light on this.

### **A FAMILY'S SERVICE: The Andersons of Bristo Place, Edinburgh**

Christine Lumsden

Christine Lumsden is the Secretary of Bristo Baptist Church, Edinburgh.

This paper tells the story of one family closely involved in the life and leadership of the mother church of Scotch Baptists. The social development leads in to an analysis of the class make-up of the church which will follow in a second part to this paper..

### **CLIFFORD CLEAL: A fresh approach to social responsibility**

John Hough

John Hough worked for the Baptist Union 1954-68 in London. He is a member of Victoria Baptist Church, Eastbourne

Cleal brought to the Baptist Union of Great Britain a wider understanding of the role of Christian responsibility in Church and Society.

### **Reviews**

Peter J. Morden, *Offering Christ to the World: Andrew Fuller (1754-1815) and the revival of eighteenth-century Particular Baptist life*, Studies in Baptist History and Thought, Vol.8, Paternoster, Carlisle, 2003. ISBN 1-84227-141-5. 202pp. £20. Reviewed by Raymond Brown, Vice President of the Baptist Historical Society and former Principal, Spurgeon's College

Stephen R. Holmes, *Tradition and Renewal in Baptist Life*, The Whitley Lecture for 2003, Whitley Publications, Regent's Park College, Oxford, OX1 2LB, 44pp, £3.50. Reviewed by P.J. Morden

Jill Hamilton, *Thomas Cook, the Holiday-Maker*, 280pp, Sutton Publishing, 2005, £20-00. Reviewed by J.H.Y. Briggs

Charles W. Dewese *Women Deacons and Deaconesses: 400 Years of Baptist Service*, Baptist History and Heritage Society, Brentwood Tennessee, Mercer University Press Macon, Georgia, June 2005, 259pp. ISBN 0-86554 -438-7

Ed S. Taylor and D.L. Wykes, *Parliament and Dissent*, 156pp Edinburgh University Press for the Parliamentary History Yearbook Trust, 2005, £16.95. Reviewed by J.H.Y. Briggs

William Doel, *Twenty Golden Candlesticks: a History of Baptist Nonconformity in Western Wiltshire*, 232pp., 1890, Facsimile Reprint, Wiltshire County Council and Wiltshire Family History Society, Bythesea Road, Trowbridge, Wiltshire, BA14 8BS, 2005, £9-75. Reviewed by J.H.Y. Briggs

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### **EDITORIAL: CHALLENGING BOTH TSARS AND SOVIETS: Russian Baptists 1905-1929**

The Editor reviews Heather J Coleman, *Russian Baptists and Spiritual Revolution, 1905-1929*, University of Illinois Press, \$45, 305pp, 2005

### **IMMIGRATION, EVANGELISM AND EXCLUSION: Tensions in the Canadian Baptist Vision**

Donald Goertz is an ordained minister in the Baptist Convention of Ontario and Quebec who is currently Assistant Professor of Christian History and the Director on the MDiv. in Ministry at Tyndale Seminary, Toronto, Ontario. Here he explores the tensions created for Baptists of central and western Canada as they faced a massive immigration of non-Anglo-Saxon peoples. It occurred within the context of the struggle to construct a Christian Canada and seemed to cast in doubt the possibility of this dream.

### **A FAMILY SERVICE: The Andersons of Bristo Place Baptist Church, Edinburgh (Part 2)**

Christine Lumsden, Secretary of Bristo Baptist Church, Edinburgh, continues her study of one family closely involved in the life and leadership of the mother church of Scotch Baptists. Here the social development of the Anderson family leads in to an analysis of the class make-up of the church.

### **EDWARD BARBER (c.1595-1663) AND HIS FRIENDS (Part 1)**

Stephen Wright is a free-lance research historian. His book, *The Early English Baptists, 1603-49*, based on his London PhD dissertation, is published in March 2006.

Edward Barber was probably the first man in England to advocate believers' baptism by immersion. A prominent writer and speaker on religion and politics over the next decade, he also appears to have played a central role in bringing General Baptist churches into association with each other in 1645. Yet his life and work has not aroused the interest it warrants; it is hoped that the following will help fill the gap. The paper will be completed in our next issue.

### **SIGNIFICANT QUESTIONS ABOUT BAPTIST ORIGINS? A review article**

Stephen Copson considers Stephen Wright, *The Early English Baptists (1603-1649)*, Boydell & Brewer, 2006, 288pp, £50

## REVIEWS

Stephen Copson also reviews

Austin Walker, *The Excellent Benjamin Keach*, Joshua Press Inc., Ontario, Canada, 2004. ISBN 1-894400-21-6.

Ann Hughes, *Gangraena and the Struggle for the English Revolution*, Oxford 2004, 482pp. £63-00. ISBN 0 19925 192 4.

John Briggs reviews

W. D. McNaughton, *Early Congregational Independency in Lowland Scotland [vol I]* 681pp, 2005, Available from URC Synod of Scotland, 340 Cathedral Street Glasgow G1 2BQ, £20 plus £5p&p, and *Early Congregational Independency in Shetland*, 168pp, 2005, The Shetland Times, Gremista, Lerwick, Shetland, ZE1 0PX, £9.99.

James Robertson, *Gone is the Ancient Glory: Spanish Town, Jamaica, 1534-2000*, Ian Randle Publishers, Box 686, 11 Cunningham Avenue, Kingston 6, Jamaica, 2005, 477pp, \$49.95 [hb], \$30 [pb].

Anthony R. Cross, Fellow of the Centre for Baptist History and Heritage, Regent's Park College, Oxford, reviews

Alan P.F. Sell, *Confessing and Commending the Faith: Historical Witness and Apologetic Method*, University of Wales Press: Cardiff, 2002. £45-00 hb, xii + 550pp. ISBN 0 7083 1747 2.

Ian Green, Minister of Malvern Baptist Church, reviews

I.M. Randall, *Spirituality and Social Change: the contribution of F.B.Meyer (1847-1929)*, Paternoster Press, 2003, pp. xx + 184. ISBN: 1-84227-195-4, £16.00.

Michael J. Collis, Minister of Sarn Baptist Church, near Newtown (Y Drenewydd), Powys, reviews a group of church histories:

Donald Cross, *The First One Hundred Years: A History of the Northumberland Heath Baptist Church*, 2002, pp.204, £8.00

Patrick Goodland, *The Greening of Wild Places: English Village Life over two centuries –The story of Gorsley Baptist Church 1800-2002*, pp.viii + 136. £4.95 + £1.95 p & p [cheques payable to P.J. Goodland (Books)] from the author, The Copper Beech, Gorsley, Ross-on-Wye, Herefordshire, HR9 7SJ

Tony Hopkins, *A History of Griffithstown Baptist Church 1875-2000*. Griffithstown Baptist Church, Commercial Road, Griffithstown, 2000, pp. vi + 104, £5.00.

[Melvyn J. Reynolds], *Dabbers Dissenting: A Commemoration of 350 years of Baptist Witness in Nantwich and 20 years of Baptist-United Reformed Fellowship that is Market Street Church*, Market Street Church, Nantwich, 2003, pp.24. £3.00 from Andrew Taylor, 11 Broadacres, Broomhall, Nantwich, Cheshire, CW5 8BH

## ESTONIAN BAPTIST HISTORY

Since we published part of this story, some readers have asked about the rest. Toivo Pilli has published several articles. They are

BQ 39, 2001, 54-72, covered the years 1884-1940.

'The Forced Blessing of Unity: Formation of the Union of Evangelical Christians-Baptists in Estonia', *Teologinen Aikakauskirja* (Finnish Journal of Theology), no.6 (2003), pp.548-62, covering the formation of a united union when Baptists, Evangelical Christians, Pentecostals and Revivalist Free Church believers merged under Soviet atheistic pressures, 1945-47.

'Union of Evangelical Christians-Baptists of Estonia 1945-1989: Survival Techniques, Outreach Efforts, Search for Identity', *Journal of European Baptist Studies*, no.2, January 2001 (jointly published in *Baptist History and Heritage*, vol.XXXVI, winter-spring 2001, pp.113-135

Estonian Baptists 1959-72 (BQ 41, July 2005, 158-74)

'Towards Revived Identity: Estonian Baptists, 1970-1985' awaits publication in *Exploring Eastern European Baptist History*, IBTS.

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### **EDITORIAL: SOLDIERS' RELIGION**

John Briggs considers Michael Snape, *The Redcoat and Religion: the Forgotten History of the British Soldier from the Age of Marlborough to the Eve of the First World War*; 319pp, hb £75; and *God and the British Soldier: Religion and the British Army in the First and Second World Wars*, 315pp, hb £50 & pb £18.99, both Routledge, 2005

### **ENGLISH BAPTISTS OF THE TWENTIETH CENTURY**

Ian Randall, Lecturer in Church History and Spirituality at Spurgeon's College and Senior Research Fellow of IBTS, Prague, gave the Annual Lecture of the Baptist Historical Society on 16 April 2005, to mark the launch of his book, *The English Baptists of the Twentieth Century*, the last in the Society's series century by century. The lecture offered an overview of the whole century.

### **REGINALD WILLIAM WADDELOW: 'A man of no ordinary dimensions'**

Jonathan Calvert, minister of Hall Green Baptist Church in Birmingham, provides a biographical article. Loss of an arm as a boy soldier notwithstanding, Waddelow had a dynamic ministry, rescuing a succession of churches in difficult circumstances in Lancashire, Glasgow and Bristol. His passion for Christ's kingdom extended his activity beyond the church into various organizations and local politics.

### **EDWARD BARBER (c.1595-1663) AND HIS FRIENDS (Part 2)**

Stephen Wright, a free-lance research historian, has written *The Early English Baptists, 1603-49*, published in March 2006. This article completes his account of Edward Barber, probably the first man in England to advocate believers' baptism by immersion. A prominent writer and speaker on religion and politics over the next decade, he also appears to have played a central role in bringing General Baptist churches into association with each other in 1645. Yet his life and work has not hitherto aroused the interest it warrants.

### **TRACKS AND TRACES: A review article**

Sean Winter reflects on Paul S. Fiddes, *Tracks and Traces: Baptist Identity in Church and Theology*, Studies in Baptist History and Thought 13; Carlisle: Paternoster, 2003. £19.99, xvi+305pp.

### **REVIEWS**

D.W. Bebbington on D. Bruce Hindmarsh, *The Evangelical Conversion Narrative: Spiritual Autobiography in Early Modern England*, Oxford University Press, 2005.

Michael A.G. Haykin reviews *The Complete Works of Andrew Fuller* (CD—Adobe PDF/WordPerfect/Ms Word, 2005), from [kdoiado@earthlink.net](mailto:kdoiado@earthlink.net)

Stephen Copson notes A.P. Sell, *Enlightenment, Ecumenism, Evangel: Theological themes and thinkers, 1550-2000*, Paternoster 2005, and provides a note on the Joanna Neale Endowment.

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### **EDITORIAL: THREE PERSPECTIVES ON AMERICAN BAPTIST HISTORY**

W.H. Brackney *Baptists in North America*, Blackwells Publishing, 2006, hb £50, pb £24.99, 296pp

P.R. and K.E Durso, *The Story of Baptists in the United States*, Baptist History and Heritage Society, PO Box 728, Brentwood, Tennessee, 37024-0728, USA, 2006 \$29.95 hb, 224pp

Bill J. Leonard, *Baptist in America*, Columbia University Press, 2005, £26.00, 316pp.

### **THE BAPTIST COLLEGE IN MONTREAL, 1836-1849**

The British Connexion, with special reference to the contribution of the Baptist Missionary Society

Karen E. Smith, Tutor in Church History, South Wales Baptist College, Cardiff

The existence of a Baptist college in Montreal and the support given to it by British Baptists until it closed in 1849 is examined in this paper.

### **A NORTHAMPTONSHIRE LACEMAKER: An introduction to the Life, hymns and poetry of Eliza Westbury (1808-1828)**

Sybil Phillips' interest in the local history of Evangelicalism stems from her Welsh heritage, and the correspondence of her ancestor, Daniel Rowland (1711-90) with his friend, the Revd Thomas Jones of Northamptonshire. Her book, *Glorious Hope: Women and Evangelical Religion in Kent and Northamptonshire, 1800-1850* (278 pp. + 15 illustrations) 2004, £15.50, ISBN 0-9545478-0-2, can be obtained from Compton Towers Publishing, 102 Northampton Road, Roade, Northampton, NN7 2PF.

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### **THE ROLE OF WOMEN IN THE CHURCH: *The Sword and the Trowel* and *General Baptist Magazine*, 1865-1891**

Kara Blankenship, a graduate of Carson-Newman College, Jefferson City, TN, researched this paper at Regent Park College's Angus Library, Trinity Term 2005

The nineteenth-century afforded women opportunity to work beyond the home in society and church. This can be seen in *The General Baptist Magazine* (GBM) and *The Sword and the Trowel* (S&T), which reflect differences in mainstream Baptist theology - Evangelical Arminianism and Evangelical Calvinism respectively. Both show that, while allowed a certain informal 'functional' role in the church, women were not recognized in formal church order.

### **C.H. SPURGEON'S FUNERAL, 1892: An Early Example of Public Order Planning**

Paul Dew, a member of Hillingdon Park Baptist Church, works for the Metropolitan Police.

While looking through their archives, he noticed these plans for policing Spurgeon's funeral. The article first appeared in the *Baptist Times*. Peter Shepherd's article, *Baptist Quarterly* 41, pp.72ff, April 2005, showed what a major event this funeral was.

### **BOOKS REVIEWED OR NOTED**

Pushing at the Boundaries of Unity: Anglicans and Baptists in Conversation, Church House Publishing, London 2005. £10.99. Reviewed by David Goodbourn

Richard Potts, *Dame Sarah's Legacy: A History of The Lady Hewley Trust*, The Lady Hewley Trust, 2005, 192pp (paperback), ISBN 978 0 9551588 0 3. £7.99 (£6.99 for BHS members if

ordered before June 2006) + £3 p and p. from the Clerk to the Hewley Trustees, Woodside House, Ashton, Chester, CH3 8AE. Reviewed by Peter Shepherd, minister, Broadway Baptist Church Derby and President of the Baptist Historical Society

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