

# Micah Network Integral Mission Initiative

RESOURCE CATEGORY <b>Theology</b>	RESOURCE NUMBER <b>IMI-THE-002</b>	SOURCE <b>Dewi Hughes</b>
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## 1.0 INTEGRAL MISSION, THE BIBLE AND THE CHURCH

### 1.1.1 A Definition: What is Integral Mission?

Integral mission “involves saying, doing and being people of the kingdom” (Melba Maggay). It is *both* speaking the good news of Jesus *and* living it out through a lifestyle of active service.

The *Micah Declaration* defined it in the following way:

“Integral mission or holistic transformation is the proclamation and demonstration of the gospel. It is not simply that evangelism and social involvement are to be done alongside each other. Rather, in integral mission our proclamation has social consequences as we call people to love and repentance in all areas of life. And our social involvement has evangelistic consequences as we bear witness to the transforming grace of Jesus Christ. If we ignore the world, we betray the word of God which sends us out to serve the world. If we ignore the word of God, we have nothing to bring to the world. Justice and justification by faith, worship and political action, the spiritual and the material, personal change and structural change, belong together. As in the life of Jesus, being, doing and saying are at the heart of the integral task”

(From *Justice, Mercy and Humility: Integral Mission and the Poor* by Tim Chester)

### 1.1.2 The History of Integral Mission

How has history shaped our understanding of integral mission today? What were the historical precedents for these perspectives on integral mission?

David Bebbington, “Evangelicals, Theology and Social Transformation”, in David Hilborn (ed.), *Movement for Change: Evangelical Perspectives on Social Transformation*, (Paternoster Press: 2004, p. 1-19)

- Although focused mainly on the United Kingdom, this articles provides a good survey of the traditional evangelical approach to social transformation

Wayne Bragg, “From Development to Transformation”, in Vinay Samuel & Chris Sugden (eds.), *The Church in Response to Human Need* (Grand Rapids: Eerdmans/Oxford: Regnum, 1987)

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Tim Chester, *Awakening to a World of Need*  
(Leicester: IVP, 1993)

- A history of the awakening of social responsibility amongst British evangelicals since 1950

Joe Kapolyo, "Social Transformation as a Missional Imperative: Evangelicals and Development since Lausanne", in David Hilborn (ed.), *Movement for Change: Evangelical Perspectives on Social Transformation*,

(Paternoster Press: 2004, p. 133-146)

- This paper contains an important section on one of the problems of development – that it can often benefit the 'developer' more than those seen to be in need of 'development'

David W. Smith, *Transforming the World? The Social Impact of British Evangelicalism*  
(Carlisle: Paternoster, 1998)

- Whilst the focus of this book is on Britain, it provides invaluable insight into a holistic approach within evangelicalism that drove the first wave of missionaries - inspired by William Carey and others

Jacob Thomas, *From Lausanne to Manila: Evangelical Social Thought*  
(Delhi: ISPCK, 2003)

John Wolffe, "Historical Models of Evangelical Transformation", in David Hilborn (ed.), *Movement for Change: Evangelical Perspectives on Social Transformation*,

(Paternoster Press: 2004, p. 20-37)

- This paper highlights the historical role of churches, pan-evangelical agencies, Christian communities and individuals in evangelical social transformation

## 1.1.3 Why is Integral Mission Important?

What role should integral mission in today's world of need and inequality? How can I state the case for integral mission to others?

Bruce Bradshaw, *Bridging the Gap: Evangelism, Development and Shalom* (Monrovia: MARC, 1993)  
- A stimulating attempt to break down the barriers that have separated development and evangelism

Bruce Bradshaw, *Change Across Cultures: A Narrative Approach to Social Transformation*,  
(Grand Rapids: Baker Academic, 2002)

- This is a stimulating book that uses the biblical narrative of redemption as a focus for enabling transformation. The biblical exposition is thought-provoking, but not always entirely convincing

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Tim Chester, *Good News to the Poor: Sharing the Gospel Through Social Involvement* (Leicester: IVP, 2004)

- A powerful case for integral mission - read this if you, or maybe someone you know, need to be convinced of its importance

Vishai Mangalwadi, *Truth and Social Reform* (London: Hodder & Stoughton [Spire], 1989)

- A convincing argument for integral mission from an author who turned down numerous job offers to serve amongst the poor in a remote village in his native India

Bruce Nicholls (ed.), *In Word and Deed: Evangelism and Social Responsibility* (Carlisle: Paternoster Press, 1985)

- This book contains papers from the World Evangelical Fellowship/Lausanne Committee for World Evangelisation Consultation on the Relationship between Evangelism and Social Responsibility – which was held in Grand Rapids, Michigan, in 1982

Ronald Sider, *Rich Christians in an Age of Hunger* (2<sup>nd</sup> edition) (London: Hodder & Stoughton, 1997)

- This book provides a compelling statement of the case for integral mission. It has sold over 250,000 copies and is a must-read classic

Ronald Sider, *Evangelism and Social Action in a Lost and Broken World* (London: Hodder & Stoughton, 1993). Also published in the US with the title *One-Sided Christianity: Uniting the Church to Reach a Lost and Broken World* (Grand Rapids: Zondervan, 1993)

Ronald Sider, *Lifestyle in the Eighties: An Evangelical Commitment to Simple Lifestyle* (Exeter: Paternoster Press, 1982)

- The principles outlined in this book are still very relevant today

Jim Wallis, *The Call to Conversion: Recovering the Gospel for these Times* (San Francisco: Harper, 1992)

- This is a prophetic book. Although Western-based (Wallis lives in the US), it is an important and inspiring read for those in any context

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## 1.1.4 Integral Mission: An Overview

Tokunboh Adeyemo (ed.), *A Christian Mind in a Changing Africa*

(Nairobi: The Association of Evangelicals of Africa and Madagascar [AEAM], 1993)

- This book emerged following a consultation on "A Christian Worldview in a Changing Africa". African men and women are grappling with some of the major issues facing evangelicals in today's post-colonial situation. The consultation statement expresses a strong commitment to integral mission

Ray Bakke, *A Theology as Big as a City*

(Downers Grove, IL: IVP, 1997)

- This book comes from one of the key contemporary advocates of urban ministry and integral mission in the US today

Peter Batchelor, *People in Rural Development*

(Carlisle: Paternoster Press, 1993, 2<sup>nd</sup> edition)

- This is a beautiful book full of wisdom, grace and practical advice from someone who has forty years experience of working amongst those in rural poverty in Africa

Tim Chester (ed.), *Justice, Mercy and Humility: Integral Mission to the Poor*

(Carlisle: Paternoster Press, 2002)

- This essential book contains papers from the Micah Network International Consultation on Integral Mission and the Poor, held in Oxford in 2001. Discussions include: the meaning of integral mission, its implications for the poor, the role of the church, the importance of advocacy, and lifestyle. Contributors include key figures in this movement, such as Rene Padilla, Archbishop Donald Mtetemala and C.B. Samuel

Orlando Costas, *Christ Outside the Gate*

(Maryknoll: Orbis Books, 1984)

Orlando Costas, *Liberating News*

(Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 1989)

Duane Elmer & Lois McKinney (eds.),

*God of the Poor: A Biblical Vision of God's Present Rule*

(Monrovia: MARC, 1996)

- The chapter entitled "The Art of Facilitating Change" is particularly helpful

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Viv Grigg, *Companion to the Poor*  
(Monrovia: MARC, 1990)

- This challenging book draws on Grigg's experiences, and those of his co-workers, living as missionaries in squatter communities in Africa, Asia and the USA. He seeks to discover some principles for church-planting amongst those living in extreme poverty

Viv Grigg, *Cry of the Urban Poor: Reaching the Slums of Today's Megacities*  
(Monrovia: MARC, 1992)

- In this book, Grigg develops the main themes of his previous book – *Companion to the Poor*, suggesting that developing communities of Christians in slum areas would be a critical and counter-cultural response to some of the injustices that seemingly confine people to lives of poverty in slum communities

F. Hrangkhuma & Sebastian C. Kim (eds.),  
*The Church in India: Its Mission Tomorrow*  
(Delhi: CMS/ISPCK, 1996)

- This book is the fruit of two consultations held by the Centre for Mission Studies of Union Biblical Seminary – in Pune, India, on the future of the church and mission in contemporary India

Dewi Hughes with Matthew Bennett, *God of the Poor: A Biblical Vision of God's Present Rule*  
(Carlisle: OM Publishing, 1998)

- This book argues that the church, as the visible community of God in today's world, has been giving the task of serving and blessing the poor. Asserting that behaviour flows from what people believe, it looks at the ways in which religion has perpetuated poverty. Then kingdom principles are applied to a variety of topics, such as politics, economics, ethnic identity, gender and population growth

Sulaiman Z. Jakonda, *Your Kingdom Come: A Book on Wholistic Christian Development*,  
(Jos: RURCON, 2001)

- This is an excellent resource, however the presentation is poor – do not let this put you off reading it, as the content is extremely good

Samuel Jayakumar, *Mission Reader: Historical Models for Wholistic Mission in the Indian Context*  
(Delhi: ISPCK, 2002/Oxford: Regnum, 2003)

Sebastian C.H. Kim & Krickwin C. Marak, *Good News to the Poor: The Challenge to the Church*  
(Delhi: CMS/ISPCK, 1997)

- This book contains papers from a consultation on integral mission convened by the Centre for Mission Studies, of Union Biblical Seminary, in Pune, India

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Melba Maggay, *Transforming Society*  
(Oxford: Regnum, 1994)

- This book is a powerful testimony from a woman in the Filipino context on the relevance of the gospel in the political upheavals that have wracked the Philippines in recent years

Darrow Miller with Stan Guthrie, *Discipling the Nations: The Power of Truth to Transform Cultures*  
(Seattle: YWAM)

Bryant L. Myers, *Walking with the Poor: Principles and Practices of Transformational Development*  
(New York: Orbis Books, 1999)

- This book provides the most comprehensive attempt thus far to marry evangelical theology with best practice in development. A must-read for anyone wanting to understand contemporary development theory, as well as ways in which it can be used and critiqued by Christians working with those in poverty

Bryant L. Myers, *Working with the Poor: New Insights and Learnings from Development Practitioners*  
(Monrovia: MARC, 1999)

Bruce Nicholls & Beulah Woods (eds.), *Sharing the Good News with the Poor: A Reader for Concerned Christians*

(Carlisle: Paternoster Press/Grand Rapids: Baker Book House, 1996)

- This book attempts to understand the approach to evangelism used by some Christian ministries to the poor. It contains three sections: (a) The Poor in the Biblical Story, (b) Reflections on Good News in Word and Deed, and (c) Sharing the Good News as Mission and Witness. Theoretical chapters are interspersed with helpful case studies

John M. Perkins, *Beyond Charity: The Call to Christian Community Development*  
(Grand Rapids: Baker Books, 1993)

- An inspiring book from one of the great protagonists of Christian social action today

Vinay Samuel & Chris Sugden (eds.), *The Church in Response to Human Need*  
(Eugene, OR: Wipf & Stock Publishers, 2003)

- This recently updated book contains the revised proceedings of a conference held at Wheaton College in 1983 and convened by the World Evangelical Fellowship (now the World Evangelical Alliance). The papers consider (a) the place of the poor in God's plan, (b) the nature of the gospel of the kingdom, (c) God's purpose and the movement of human history, (d) a possible Biblical method for ministry amongst the poor, and (e) the relationship between the gospel and human culture. It also contains the statement produced by the consultation entitled, "Transformation: The Church in Response to Human Need"

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Vinay Samuel & Chris Sugden (eds.), *Mission as Transformation: A Theology of the Whole Gospel* (Oxford: Regnum, 1999)

- This is a very helpful book of articles reflecting on developments in thinking about integral mission from 1985 to 1999. It has three parts: (a) Biblical and Theological Foundations, (b) Missiological Expressions, and (c) Transformation and Praxis: Practical Issues from the Perspective of Wholistic Mission. The articles mainly come from the journal, "Transformation"

Maurice Sinclair, *Green Finger of God* (Exeter: Paternoster Press, 1990)

- A theology of development based on Bishop Sinclair's experiences working amongst the Indians of the Argentinean Chaco. This is sadly out of print now but if you can get hold of it, it is one of the best books in this field

John Stott, *Issues Facing Christians Today* (London: Marshall Pickering, 1990)

- This is a very well-respected book covering many of the different aspects of Christian social responsibility. Initially published in 1990, this completely new edition is now available

Tetsunao Yamamori, Bryant Myers, Kwame Bediako & Larry Reed (eds.), *Serving with the Poor in Africa: Cases in Wholistic Mission* (Monrovia: MARC, 1996)

Tetsunao Yamamori, *Serving with the Poor in Asia: Cases in Wholistic Mission* (Monrovia: MARC, 1996)

Tetsunao Yamamori, Bryant Myers, Kwame Bediako & Larry Reed (eds.), *Serving with the Poor in Latin America: Cases in Wholistic Mission* (Monrovia: MARC, 1997)

### 1.1.5 Missiology (The Theology of Mission)

What is the theology of mission? How does a theology of mission shape the practice of integral mission by the local church?

David Bosch, *Transforming Mission: Paradigm Shifts in Theology of Mission* (New York: Orbis Books, 1991)

- This is one of the standard texts used to explain changes and developments in mission theology since New Testament times

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M. Duncan, *Costly Mission: Following Christ in the Slums*  
(Monrovia: MARC, 1996)

James F Engel & William A Dyrness, *Changing the Mind of Mission: Where Have We Gone Wrong?*  
(Downers Grove, IL: IVP, 2000)

- This book offers a bold analysis of the challenges facing those in Western contexts who seek to engage in 'mission'. It questions some long-held assumptions, bringing the reader back to the reality that we are all taking part in God's mission

Samuel Escobar, *A Time for Mission: The Challenge for Global Christianity*  
(Leicester: IVP, 2003)

- This book is part of a series in the Global Christian Library – which is published through a partnership between IVP (UK) and Langham Literature. It publishes work by authors from the Majority World, aiming to reflect the dramatic shift away from Western-dominated Christianity that took place during the 20<sup>th</sup> century. Samuel Escobar, one of the key advocates of integral mission over the last 40 years, wrote this concise and extremely helpful book – chapter 11 contains a very useful bibliography

J Andrew Kirk, *What is Mission?*  
(London: Darton, Longman & Todd, 1999)

Bruce Nicholls & Christopher Raj, *Mission as Witness and Justice: An Indian Perspective*  
(New Delhi: TRACI, 1991)

- This book is divided into three sections: (a) Mission and the Spiritual Realities, (b) Mission and Evangelism, and (c) Mission and Justice – this last section is especially relevant, looking at issues such as power, corruption, human rights and shalom

Howard Peskett & Vinoth Ramachandra, *The Message of Mission: The Glory of Christ in All Time and Space*

(Leicester: IVP, 2003)

- This book presents a biblical and integrated view of mission. It is a volume in the IVP series: The Bible Speaks Today

Vinay Samuel & Chris Sugden (eds.), *AD 2000 and Beyond: A Mission Agenda*  
(Oxford: Regnum, 1990)

- This book contains a collection of essays, mainly by theologians from the Majority World, that was presented to John Stott on his 70<sup>th</sup> birthday



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Chris Sugden, *Gospel, Culture and Transformation*  
(Oxford: Regnum, 2000)

- This book explores the practice of mission, especially in relation to the transformation of cultures and communities

Christopher J.H. Wright, *The Mission of God: Unlocking the Bible's Grand Narrative*,  
(Nottingham: IVP, 2006)

- In this book, Wright provides a new perspective on Scripture, in which he proposes that there is a missional premise for the Bible itself. This book offers a solid basis for integral mission. It is an essential read

## 1.1.6 Biblical Ethics

How does biblical theory shape the way we live as Christ's followers? And how should we behave as Christians living in today's world?

Richard B. Hays, *The Moral Vision of the New Testament: A Contemporary Introduction to New Testament Ethics*

(New York: HarperCollins/Edinburgh: T & T Clark, 1996)

- This is a fairly demanding, but very helpful, book looking at the process involved in making moral judgments that are based on the text of the New Testament

Walter C. Kaiser Jr, *Towards Old Testament Ethics*

(Grand Rapids: Zondervan, 1983)

- This is a good textbook for understanding ethics in the Old Testament context. It examines "moral" texts and the content of Old Testament ethics, as well as the meaning and relevance of such texts for today

Walter C. Kaiser Jr, "New Approaches to Old Testament Ethics", *Journal of the Evangelical Theological Society*, Vol. 35: No. 3, p. 289-297 (1992)

Hetty Lalleman, *Celebrating the Law: Rethinking Old Testament Ethics*

(Milton Keynes: Paternoster Press, 2004)

- This is a straightforward introduction to Old Testament ethics, mainly using the same approach as Chris Wright. It contains a helpful bibliography

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S.C. Mott, *Biblical Ethics and Social Change*  
(New York/Oxford: OUP, 1982)

- This book provides a thorough examination of the biblical basis for inaugurating social change

S.C. Mott, "The Use of the New Testament in Social Ethics: Part One", *Transformation*, Vol. 1: No. 2, p. 21-26 (April-June 1984)

S.C. Mott, "The Use of the New Testament in Social Ethics: Part Two", *Transformation*, Vol. 1: No. 3, p. 19-26 (July-September 1984)

Glen H. Stassen & David P. Gushee, *Kingdom Ethics: Following Jesus in Contemporary Context*  
(Grand Rapids: IVP, 2003)

- This very fine book expands kingdom ethics based on the Sermon on the Mount

Chris Wright, *Old Testament Ethics for the People of God*  
(Leicester: IVP, 2004)

- The predecessor to this book, *Living as the People of God*, played a critical role in convincing many that integral mission is a biblical concept. Here Wright has reworked and greatly expanded the original material. It could very easily become the standard text on Old Testament ethics in today's evangelical theological institutions. An essential read

Chris Wright, *Walking in the Ways of the Lord: The Ethical Authority of the Old Testament*  
(Leicester: Apollos, 1995)

- This book offers a collection of Wright's earlier articles and booklets. It provides biblical and theological reflection on the Old Testament as an ethical authority for today

Chris Wright, *God's People in God's Land*  
(Carlisle: Paternoster Press, 1990)

- This highlights the importance of land to God's people in Old Testament times, revealing the extent to which the law emphasised the dignity of certain "vulnerable groups"

Chris Wright, "The Ethical Authority of the Old Testament: A Survey of Approaches, Part I), in *Tyndale Bulletin*, Vol. 43: No. 1 (May 1992)

Chris Wright, "The Ethical Authority of the Old Testament: A Survey of Approaches, Part II), in *Tyndale Bulletin*, Vol. 43: No. 2 (November 1992)

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Chris Wright, "Bibliography on Biblical Ethics", *Transformation*, Vol. 10: No. 3 (July-September 1993)  
Grove Books have published booklets on a wide range of ethical issues, which usually provide very helpful introductions. Some examples include:

- Richard Evans, *Corporate Ethical Accounting – (How) Can Companies Tell the Truth?*
- Colin Hart, *The Ethics of Jesus*
- Colin Hart, *The Ethics of the Gospels*
- Keith Innes, *Caring for the Earth – The Environment, Christians and the Church*
- Roy McCloughry, *Population Growth and Christian Ethics*
- Roy McCloughry & Carol Bebawi, *Aids – A Christian Response*
- Rene Padilla & Chris Sugden, *Texts on Evangelical Social Ethics 1974-1983*
- Rene Padilla & Chris Sugden, *How Evangelicals Endorsed Social Responsibility*
- Simon Robinson, *Serving Society – The Social Responsibility of Business*
- Chris Sugden & Oliver Barclay, *Kingdom and Creation in Social Ethics*
- Justin Welby, *Can Companies Sin? 'Whether', 'How' and 'Who' in Company Accountability*

## 1.1.7 The Kingdom of God

What does the New Testament say about the Kingdom of God? How does this affect our understanding and practice of integral mission today?

G.R. Beasley-Murray, *Jesus and the Kingdom of God*  
(Grand Rapids: Eerdmans/Carlisle: Paternoster Press, 1986)

- The most comprehensive evangelical examination of New Testament teaching on the Kingdom of God

Charles Elliot, *Comfortable Compassion: Poverty, Power and the Church*  
(London: Hodder & Stoughton, 1987)

Ken Gnanakan, *Kingdom Concerns*  
(Bangalore: Theological Book Trust/Leicester: IVP 1990)

- A good introduction to the meaning of the Kingdom of God from an author in the Majority World

A.P. Johnstone, "The Kingdom in Relation to the Church and the World", in Bruce Nicholls (ed.), *In Word and Deed: Evangelism and Social Responsibility*  
(Carlisle: Paternoster Press, 1985)

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Roy McCloughry, *The Eye of the Needle*

(Leicester: IVP, 1990)

- Chapter 9: "The Signpost to the Kingdom" is especially helpful

Rene Padilla, *Mission Between the Times*

(Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 1985)

- An excellent collection of essays on the Kingdom of God by one of the key advocates of integral mission

H. Ribberbos, *The Coming of the Kingdom*

(Philadelphia: Presbyterian & Reformed, 1962)

- This book is a classic work on the Kingdom from a Reformed perspective

## 1.1.8 The Church and Integral Mission

What role should the church play in integral mission? How can it become more effective in bringing change to the local community?

David Evans with Kathryn Scherer, *From Strangers to Neighbours: How You Can Make the Difference in Your Community*,

(Leicester: IVP, 2004)

- This is a book of inspiring case studies that illustrates how the church can positively impact its local community, drawing on the principles of Christian community development

Peter Kuzmic, "The Church and the Kingdom of God", in Bruce Nicholls (ed.), *The Church: God's Agent for Change*

(Exeter: Paternoster Press, 1985)

John Perkins, *A Quiet Revolution*

(London: Marshalls, 1985)

- This book contains the wonderful story of a holistic church that came into being during the civil rights movement in the US. Unfortunately it is now out of print, but can sometimes be found on Amazon's used book list

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John Perkins, *Resurrecting Hope: Powerful Stories of How God is Moving to Reach our Cities* (Ventura, Ca: Regal Books, 1995)

- The stories in this book are inspirational and indicate the possibilities for integral mission in an urban context. They clearly show that there is a link between integral mission and church growth. Most of the churches featured in this book are linked to the Christian Community Development Association in the US, which was founded by John Perkins

Ronald J. Sider, Philip N. Olsen & Heidi R. Unruh, *Churches that Make a Difference: Reaching Your Community with Good News and Good Works* (Grand Rapids: Baker Books, 2002)

- This book is based on an analysis of fifteen urban churches committed to integral mission in the US. Though obviously emerging from a Western context, many of the principles highlighted here can be applied in other contexts

David Watson, *I Believe in the Church* (London: Hodder Arnold, 1999)

- A good introduction to the role of the church within a holistic perspective

Tetsunao Yamamori & Rene Padilla, *The Local Church, Agent of Transformation: An Ecclesiology of Integral Mission*

(Buenos Aires: Kairos, 2004)

- This book provides some excellent material on the church and social transformation. It has been translated from Spanish

## 1.2 KEY ISSUES LINKED TO INTEGRAL MISSION

### 1.2.1 Advocacy and politics

Should the church get involved in politics? How can Christians become an effective voice against injustice in today's world?

Robert Aboagye Mensah, "Socio-political Mission of the Church in Ghana", in Vinay Samuel & Chris Sugden (eds.), *AD 2000 and Beyond: A Mission Agenda* (Oxford: Regnum, 1990), 82-96

Craig Bartholomew, Jonathan Chaplin, Robert Song & Al Wolters, *A Royal Priesthood: The Use of the Bible Ethically and Politically. A Dialogue with Oliver Donovan* (Carlisle: Paternoster Press, 2002)

- This book engages in dialogue with O'Donovan's book, *The Desire of Nations* – see below

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Richard Bauckham, *The Bible in Politics: How to Read the Bible Politically*  
(Westminster: John Knox Press, 2002)

- This book is a guide on how to read the Bible politically – rather than a summary of the Bible's political teaching or a programme for Christian political action

Gideon Githiga, *The Church as a Bulwark against Authoritarianism: Development of Church-State Relations in Kenya, with particular reference to the Years After Political Independence 1963-1992*  
(Oxford: Regnum, 2003)

Graham Gordon, *What If You Got Involved: Taking a Stand Against Social Injustice*  
(Carlisle: Paternoster Press, 2003)

- This book was written for those who want to do something about the injustices that permeate the world today. Graham used to work for Tearfund and is based in Peru with Peace and Hope – a Christian human rights organisation

Gary Haugen, *Good News about Injustice: A Witness of Courage in a Hurting World*  
(Downers Grove, IL: IVP, 1999)

- This book, based on strong biblical exposition and Haugen's own experiences, provides practical guidance to those wanting to get involved in advocating on behalf of those who are vulnerable and disadvantaged

David Hilborn, "Church, Society and State: Romans 13 in Evangelical Practice", in David Hilborn (ed.), *Movement for Change: Evangelical Perspectives on Social Transformation*,  
(Carlisle: Paternoster Press, 2004)

- This book offers an historical and exegetical summary of the evangelical understanding of this crucial text, looking at how it has shaped the relationship between the church and the state. It includes examples from a variety of contexts, including apartheid South Africa, Nazi Germany and the Soviet Union

Paul Marshall, *Thine is the Kingdom: A Biblical Perspective on the Nature of Government and Politics Today*  
(London: Marshalls, 1984)

Bob Mofitt, *If Jesus Were Mayor*  
(Phoenix, AR: Harvest, 2004)

Oliver O'Donovan, *The Desire of the Nations: Rediscovering the Roots of Political Theology*  
(Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 1996)

- This is an intensely academic book, but nonetheless a very important read. It examines the premise that 'God is king', exploring the meaning of this concept within today's world

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Michael Schluter & David Lee, *The R Factor*  
(London: Hodder, 1993)

- This book proposes a new type of politics- one based on relationships. Based in a Western and secular context, this book might also be helpful for those in the Majority World

Alan Storkey, *Jesus and Politics: Confronting the Powers*,  
(Grand Rapids: Baker Academic, 2005)

- This book provides a substantial and convincing challenge to the notion that Jesus was not interested in politics

Jim Wallis, *The Soul of Politics: A Practical and Prophetic Vision for Change*  
(London: Fount, 1984)

- This book attempts to find a biblically-motivated approach to politics in the US context, transcending traditional divisions into “left” and “right”

J. Howard Yoder, *The Politics of Jesus*  
(Grand Rapids: Eerdmans/Carlisle: Paternoster Press, 1994, 2nd edition)

- This is a historically significant book. It demolishes the once common belief that Jesus had no involvement or interest in politics

It is also worth noting that the Christian Council of Ghana has published a series of useful booklets looking at how the church can foster democracy:

- *The Church and Ghana’s Search for a New Democratic System: A Study Material for Christians*  
(Accra: The Christian Council of Ghana, December 1990)
- *Report of the Church Leadership Seminar on the Church, Ecumenism and Democracy*  
(Accra: The Christian Council of Ghana, January 1993)
- *Report of the Workshop on the Role of Local Councils of Churches in the Promotion of Ecumenism and Democratic Culture in Ghana*  
(Accra: The Christian Council of Ghana, October 1993)
- *Report of the Follow-up Workshop on the Church, Ecumenism and Democracy*  
(Accra: The Christian Council of Ghana, November 1993)
- *Democratic Culture, Constitution, and Free and Fair Elections: A Study Materials for Christians*  
(Accra: The Christian Council of Ghana, MONTH 1995)

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### 1.2.2 Ethnicity and Ethnic Conflict

How can Christ's followers bring good news to those scarred by ethnic conflict? How do we understand our ethnic identity in an increasingly globalised, yet deeply fractured, world?

Robert Abogaye-Mensah, "The Church, Ethnicity, and Democracy", in David A. Dorsey & Vesta Nyarko-Mensah (eds.), *The Church, Ethnicity and Democracy*, (Accra: Christian Council of Ghana, 1995)

Sam G. Amoo, *The Challenge of Ethnicity and Conflict in Africa: The Need for a New Paradigm* (New York: Emergency Response Division, UN Development Programme, 1997)

- This booklet is not theologically based, but is a very good read, particularly for those in the African context

Roger Bowen, "Revivalism and Ethnic Conflict: Questions from Rwanda", *Transformation*, Vol. 12, No. 2, p. 15-18 (April-June 1995)

Tharcisse Gatwa, "Revivalism and Ethnicity: The Church in Rwanda", *Transformation*, Vol. 12, No. 2, p. 4-8 (April-June 1995)

Tharcisse Gatwa, *The Bible in Focus: The Challenge of Ethnicity*, (Nairobi: FOCUS, 1999)

- A very helpful booklet published by the Christian student movement in Kenya

Dewi Hughes, *Castrating Culture: A Christian Perspective on Ethnic Identity from the Margins* (Carlisle: Paternoster Press, 2002)

- In this powerful book, Hughes pushes for a reassessment of ethnic identity – in which we recognise it as a gift from our creative God, rather than a stimulus for violent conflict

Rhiannon Lloyd with Kristine Bresser, *Healing the Wounds of Ethnic Conflict: The Role of the Church in Healing, Forgiveness and Reconciliation* (Geneva: Mercy Ministries, 2000)

- This booklet contains the contents of a seminar that has brought healing to many who have suffered as a result of ethnic conflict, particularly in Rwanda and South Africa



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Alan Nichols, "Ethnicity and Conflict: Implications for Mission and Development", *Transformation*, Vol. 12, No. 2, p. 9-11 (April-June 1995)

Michael W. Payne, "Mission and Global Ethnic Violence", *Transformation*, Vol. 19, No. 3, p. 206-216 (July-September 2002)

C.B. Samuel, "Building a Nation", *Transformation*, Vol. 16, No. 4, p.141-144 (October-December 1999)

Miroslav Volf, "Exclusion and Embrace: Theological Reflections in the Wake of 'Ethnic Cleansing'", in William A. Dyrness (ed.), *Emerging Voices in Global Christian Theology* (Grand Rapids: Zondervan, 1994, p. 19-40)

Miroslav Volf, "The Social Meaning of Reconciliation", *Transformation*, Vol. 16, No. 1, p. 7-12, (January-March 1999)

Miroslav Volf, *Exclusion and Embrace: A Theological Exploration of Identity, Otherness and Reconciliation* (Nashville: Abingdon Press, 1996)

- This book is written by a Serbian who has first-hand experience of the devastating consequences of exclusion. Suggesting that the only response to such situations is forgiveness and reconciliation, engendering a need to embrace the other. A fantastic book

There are also two journals that have an issue devoted specifically to these issues:

- *Themelios*, Vol. 21, No. 3 (April 1996) - looks at nationhood, language and identity in light of Biblical teaching. This journal is only available online and can be found at <http://www.theGospelCoalition.org/publications/themelios>
- *Journal of African Christian Thought*, Vol.5, No. 1 (June 2002) - looks at the challenge of mother tongue within African Christian thinking

### 1.2.3 Economics

How do economic issues impact on our faith and lifestyle as Christians in today's world? Is there a 'Christian' response to the problems of consumerism inequality?

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Craig Bartholomew & Thorsten Moritz (eds.), *Christ and Consumerism: A Critical Analysis of the Spirit of the Age*

(Carlisle: Paternoster Press, 2000)

- A timely and challenging book looking at the spread of consumerism across the world today

Deryke Belshaw, "Poverty-Reducing Development Strategies: Accepted and Neglected Challenges", in P. Johnson & C. Sugden (eds.), *Markets, Fair Trade and the Kingdom of God: Essays to Celebrate Traidcraft's 21<sup>st</sup> Birthday*,

(Oxford: Regnum, 2002, p. 39-65)

- This chapter focuses on the context of sub-Saharan Africa. The book contains a helpful bibliography

Deryke Belshaw, "Socio-economic Theology and Ethical Choices in Contemporary Development Policy", *Transformation*, Vol. 14, No. 1 (January-March 1997)

E. Calvin Beisner, *Prosperity and Poverty*,

(Westchester, Illinois: Crossway Books, 1988)

David Bussau & Russell Mask, *Christian Microenterprise Development: An Introduction*, (Oxford: Regnum, 2003)

- This book seeks to help Christians involved in Christian Microenterprise Development (MED) initiatives. It provides eight case studies from various parts of the world, as well as an assessment of the strengths and weaknesses of Christian MED

Fred Catherwood, *The Creation of Wealth: Recovering a Christian Understanding of Money, Work and Ethics*,

(Cambridge: Crossway Books, 2002)

Peter Heslam (ed.), *Globalization and the Good*

(London: SPCK, 2004)

- This book is a collection of papers from events at the London Institute for Contemporary Christianity. It is divided into three sections: (a) broad trends concerning globalization, (b) analysis of globalization and some alternatives, and (c) possibilities for change

Robin K. Klay, *Counting the Cost: The Economics of Christian Stewardship*,

(Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 1986)

Carl Kreider, *The Rich and the Poor: A Christian Perspective on Global Economics*,

(Scottsdale: Herald, 1987)

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Paul Mills, "The Ban on Interest: Dead Letter of Radical Solution", *Cambridge Papers*, Vol. 2, No. 1 (March 1993)

Alan Storkey, *Transforming Economics*,  
(London: SPCK, 1986)

- This book provides a good introduction to some key economic issues from a Christian perspective

There is also a large amount of relevant material in the *Transformation* journal. See, for example:

- Chinedu Nebo, "International Debt & Christian Responsibility", Vol. 15, No. 2, April-June 1998
- Donald Hay, "Three Statements on Christian Faith and Economic Life", Vol. 10, No. 1, January-March 1993
- Makonen Getu, "Poverty Alleviation and the Role of Microcredit in Africa", Vol. 17, No. 4, October-December 2000
- Raj Patel, "Micro-finance Development in the Service of the Kingdom", Vol. 18, No. 3, July-September 2001
- Vol. 17, No. 2 (April-June 2000) is entitled *Christian Faith and Economics Revisited 1* and is an entire issue dedicated to this theme
- Vol. 9, No. 1 (January-March 1992) is entitled *The Impact of the Market Economy on the Poor* and is an entire issue dedicated to this theme
- Vol. 7, No. 2 (April-June 1990) is entitled *Christian Faith and Economics* and is an entire issue dedicated to this theme
- Vol. 4, No. 3 (July-September 1987) and No. 4 (October-December 1987) comprise a double issue on *Christian Faith and Economics*

Two other journals that may be of interest are:

- *Faith and Economics* is the journal of the Association of Christian Economics in the USA. It can be accessed online at <http://www.gordon.edu/ACEFandE.html>
- *ACE* is the journal published by the UK Association of Christian Economists. It can be accessed online at <http://www.christianeconomist.org.uk/journal.htm>

### 1.2.4 Gender

How do men and women differ and in what ways are we the same? You can start to find out more about this often-contentious issue in the following books

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Sakhi Athyal, "Women in Mission", in S. Sumithra & F. Hranghkuma (eds.), *Doing Mission in Context*,  
(Bangalore: Theological Book Trust/Pune: Centre for Mission Studies, 1995, p. 61-82)

Simon Batchelor, *Transforming the Slums by Relationships*,  
(Tearfund Case Study Series, 1996)

Mary J Evans, *Women in the Bible*,  
(Carlisle: Paternoster Press, 1984)

- An important book in which Mary defends the "equal status, different function, no hierarchy" approach to gender

*Footsteps*, No. 24, entitled "Women's Health Issues", Tearfund (September 1995)

- This contains articles on women's health issues in the Majority World context. It is written by various field workers and also contains a helpful resources section. It can be accessed online at <http://www.tilz.tearfund.org>

Judy Mbugua (ed.), *Our Time Has Come: African Christian Women Address the Issues of Today*  
(Grand Rapids: Baker Book House/Carlisle: Paternoster Press, 1994)

- An excellent introduction to the opportunities and the problems faced by Christian women in Africa today. Whilst focused on the African context, the situations described seem to have numerous similarities to those faced by other women all over the world

Roy McCloughry, *Men and Masculinity*  
("London: Hodder & Stoughton, 1992)

- This book provides a perceptive analysis on the reactions of men to the changing roles of women in contemporary Western society

John Piper & Wayne Grudem, *Recovering Biblical Manhood and Womanhood*,  
(Wheaton: Crossway Books, 1991)

- This book provides a biblical defence of the "equal status, different function, no hierarchy" perspective

Elaine Storkey, *What's Right with Feminism?*  
(London: SPCK, 1989)

- This book offers an analysis of the merits and problems of feminism from an evangelical perspective

Linda Tripp, "A Voice for Women", *Transformation*, Vol. 6, No. 2, January-March 1992, 21-25

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### 1.2.5 The Environment

In what ways do environmental issues shape our lives and lifestyles as Christians today? What is an appropriate biblical response to critical issues such as stewardship and the degradation of the environment?

William B. Badke, *Project Earth*,  
(Oregon: Multnomak Press, 1991)

- This stimulating book examines the biblical material on nature in a surprising and plausible way

R.J. Berry, *The Care of Creation*,  
(Leicester: IVP, 2000)

Tim Cooper, *Green Christianity*,  
(London: Hodder & Stoughton (Spire), 1990)

- This book offers a detailed, scientifically credible framework for Christian engagement with ecological issues

W. Dayton Roberts, *Patching God's Garment: Environment and Mission in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century*,  
(Monrovia: MARC, 1994)

- This book provides both Biblical teaching and case studies which will help in the development of a Christian response to ecological problems

Ron Elsdon, *Greenhouse Theology*,  
(Tunbridge Wells: Monarch, 1992)

Ken Gnanakan, *God's World*,  
(London: SPCK, 1999)

- This book is a study guide for Christians on creation and the environment in today's world, also providing practical responses to these issues

James Jones, *Jesus and the Earth*,  
(London: SPCK, 2003)

- In this book, the Bishop of Liverpool offers a strong biblical case for the care of creation

Francis Schaeffer, *Pollution and the Death of Man: The Christian View of Ecology*,  
(London: Hodder & Stoughton, 1970/Wheaton: Crossway Books, 1992)

- This was a prophetic book which is yet to be surpassed – it provides a brilliant comparison of Christian and non-Christian worldviews regarding nature. It also contains useful articles on common perceptions amongst non-Christians of the Christian attitude to nature

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Chris Seaton, *Whose Earth?*

(Cambridge: Crossway Books, 1992)

- This is a popular and passionate introduction to the Christian responsibility for the care of creation

There is a large amount of relevant material in the *Footsteps* magazine:

- Issue no. 5 (December 1990) - trees
- Issue no. 7 (June 1991) - home gardens
- Issue no. 15 (June 1993) - soil erosion
- Issue no. 20 (September 1994) - the environment
- Issue no. 25 (December 1995) - fish farming
- Issue no. 41 (December 1999) - looking after our land
- Issue no. 47 (June 2001) - biodiversity
- Issue no. 51 (June 2002) - water
- Issue no. 54 (March 2003) - household agriculture
- Issue no. 59 (June 2004) - pollution
- Issue no. 65 (September 2005) - adding value to food
- Issue no. 70 (March 2007) - agriculture and climate change
- Issue no. 77 (December 2008) - food security
- These are all available for free at [www.tilz.tearfund.org](http://www.tilz.tearfund.org)

One particular issue of the *Transformation* journal – entitled ‘Biblical Faith and the Environment’ (Vol. 10, No. 2, April-June 1993) also contains some recommended articles:

- Loren & Mary Ruth Wilkinson, “The Depth of the Danger”
- John Drane, “Biblical Theology of Creation and the New Age”
- Cal de Witt, “A Scientist’s Theological Reflection on Creation”
- A.M.J. Robbins, “Deforestation in Nepal”
- J.K. Sheldon, “Select Bibliography on Christians and the Environment”
- Chris Seaton, “The Environment and Youth”
- Thomas Alpine, “Case Study in Wholistic Mission: A Catholic Parish in Mexico”

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## 1.3 JOURNALS, MAGAZINES AND WEBSITES

### 1.3.1 Journals and Magazines

Some of the journals listed here have already been mentioned in this guide. This is an alphabetical listing of recommended journals concerning integral mission. Please let us know if there are other journals you want to recommend to others through this website – *CONTACT DETAILS*

- *Drishtikone* – a magazine published by EFICOR three times a year in India. Can be accessed at <http://www.eficor.org/publications/pu-index.htm>
- *Footsteps* – this is a very practical magazine produced by Tearfund four times a year. It is currently available in seven languages – English, French (*Pas a Pas*), Spanish (*Paso a Paso*), Portuguese (*Passo a Passo*), Chinese, Bangla and Hindi. It will soon also be available in Burmese. To receive *Footsteps* for free, you will need to email [footsteps@tearfund.org](mailto:footsteps@tearfund.org) to be added to the mailing list. You can also access all issues of *Footsteps* (in English) at [www.tilz.info](http://www.tilz.info)
- *Journal of African Christian Thought* – this journal comes from the Akroti-Christaller Memorial Centre for Mission Research and Applied Theology in Ghana. They display a clear commitment to integral mission. To find out more, please email [akroti@africaonline.com.gh](mailto:akroti@africaonline.com.gh)
- *Prism* – this is a bi-monthly magazine produced by Evangelicals for Social Action and edited by Ron Sider. It offers a vision of Christian discipleship based on the transforming power of Christ in every part of our lives. An international subscription costs \$35 a year, or it can be accessed online for a reduced fee. If you would like to know more about it, you can contact them at [prism@esa-online.org](mailto:prism@esa-online.org)
- *Transformation: An International Evangelical Dialogue on Mission and Ethics* – since 1984, this invaluable journal has been at the cutting edge in the application of Biblical faith to the world we live in today. It has a particular emphasis on the Majority World. We would highly recommend this journal to you. To find out more, please view their website at [www.ocms.ac.uk](http://www.ocms.ac.uk)

### 1.3.2 Websites

- [www.disciplenations.org](http://www.disciplenations.org) - free articles can be downloaded from the Disciple Nations website. There are some very helpful papers here, including “What is Wholistic Ministry?”, “The Future of Evangelicals in Mission” and “Transformation: Dream or Reality?”
- [www.grovebooks.co.uk](http://www.grovebooks.co.uk) - the Grove Booklets can be downloaded here. Paper copies can also be purchased

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- [www.urbanministry.org/ccda](http://www.urbanministry.org/ccda) - the Christian Community Development Association are a fantastic organisation equipping Christians in the US to live and serve amongst the poorest communities. They run training programmes all over the US and also offer book recommendations on this website
- [www.fhi.net](http://www.fhi.net) - Food for the Hungry provide some helpful training resources which can be downloaded for free
- [www.harvestfoundation.org](http://www.harvestfoundation.org) - the Harvest Foundation provide some fantastic resources for free, looking at issues such as holistic ministry and leadership development
- [www.jubilee-centre.org](http://www.jubilee-centre.org) - the Jubilee Centre offer a number of resources which are available for free online. The Cambridge Papers are particularly recommended
- [www.langhampartnership.org](http://www.langhampartnership.org) - Langham Literature incorporates the Evangelical Literature Trust which supports the provision of good evangelical books at reasonable prices for church leaders in the Majority World
- [www.ocms.ac.uk](http://www.ocms.ac.uk) - the Oxford Centre for Mission Studies is the research and study centre of the International Fellowship of Evangelical Mission Theologians (INFEMIT) and the home of the *Transformation* journal, as well as the Institute for Development Research. Regnum Books can also be purchased on this website
- [www.sojo.net](http://www.sojo.net) - Sojourners is a Christian ministry, based in the US, which is dedicated to proclaiming and practising the Biblical call to integrate spiritual renewal and social justice. They publish *Sojourners* magazine, as well as an e-magazine called *Sojonet*
- [www.tearfund.org](http://www.tearfund.org) - this will take you to the general Tearfund website. The TILZ website can be accessed at [www.tilz.tearfund.org](http://www.tilz.tearfund.org) - this is the home of The International Learning Zone, which contains a wide range of relevant resources, most of which can be downloaded for free
- [www.wvi.org](http://www.wvi.org) - the World Vision website contains some useful reports that can be downloaded for free