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# 'Good shepherds' nourished by holiness of Jean Vanier **Conference rests awhile** beside spiritual oasis

The Lambeth Connectice ..... the words of St Mark and came "then apart to rest awhile" in a vigil which began at 3.30pm on Thursday and continued through the Friday morning Eucharist.

Business of the Conference effec-

tively ceased with the commencement of the first service, and speech was kept at a minimum. Simple meals were served in the dining halls and some Conference participants fasted during the period.

The Archbishop of Canterbury said

he hoped Lambeth participants would "see this as a spiritual oasis in our programme to prepare us for the final eight or nine days when we form our resolutions on a spiritual cushion of prayer and meditation."

The opening liturgy included a

meditation on the nature and power of love by Jean Vanier, founder and director of the L'Arche network of communities for people with learning disabilities and other challenges.

Next, a dramatic presentation

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He was accompanied by members Please see Vigil page 2

## **Resolutions** in shape for plenaries

from staff reports

After final editing this weekend, resolution texts are now ready to come before the Lambeth bishops for debate and voting in this week's plenary sessions.

Bishops have scheduled timeslots today for reading of reports, as well as texts of both sectional and regional resolutions.

Leadership and secretariat staff in each of the Conference's four sections worked late into Friday night and Saturday evening to finalise texts for the bishops' discussion, debate and voting, scheduled to start in tomorrow's plenary session, set for 3.30-5.30pm.

Additional plenary sessions are scheduled for 11.30am-1pm and 3.30-5.30pm on Wednesday, and 3.30-5.30pm on Thursday.

Christian-Islamic relations and other interfaith-related resolutions from Section Four, "Called to Be One," are expected for consideration tomorrow afternoon. Urban evangelisation will be among topics discussed on Wednesday morning.

Resolutions from Section One, "Called to Full Humanity"whose topics of consideration include the environment, Please see **Resolutions** page 4

## Pentecostals 'have much to teach us'

by Nan Cobbey and Randall Lee

Rapidly expanding Pentecostal "emerging churches" are at the centre of ecumenical discus-



by Lisa Barrowclough

 $B {\scriptstyle ishops}$  came face to face with the energy and enthusiasm of the young on Friday in a string of events designed to highlight the ways the Church embraces youth.

Under the banner of a "Youthful Spirit," planners of the day organised an energetic and fast-paced session aimed at encouraging bishops to listen to the voices of the young.

Highlights included an up-beat performance by a London-based troupe of cheerleaders, the Ascension Eagles.

The pace of modern youth cul-

ture was captured in an up-tempo video titled, "The Connected Generation." Produced in the style of a music video-clip, the tape took the bishops on a tour of international vouth culture.

Next, the Rev Dean Borgmann, a professor of youth ministry in the United States, challenged the bishops to follow Jesus' pattern of breaking into new subcultures. Jesus "not only entered human culture, but was determined to reach the subcultures," Dean Borgmann said. Participants then listened-in on a 'coffee table conversation' between Bishop Lindsay Urwin



The Archbishop of Canterbury and other youth-ministry advocates join East London's Ascension Eagles cheer squad before Friday's plenary session. Photo: Anglican World/Jeff Sells

(Horsham, England) and three youth workers: Mr Yazeed Said of linked the stories of the feeding of Palestine, Ms Rachel Beleo of the the five thousand to a circle of candles arranged to mark the 1996 Philippines, and Mr Pete Ward, youth adviser to the Archbishop of massacre at Dunblane (Scotland) Canterbury.

sions at the Conference. "I want to underline the signifi-

cance of this," said Bishop Stephen Sykes (Ely, England), vice-chair of the section on dialogue with other churches.



"For the very first time [the



Lambeth Conference is] taking seriously the vast quantity of Christian people who assemble in new churches and independent Christian groups," Bishop Sykes told a Please see Pentecostals page 4

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of the Canterbury community of L'Arche, and said he felt humbled to be the voice of those who have no voice to the "good shepherds of the Anglican Communion."

People "with mental handicaps, disabilities, are amongst the most oppressed people of our world," Mr Vanier said. "I have visited institutions, asylums which are really places of death...places where these very special people are crushed and hurt, broken, with no voice. And yet, they are precious people."

Three bishops responded to his reflections.

Bishop David Andres Alvarez-Velazquez (Puerto Rico) outlined the beginning of an AIDS ministry and said the vision presented by Jean Vanier speaks to "our particular ministries: holiness, the life and the ministry of a bishop, pastoral care, personal testimony of conversion... The real world of the North and the South needs holiness."

The Moderator of the United Church of Bangladesh, Bishop Barnabas Dwijen Mondal, said he asked himself where he is and what he stands for. Christians are a tiny minority in the Islamic land and face a "very difficult spiritual and cultural identity crisis."

He said he also struggles with the question of how far the Church can go in absorbing cultural values before its very identity is threatened.

Bishop Thomas Shaw (Massachusetts, US), for 23 years a member of the Society of St John the Evangelist



(SSJE), said how deeply he resonated to Mr Vanier's words about community and holiness.

"If you had asked me all those years ago why I was entering a religious community... I would have told you I wanted more time to pray... a more intense form of community life and a much more simple life style," said Bishop Shaw, the former superior of the SSJE in the United States.

"I now know there was a deeper reason. I now know that the Spirit was opening me to the abundant presence of God everywhere in this world," he said.

Bishop Shaw described how his order has turned its monastery into a place of hospitality, receiving the pil-

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grim, the stranger. "The desire of every Christian, male or female, old or young, black or white, gay or straight, poor or rich, sick or well is... to find the 'God who is above all and through all and in all.' So my brothers and I... have opened our doors to that desire."

The brothers' "path to holiness" led them into a ministry of advocacy with poor children, most of them children of colour, from some of Boston's toughest neighbourhoods. They started afterschool mentoring programmes and a summer camp.

The vigil meditations were followed by a mime performance by members of the Canterbury L'Arche community. Brandishing swords, halberds and battle pendants, two teams in red and blue tshirts engaged in an allegorical battle on the theme of reconciliation.

A Service of Light liturgy, delivered in French and English, concluded the service. As the lights dimmed, the two halls were illuminated by thousands of candles held by the congregation, who sang "The Light of Christ has come into the world."

In a moving homily at the beginning of the second service, Jean Vanier challenged the Conference to adopt patterns of servant-leadership.

"Servant-leadership (is) not easy," he said. "Jesus is saying, 'I want you to exercise your authority in love...in truth and forgiveness."

Explaining the biblical account of Jesus washing his disciples' feet, Mr Vanier suggested that the bishops should expect the unexpected: "Jesus is always surprising us. He doesn't like it when we fall into little habits."

The ritual, he said, "was a gesture of communion" but also a lesson. "He's teaching us how he wants us to exercise authority. Jesus is saying we must be...servants of each other. Jesus came to transform the pyramid into a body."

For bishops, but also for all people because "each one of us exercises power in some way," the ritual holds a powerful message that "we are called to walk the downward path, we are called to be small."

The solemnity created by Mr Vanier's measured words, occasional music of guitar, oboe and voice, and the soft lighting in the plenary halls set the stage for two concluding ceremonies of commitment and discipleship.

First, members of the congregation were invited to come forward to write on slips of paper any hindrances to their spiritual journeys. Many paused to kneel in prayer after depositing their

paper slips, which were finally carried outside and ignited.

Mr Vanier, the Archbishop of Canterbury and Mrs Carey then led the first group of 12 participants in the foot-washing ritual. "Jesus insists upon the washing of the feet because our bodies are precious," Mr Vanier said. He then encouraged the bishops to take part in the foot-washing as "a witness of our desire to follow the wounded Jesus, the humble Jesus.'

Kneeling before Archbishop Carey, Jean Vanier washed both his feet in a basin, and bent his head as Archbishop Carey embraced him in prayer.

Archbishop Carey washed his wife's feet, and the pattern continued, mirrored at multiple stations throughout the hall until hundreds of bishops, their spouses, staff and guests had been joined in the communion of mutual service.

Katie Sherrod, Nan Cobbey, Susie Erdey, Allan Reeder, David Skidmore, James Thrall and Vincente Echerri contributed to this report.



Leaders guide music during Vigil service.

## Daily Quote

Jesus says: "If I cannot wash your feet, there's the door" Jean Vanier

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## Letters A big hand for...

Please deliver this note to God and be sure it passes through heaven's smokescreen neatly. I wanted to thank God:

• For our primate, Ignacio Soliba, whose seat brought ECP bishops and their spouses to England, a breakthrough in the ECP Lambeth agenda for unity.

• For the sweeping glimpse of the world's awesome psychedelic display of colours and smells, the world on its knees, one in prayer.

• For the instant look at the Queen of England, emblem of unity, and whose hand I wasn't able to shakethough I am now content at shaking the hand of Patsy who was lucky enough, for I know I'm not worthy.

• And for making me wake up at 5am to the revelation that the Queen's hand is also God's one of the many hands telling us all to forgive and to love one another without question.

Thank you, Lambeth.

# Hispanic bishops: we feel 'invisible'

by Nan Cobbey and Carol Barnwell

"We are always the invisible Anglicans," Bishop Leo Frade (Honduras) declared on Thursday afternoon as Hispanic bishops from 20 dioceses gathered to have their photograph taken behind Rutherford College, and to make a statement to the press.

Bishop Frade said the Hispanic bishops have met twice during the Lambeth Conference. At both meetings they shared a sense of being left out.

"It's a general attitude, a tone," said Bishop Frade, who complained about insufficient translators and translations.

Although pleased and "humbled" to be part of the team planning the Bible study for the conference, Bishop Sergio Carranza-Gomez (Mexico) said: "We feel ignored."

In his view, the agenda at the conference seems centred on Africa or the Northern Hemisphere. "We don't feel part of the Third World like Africa," said Bishop Carranza-Gomez. "We are caught in the middle."



Bishop Carlos Lopez-Lozano, of the Spanish Reformed Episcopal Church, said he was disappointed that so little Latin music was performed.

"It practically doesn't exist in the liturgies," he said. "We feel a little discriminated against...that our point of view as Latinos is not particularly understood. We haven't as much influence in this conference as the North Americans and British."

Bishop Julio Holguin-Khoury (Dominican Republic) said with a grin: "We are like Cinderellawe're still in the kitchen."

Bishop Holguin added that he was pleased with the contacts he has made with bishops from around the world, which he called "a blessing." But he, too, lamented the dearth of translators. "Most of life here is spent in small groups" where translators are unavailable. His Bible study included six bishops from Africa and one from Canada in addition to

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## **Daily Question**

## 'What did you hear in the silence of the Vigil?

**Bishop M Thomas** Shaw SSIE (Massachusetts, USA) "At the point where people were writing their prayers down, I saw a number of people going forward who hold different theological perspectives than mine, and it caused me to confront all that's blocking me from receiving the truth they bring toward finding God's truth."

Interviews by David Duprey, Photos by Jeff Sells

Catherine Oh SHC (Seoul, Korea) "The stories that Jean Vanier told came back to me over and over. He spoke with spiritual eloquence and I was moved to tears. I was moved

because we also look after 40 mentally challenged adults in Korea. It is demanding work. I felt confirmed in my ministry. We are all disabled in many ways."



Jesus is, by the mystery of the Cross."

himself and the accents were "very difficult" to understand, he said.

Bishop Hector Tito Zavala (Chile), attending his first Lambeth Conference, said he hopes Latin American bishops would be more involved in both the issues and planning of the Conference next time.

The bishops hope to initiate a call for a special millennium project during the Conference this week.

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## Daily Lives

# Despite its isolation, Mexico is resource to the world Mexico's Bishop Carranza thrives on big challenges

## by Carol Barnwell

"I used to play church and baptise all the dolls and dogs," Bishop Sergio Carranza-Gomez says of his childhood in Mexico City. "Cats," he remembers, "were reluctant pagans by their nature."

The ability to meet a challenge continues among the skills of the affable Bishop of Mexico, who as a boy aspired to the priesthood and now works to build the self-sufficiency of his diocese. His main concern is what he refers to as "isolation" of the Province of Mexico within the Anglican Communion.

In the last decades of the 19th century, a chance meeting on the tiled, colonial plaza of Guadalajara began his family's heritage of service to the Anglican Church in Latin America.

Bishop Carranza's great-grandmother, disenchanted with the Roman Catholic Church, struck up a conversation with the local Anglican priest and it wasn't long before she became an active member of his Spanish-speaking congregation.

Later, her son was ordained and

her daughter married a priest. In 1989, more than a century after her introduction to the Anglican Church, her great-grandson was elected Bishop of the Diocese of Mexico.

"I idolised my Uncle José," Bishop Carranza says of his great-uncle, who was Dean of the Cathedral in Mexico City. "He was pleased that I wanted to become a priest but died before I went to seminary."

Bishop Carranza graduated from Virginia Theological Seminary in the United States and was ordained a deacon at St. Paul's in Washington, DC, by Bishop William Creighton (son of the second bishop of Mexico) in 1967.

#### Auspicious beginning

When he became vicar of an English-speaking congregation in Monterrey, Mexico, "almost" everyone was pleased, he says. He remembers especially the senior warden's reaction.

"He told me he was used to seeing Mexicans in the garden and the kitchen, not the pulpit," Bishop Carranza says. When the man eventually returned to church, the matter was not discussed.

Three short years later, Bishop Carranza returned to Mexico City as Dean of the Seminary and in 1973, "with the help of a good group of lay people," began a congregation which was to became the first Spanish-speaking, self-supporting parish in the diocese.

He served as chancellor and executive secretary with Province IX (which gave rise to the Province of Mexico) in the late '70s and early '80s, and was elected Bishop of Mexico after the diocese was divided into Cuernavaca and Mexico in 1988.

Currently, the diocese has 32 congregations, five of which are self-sustaining. They have 9,000 active communicants and around 15,000 baptised members. "Our goal is for all of our churches in the cities to become parishes."

Bishop Carranza finds the challenge for Anglicans in Latin America is to be "a real alternative to traditional, popular Roman Catholicism," and he has emphasised a deepening of spiritual life and commitment to stewardship as part of his diocesan vision.

Mexico City, one of the world's most populated cities, is choked with pollution, poverty and millions of unemployed people from its countryside. Although the diocese is involved in many ministries to those who are desperately poor, Bishop Carranza is careful about outreach. "I don't want to begin programmes we can't support," he says.

His concern for the relatively new Province of Mexico is isolation. Bishop Carranza believes the province was granted autonomy prematurely and didn't have three crucial things: "a sense of accountability, a sense of ownership and a clear sense of what our mission is.

"One of my concerns as a province is that we can't speak the common language of the Anglican Communion and that is isolating," he stresses.

To fight the threat of isolation, the Diocese of Mexico has become a resource in Hispanic ministry for the Anglican Communion. It has sent Christian education teachers to the companion diocese of Texas to help with Hispanic work and offers summer programmes and conferences in being Anglican within the Hispanic culture.

Although he joins other Spanish-speaking bishops in feeling



Sergio Carranza-Gomez

sidelined by Africa at the Lambeth Conference, Bishop Carranza says he was "pleased and humbled to be part of the Bible study planning team."

He says the Bible study was planned to prompt conversation as "Christians, as Anglicans, then as bishops to share our stories in light of what St Paul says.

"It's Christ's ministry which is shared with us. He uses our weakness to show His power and when we are weaker, we are stronger."

## Briefly

**Back issues of The Lambeth Daily:** Full packets of all editions of The Lambeth Daily will be made available for sale (£10 each full set) on Saturday in the Communications Centre (Canterbury Business School). Representatives will also endeavour on Saturday to fill requests for single issues; however, supplies of individual issues are very limited. (Note: copies of all editions may also be read on-line and downloaded from the Conference website: www.lambethconference.org)

**Partners in World Mission** are seeking stories and reflections about mission experiences. "We are collecting prayers, stories, and wise words to form a Lambeth 1998 collection," organisers say. "We hope to publish your words to help members of the Anglican Communion to learn from one another about mission." Contributions may be submitted at the PWM stand in the Market Place.

## Honorary doctorates for Nandyal, Taiwan bishops



Peter Lee (left) with James Chien.

**B**ishop Gondi Theodore Abraham Of Nandyal (South India) and Bishop John Chien of the Diocese of Taiwan (Episcopal Church, US) received the honorary degree of Doctor of Divinity from the Virginia Theological Seminary during a special academic convocation July 27 in Canterbury Cathedral's Crypt Chapel. Bishop Peter James Lee (Virginia, US), chairman of the seminary's board of trustees, presented the degrees. Consecrated in 1994, Bishop



Gondi Abraham and spouse, Peravali Satakumari.

Abraham has shaped his ministry to place emphasis upon youth work, adult literacy, lay leadership, ecumenical relations, and especially work with the poor and "those who have no helper," seminary leaders say. Consecrated in 1988, Bishop Chien is known for his administrative abilities, patience, pastoral skills, and visionary leadership, the seminary notes. As bishop he has expanded ordained and lay ministries and fostered theological education. —from staff reports

## **Daily Events** *Tomorrow*

#### **Tuesday August 4**

7.15 am	Eucharist (The Church of the Province of Nigeria) followed by Bible Study video with <i>Penelope Jamieson</i> ,
	Bishop of Dunedin 2 Cor 10
8.15 - 9.15 am	Breakfast
9.30 - 11.00 am	Morning Prayer and Bible Studies
11.00 - 11.15 am	Coffee
11.30 - 12.30 pm	Spouses: Workshops
11.50 - 12.50 pm	-Mission & Evangelism (2)
	-Creative Workshops
11.30 - 1.00 pm	Sections
1.00 pm	Spouses: Gentle Keep Fit Exercises to Music
1.00 - 2.30 pm	Lunch/Free Time
2.00 pm	Spouses: Excursions
3.00 - 3.15 pm	Tea
3.00 - 4.00 pm	Spouses: Workshops
5.00 - 4.00 pm	-Mission & Evangelism (2)
	-Creative Workshops
3.30 - 5.30 pm	Plenary Session: Discusson and debate including voting on
5.50 - 5.50 pm	resolutions from section meetings and the churches of the
	Anglican Communion
5.45 pm	Evening Prayer (The Church of the Province of
5.45 pm	Myanmar) followed by Bible Study video with
	Clovis Rodriquez, Bishop of Northern Brazil 2 Cor 11:1-15
6.30 - 8.00 pm	Dinner/Free Evening
7.30 pm	Spouses: Coffee and Tea in Home Tent
7.50 pm	Susan Howatch: 'Harassed Heroines and Healing Centres'
8.30 pm	Market Place Events: Final Events Evening
0.30 pm	Tonisht's final Market Diago Event evening

**Special to poets:** The Rev Bob Commin from the Diocese of Cape Town would like to meet with people at Lambeth who write and publish poetry. He can be contacted on university extension 7351, or messages can be left for him at Rutherford College.

**Spouses' excursions** tomorrow will tour three sites of interest: Sittingbourne, the home of the Lord Lieutenant of Kent and Lady Rose Kingsdown; Leeds Castle gardens; and St Peter's Village (near Broadstairs). Further information is available from the Spouses' Programme offices.

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# Celebration songs tomorrow

An international selection of recording artists will come together for a multicultural musical celebration tomorrow night as the Market Place winds up its programme of events.

The celebration will be held in the St Columba hall, from 8.15pm, and features the Miserable Offenders, priest-troubadour Garth Hewitt, the Feast of Life Choir, and the Yesuvin Adimaihal Tamil ensemble.





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where 16 children and their teacher were shot dead.

"They have constructed their own ritual," Mr Ward said.

A second video presented the voices of Anglican youth leaders who met at an international church forum last year in Wales. In a series of video-postcards, the youth leaders sent messages to the bishops.

"We need encouragement," said one, "we need support and assistance." Another challenged the Church "to go where the people are—to the pubs, the schools and the streets."

Ending the plenary, Bishop David Moxon (Waikato, New Zealand) challenged the bishops to "return to your dioceses resolved to meet personally with a group of young people, to listen to them, to ask them about their hopes and visions and the way they understand the world, to pray with them, to open the scriptures, and to break bread with them within six months of this Conference." **Resolutions** Continued from page 1

euthanasia, human rights, human sexuality, international debt, and technology, among others—are expected as items on Wednesday afternoon's agenda, officials say.

Action on resolutions regarding structures of the Church is expected on Thursday afternoon.

Professor David Ford is scheduled "to place the events of the Conference in a biblical and theological context" in a final plenary session scheduled from 11.30am to 1pm on Saturday.

Protocol and procedures for the plenary sessions are printed at the outset of the Conference Diary, a copy of which has been supplied to every Conference participant.

Voting, as the procedures specify, is open to each bishop of the Anglican Communion. Pentecostals Continued from page 1

press conference on Friday.

According to research, "there are 480 million people who belong to Pentecostal churches or are associated with charismatic churches in the world."

Bishop Sykes added that for the first time Anglicans from all parts of the Communion wanted "to evaluate this vast phenomenon...and what [it] signifies for world Christianity."

He said the bishops in the Conference subsection looking at the growth of Pentecostalism and its ramifications "have taken a generally positive view of our relationship with them. They have a lot to teach us," he said. "And we have a reason to be penitent for our failure to be more responsive to the needs of men and women across the world." ful reply from Bishop Christopher Hill (Stafford, England), editor of the subsection draft report.

"There is a very long dialogue between the papacy and the Pentecostal churches, from the 1970s onwards," Bishop Sykes added. "So the fact that we are taking this group very seriously means we are following the example of the papacy."

Virtually every part of the Communion has indicated significant challenges in dealing with these new churches, said Bishop French Chang-Him (Seychelles), chair of the subsection.

The fact that many of these churches have rejected the ecumenical movement makes the challenge even greater, Bishop Chang-Him added.

Questioned by reporters about the impact of the Conference's discussion on homosexuality for interchurch dialogue.



There are 65 of them, but only 33 are pictured here. The rest were running errands, delivering messages, staffing the plenary halls and the Spouses' Village. Each steward has been assigned to one of eight teams. Their day begins before 7am and often runs to 10pm. They are from almost every province of the Anglican Communion and they're all over the campus. Many of them carried their provincial banners at the opening Eucharist. The Rev Stephen Laird, chaplain of the university, is shepherding the group and coordinating their efforts with the assistance of David Grummet.

Sudan appeal at £16,100

The Compass Rose Society has donated \$12,500 to the Conference-wide appeal for Sudan, nearly double the amount previously reported in The Lambeth Daily. Total funds collected now exceed £16,100, according to the Rev Canon John Peterson, ACC Secretary-General. At the same time, Bishop Sykes said, "we want to find ways of entering into constructive dialogue with them without dismantling our heritage."

Maintaining other ties

These new directions will not lead to a drift away from the Roman Catholic Church, the press conference heard. A reporter had asked whether the growing emphasis on dialogue with Pentecostals, Lutherans and other Protestants meant Anglicans are "going to lose more and more the catholic side of your history?"

"No!" was the immediate, force-

Bishop Jabez Bryce (Polynesia), chair of Section Three, had an immediate and precise answer: "The section



wants to make Jabez Bryce very clear that no

province of the Anglican Communion has changed its standing on this matter.

"They still endorse the marriage between a man and a woman. They have not changed that at all and we want to reaffirm that in our section."