

## FORWARD MOVEMENT PUBLICATIONS

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### MEMBERSHIP

Forward Movement Publications (FMP), an official, non-profit agency of The Episcopal Church, established by the General Convention under the direction of the Presiding Bishop, is sustained through sales and non-profit contributions of its readers. An outgrowth of the 1934 Joint Commission on the Forward Movement of the Church, it has been governed since 1940 by an *Executive Committee*:

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The Executive Committee meets yearly with the Advisory Board for consultation and recommendation. The *Advisory Board* includes:

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The Rev. Edward S. Gleason is editor and director with general oversight for the editorial and business office. Jane Lyman Paraskevopoulos is business manager. The Rev. George Curwood Allen II is assistant editor. Carolyn Kent Searle is Director of Marketing. Carole Jean Miller is Director of Production.

The Rt. Rev. Henry Wise Hobson, Bishop of Southern Ohio, the founder of FMP, led the Executive Committee until succeeded by The Rt. Rev John M. Krumm, Southern Ohio, who was Chair until 1991, when he was succeeded by Bishop Jones of Indianapolis. Bishop Krumm continued as Honorary Chairman until his death in 1995. Bishop Jones was succeeded as Chair in 2002 by Margaret Graham Beers of Washington.

### WORK SUMMARY

Forward Movement (FMP) was established in 1934 "to help reinvigorate the life of the church," and it was determined that this mission would best be furthered by supporting persons in their lives of prayer and faith. Our devotional quarterly, *Forward Day by Day*, was first published in 1935. Quarterly distribution (regular print, large print and Spanish editions) has increased from 1,468,305 in 1999 to 1,490,358 in 2002. *Forward Day by Day* is also available in Braille, audio cassette, by e-mail subscription and on line. Several retreats for readers of *Forward Day by Day* have been well received.

The Anglican Cycle of Prayer has been published by FMP for more than twenty-five years. It is offered thanks to the support and close cooperation of the Anglican Consultative Council and the understanding that the Anglican Communion exists because we pray with and for one another.

As the mission of FMP has unfolded, it has been further fulfilled through the publication of more than four hundred other publications, varying in length from two to two hundred pages, interpreting, describing and explicating aspects of the faith and life of Christians and members of the Episcopal Church. The clear

traditions of FMP that continue to define our publications are brevity, clarity and quality. 584,089 books and tracts were sold in the year 2002.

One annual catalogue describes each book published by FMP and a second annual catalogue describes each of our pamphlets. Each quarter FMP publishes one or two books or booklets, and four to six pamphlets, while often re-issuing well-used, time-tested materials that serve the church. Our all-time best-sellers include: Prayers for All Occasions, For Those Who Mourn, Discovering the Episcopal Church, Brother Lawrence. The total number of new titles offered in this Triennium is 115. FMP's website first appeared in 1996 and was extensively re-designed in 2002. It receives an average of 9000 visits a week.

FMP is deeply grateful for the many authors who have contributed their work, often anonymously and with modest financial compensation. FMP has always been a fellowship of Christian writers whose words are offered as a gift for the benefit of the entire church. These contributors work appeared in the past Triennium: **Bishops:** C. Fitzsimmons Allison, Frank T. Griswold, Edward W. Jones, Gerald N. McAllister, Stacy F. Sauls, M. Thomas Shaw SSJE, Richard L. Shimpfky, Herbert Thompson, Jr.

**Clergy:** Curtis Almquist, James A. Belcher, Lee Hastings Bristol III, Charles F. Brumbaugh, James L. Burns, Elizabeth Canham, Peter Chase, Daniel G. Conklin, Pamela Lee Cranston, Gilbert Crosby, William L. Dols, Jr., Travis Talmadge Du Priest, Thomas L. Ehrich, William Tate Elliott, Randolph L. Frew, Edward S. Gleason, Joseph W. Goetz, Peter J. Gomes, Holt H. Graham, Margaret B. Guinness, Harvey H. Guthrie, Jr., John Hall, James A. Hanisian, Bert H. Hatch, Robert B. Horine, Jr., Margaret Bullitt-Jonas, Raymond F. Kasch, Jr., Jason E. Leo, Samuel Thames Lloyd III, Heyward H. Macdonald, Beth Maynard, Michael T. McEwen, Mary Rose McGeedy, R. Charles Meyer, Robert C. Morris, Murray L. Newman, Joseph L. Pace, Sam A. Portaro, Jr., Richard Reid, Isaías A. Rodríguez, Joseph P. Russell, Richard H. Schmidt, Robert Boak Slocum, Carroll Simcox, Peter Stebinger, Sylvia Sweeney, John Throop, Francis H. Wade, Edward Waldron, Christopher L. Webber, Nancy G. Westerfield, John Westerhoff, J. Robert Wright.

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### FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE 2000-2003 TRIENNIUM

FMP is self-supporting, sustained by the consistently low fees set for our literature. The support FMP receives through the purchases of these materials continues to increase. Gross sales at the end of the last fiscal year (June 2002) were \$1,804,020 as compared with June 1999, when they were \$1,637,470, an increase of 10%.

Some of the work of FMP is further sustained by three special funds established by the gifts and bequests of readers:

1. The Braille Fund provides Braille editions of Forward Day by Day (free) and the Prayer Book (at nominal cost) to any blind person and subsidizes large print editions of Day by Day and other works. The FMP investment account stands at \$1,310,810 (\$372,554 is designated as the Braille Fund).
2. The Henry Wise Hobson Fund was established in honor of the founder of FMP, who served as chairman for forty years. The Hobson Fund now totals \$887,663. The income is used to provide free literature for use in prisons and hospitals for those unable to pay. The increase of this fund continues to strengthen the work and mission of FMP.
3. The Mamie and Edgar Woolard Fund was established in 1999 to provide FMP materials free for hospital patients. The Woolard Fund was established by Edgar S. Woolard, Jr., and currently totals \$123,298.

**GOALS AND OBJECTIVES FOR THE 2004 – 2006 TRIENNIUM**

FMP Publications is presently involved in the initial stages of **The Forward Fund**, a capital campaign to raise \$2.75 million to establish *A New Day* by achieving three important goals:

4. Increase and improve our spaces better to serve the larger numbers of persons who desire support in their lives of prayer and faith.
5. Extend our outreach through new marketing efforts, new initiatives to reach more Episcopalians, younger readers, Hispanic readers and those in crisis.
6. Strengthen our endowment to provide additional materials for those who otherwise are unable to afford them especially those in institutions.

**Resolution A005 Continue Forward Movement Publications**

- 1 *Resolved*, the House of \_\_\_\_\_ concurring, That the Presiding Bishop be authorized to continue
- 2 Forward Movement Publications under his supervision and to appoint such staff members and commission
- 3 as may be required to maintain its work.