

B. Newbiggin – Unpublished Manuscripts

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1) *The Papers of Lesslie Newbiggin (DA29)*. Cadbury Research Library, University of Birmingham, Edgbaston, Birmingham B15 2TT, UK
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- 36r “Revelation.” Theology paper submitted at Westminster College, Cambridge University, in partial fulfillment of a theology degree. (DA29, Birmingham Archive.)
- 36wiin “Why Is It Necessary to Begin with Our Own Religious Experience If We Are to Grasp the Essential Distinguishing Mark of Religion Generally?” (DA29, Birmingham Archive.)
- 36rtc “The Relation of Theology's Claim to Be a Science, to Its Dependence on the Religious Life of the Theologian.” (DA29, Birmingham Archive.)
- 36rtrl “The Relation of Theology to the Religious Life.” (DA29, Birmingham Archive.)
- 36iia “Idea of Infallible Authority.” (DA29, Birmingham Archive.)
- 41kgip “The Kingdom of God and the Idea of Progress.” Handwritten manuscript of four lectures given at United Theological College, Bangalore, India. [George R. Hunsberger]
- 51ott “Our Task Today. A Charge to be Given to the Fourth Meeting of the Diocesan Council, Tirumangalam, 18-20 December, 1951.”

- 57iwia "I When I Am Lifted Up . . ." Sermon given at the Uniting Synod of the Congregational and Evangelical and Reformed Churches, Cleveland, 1957.
- 58oc/n "The Organization of the Church, Mission to the World." A paper presented to the meeting of the Joint Committee of the IMC and WCC, Nyborg, Aug. 14-17, 1958, leading to the publication *One Body, One Gospel, One World* (58obog). Fourteen pages. [WCC Archives.]
- 58oc/o "The Organization of the Church: Mission to the World." A paper presented to the IMC Staff Meeting, Oxford, Sept. 16-18, 1958, leading to the publication *One Body, One Gospel, One World* (58obog). Seventeen pages. [WCC Archives.]
- 58scmt "Summons to Christian Mission Today." Address given at the Council dinner, North American Advisory Committee of the IMC, 14 November 1958. Nine pages. [WCC Archives.]
- 60agsp "Address Given at the Service of Preparation for Holy Communion at the S.U.M. Quadrennial Conference, Athens." [WCC Archives.]
- 60cbww "The Cup of Blessing Which We Bless." Sermon preached on the text 1 Corinthians 10:16-17 at Grace Cathedral, San Francisco, 9 December 1960, at the service of Holy Communion according to the Order of the Church of South India. Four pages.
- 60fbos "For by One Spirit." Address based on 1 Corinthians 12:13 given at the Presbyterian General Assembly, Cleveland, Ohio, May 1960. [WCC Archives.]
- 60fwlb "Forgetting What Lies Behind . . ." Sermon preached at the Riverside Church, New York City, at the 50th anniversary observance of the Edinburgh 1910 World Missionary Conference, 25 May 1960. [Titled "Faith in Action" in WCC Archives.]
- 60mcan "Mission of the Church to All the Nations." Address given at the NCC[CUSA] General Assembly, San Francisco, Dec. 5, 1960. [WCC Archives.]
- 60npes "Notes on the 'Project of an Ecumenical Statement on the Nature and Basis of Religious Liberty.'" [WCC Archives.]
- 61ftd "First tentative draft of a paper to follow the IMC paper 'One Body, One Gospel, One World.'" [WCC Archives.]
- 61pmmc "The Pattern of Ministry in a Missionary Church." Eleven pages. [WCC Archives.]
- 62mep "Missions in an Ecumenical Perspective." [WCC Archives.]

- 62mtg "The Mission of the Triune God." [WCC Archives.]
- 62uof "Unfaith and Other Faiths." Address delivered to the 12th Annual Assembly of the Division of Foreign Missions, NCCUSA, 1962. Eight pages. [WCC Archives.]
- 63jamc "Jesus the Servant and Man's Community." Address given at a Congress of the Student Christian Movement.
- 63rsca "Rapid Social Change and Evangelism." Manuscript. Approximate date.
- 63wc "World Christianity: Result of the Missionary Expansion." Address given at Biblical Seminary, New York City. Approximate date.
- 64snc "Le Scandale des Non-Chrétiens." Four pages. [WCC Ecumenical Centre Library.]
- 70smd "Stewardship, Mission and Development." Address given at the Annual Stewardship Conference of the British Council of Churches, Stanwick, June 1970.
- 73ck "The Church and the Kingdom." A manuscript written in response to a letter by Paul Löffler (dated "30 January 1973") encouraging further debate between Lesslie Newbigin and M. M. Thomas. The paper bears the date "July 1972" but it must certainly have been written in July 1973, responding as it does to Löffler's letter. A January 1972 date is impossible to conjecture for Löffler's letter since it refers to the March 1972 issue of *Religion and Society*.
- 76bsr8 "Bible Study on Romans 8." A bible study given at the Conference on "Church in the Inner City" held in Birmingham, U.K., September 1976.
- 78eqfu "Episcopacy and the Quest for Unity." Notes of a contribution to a discussion at the Annual Conference of CCLEPE and Ecumenical Officers at Swanwick, September 1978.
- 79pals "Presiding at the Lord's Supper." Manuscript written as a contribution to the discussion within the United Reformed Church regarding "the presidency at the Lord's Supper of members other than those ordained."
- 82m "Ministry." Address given at a conference in Croydon. Approximate date.
- 82urcm "URC Mission and Other Faiths Committee." A two-page essay critiquing "progressively liberal capitalism."
- 83ckc "Christ, Kingdom, and Church: A Reflection on the Papers of George Yule and Andrew Kirk." Approximate date.

- 83hswu "How Should We Understand Sacraments and Ministry?" Manuscript written for a consultation jointly mandated by the Anglican Consultative Council and the World Alliance of Reformed Churches, London, January 1983.
- 85bpso "Background Paper for the Selly Oak Colleges' Staff." Two-page letter written for background information to those members of staff of the Selly Oak Colleges with regard to discussing a possible programme outlined in Newbiggin's book, *The Other Side of 1984*. Recipients of the letter include: David Tennant; Grance Trenchard; Brian Wicker; Marius Felderhoff; Robert Wetzel; Marcella Hoesl; Maurice Sinclair; Dan Beeby; Martin Conway; and John Sargent.
- 85cfsw "Christian Faith in a Secularized World." An eight-page manuscript written ca. 1985 (as best determined from statements within the text).
- 85gpow "'Going Public' Operates with . . ." Notes following an exchange of correspondence with Rev. Peter Wright about *Going Public: A Report on Ministry of Full-Time Chaplains in Polytechnics* (London: National Standing Committee of Polytechnic Chaplains). Also see 85rgp.
- 85rboc "The Role of the Bible in Our Church." Remarks given at a meeting of the Forward Policy Group of the United Reformed Church, 17-18 April 1985.
- 85rgp "Re. 'Going Public.'" Letter to Rev. Peter Wright regarding *Going Public: A Report on Ministry of Full-Time Chaplains in Polytechnics* (London: National Standing Committee of Polytechnic Chaplains). Also see 85gpow.
- 85rnwc Review of *A New World Coming* by Andrew Kirk. Unpublished draft.
- 86eafm "England as a Foreign Mission Field." Reproduced text of an address given at the Assembly of the Birmingham Council of Christian Churches, March 10, 1986.
- 86olp "One of the Loveliest of the Psalms . . ." Address given on the BBC.
- 86wiea "What is the Ecumenical Agenda?" Two-page response to a letter from Thaddeus Horgan, Managing Editor of *Ecumenical Trends*, asking Newbiggin to write on this topic. Horgan had asked thirty persons each to write a four hundred word essay on this same theme for possible publication.
- 88hfff "Human Flourishing in Faith, Fact and Fantasy." Paper presented to the Churches' Council on Health and Healing in Swanwick (U.K.) in summer 1988.

- 89dpa "Discussion Paper on Authority." A working paper for The Gospel and Our Culture's discussion group on 4 September 1989, meeting at St. Andrew's Hall, Selly Oak, Birmingham (U.K.). The paper discusses what Newbigin developed more fully in *The Gospel in a Pluralist Society* (89gps). It was later published in edited and sometimes considerably expanded form in several places. See 94awis (chapter eight entitled "By What Authority?"), 94tam and, especially, 96tam.
- 89os90 "The Other Side of 1990." A presentation at Clare College, Cambridge University. No date given, but likely 1989. Deuteronomy 26:1-11 and Hebrews 11:29-12:2 were the given texts.
- 89pcre "The Place of Christianity in Religious Education." A paper written and presented in March 1989 in relation to the passage into law of the Education Reform Act (1988).
- 89uapv "Unfinished Agenda: A Personal View of the Past, Present, and Future of Christian Mission." A nineteen page working script of a BBC programme in 1989 with contributions from John Hick, Kosuke Koyama, Kwame Bediako, Raymond Fung, Roger Hooker, and Hassan D'Qani Tafti. Available in audio recording (89uaav and 89uakp).
- 90fr "First Reflections on the High Leigh Conference." A two-page critique of the first Gospel and Our Culture Conference at High Leigh Conference Centre, Hoddesdon, Hertfordshire, 15-17 October 1990. The conference on the theme *Mission to our Culture in the Light of Scripture and the Christian Tradition* was the first of two regional conferences (three were originally planned) sponsored jointly by The Gospel and Our Culture and the British and Foreign Bible Society leading up to "The Gospel as Public Truth" National Consultation at Swanwick (U.K.) in July 1992.
- 90rbh "Response to L. A. (Bert) Hoedemaker." A manuscript written in response to an essay by Hoedemaker entitled "Enlightenment, Eclipse and the Problem of Western Christianity: Towards a Discussion with Lesslie Newbigin" (1990) in preparation for a conference in Oegstgeest, Holland, the Netherlands, at the Mission Training House, 23 November 1990. The essay and response were two of four papers used as the basis for discussion at the conference.
- 90rggd "Response to G. G. de Kruijf." A manuscript written in response to an essay by de Kruijf entitled "The Christian Mission in the West" (1990) in preparation for a conference in Oegstgeest, Holland, the Netherlands, at the Mission Training House, 23 November 1990. The essay and response were two of four papers used as the basis for discussion at the conference.
- 90witc "What is the Culture?" Address at the first regional conference jointly sponsored by The Gospel and Our Culture and the British and Foreign Bible

Society, on the theme "Mission to Our Culture in the Light of Scripture and the Christian Tradition," held at High Leigh Conference Centre, Hoddesdon, Hertfordshire, 15-17 October 1990. Included in the conference booklet along with transcripts of other addresses by Donald English, Hugh Montefiore, Tom Houston and Tom Smail.

- 91bafs "Blasphemy and the Free Society." A six-page essay ca. 1991 focusing on the controversy surrounding the publication of Salman Rushdie's *The Satanic Verses*.
- 91bgn "The Bible: Good News for Secularised People." The Keynote Address during the Europe/Middle East Regional Conference in Eisenach, Germany in April 1991.
- 91m "Missions." A five-page manuscript written ca. 1991 relating missions to homiletic theory and practice.
- 91patc "Pluralism and the Church." An address presented at the second of two regional conferences jointly sponsored by The Gospel and Our Culture and the British and Foreign Bible Society, on the theme "Freedom and Truth in a Pluralist Society," held 10-12 April 1991 at the Swanwick Conference Centre. The other main speakers were David Ford, Paul Hiebert and Andrew Walker.
- 91tr "Theological Reflections on the Judgment of the U.S. Supreme Court in the Case of Edwards, Governor of Louisiana et al versus Aguillard et al." Eight-page manuscript, ca. 1991.
- 93cmad "The Christian Message." A three-page paper given by Newbigin at the annual Christmas dinner of the Indian YMCA in London in December 1993.
- 93gmwc "The Gospel and Modern Western Culture." A talk given to the Swedish Missions Council.
- 94rcaw "Reflections on *Creation Regained* by Albert Wolters." A two-page manuscript written as a response to Wolters's book.
- 94wkob "What Kind of Britain?" An eleven-page manuscript, circulated among friends, of an address delivered in London in August 1994. Later developed into a book co-authored with Jenny Taylor and Lamin Sanneh (98fp).
- 95nblh "New Birth Into a Living Hope." The keynote address on the text 1 Peter 1:3 given on 28 August 1995 at the European Area Council of the World Alliance of Reformed Churches, meeting at Pollock Halls, Edinburgh, Scotland from 28 August to 3 September 1995 on the theme "Hope and Renewal in Times of Change." The address was summarized on page eleven in *News and Views* (Winter 1995) under the title, "Edinburgh."

- 95rotb “Reflections on the LMS/CWM Bicentennial: July 1995.” A nine-page response to Konrad Raiser’s keynote address on 12 July 1995 at the City Temple in London for the Bicentenary Celebrations of the London Missionary Society/Council for World Mission.
- 96gapt “On the Gospel as Public Truth: Response to the Colloquium.” An eleven-page response to a colloquium in Leeds in August 1996. Twenty-five scholars from the neo-Calvinist, Kuyperian tradition contributed papers for discussion, followed by Newbigin's written response. The event was organised by Mike Goheen. See also two papers by Newbigin which were used in preparation for the conference: a transcription of the audio recording 94gps, and the later published 98cmsc.
- 97ol “Open Letter to all Ministers and Church Secretaries of the United Reformed Church for Action and to District Council Secretaries, Synod Clerks and The General Secretary for Information.” Drafted by Newbigin, along with others, bearing their names at the bottom of the letter but bearing only his signature. A letter of protest against “Resolution 19” of the 1997 General Assembly of the United Reformed Church which, for the first time, explicitly authorised the ordination of persons in a homosexual relationship to the Ministry of Word and Sacraments. The other names appearing alongside Newbigin’s are: Reverends Philip Morgan; Dan Beeby; Rose Barrett; Roger Cornish; Robert Courtney; Charles Croll; Alan Dunstone; Simon Ellis; John Hall; David and Mia Hilborn; Andrew Mills; Roger Scopes; Chris Vivian; Sally Willett; and Roger Whitehead.