

“Take Heed” Ministries

January – May 2012

Dear praying friends and supporters of ‘Take Heed’,

The first half of 2012 is certainly proving to be a busy and challenging period for **‘Take Heed’ Ministries** and I felt this would be an opportune time to send this ministry update on what has happened so far and what in the will of the Lord will happen by the end of June.

Just before the start of 2012 I posted an article to the ministry web site entitled –

The ‘Prophetic Poison’ of Gerald Coates in ‘Songs of Praise’

This related to the **‘Songs of Praise’** programme broadcast on Sunday 27th November 2011. It was presented by Diane Louise Jordan who introduced as a guest, Gerald Coates, who heads up the Pioneer Charismatic Group of churches, with these words - **“he believes that prophecy is part of his ministry today”**. In response Mr Coates said that he had never styled himself as a **‘prophet’**. In the article I went on to demonstrate that this claim by him was patently not true and I went on to cite examples from his own writings of where he clearly styled himself as a **‘prophet’** and, as it turned out on occasions, to be a false one at that! It’s so sad that someone like Mr Coates, who was an avid promoter of the so-called ‘Toronto Blessing’, is still peddling his poison in professing Christian circles.

Back on 18th October 2011 I posted an article to the ministry web site entitled -

Maynooth Community Church: Promoting the Jesuit Cause

I mentioned this article in my December 2011 Annual Review letter to you. In the early part of 2012 I started work on another article again involving the minister of this Maynooth Community Church. It was brought to my attention that in a magazine called VOX, published in October 2011, there appeared an article by Dr Keith McCrory, the minister of Maynooth Community Church and it was entitled –

Why Evolution is not Our enemy

I started work on an article by way of response and have made good progress but it has somewhat ground to a halt as in recent months I was overtaken by other pressing issues. I believe that for Christians and for The Gospel of the Lord Jesus

Christ, evolution most certainly is an enemy so I would very much covet your prayers that in due course I shall be able to return to the writing of the article and finish it.

So, what have been these 'pressing issues' that overtook me and consumed much of my time? In early February I received an invite, passed on to me by a Christian third party, from the Islamic Student Association of Trinity College Dublin to take part in a public debate with a Muslim spokesman who would be visiting from England. His name was Adnan Rashid and the title put forward for the debate was '**Is Jesus God?**' The debate took place in a lecture theatre at TCD on the evening of 22nd February. The lecture theatre was designed to hold about 100 people but I would estimate there were probably about 150 squeezed into the official seating areas as well as those sitting on the steps of the aisles (health and safety in the UK would have had a field day!!) Again I would estimate that probably about 100 of those there would have been young Muslims including quite a few of Irish descent who have presumably converted most likely from Roman Catholicism to Islam.

I knew much of the Lord's help during my 20 minute presentation proclaiming the deity of the Lord Jesus Christ and also during my time of responding to Adnan's presentation and also 'fielding' assorted questions from the audience. I had brought suitable literature with me and I'm pleased to say that many items were taken. A lengthy and detailed article outlining my 'reflections' on the whole debate is posted to the web site. Please pray especially that seeds of truth sown that night may yet bear fruit for God the Son, our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ.

Then another 'pressing issue' has been the organisation of the May public debates on '**The Eucharist**' that I also mentioned in my December 2011 Annual Review letter to you. Everything was going along 'swimmingly' and colourful promotional flyers had been printed up when, out of the blue, I got an unexpected phone call from The Emmaus Centre where the second debate had been scheduled to take place. Their 'Board' had met and decided to rescind permission for their premises to be used (I think they may have viewed it as perhaps too confrontational for their liking) so hurriedly I had to arrange for new flyers to be printed up and for a series of adverts that are due to appear in the main Catholic newspaper, '**The Irish Catholic**' to be revamped. Thankfully time was on our side to allow the printing to be done and for the advert alterations to be made.

I am deeply grateful to the many who so generously contributed to the funding of these debates and to the general work of the ministry and would again covet your prayers that the Lord will speak His truth into the hearts and minds of those unsaved who will attend the two remaining debates. I'm enclosing with this letter a couple of the flyers – should anyone require more please do contact me.

A further 'pressing issue' that appeared on the horizon was an invite to take part in a **Revelation TV** programme on Tuesday 15th May between 7.00-8.00pm. The programme will be part of a series entitled '**Simply the Truth**' and will focus on this

occasion on the Roman Catholic teachings on **'Mary'**. I shall apparently be in debate with a London-based Jesuit priest. I shall be flying to London on the day of the debate and returning home on the following day (DV). Again your prayers for this event will be much appreciated and also for the possibility of taking part in a future **Revelation TV** debate on the subject of **'Freemasonry'**. There has been agreement in principle that I would take part but **Revelation TV** have to relocate to new premises after the end of May so things are slightly 'up in the air' just at present. Again there is a short article on the web site about these plans and once more I'm grateful to those who have so willingly and generously supported in a practical way.

Also in my December 2011 Annual Review letter I mentioned a ministry trip in April to Wales and Somerset to speak at 3 fellowships to update them on the current deceptions and challenges facing God's people. The midweek meetings in Somerset were very well received and everyone was very supportive and encouraging. The Sunday meetings in Wales were rather different and challenging (I had a good idea in advance that they would be) - certainly 'food for thought' was spread before some who clearly didn't particularly like what they were hearing but others were certainly more than appreciative for what they had heard and they gladly told me so - overall I would say there were shades of Paul's experience on Mars Hill in Acts 17:32-34. We pray for 'fruit' to His glory.

As well as the items already mentioned for prayer perhaps I could also include the following - obviously safe travel for Rob Zins (and a fellow ex Catholic Dale Rudiger who will be travelling over with Rob from the USA for the debates) and for help for Rob as he 'takes on' Patrick McCafferty in the 2 debates; for myself as I chair these debates. Then in June (DV) I am scheduled to speak in Larne Congregational Church on Thursday 7th, in East End Baptist Church (AM & PM) on Sunday 10th and Kellswater Reformed Presbyterian Church on Thursday 14th. Perhaps I could also ask for prayer for my wife Margaret who so willingly copes with the additional chores and responsibilities that some events generate and all the while attending to her almost full-time job as a Practice Nurse.

Again I am deeply grateful for all the faithful and generous support given to the ministry, especially in these days of austerity, and pray that we will steward wisely, for His glory, what continues to be so graciously entrusted to us. Yours in Him.

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Cecil Andrews of
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invites you to attend either of
2 public debates on

‘THE EUCHARIST’

Confirmed participants:

PATRICK McCAFFERTY

(Catholic Curate – Rathmines, Dublin)

and

ROB ZINS

(Director of - ‘A Christian Witness to Roman Catholicism’)

(North Carolina - <http://www.cwrc-rz.org/>)

Matters for debate:

- 1. Is ‘The Eucharist’ Christ ‘TRANSUBSTANTIATED’?**
- 2. Is ‘The Eucharist’ a ‘PROPITIATORY’ sacrifice?**

Debate Venues:

WEDNESDAY 23 May:

DUNDALK BAPTIST CHURCH

(<http://www.dundalkbaptistchurch.org/>)

SATURDAY 26 May:

KNOCKBREDA PARISH Church Hall, BELFAST

(<http://www.downanddromore.org/parishes/knockbreda>)

Debate timings: 7.30pm – 10.00pm:

Voluntary ‘Retiring Offering’ to defray costs.

SCHEDULE for DEBATES

TIME	SPEAKER	MINUTES	TOPIC
7.30PM	Cecil	10	Opening remarks:
7.40PM	Rob	15	Case against transubstantiation
7.55PM	Patrick	15	Case for transubstantiation
8.10PM	Patrick	1	Question on transubstantiation
8.11PM	Rob	2	Reply to question on transubstantiation
8.13PM	Patrick	2	Reply to reply to question on transubstantiation
8.15PM	Patrick	1	Question on transubstantiation
8.16PM	Rob	2	Reply to question on transubstantiation
8.18PM	Patrick	2	Reply to reply to question on transubstantiation
8.20PM	Rob	1	Question on transubstantiation
8.21PM	Patrick	2	Reply to question on transubstantiation
8.23PM	Rob	2	Reply to reply to question on transubstantiation
8.25PM	Rob	1	Question on transubstantiation
8.26PM	Patrick	2	Reply to question on transubstantiation
8.28PM	Rob	2	Reply to reply to question on transubstantiation
8.30PM	INTERVAL	10	INTERVAL
8.40PM	Patrick	15	Case for propitiation
8.55PM	Rob	15	Case against propitiation
9.10PM	Rob	1	Question on propitiation
9.11PM	Patrick	2	Reply to question on propitiation
9.13PM	Rob	2	Reply to reply to question on propitiation
9.15PM	Rob	1	Question on propitiation
9.16PM	Patrick	2	Reply to question on propitiation
9.18PM	Rob	2	Reply to reply to question on propitiation
9.20PM	Patrick	1	Question on propitiation
9.21PM	Rob	2	Reply to question on propitiation
9.23PM	Patrick	2	Reply to reply to question on propitiation
9.25PM	Patrick	1	Question on propitiation
9.26PM	Rob	2	Reply to question on propitiation
9.28PM	Patrick	2	Reply to reply to question on propitiation
9.30PM	Patrick	4	Closing comments
9.34PM	Rob	4	Closing comments
9.38PM	Cecil	4	Closing remarks

