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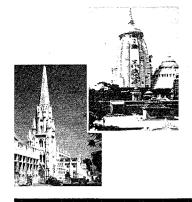


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The Hindu-Christian Studies Bulletin is a scholarly journal published jointly at the Calgary Institute for the Humanities, Calgary, Canada and at the Institute of Philosophy and Culture, Madras, India. The annual issues will present articles, book reviews, viewpoint essays and news items on Hinduism and Christianity and their interrelationship based upon historical materials and contemporary experience.

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In Memoriam: Richard W. Taylor

The Rev. Richard W. Taylor ("Dick Taylor" to all his friends), Senior Associate Director of the Christian Institute for the Study of Religion and Society, (CISRS), Delhi and Bangalore, passed away on October 19, 1988. He was 63. missionary of the United Methodist Church, U.S.A., Dick Taylor served in India for more than 35 years. For most of the time he was on the staff of the CISRS. having served under three successive directors. Prior to this he was Director of the Christian Retreat and Study Centre in Rajpur (Dehra Dun) V.P. and had taught sociology at Hislop College, Nagpur, M.s. and at Serampore College, Serampore, As a committed Christian sociologist, Dick Taylor interested himself in the social problems and issues of India. CISRS, which was formed in 1957, assigned him his first task of making a study of the socio-economic consequences of large-scale conversions to Buddhism in Maharashtra and Madhya Pradesh in 1956 and after. While in Serampore, he was appointed part-time Research Secretary of CISRS, with responsibility for its programmes in North India. increasing involvement in studies and research for the CISRS, he moved to Bangalore in 1969 and became Executive and Research Secretary. Subsequently he was made Associate Director.

Dick Taylor's most significant contribution was in study and research in socioeconomic, political and cultural matters of concern to the Church and the individual Christian, aimed at informing and developing responsible Christian citizenship in India. He organized consultations and conferences, and later edited the proceedings into books. He helped recruit research scholars for the Institute and directed their work, out of which came significant publications of CISRS. In this process Dick Taylor gave

much encouragement to numerous young men and women in the Church and outside. This he continued to do until the end.

A number of research and writing projects were undertaken by himself. One of his early books as *The Contribution of E. Stanley Jones* (1973), an excellent assessment of one of the early pioneers in inter-faith dialogue. His *Jesus in Indian Painting* (1975) opened up new areas of significant interest in and for Christian art

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