



The Archbishop of Canterbury's Awards

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In order of presentation

The Lambeth Cross for Ecumenism

Awarded to His Eminence Archbishop Gregorios of Thyateira and Great Britain for his contributions to Church relations, the integration and education of the Greek community in Great Britain and the promotion of respect between communities

His Eminence Archbishop Gregorios of Thyateira and Great Britain came to London in April 1959. He served the Archdiocese as priest and then as Chancellor. He was chosen Bishop of Tropeaou in December 1970. On 9th September 1979, he took over as Locum Tenens. On the 16th April 1988, the Sacred Synod of the Ecumenical Patriarchate of Constantinople unanimously elected him as Archbishop of Thyateira and Great Britain.

His Eminence has worked tirelessly and with total devotion to build local missional Greek communities on these islands. Their integration, education, growth and development in Great Britain, together with his ecumenical hospitality and friendship, have been the hallmark of his ministry.

As a longstanding friend of the Church of England, he has been a vital link between Lambeth Palace and the Ecumenical Patriarchate of Constantinople. His support in planning and preparing the visit of His All Holiness Ecumenical Patriarch Bartholomew last year enabled the Church of England to be enriched by a visit of spiritual depth and ecumenical significance.

He is a man of peace. His commitment to raising awareness and promoting respect and friendship between all communities has been a source of encouragement and hope to many. He has spoken out against discrimination on the grounds of ethnicity, skin colour and religious convictions.

His Eminence Archbishop Gregorios's life is one of duty and service. He is a role model and a blessing to the Churches in Great Britain.

Awarded to His Grace Bishop Angaelos, General Bishop of the Coptic Orthodox Church in the United Kingdom, for his contributions to ecumenical and interfaith engagement and his tireless commitment to peace and reconciliation

Under the leadership of His Grace Bishop Angaelos, the Coptic community has become an active and valued presence in UK society. In establishing the Coptic Centre in Stevenage, Bishop Angaelos has provided for the community at large a vibrant hub for ecumenical and interfaith engagement. As a friend of the Church of England he has actively fostered deeper understanding and collaboration between our two churches. He played a key part in the resumption of the Anglican Oriental Orthodox International Commission after a break of ten years.

Bishop Angaelos has been a powerful advocate for peace and reconciliation. His public interventions concerning the political instability in Egypt and the Middle East, for example, sounded a reasonable and conciliatory tone, spoken from personal integrity and experience.

He addressed the General Synod of the Church of England in July 2013, calling for pragmatic and intentional leadership in Egypt and for national reconciliation. At his request a meeting of solidarity and a service of prayer for Christians in the Middle East under the theme 'rejoicing in their faith and sharing in their collective pain' was held at Lambeth Palace and hosted by the Archbishop of Canterbury. This was one of the earliest such initiatives attended by church leaders and community representatives in the UK.

Bishop Angaelos is widely consulted by parliamentary groups, non-governmental organisations and partner churches for his insight on the situation of Christians and other minorities in Egypt and the Middle East. He is a Christian leader and an influential and significant advocate for peace and reconciliation. His legacy will continue to enrich and strengthen the Churches across Britain.

Awarded to Canon Simon Edward Stephens for his significant contribution to ecumenism, especially with the Eastern Orthodox Churches.

In June 2014 Canon Simon Stephens retired as Chaplain to St. Andrew's Church and Anglican Centre, Moscow after fourteen years of outstanding service. He extended the work of the chaplaincy both geographically and pastorally, with visits to Mongolia for Christmas Services, to Kiev and monthly visits to St. Petersburg to take Communion Services, and elsewhere in his role as Area Dean, even travelling to Murmansk Prison to visit British detainees. At the same time, Canon Stephens built up the congregation at St. Andrew's where he nurtured the vocations to the Anglican ministry of two Russian postgraduates. He fostered closer relations with the Russian Orthodox Church and with Patriarch Alexei and his successor Patriarch Kyrill. He also established strong links with the British Embassy, together with many Commonwealth Embassies. His ministry also extended to several outreach programmes for local Russians, such as a branch of Alcoholics Anonymous, a reference library and concerts and opportunities for other gatherings.

After St. Andrew's received a grant in 2003 from the Fellowship of St. Alban and St Sergius in Oxford to create a library for the Biblical Theological Institute of St. Andrew (called by its Russian acronym BBI), St. Andrew's, BBI, and the Fellowship began a dialogue to create in 2006 the very first Anglican-Orthodox Education Centre, bringing together noted theologians and scholars from Russia and abroad to discuss current theological issues and foster understanding between the Orthodox and the Anglican Communion.

Such a ministry over fourteen years demanded exceptional political and ecclesiastical gifts and hard work in order to establish, sustain and build up an Anglican presence and to reach beyond denominational boundaries in such a city and, not least, at such a time.

The Cross of St Augustine for Services to the Anglican Communion

Awarded to Prof. Salvatore Bordonali for his contribution to the legal and bureaucratic recognition of the Church of England by the Italian Republic and to the agreement of an 'Intesa' between the parties.

Professor Bordonali's *pro bono* legal advice, drafting of documents, and participation in meetings across a wide range of interests connected with the formal recognition of the Church of England over the five years leading up to 2014 was Herculean. He spent over one hundred working hours on the project. Recognition was awarded by President Giorgio Napolitano in July 2014. This, however, was not the end to the professor's more than Twelve Labours: he has been key in drafting a proposed 'Intesa' ('Understanding') outlining the reciprocal benefits and obligations assumed by Church and State to be presented for agreement to the Italian Parliament in 2016, serving as the church's chief legal adviser and commissioner in discussions with the various government ministries with interest in the outcome. The Church of England in Italy, which serves nationals of over twenty-five different countries, and with a preponderance of Nigerian Anglicans in Italy as economic migrants, stands to gain substantial tax benefits and privileges through this process, resourcing what is in effect a 'Church of the poor'. In this the professor proves himself a true benefactor of the church.

A devout Roman Catholic canonist and practitioner of Italian Ecclesiastical Law, Professor Bordonali's openness to ecumenical friendship and collaboration is exemplary, having gone considerably further than the extra mile to raise the Church of England's profile in Italy. The most significant evidence of this assistance was the May 2014 conference on Comparative Canon Law of the Anglican Communion and the Roman Catholic Church, gathering a respected panel of international speakers, which he organised with the sponsorship of the Universities of Palermo and Agrigento. The Anglican Communion and the Church of England have found the most generous, unassuming and good-natured friend in the person of this learned Sicilian of noble heritage.

Awarded to the Reverend Canon Jamie Callaway DD for services to international Anglicanism

If Trinity Church Wall Street's identity as a global parish were to be personified, the Rev. Canon James Callaway could play the role perfectly.

Canon Callaway's personal pilgrimage has demonstrated the idea of holy partnership. Through his leadership in the Grants Department, Trinity was able to use telecommunications as a tool to strengthen the Anglican Communion as well as to assist Archbishop Desmond Tutu in the fight against apartheid in South Africa. Partners in Africa were empowered to reduce the stigma of those affected by HIV/AIDS. Almost thirty years later, Canon Callaway was again in the forefront as Trinity convened and partnered with African bishops in workshops to ensure the sustainability of the church on the African continent. In the South Bronx, his advocacy on behalf of the Nehemiah Plan Homes provided renters with the dream of home ownership. And within Trinity's congregation, as a team leader of the Commitment to Discipleship programme, Canon Callaway has helped to deepen the faith of scores of Trinity parishioners.

When Canon Callaway first arrived at Trinity it was as a young priest whose CV included boy soprano and probation officer. Thirty-four years later, he's beloved and respected as a citizen of the planet, whose ministry enabled Trinity Church to touch the lives of millions, for a world of good.

Awarded to The Reverend Hamdy Sedky Daoud for sustained and courageous service to the Anglican Communion in North Africa.

Rev Hamdy initially served in Egypt as an assistant priest within Arabic- and English-speaking congregations and was then appointed priest-in-charge of an Arabic-speaking congregation. For a significant time, Rev Hamdy acted as chaplain to the Social Ministries arm of the diocese.

He willingly went at his diocesan bishop's request to serve, initially as an assistant priest, at Christ the King Anglican Church in Tripoli, Libya. Within a few months the priest of that church tragically died and Rev Hamdy learned "on the job" to give leadership to a multi-national, multi-denominational flock. His period of such service in Tripoli included the dangerous period during and immediately after the Revolution of 2011. He served boldly and faithfully. During his service in Tripoli, he contributed significantly to Anglican participation in ministry to prisoners, ecumenical relationships and interfaith dialogue. Bishop Mouneer Anis says, in short, that 'he was a hero during the Libyan civil war'.

From 2012 to 2015, he served as priest-in-charge of Holy Trinity, Algiers where his fluency in Arabic and English helped grow the church's impact in both Algerian and expatriate communities. He excelled in supporting the many sub-Saharan African graduate students who made up the majority of the congregation and needed especial care and guidance. He also prepared for confirmation some Algerian believers who fell in love with the Anglican Church. He built significant and good relationships with the Algerian authorities, was a significant bridge-builder ecumenically and was a trusted ambassador for Christ in interfaith relationship-making.

The Rt Revd Hilkih Omindo Deya for his contribution to the mission of the Church of God in his own diocese, in his province of Tanzania and subsequently to the wider communion in promoting stability in Anglicanism in East Africa

Omindo (often known by his consecration name of Hilkih –'the Lord is my Portion'), was Bishop of Mara for almost twenty-one years and was only the second bishop of that diocese. When the diocese was formed in 1985, there were 12 parishes; by the time it was split into three in 2010 there were 120 parishes - an outstanding example of what can be achieved in the most challenging of circumstances. It was clear that the diocese should divide to allow further missionary expansion and Omindo took the initiative here. This gave birth to two new dioceses, Roriya and Tarime.

Alongside this he was responsible for the very effective development of two agricultural research centres at Mogabiri in the north and Buhemba in the south. These continue to train local people in farming and animal husbandry and Buhemba has spawned a further project, training teenagers in sewing and carpentry to rescue them from being sucked into speculative work on a disused gold mine which tends to trap people into drug and alcohol abuse. More recently he has set up a safe house to help avoidance of female genital mutilation.

The educational work he has promoted is legion. The secondary school at Issenye has the best reputation within the Mara region; there are large new schools in Bunda where there is also a burgeoning Bible College to train more priests. Omindo has been remarkable in raising funds from all and sundry without becoming captive to any.

For all his many successes, Hilkiyah has remained a modest, approachable, sincere and devout man who has gathered around him a talented and hard-working team of people with a genuine heart for the poor and under-privileged.

Awarded to Prof. Fabiano Di Prima for his contribution to the legal and bureaucratic recognition of the Church of England by the Italian Republic and to the agreement of an ‘Intesa’ between the parties.

The Church of England and the Anglican Communion have benefited enormously by the meticulous eye for detail provided by Professor di Prima, a close professional collaborator of Professor Salvatore Bordonali. His work in close-drafting of the constitution of the legal Association bearing the identity of the Church of England in Italian law was essential to the progress of the entire process of recognition. He expended huge amounts of time and effort in the perfection of these intricate documents and assisted tirelessly in their being put into effect.

Since the recognition itself in 2014 Professor di Prima has focused on arguing the case for permitting non-Italian citizens who are the Church of England's licensed clergy to preside at legally-binding marriage ceremonies, an essential part of the proposed ‘Intesa’ (‘Understanding’). This resulted in his publishing a ground-breaking research paper in *The Ecclesiastical Law Journal*, 2015.

Professor di Prima has brought patience, ingenuity and humour to painstaking work which offered him little more than the opportunity to develop expertise in a particularly obscure and non-remunerative field. He has set himself to this task with real kindness and generosity, and his contribution has been outstanding.

Awarded to Phyllis Richardson for her outstanding contribution to the flourishing of local church community

Phyllis Richardson has served the Church of England since she arrived from Jamaica in the 1950s. Like many black people she was a victim of prejudice yet persisted with patience and grace. Phyllis became a Reader in 1995. Her ministry has included roles as foster carer, intercessor and supporter of the Rainbow Project, in the Diocese of Southwell and Nottingham.

Phyllis has had a full and valued ministry. Noteworthy of her selfless work has been the care that she has shown to people less well off than herself. She was a foster parent and is still in touch with one of her foster children.

Phyllis gives generously of herself. She goes out of her way to befriend newcomers to her church, taking them out for coffee, finding out their needs and helping them practically. This has contributed to the flourishing of her local church, where leaders have emerged through Phyllis's ministry of welcome. Phyllis also supports the Rainbow Project with dedicated enthusiasm by caring for asylum-seekers and organising fundraising events. She has sat on its Steering Committee for many years.

Phyllis continues to serve God faithfully. She attends the weekly prayer meeting and is one of a rare breed of intercessors. She is a highly spiritual person who receives ‘words of knowledge’ for people. In summary, it is said that nothing is too much trouble for Phyllis. If something needs doing, she does it unwaveringly and without complaint. This award recognises her lifetime of service.

The Canterbury Cross for Services to the Church of England

Awarded to Peter Frederick Barton Beesley for his contribution to the practical application of ecclesiastical, property and charity law throughout and beyond the Church of England over a period of approximately 40 years.

Peter Beesley’s valued and exemplary service to the Church of England has been at three levels. First, as Registrar of the Archbishop of Canterbury’s Faculty Office since 1981, Peter has served four Archbishops of Canterbury and three Masters of the Faculties, taking particular responsibility for the issue of special licences in England and Wales and for the regulation of the notarial profession not only in England and Wales but in divers places overseas, as well as establishing, advising and administering the Archbishop of Canterbury’s Charitable Foundation. Second, as Registrar of the dioceses of Ely (1978-2013), Guildford (1981-2013) and Hereford (1983-2013), Peter served successive diocesan bishops and chancellors, and priests and parishes within those dioceses, always seeking to achieve soundly-based pastoral solutions in an increasingly complex legal environment. Third, through his lengthy service on national bodies, including the Ecclesiastical Law Association, the Ecclesiastical Law Society, the Legal Advisory Commission of General Synod, as well as his work as legal adviser to others, including the National Society for Promoting Religious Education, Peter has selflessly and always with patience and good humour made available his own unrivalled legal expertise and wisdom to the benefit of others and the promotion of the Church of God.

Awarded to Dr Philip Giddings for sustained excellence in voluntary service to the Church.

Philip Giddings was elected to a diocesan synod in 1974 and in 1985 to the General Synod, which he served with distinction for 30 years. He was elected to two terms as Vice Chair of the House of Laity and from 2010 to 2015 served as Chair. A founding member of the Archbishops’ Council in 1999, he was at his retirement in 2015 the only person to have served it continuously in the intervening period.

Philip has combined extensive voluntary service of the Church – as a reader, member of the Oxford Bishop’s Council, and chair or member of innumerable national bodies – with a full-time academic role in politics and international relations. He drew on his professional experience as Chair of the newly created Mission and Public Affairs Council and for a decade ensured that submissions to government and parliament on social, ethical, constitutional and economic issues were of a consistently high standard.

He demonstrated exemplary commitment to Christian unity through service on the Enabling Group of Christians Together in England and the Joint Implementation Commission for the Anglican-Methodist Covenant.

A doughty champion of the role of lay people, a passionate advocate for mission and a robust defender of faithfulness to Scripture, Philip has combined rugged independence of thought and action with a deep concern for the welfare of the whole Church of England. Having helped to defeat the women bishops' legislation in 2012, he made a key contribution to the revised proposals which were widely seen as an improvement on the earlier scheme and were overwhelmingly approved in 2014.

Awarded to Sarah Horsman for her contribution to the alleviation of clergy stress

Dr Sarah Horsman, whose degree is in medicine, joined the Society of Mary and Martha early on and she has worked along-side Carl Lee for most of its existence, sharing the work and contributing her own great gifts to the enterprise in both the organisation of the Charity and in the insights she developed as a self-taught psychologist. She published in 1989 *Living with Stress* and another book in collaboration with Carl Lee in 2002 entitled *Affirmation and Accountability* which is described as "The Society of Mary and Martha's manual of practical suggestions for the prevention of clergy stress, sickness and ill-health retirement." She has also published papers in learned journals in clinical neuropsychology and diagnostic microbiology.

Dr Horsman has now taken over as Warden on Carl's semi-retirement and is devising plans for an important extension of the work of the charity. This has the title of "Doing Healthy Ministry Together" and represents a major new initiative by the Society of Mary and Martha, aiming to harness the technology of the virtual world to extend Sheldon's real-world ministry of caring for clergy. Style and content of the "Sheldon without Walls" are still to be refined, and the initial costs raised, estimated at £335,000. Yet through this initiative it seems the Holy Spirit has teamed up with Information Technology to establish a vision which is unclouded.

Awarded to Carl Lee for his contribution to the alleviation of clergy stress

In the 1970s nobody much was talking about clergy stress but Carl Lee was beginning to be aware of problems that needed attention. Trained as a lay evangelist and working as Warden of Sheldon, his vision for a new religious community began to emerge. He started raising funds in the early 1980s, then set up a charity and in 1987 began running events like the 12,000-mile Service weeks for clergy. In 1991 he took the huge step of faith to buy Sheldon and establish a vocational Community to run it.

It was an important start, but the standard of the converted farm facilities was extremely basic. Over the next 25 years he led the Community in raising nearly four million pounds and investing it in creating truly good, safe space for clergy going through times of stress, crisis, burnout or breakdown. His fundraising included everything from sponsored washing up and climbing Ben Nevis to London receptions. The important work was less visible as he and his team quietly and carefully developed resources and programmes for clergy, listening to what was needed, seeing what helped, refining, learning and listening some more.

Today Sheldon has a solid reputation as a safe pair of hands, and a passionate supporter for all those who serve in ministry, whatever their denomination. In 2014 Carl handed on the role of Warden to Dr Sarah Horsman, yet continues to live and work as a member of the Sheldon Community, now serving as Lay Chaplain.

Awarded to Robin Geoffrey James Mackintosh for his contribution to leadership development in the Church of England

Rob Mackintosh began exploring the world of commerce in his native South Africa before completing an MBA at the Cranfield Institute in 1978. His vocation to the ordained ministry enabled him to integrate theology and leadership theory, ensuring the latter served the mission and ministry of the Church. Launching a clergy mid-service leadership course while he was Rector of Girton in 1995, his work developed into a programme which would be embraced by more than half the dioceses in the Church of England.

As a life-long learner, reflector and practical theologian Rob founded The Leadership Institute with a small group of practitioner trustees in 2000 and developed ground-breaking work in senior leadership training in the Church of England. This was complemented by an innovative programme for potential senior leaders and in the last 15 years half a generation of archdeacons, deans and bishops have had their lives and ministries profoundly enriched.

Rob's gift as a teacher is supported by his instinct for team work, practising what he teaches, and constantly learning from his comprehensive reading and the contributions of his colleagues. His insight into the leadership of the pioneering missionaries to England eventually led to his book, *Augustine of Canterbury; Leadership, Mission and Legacy* (Canterbury Press).

The current provision of high quality training for bishops and deans owes much to Rob's unswerving commitment to a robust theology of leadership. His work has transformed the landscape of leadership development and missional engagement in the Church of England.

The Alphege Award for Evangelism and Witness

Awarded to Chrysogon Bamber for her distinguished service and leadership in Reader ministry

Chrysogon Bamber was licensed as a Reader in 1994, her previous working life having been in secretarial and personnel work. She has served in a rural benefice in Wiltshire ever since, was Vice Warden of over 200 Licensed Lay Ministers (LLMs) in the diocese of Salisbury, a Lay Canon of Salisbury Cathedral, member of Diocesan Synod and Governor of a local C of E Primary School. In 2014 she retired as Vice Chair of the national Central Readers' Council (CRC) after six years in post and a further three on the Executive. She was appointed by the Archbishops' Council to chair a working party on review procedures for lay ministers. On the CRC she was outstandingly effective, having been involved in the production of various good practice guidelines in areas like ministerial review, and in a programme of diocesan visits to enthuse Readers about changes in lay ministry.

Chrysogon is an enthusiastic ambassador for LLM ministry which she sees as distinctive and complementary to the ministry of the ordained. She models a collaborative way of working. Chrysogon was reimagining ministry before the phrase was coined, always looking for new ways of connecting the Church with the wider community and its needs. In 2009 she was installed as a Lay Canon of Salisbury Cathedral in recognition of her valued contribution to the life of the Diocese. She is a much loved colleague, known for her warm heart, her wise head and her passion for the gospel.

Awarded to The Reverend Prebendary John S H Coles for his contribution to Missio Dei

The Revd John Coles has, throughout his long and distinguished ministry, been encouraging church development and growth, rooted in the transforming power of the Holy Spirit. Most notably, his long term association with St Barnabas, Woodside Park between 1982 and 2011, demonstrates John's unwavering belief that it is God alone who is able to grow, change and lead his people into life in all its fullness. As a result, St Barnabas attracts some 1,000 worshippers each week, has planted in a number of settings including a deprived housing estate, and continues to develop as it plans for new premises on the high street.

John has been highly influenced by the Vineyard movement, and this charismatic, evangelical ethos is witnessed in abundance at St Barnabas and beyond, as many thousands of people's lives in North London have been influenced by John's ministry and vision. A deep sense of waiting on God, followed by the courage to act, counters any temptation to domesticate the wildness of God's Holy Spirit.

In addition to John's involvement at St Barnabas, he was from 2001-2015 the leader of New Wine. He continues to serve there through his interim chairing of the board of trustees. Shaped by John's faithfulness to Jesus Christ, New Wine has developed and grown,.

Finally, John continues to serve in the Diocese of London. John is a Licensed Preacher Under Seal, and he is currently exploring new opportunities for the developing of missional communities, involving the people from the City and media industries, based upon grace and whole-life discipleship.

Awarded to The Revd Pamela Cooper for her contribution to the church in Japan over 41 years between 1968 and 2008.

Pamela first considered working overseas during a Student Christian Movement conference in Bristol in 1963. A CMS Action Group that met in her home parish reinforced her call to work overseas.

Pamela lived in Osaka throughout her time in Japan. She served for many years as a teacher at Poole Gakuin Junior College but in 1999 began full time involvement at Poole Gakuin University as chaplain, playing a key part in helping the university to maintain its Christian identity and ethos. She led the chaplaincy team of two part-time Japanese clergy and worked alongside the Christian Education committee with chapel services every day, Bible studies in various languages and lunchtime events. Students and staff frequently dropped in to talk.

At the same time she was the assistant vicar at Christ Church, Shonai and was priested on January 12th 2004. She sought to encourage renewal in Japan's Anglican Church, the Nippon Sei Ko Kai, through Alpha programmes and other significant initiatives alongside the priest-in-charge who visited once a month.

Pam was always a member of the Osaka Diocesan Staff and was frequently in danger of overworking, with her two full-time roles, in circumstances that were very challenging. She was highly conscientious and her endurance and faithfulness in mission have been outstanding.

Awarded to Deaconess Susan C Essam for her contribution to Theological Education by Extension in Nigeria

Susan read music and gained her teaching qualifications at Southampton University. She later worked in the Diocese of Worcester, becoming an ordained deaconess in 1980.

In December 1983 Susan moved to Jos, in Nigeria, and for eight years travelled widely, teaching, preaching, writing in diocesan publications and leading TEE. She then moved to become the Rt Revd Dr Benjamin A Kwashi's Administrative Chaplain and, in spite of much unrest and clashes between Christians and Muslims (over 1000 died in Jos in 2001 when the city erupted into a violence which has continued over the years) she was involved in many aspects of church life. She was also Director of Music at St Luke's Cathedral and Head of the School of Music at the Diocesan Christian Institute with a total of 70 theology students. In February 2000 she became acting Dean of the Christian Institute.

She said in 2002: "I remain a deaconess because the church of Nigeria does not ordain priests, however, I preach frequently: about once a month at the cathedral, and more often at the Chapel of the Christian Institute. There are plenty of opportunities for pastoral work in aspects of life and work."

Her writings include various bible studies, a prayer book in Hausa, a one-year postgraduate diploma and a BD course where key concerns were discipline, integrity and humility. Bishop Ben Kwashi describes her as 'one of the family'. Her unequivocal and lifelong commitment to the people of the middle belt of Nigeria has been exceptional.

Awarded to Pastor Agu Irukwu for his contribution to the sustainable spread of the gospel of Jesus Christ in the United Kingdom and beyond

Agu Irukwu (Pastor Agu, as he is popularly known) is married to Sola and they have three children. He holds a law degree from the University of Warwick and worked in Nigeria as an investment banker before starting a law firm.

In the early 1990s Agu became part of a group of young, passionate, and visionary pastors at Freedom Hall, a parish of the Redeemed Christian Church of God (RCCG), Lagos. This parish planted Jesus House, London in 1994 and sent Agu to lead the budding Jesus House Church, a calling to which he has remained faithful to this day. From a prayer group of about twenty individuals in 1994, thousands of people now attend services in Jesus House every Sunday. Through well-tailored programmes, the church devotes attention to all strata of their membership – children, men and women – and so lives out their common saying: *We are passionate about you!*

In addition to his role as Senior Pastor at Jesus House, Pastor Agu serves as Chairman of the Board of Trustees and Head of the Executive Council of the RCCG in the United Kingdom which acts in a supervisory capacity over more than 600 parishes in the United Kingdom. Pastor Agu is also the founder of the Mandate Men's Ministries, dedicated to building men who would act with integrity as role models in families, churches and society at large.

Awarded to Mr Tim Royle for his contribution to the life of the Church of England for more than sixty years as an evangelical preacher, innovator and enabler

Tim Royle, with his deep love for Jesus and loyalty to the Church of England, has an extraordinary record of Christian service and witness in commerce and local government, as well as a lifetime dedicated to the church, effective inside and outside its structures, and Christian work.

In the world of commerce he was manager director of an insurance group and chaired several other businesses. He was Chair of the Cotswold District Council. He served in the Church Assembly and then the General Synod for 40 years, making a full and distinctive contribution and when necessary being ready to challenge. He was a Church Commissioner for fifteen years and has been active as Reader, first in the Diocese of Coventry and then of Gloucester, for more than 50 years. At one time he part owned the Church of England Newspaper. He was a Trustee of Ridley Hall and Wycliffe Hall, where he was also Treasurer, for 20 years. He served as a Trustee of Langley House Trust and of the Stewards Trust, which is committed to evangelistic and discipleship work with teenagers, young adults and families. More than 50 years ago, before such things were well-established, he was a prime mover in encouraging lunchtime services for businessmen in Birmingham Cathedral and at St Helen's Bishopsgate. Alongside all of this activity he ministered faithfully in the little rural parishes of the benefice where he lived in Gloucestershire.

Tim has been through many decades a man of compassion, innovative ideas, dedicated hard work and deep faith, a lifelong lay servant of the church and an articulate witness to faith in Jesus Christ.

**The Cranmer Award
for Worship**

Awarded to Canon Dr James Lancelot for his contribution to cathedral worship through excellence in the practice of music within the liturgy

Canon Dr James Lancelot is a musician of rare skill and musical insight who, through the practice of his craft and dedication to the tasks entrusted to him, has made an outstanding contribution to church music over a period of more than forty years. After his distinguished tenure of the prestigious Organ Scholarship of King's College, Cambridge, he served for ten years as assistant organist of Winchester Cathedral, followed by a period of more than three decades of faithful and distinguished service as Organist and Master of the Choristers at Durham Cathedral. For James cathedral music is not a profession but a priestly vocation. He is not only one of the most accomplished and admired English organists of his generation, but a cathedral musician with a profound understanding of the theological nature of the enterprise: a theologian in music. Music to James is a sacrament and his work the exercise of a sacramental ministry. This is especially evident in his pastoral care of both boy and girl choristers and all those in his charge. Through his rigorous pursuit of the highest standards of musical excellence he has continuously sought to inspire young lives with a love of God, of the church, and of the deeper meaning of music within the liturgy. In all this he has been lovingly and loyally supported by his wife Sylvia. Theirs is a true partnership in ministry.

Awarded to Dr Philip Moore for his contribution to the English choral tradition as a composer, arranger and performer

Philip Moore has been Master of the Music at York Minster for 25 years. His compositions are in the repertoire of almost every cathedral and collegiate choir in England and worldwide; his work is sensitive to text, liturgical function and abilities of performers, whether in our great cathedrals or at a more modest level. Many years of experience directing church music, conducting and performing have refined his understanding of how his work meets liturgical and performing needs whilst remaining musical art.

Moore's choral catalogue, which includes over 300 titles, comprises anthems, masses, morning and evening canticles, responses, psalm settings, hymn tune arrangements, and more extended pieces. The *Antiphon*, which the Royal School of Church Music published in 1988 was written for Allan Wicks on the occasion of his 25th anniversary as Organist of Canterbury Cathedral; the text is George Herbert's familiar poem *Let all the world in every corner sing*. Boosey and Hawkes published Moore's *Three Prayers of Dietrich Bonhoeffer* in 2002. These poignant settings for unaccompanied choir of the German theologian's Morning and Evening Prayers are a musical affirmation of faith in Christ which overcomes evil and transfigures suffering. An adaptation of Moore's setting of Psalm 150 incorporating the 14th century antiphon *Omnis Spiritus* from the Bangor Pontifical was commissioned by the Chapter of Leicester Cathedral for the re-interment of Richard III in Leicester Cathedral in March 2015.

Philip Moore continues to contribute to the musical life of York Minster and is one of the foremost living composers of church music working today.

Awarded to Matt Redman for his contribution to the worship life of the Church

Matt Redman has been one of the most influential leaders in contemporary Christian worship. Since the 1990s he has led a movement of great significance in the development of theological depth – and varied moods and tones – within such worship. Previous such music often lacked the profundity and variety which Matt and his wife Beth have brought to it. He has uniquely and faithfully combined modern melodies and ancient truths. His songs have conveyed the gospel to many thousands of young people who have found faith as a result. His songs are sung now by old and young and those of many different churchmanships.

In 2013, Matt won two Grammy Awards for “10,000 Reasons (Bless the Lord)” co-written with Jonas Myrin: Best Contemporary Christian Music Song and Best Gospel/Contemporary Christian Music Performance.

With Beth, Matt has demonstrated a growing use of the same rich resources of scripture, especially the psalms, as inspired the great hymn writers of the past. In so doing, and in profound and often deeply-moving theological reflection on events in his own life, he has created a whole new vocabulary of worship. Matt's songs have covered many themes but have perhaps chiefly focused on the doctrine of God, his majesty and his faithfulness – also, reflecting the ancient psalmists, an encouragement to continue to trust God and praise him in the midst of hardship and pain.

His own life has reflected the integrity shown in his leading of worship. He has dedicated his enormous gifts to the service of Christ without ego and in self-denial. He has been a faithful servant of the Church and, over the past thirty years, possibly its most prolific songwriter. These gifts, together with the manner in which he has offered them to the church, make him a worthy recipient of this award.

Awarded to Michael Williams for his distinguished contribution to church music in the Diocese of Derby and beyond

Michael Williams was born in Buxton. He read Law at Worcester College, Oxford and then returned home to qualify as a solicitor and he has practised in the area ever since. For 50 years and more, Michael Williams has been the organist – and for much of that time also the choirmaster – at St John’s Church in Buxton.

He is recognised as running probably the best choir in the Diocese in terms of its musical standards. He has also been instrumental in establishing the Buxton Festival as a major international event, within which the church has a central role, not least through the broadcast Festival Mass, alongside numerous other musical and liturgical events. He was appointed MBE in 1997 for services to the arts in Buxton.

In addition to the more than 50 years of outstanding leadership and entrepreneurship in Buxton around the establishment of a top class musical tradition, he is also a key operator in the community on behalf of the church. He played an essential role in the rescue and now flourishing of the Opera House as an internationally-recognised resource for all kinds of events, enabling a great deal of important care and cohesion, building networks through his role as senior solicitor in the town for so many years.

Michael Williams receives the Cranmer award for the breadth, quality and longevity of an outstanding contribution to Christian worship and witness.

The Dunstan Award for Prayer and the Religious Life

Awarded to Fr Laurent Fabre, Founder of the Chemin Neuf Community, for services towards the renewal of Religious Life.

Father Laurent Fabre founded the Chemin Neuf Community in France in 1973 as a Catholic foundation with a passion for promoting the Unity of Christians. Under his leadership, the Community has expanded to some 30 countries, with over 1800 members, both men and women, and including couples as well as celibates. The Community is particularly active in the spiritual and theological formation of Christians of different ages and from across many cultures and denominations; in evangelisation – particularly of young people; in supporting married couples and families; in running retreats based on the Ignatian model of the Spiritual Exercises; and in working with different Christian denominations to promote Christian Unity and reconciliation.

In the UK, Fr. Laurent responded eagerly to Archbishop Justin’s invitation to send a small group to live in Lambeth Palace to underpin the life of prayer there, to enhance an atmosphere of community life, and to provide expert help and support for the setting up and continuing guidance of the new Community of St Anselm. Fr. Laurent’s direct support of this project, and the priority he has given to passing on the benefits of Chemin Neuf’s own experience and to providing experienced members of Chemin Neuf to work with Lambeth Palace and the Community of St Anselm have significantly helped the Archbishop’s priority of Prayer and the Renewal of the Religious Life.

Awarded to Brother Samuel SSF for his contribution to revitalising the religious life.

Brother Samuel (the Reverend Richard Sydney Double) has been a friar in The Society of St. Francis since 1974. He has held various positions of authority within the community and lived in several Franciscan houses including friaries in Zimbabwe and The Solomon Islands. He was vicar of St Bene't's Cambridge when elected Minister Provincial of the European Province in 2002. After seven years in that role he moved to Hilfield Friary in Dorset which has since gained extraordinary vitality, with a new vision of religious life.

Those who share in the rhythm of daily prayer look after the land and buildings and offer hospitality to guests and visitors. The land and the animals it supports are cared for and provide food for the Community. There is a common table around which the Community and its guests share meals but there is also time and space for a broad ecology in the face of our culture's environmental foolishness. A wide variety of residential courses are held, with topics including interfaith dialogue and ecumenism. In all of this Brother Sam has exercised inspiring oversight. Its environmental focus has made Hilfield attractive to a many young people. SSF has incidentally welcomed several people exploring their vocation to the Religious Life as well as nurturing two ordinands.

The life of the Hilfield Friary Community is undergirded by the Franciscan disciplines of prayer. Brother Sam exercises a significant ministry of spiritual direction and pastoral care. For many people he is a physician of the soul and a maker of Community. The Hilfield Community would not have emerged, nor grown as it has, without his vision and energy.

The Lanfranc Award for Education and Scholarship

Awarded to David Vivian Day for his contribution to Christian education and preaching

Between 1996 and 1999 David Day oversaw a major development campaign for St John's College with Cranmer Hall, Durham, established the Centre for Christian Communication, and provided outstanding leadership to the College as Principal. At St Nicholas Church, Durham, he has served in public ministry for over 30 years. David's gifts, particularly in preaching, have inspired many: locally, in the wider region, nationally, and beyond.

He has made an exceptional contribution to the Church – in Christian education, in teaching the art of preaching, and in the leadership of a major theological educational institution. These contributions, at the highest level of performance, all overlap, equally grounded in a deep, orthodox faith, both accessible and encouraging. David's gentle touch and apparently effortless capability are only possible because of the level of scholarship and attention to theological and spiritual sensibility that he brings.

His many publications, their publishers and the eminent collaborators reflect the quality of his work, and its significance to both academic and pastoral discourses. David wrote the Archbishop of Canterbury's 2002 Lent Book, *Pearl of Great Price: The Attractive Jesus* (Fount). In his foreword, George Carey wrote that David '... presents in fresh language the often unsettling truths of the Christian faith and does so in an intelligible and accessible manner.'

David has been an outstanding preacher as a Reader and Priest, and a wonderful teacher to generations of developing preachers. His ability to communicate God's word with accessibility, humour and connection to life has always marked him out as exceptional. He has won many to the faith, and enabled huge numbers to become better preachers.

Awarded to Maureen Cecilia Hogarth for her exemplary career in teaching imbued with Christian values.

Maureen Hogarth was for many years Head Teacher of the Church of England School of the Resurrection, Beswick. Her teaching methods have been called advanced and possibly revolutionary. She regularly took pupils to places as diverse as Lambeth Palace, RAF Lossiemouth (home of the Dambusters 617 Squadron) and to the monastery of the Community of the Resurrection at Mirfield. There was always a strong religious thread running through her method but no indoctrination. Her pupils, from different faith traditions, learned to love learning and in learning encountered love.

Throughout her long and distinguished career she has given tirelessly of herself not only to the children in her care but also to their families, to colleagues and to the wider community. She built links not only with the community around the school but far beyond. She served on the Manchester Diocesan Board of Education who, at the time of her retirement in 2015, named one of their meeting rooms the Hogarth Room as a mark of gratitude and affection. It is decorated with pictures by her pupils. She personified the Diocesan vision that a distinctively Christian education goes hand in hand with the highest of educational ambitions and standards in that multi-faith, multi-ethnic community.

Her long and dedicated teaching career was marked by her generosity of spirit, in which she is always willing to engage at every accessible level with the needs of others. She will not hesitate to give her time, energy and professionalism in the belief that the person opposite, child or adult, is simply worth it.

Awarded to Dr Eeva John for her contribution to the development of theological education for ministry and mission across England

The past few years have seen a transformation of theological education in the Church of England and its ecumenical partners: the creation of the Common Awards in theology, ministry and mission. The success of that transformation is in large part due to Eeva John. She drew on her deep knowledge of theological education, her wide prior experience, her passion for rich formational pedagogy, her phenomenal creativity, and her amazing reserves of patience, to enable the creation of this new national framework for theological education. Most strikingly, she displayed an unmatched ability to listen carefully to the many colleagues who would be affected by the change, to respond graciously to the vast numbers of their queries and suggestions, and to foster unexpected depths of conversation and collaboration between them. And yet she drew all of this unruly and complex material together into proposals of clear and elegant simplicity, with an attention to detail and to presentation that eased the jobs of everyone else with whom she was working on the innovative Common Awards scheme.

Since completing her work as Common Awards Project Manager, she has continued her work as a theological educator. She holds out a vision of holistic formation, in which learners' minds, spirits and bodies, their relationships and affections and responsibilities, are all caught up in the process of learning together, before God. This award is given in recognition not just of the work that she has completed, but of the work that she continues to do, to hold all of those who are involved in theological education to this compelling vision.

The Langton Award for Community Service

Awarded to Sir Tony Baldry for his community service, especially as an advocate for the continuing contribution of parish churches to the common good.

As Second Estates Commissioner from 2010 to 2015 Tony Baldry was an energetic champion for the Church of England. His personal credibility on both sides of the Commons enabled him to remain an effective advocate even at times of significant stress in Church-State relations, most notably following the Synod's rejection in November 2012 of women bishops' legislation. His handling of an agitated House during the first ever emergency question to a Second Estates Commissioner and in the subsequent debate was masterly.

He skilfully articulated to government the need for enhanced assistance to the Church of England in its stewardship of many of the nation's landmark buildings. This led to the extension of the Listed Places of Worship Grants Scheme, the securing of £20m for cathedrals and £55m to repair roofs of listed church buildings. These outstanding achievements owed much to his credibility with key senior ministers.

Tony Baldry's national work has been underpinned by an understanding of and commitment to the role of the parish church at the heart of local communities. In 2011 he was the prime mover in launching the Bloxham Festival in his own village, a cultural and literary event centred on the Grade 1 listed church of St Mary's, which has run on three subsequent occasions and continues to draw major national contributors.

Now as Chair of the Church Buildings Council and an elected member of the General Synod, he continues to play a major part in the Church of England's aspiration to provide an effective Christian presence in every community.

Awarded to Bishop Geoffrey F Davies for his farsighted commitment to environmental concerns

Archbishop Desmond Tutu writes:

“When I was incumbent Archbishop, we all in Episcopal Synod knew who was going to be saying something about the environment and our responsibility for it, as it were, in season and out of season. A less resilient person might have been tempted to give up because our primary focus was ending the injustice and oppression of apartheid.

“Bishop Geoff did not give up and thank God he did not. He has thus been largely responsible for our Church's awareness of environment issues and we owe him a huge debt of gratitude since he did this when it was not fashionable or popular. He has continued even in retirement and is rightly regarded as the Green Bishop.

“He deserves the Archbishop of Canterbury's accolade for pioneering the way that in many respects has led the world to the 2015 Paris accord where Archbishop Thabo played a significant part.”

Awarded to The Revd Joel Edwards for his unique contribution in uniting evangelical Christians across the UK in challenging global injustice

Joel Edwards became the Evangelical Alliance's first black Pentecostal general director in 1997 and pioneered the concept of unity-in-diversity. Prior to leading the Evangelical Alliance, he had spent four years – beginning in 1988 – as the general secretary of the African and Caribbean Evangelical Alliance, representing the UK's growing constituency of black evangelical Christians. He also encouraged the Church to look not just at itself but outside at wider society, believing that the unity of the Church was key to social, physical and spiritual transformation. During his time at the Evangelical Alliance, he led initiatives on evangelical mission, social engagement and societal values such as respect and tolerance. Over the years, he has been committed to presenting Christ credibly in the media and in parliament by blending grace and truth. Joel remains a recognisable Christian voice in the media as a regular contributor to Radio 4's *Thought for the Day*. Key roles that Joel has taken up over the years include being a member of the Black Christian Leaders Forum, chair of the Churches Media Council and co-founder of Micah Challenge International. It was as Micah's international director that he campaigned for government action against global corruption and poverty, with a particular focus on the Millennium Development Goals. During his 11 years as the Evangelical Alliance's general director, Joel was awarded an honorary doctorate from St Andrew's University, received the title of honorary canon at St Paul's Cathedral, and was appointed a commissioner for the Equality and Human Rights Commission.

Awarded to The Venerable Duncan Green for his contribution to the London 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games

Duncan Green made an outstanding and imaginative contribution to the success of the Games on behalf of the Churches and Faith communities of the UK. After London won the bid in 2005, Duncan was appointed as the Church of England Olympics Executive Co-ordinator in 2007. He was soon recognised by the London Organising Committee of the Olympic Games (LOCOG) as a valuable asset. He was seconded first as their Faith Adviser and in 2011 as their Head of Multi-Faith Services. This was the first appointment of this scope in the history of the Olympic movement. Duncan co-ordinated the nine major Faiths and paved the way for the ecumenical initiative More Than Gold and the ministry of Christians in Sport. This resulted in multi-faith chaplaincy being available for all the Olympic venues across the country and for the benefit of the games delivery staff and Media Centre. It was the first time that a comprehensive chaplaincy service had been provided beyond what had been available in the past to athletes in the Olympic village. As Duncan had a desk in the LOCOG offices he automatically became a valued chaplain to the large work force all working long hours to exacting deadlines.

In addition, Duncan Green set up a network of Olympic co-ordinators appointed by most of the Dioceses of the Church of England and provided them with inspiration and resources. He encouraged parishes and Churches Together groups to make the most of the opportunity to initiate or support Live Links and community events across the country.

Building on his background in business, Diocesan youth work and parish ministry, Duncan marshalled his entrepreneurial spirit to achieve an impressive result which was written into the handover documents for the benefit of the Rio Games to take place in 2016. He has provided a great example of someone who was prepared to take the risk of working on and beyond the frontier of the Church.

Awarded to Archdeacon Arthur Hawes for his contribution to the ministry of the Church of England, particularly in the area of mental health.

Mental health has featured in Arthur's ministry since 1971 when he was Founder Chairman for the North Worcestershire Association for Mental Health, following postgraduate work at Birmingham University.

His involvement has been consistent: from 1976-1992 Chaplain for the Acute Psychiatric Units in Norwich; from 1986-1995 as a Mental Health Act Commissioner he led visiting teams to Broadmoor and Rampton hospitals and chaired the Section 57 group of the Commission; in 1995 Chair of the Church of England's Mental Health Advisory Group, presenting two General Synod debates on Mental Health, the first launching the Parish Pack – *Promoting Mental Health: a resource for spiritual and pastoral care* (2005); in 1996 appointed a Jubilee Patron of MIND and in 1999 a member of their National Reference Group; 1998-2006 a non-executive Director of the Lincolnshire Mental Health Trust; 2003-2007 a member of the NHS Confederation Mental Health Policy Committee, and from 2003-2005 Chairman of the East Midlands NIMHE Regional Development Centre; in 2007 a member of the Criminal Justice Mental Health Research Group at Lincoln University; 2006-2008 Mental Health Act Adviser to the Lincolnshire Partnership Trust and in 2008 their Training Consultant; from 2003 a member of the National Spirituality and Mental Health Forum and its co-chair from 2009-2010; then a Visiting Fellow of Staffordshire University, holding one of the British Association for the Study of Spirituality's two vice-chairs.

He has published many occasional papers and edited and contributed to books on spirituality and mental health. This award recognises Arthur's lifelong dedication to mental health, at a time when the mental wellbeing of the nation is critical.

Awarded to Sir Hector Sants for his contribution to the Church of England's work for the common good in all communities

Sir Hector Sants has led the Archbishop of Canterbury's Task Group on Responsible Credit and Savings from 2014 to 2016. Through his tireless leadership, the Task Group responded in practical and effective ways to the Archbishop's concerns about financial exclusion and the extortionate interest rates often imposed by the so-called Pay Day Lenders on those least able to afford them. The Task Group has raised the profile of these concerns, contributed to a sea-change in public and political attitudes toward Pay Day Lenders, and put questions of social exclusion at the centre of the debate about re-moralising the financial sector. The long-term legacies of the Task Group will be delivered through the new To Your Credit body and include the Churches' Credit Champions Network, helping Credit Unions realise their potential as players in the financial sector, and the LifeSavers programme of financial education in schools. These are formidable achievements and owe everything to Sir Hector's committed and wise leadership.

Sir Hector volunteered his services in response to the Archbishop's public comments on Pay Day Lenders. His acceptance of the Chair of the Task Group was warmly welcomed, and his time commitment to the work grew substantially beyond what he had initially promised. Sir Hector's generosity and capacity for getting things done were the key factors in the Task Group's achievements. His ability to inspire the trust of the Task Group and to build connections across government and the financial services sector was unique and crucial to the success of the project. Sir Hector's work has enabled the Church of England to make one of its most impressive and effective contributions to the common good of the people of Britain in recent decades.

The Hubert Walter Award for Reconciliation and Interfaith Cooperation

Awarded to Mr Bill Marsh for his outstanding work in mediation

Bill Marsh is recognised as one of the leading international commercial mediators based in the UK. He holds positions as Adviser to the governments of Bulgaria, Romania, Russia, Slovakia and Turkey, and similar positions with a variety of international bodies, including the United Nations. He is an Advisory Board Member of the United Kingdom Parliament's All-Party Parliamentary Group on Conflict Issues. Drawing on his extensive knowledge and experience of mediation, he has been at the forefront of exploring alternative approaches to dispute resolution. His work as a mediator has involved him in working with governments around the world, especially in central and eastern Europe and Nepal, and advising the United Nations and the European Commission.

He has advised successive Archbishops of Canterbury, providing analysis and support in relation to on disputes within the church. He played an important role in the work of the Steering Committee of the General Synod of the Church of England which led to the passage of the motion enabling the appointment of women to the episcopate in 2015. This involved the design and implementation of meetings over a nearly two-year period (2012-14), leading to the mediation of the final outcome. Bill has travelled extensively overseas to engage in dialogue regarding divisions within the Anglican Church on issues of sexuality. Over the years Bill has consistently connected his Christian faith and his professional life, pioneering the promotion of good practice in mediation within the church.

Awarded to Shaykh Ibrahim Mogra for his sustained contribution to understanding between the Abrahamic faiths

Shaykh Ibrahim Mogra serves as an Imam, scholar and community activist in Leicester. He is a co-chair and trustee of the Christian Muslim Forum and has been the Assistant General Secretary of the Muslim Council of Britain, where he has been at the forefront in deepening interfaith relations in the UK and internationally. Mogra was born in 1965 in Malawi into a family of Gujarati Indian origin and immigrated to the UK at the age of 18 to study and settle. He was educated at Darul Uloom Bury, Greater Manchester; Al Azhar University, Cairo; and the School of Oriental and African Studies in London. He is the founder and Principal of Khazinatul-`Ilm, Madaris of Arabic and Muslim Life Studies, in Leicester. Mogra has been a representative for Jewish-Muslim relations appreciating the similarities of communities governed by a code of law and ethics (Torah and Qur'an) and religious festivals and holy days. He has been trained in classical theology and the traditional sciences of Islam. As an influential leader, Shaykh Ibrahim has worked passionately at the forefront in deepening interfaith and community relations in the UK and around the world through a variety of further roles: he is chair of Religions for Peace UK, Advisory Board member of the Three Faiths Forum, and a member of the Congress of Imams and Rabbis for Peace. As a widely respected Muslim leader with notable expertise, he is regularly called upon as a specialist adviser on Muslim affairs to print and broadcast media outlets including the BBC, Sky News and ITN.

Awarded to Sir Andrew Pocock KCMG for his service to peace and stability in Nigeria.

Sir Andrew Pocock joined HM Diplomatic Service in 1981 and served in Lagos, Washington DC, Canberra, Dar es Salaam, Harare, Ottawa and finally again in Lagos as High Commissioner from 2012 to 2015. He is viewed by many in Nigeria as a trusted friend. Across the political landscape, in civil society and beyond, Sir Andrew is seen as one who holds the interests of Nigeria at heart. He engaged with tact and sensitivity during a challenging time in the life of the country, demonstrating his gift of enabling others both to hear often unpalatable advice and not to set it aside. He finds acceptance with people of fiercely opposing positions.

During the 2015 Nigerian General Election, he strove tirelessly to build understanding across the divides, working to build relationships and bringing together governments, institutions and individuals across international boundaries, to ensure peaceful and credible elections. He had and has unfettered access across the Nigerian stage. He also stayed with the challenges till the very end, ‘holding people’s hands’ – even people in high places. His perseverance through this time played a significant part in averting what many expected to be a major political crisis in Africa’s most populous nation, with serious humanitarian implications not only in Nigeria but more widely in Africa and far beyond Africa’s borders. This was a striking example of the practical power of reconciliation.

Awarded to Rabbi Dr David Rosen KSG CBE for his commitment and contribution to the work of Inter Religious relations between, particularly, the Jewish and Catholic faiths.

Rabbi David Rosen, the former Chief Rabbi of Ireland, is the International Director of Interreligious Affairs of the American Jewish Committee and Director of its Heilbrunn Institute for International Interreligious Understanding.

Rabbi Rosen has been involved with a plethora of key interfaith roles, including chairman of the International Jewish Committee on Interreligious Consultations, the broad-based coalition of Jewish organizations representing World Jewry to other religions. His current contribution to interfaith engagement is profound: he is the Honorary Advisor on Interfaith Relations to the Chief Rabbinate of Israel; serves on its Commission for Interreligious Dialogue, and represents the Chief Rabbinate on the Council of Religious Institutions of the Holy Land.

He is an International President of Religions for Peace; Honorary President of the International Council of Christians and Jews; and serves on the Executive of the World Council of Religious Leaders (WCORL). He is a founder of the Interreligious Coordinating Council in Israel that embraces some seventy organizations in Israel involved in interfaith relations (ICCI) and is a member of the Board of Directors of the King Abdullah Bin Abdulaziz International Centre for Interreligious and Intercultural Dialogue (KAICIID). Rabbi Rosen has served as a member of the Advisory Committee of the World Congress of Imams and Rabbis and of the World Economic Forum's C-100, a council of 100 leaders formed for the purpose of improving relations and cooperation between the Muslim and non-Muslim worlds.

In November 2005 he was made a papal Knight Commander of the Order of St Gregory the Great for his contribution to promoting Catholic-Jewish reconciliation and in 2010 was made a CBE (Commander of the British Empire) by HM Queen Elizabeth II for his contribution to interfaith relations.

Awarded to The Reverend Martin Turner for his work in post-war reconciliation with Germany

In March 1965 Martin Turner led a team of student volunteers to Dresden in the then German Democratic Republic . A young curate in Rugby, he was given the responsibility by Coventry Cathedral to lead five volunteers and fifteen Cambridge students to help rebuild the Diakonissenkrankenhaus, a hospital badly damaged during the British and American bombing raid of February 1945. Their main task was to remove a mountain of rubble. Over seven months some thirty-one British volunteers were joined by one hundred German students from churches across the GDR. This project proved a significant foundation for continuing dialogue between the British Church and Christians in the GDR.

That experience informed a lifetime commitment to reconciliation. He trained as a marriage guidance counsellor and subsequently deployed his reconciliation skills in a range of counselling situations, formal and informal, in later incumbencies. In light of his gifts, he was appointed in 1982 to help reconcile a deeply divided congregation in an inner-city parish. Part of this involved reordering a 7th Century church where the Venerable Bede had been a monk. Under his guidance it became a community facility and attracted more visitors.

In the late 1990s he was invited to test and comment upon the new draft Common Worship services, given his own informed interest in liturgical development. Since retiring from paid ministry in 1999 he has supported his wife's own ministry and given generously of his time in support of other clergy.

Throughout his life he has deployed his gifts of communication and reconciliation to help others to give of their best in the service of Christ.

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His Grace, Bishop Angaelos, General Bishop of the Coptic Orthodox Church in the United Kingdom
The Revd Dr Simon Stephens

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Professor Salvatore Bordonali
The Revd Canon Dr Jamie Callaway
The Revd Hamdy Sedky Daoud
The Rt Revd Hilkihah Omindo Deya
Professor Fabiano Di Prima
Mrs Phyllis Richardson

Canterbury Cross for Services to the Church of England

Mr Peter Beesley
Dr Philip Giddings
Dr Sarah Horsman
Mr Carl Lee
The Revd Rob Mackintosh

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Mrs Chrysogon Bamber
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