## **EDITORIAL**

In this issue, we have articles that have come from two sources.

The first three articles are essays that were written for a master's unit held at the Christian Leaders' Training College in September 1997. The College is investigating establishing a master's programme within Papua New Guinea. Max Liddle visited from the Bible College of New Zealand to conduct a block course on "The Trinity: Community in the Life and Witness of the Church".

Several students attended the course. Unfortunately, not all were able to complete the assignments. The three articles presented here are all written by expatriate lecturers of the Christian Leaders' Training College. It is hoped that a fourth essay (the only student from outside the College, who completed the course) will be published in the next edition of the Journal. It was written by a Melanesian student, but was too long to be included in this edition of the journal.

The final two articles come from B.Th. students at the Christian Leaders' Training College. These were essays written for one of their courses at the College. The students were asked to wrestle with the age-old question: What happens to those who die, and have never heard the message of the gospel? These essays have been included, because they represent Melanesian reflections about this issue.

We hope that you find all these articles stimulating. Again, we apologise for the lateness of the production of the Journal. We are endeavouring to catch up, and hope to have another edition produced before the end of the year. Again, we thank you for your patience.

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