

Editor's Notes:

In this issue of *The Hinge*, we are pleased to present the 2003 Moses Lectures in Moravian Theology from Moravian Theological Seminary. Over the past decade, the Moses Lectures have made a valuable (and occasionally controversial) contribution to the study of Moravian theology. *The Hinge* has been publishing the Moses Lectures since 2001, but this year we have decided to publish the entire text rather than a shortened version so that the author's thoughts may be presented fully.

In these lectures Hans-Beat Motel draws upon a lifetime of service to the Moravian Unity. He builds upon the long and rich Moravian theological heritage and offers a stimulating and challenging vision for the world-wide Moravian Church. Included in his vision is a perspective critique of the church past and present.

We have three thoughtful respondents to Rev. Motel's vision. One is a lay person from the Southern Province. The second is a man whose service to the world-wide Moravian Church has also been extensive. The third is a pastor serving under the authority of the Board of World Mission who offers a critique from "the trenches." *The Hinge* is grateful to these four who are willing to share their ideas and their criticisms with the larger Moravian community of faith.

In this issue we also have a number of special features. One of them comes to us from our brothers and sisters in Europe. It is a thorough critique of Truman Dunn's 2001 Moses Lectures, which were published in this journal. Though appreciative of Dunn's effort to address modern intellectual concerns, the discussion group at Bad Boll comes to a far different conclusion than Br. Dunn.

The second piece is a charge that was given at an ordination service in the spring of 2004 by Bishop Graham Rights. In addition to reminding all pastors of the need to care for themselves and one another, Br. Rights includes a charge to the whole church.

Last, there is a review essay of a recent book that examines Zinzendorf's relationship to Judaism. The book examines theology, liturgy, missiology, and personal relations. Perhaps a better understanding of Zinzendorf's relationship to Judaism can inform our current theology and practice.

Let me also remind you that *The Hinge* is willing to publish book reviews, special pieces, and other items that would be of interest to the church. Simply send them to me at zinzendorf2002@yahoo.com. Once again there were no letters to the editor, although many people verbally expressed their appreciation for the previous issue on salvation!