

PREFACE

This issue of *AASS* is dedicated to Dr. Edwin Reynolds, founding editor of this theological journal. It was indeed a challenging experience to bring such a publication to fruition and it was under Dr. Reynolds' leadership that this journal is now indexed by ATLA, the American Theological Library Association, which deals with over 700 religion journals from around the world.

In this issue we have a number of articles written by various scholars, including AIIAS Seminary Faculty. Submissions cover a wide spectrum of areas, including theology, biblical studies, linguistics, and church ministry. We express our deepest appreciation to the authors who expended the time, energy, and effort in submitting articles that were scrutinized by their peers. In a special way, we say "thank you" to Dr. George Knight who deliberately set aside time in his busy schedule to make six presentations at the annual AIIAS Theological Forum. We have included one of these in this issue of the journal and hope to publish others in subsequent issues.

Also, we are indebted to Dr. William C. Address who so graciously gave us permission to reprint his article that was previously published in *International Forum*, 3 (April 2002): 5-22. All articles in this issue are interesting, provocative, and well worth reading, even as they express the opinions of the individual authors.

As usual, we have also included abstracts of theses and dissertations successfully completed since the last issue. In addition, there are critical book reviews submitted by faculty and students of AIIAS.

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