

## Editorial

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This is my last editorial for the European Journal of Theology. I leave it, I hope, in a healthy enough condition. I have been very pleased and grateful over the last year or so to have had a number of contributions of good quality from a variety of countries. In this volume Slovakia, France and Lithuania are well-represented, as of course pan-evangelical ventures such as the Scripture and Hermeneutics series as reviewed by myself. There are not only the good number of reviews of English and German books, but also French ones thanks to the efforts of David Gysel of Vaux-sur-Seine, and we look forward to contributions from Holland and Italy for example. We hope to upgrade the journal by making sure that each contributed article will be read not only by the editor, but by a specialist in the subject area, so that *EuroJTh* will be known henceforth as a 'refereed' journal of high academic quality, or should I say even higher than it has already been. Under the editorship of that Polish-speaking Scot (Dr. Jamie Grant) the journal promises much for the near future.

We also have a great FEET (Fellowship of European Evangelical Theologians) conference in Berlin to look forward to this coming August (22-26). The subject is Spirituality. This is a topic that might seem more tasteful to the educators and institutional funders of Europe than 'dogmatic theology' or 'Old Testament ethics', but which to be true to itself must very quickly relate to both

those sub-disciplines among others, and in reading the Scriptures listen for answers to hard questions. Like the journal whose parent it is, FEET seeks to cover a wide range of themes in its conferences but also to bring people across Europe together to seek to share and think through their fellowship in the gospel. We always have a well-resourced bookstall on these occasions, owing to the wonderful service of Ford Munnerlyn of Giessen, but we would also encourage people to bring a sample copy of their own (or friends') publications along with information on how to order. Having had a successful conference in Prague in 2006, we now move a little north to a location we hope will be just as accessible to many.

We live in an on-line world. This journal now has a webpage as part of FEET's <http://www.feet-europe.net/journal/>. If you look at it you will see that there is not much there, but we do hope that we can begin to put at least some sample articles, and who knows, have a discussion forum, even a place to advertise employment or openings in the realms of theology and ministry. We are conscious that most of our colleagues in Europe do their work of teaching theology along with church responsibilities - as it should be, and yet how important, as Bishop JC Ryle said is the personal holiness of a pastor and teacher. For that reason spirituality matters just as much as ecclesiology as the 'horizon' for our work of Christian thinking.

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