

**South Australian Church History Network
One day conference 4 May 2024**

Paradise of Dissent Revisited

Your Registration

Name: _____

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Special dietary requirements: _____

Cost of \$30 to be paid in cash or by Tap'nGo on 4 May or by transfer to the Historical Society of the Uniting Church in SA bank. BSB 105-150, A/C 560063840 -Reference being 4 May Event.

Last date for registration: Monday 29 April

To register, please complete and return this form to
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**SOUTH AUSTRALIAN
CHURCH HISTORY NETWORK**

invites you to register for a one-day conference

PARADISE OF DISSENT REVISITED

Saturday 4 May 2024 9.00am – 5.00pm

At the Church of the Trinity 318 Goodwood Rd Clarence Pk

The South Australian Church History Network is a group of historians from several Christian denominations (currently Anglican, Baptist, Salvation Army, Uniting Church) who are concerned with the recognition of SA religious history within the broader history of SA and within the religious history of Australia as a whole. Its aims are:

- to increase awareness of the Christian presence in and contribution to SA life and history from 1836.
- to critically explore the notion of SA as a 'Paradise of Dissent', which was distinctive within Australia.
- to document existing historical analysis of the role of Christianity and churches in SA and to encourage further research and publication.

In its beginnings, South Australia was borne on the full tide of reform. ... there was to be found, behind all the plans, the idealistic hope that the new colony would be a land free from political patronage and the evils of a privileged church.

...the real father of [South Australia's] religious liberties was George Fife Angas...[whose] great object was, in the first instance, to provide a place of refuge for pious dissenters of Great Britain, who could in their new home discharge their consciences before God in civil and religious duties without any disabilities.

At its coming of age Adelaide had fulfilled its founders' utopian dreams of civil and religious liberty. ... But what kind of society had emerged? ... The leading colonists had fought hard for the things they wanted, but when the struggle was over they seemed to have exhausted their enterprise and lost the ability to lead.

Adelaide was in danger of becoming like her neighbours.

Pike, *Paradise of Dissent* (1967), 52, 130, 495, 496, 516

Papers of 20 minutes will be presented on topics listed below.

Dr Caroline Adams. St John's in the Wilderness - but not in isolation

Prof. Margaret Allen. 'She did not weep as an English mother would do.'

Rev. Dr Brian J Chalmers. Revivalism and South Australian Methodism 1838-1900

Sister Mary Cresp RSJ. Julian Tenison Woods: Priest, Scientist and Educator in the South Australian Catholic Church

Dr Brian Dickey. The People's Church in a Distant Land: founding the first Church of England parish in South Australia, 1836-43

The Very Reverend Canon Dirk van Dissel. Children of Anglicans prominent in public life

Rev. Dr Dean Eland. Port Adelaide's Political Parson: J C Kirby's public ministry

Dr Robert Fitzsimons. Catholics in a Paradise of Dissent

Dr Rosalind Gooden. John Lorenzo Young and Significant Friends: Birds of a feather flock together

Dr Jennifer Hein. Was South Australia a Paradise of Dissent for the Salvation Army?

Dr Toar Hutagalung. After Wakefield: Retracing the Marriage of Religious Freedom and Economy with Settler Colonialism

Lyllal Kupke. Bethel - A Moravian Brethren settlement in South Australia

Dr Susan Kupke. Lutheran schools' contribution to a culture of education for all in SA

Dr Christine Lockwood. Lutheran Missionaries in South Australia 1838-52: Dissent but no Paradise

Daniel Marks. Piltawodli, Poonindie and the public perception of Christian mission to Indigenous Australians in early 19th Century South Australia

Rev. Dr Mark Riessen. Agitators and Reformers among South Australia's early pioneers: Foundations of a movement seeking to restore a simple gospel

Dr David Turnbull. South Australia and Christianity's Diffusion into Asia/Pacific prior to 1900

Dr John Walker. 'Prosecuting Business', 'Maintaining Piety' and 'Preaching the Gospel': Baptist business people in colonial South Australia

The Ven. Dr Michael Whiting. Bishop Augustus Short – a pioneer in South Australian education. (Paper to be distributed.)