

## PREFACE

This is the last issue of *Immanuel* which is being published under the responsibility of the present Editor, Dr. J. (Coos) Schoneveld, who is terminating his work as theological adviser in Jerusalem to the Netherlands Reformed Church and as executive secretary of the Ecumenical Theological Research Fraternity in Israel. He is moving to the Federal Republic of Germany to take up the post of General Secretary of the International Council of Christians and Jews which has its seat in Heppenheim in the house where the Jewish thinker, Martin Buber had lived from 1916–1938. We are glad to welcome Brother Dr. Marcel Dubois, as the new Editor of *Immanuel*. He is a Dominican priest of St. Isaiah House in Jerusalem, lecturer in Greek and Mediaeval Philosophy at the Hebrew University in Jerusalem and deeply involved in the new Jewish-Christian relations emerging in Jerusalem.

We want to express our heartfelt congratulations and appreciation to our member, Prof. David Flusser on the occasion of the honour which has been bestowed on him of receiving the Israel Prize for Jewish Studies from the hands of the President of the State of Israel on Independence Day, 1980. It is a well-deserved and worthy recognition of Prof. Flusser's important work in the area of research of Judaism during the Second Temple and of early Christianity. *Immanuel* has been privileged to receive the fruits of his scholarship from the first issue onwards and hopes that his significant contributions to our journal will continue for a long time to come.

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