Editorial

There is ample stimulating material for you to reflect on in this new issue of FOUNDATIONS. The articles touch on relevant, contemporary subjects such as the role of women, the cults, theonomy and religious pluralism.

We begin with a report by Richard Myerscough of the BEC Study Conference held earlier this year on the theme of the MINISTRY OF WOMEN in the church. Here is a subject of crucial importance and the study suggests that more exceptical work in this area still needs to be done by us. Stephen Clark provides us with an EXEGESIS article related to this theme, while I have written a CULTS UPDATE which will interest readers. THEONOMY is the subject tackled by Philip Ross in an article which supplies a useful survey of contemporary Reformed approaches to Old Testament law.

The PAGAN SAINTS article written by Hywel Jones represents a major attempt to answer some evangelical scholars who are moving towards universalism and, eventually, religious pluralism. It is part of a larger work to be published next year and details of this will be given in our Spring issue. I hope that the page of CORRESPONDENCE may prompt others to write to us with their response to these articles.

A significant publication of evangelistic sermons from the Old Testament by the late Dr Martyn Lloyd-Jones is the BOOK REVIEW which concludes this issue of FOUNDATIONS.

FOUNDATIONS production

Regular readers will be aware of the improvements in appearance and format we have introduced over recent years. Some of this has been made possible by the help of Pastor Nigel Lacey of Stowmarket who has been commercially typesetting the pages on his PC. God willing, Nigel will be moving to Kenya early in 1996 and his help will no longer be available to us.

An increasing amount of copy is now sent on disc to the BEC office, where it is then sub-edited and prepared for typesetting. Only a little is now keyed in from authors' type-scripts. This stage is done on a 486 PC, using *Word for Windows*.

We would be very glad to hear from anyone who has the theological competence and the equipment to take over these tasks from 1996 onwards. The sub-editing and the page making are separate stages but one person could be entrusted with both. If you would like to know more about either of these responsibilities please contact Alan Gibson at the BEC office.