

“Leaders Matter”

ALF STANWAY AND THE CMS
LEAGUE OF YOUTH



**Alfred
Stanway
1908-1989**



“I tell you, my friends, do not be afraid of those who kill the body and after that can do no more. But I will show you whom you should fear: Fear him who, after your body has been killed, has authority to throw you into hell. Yes, I tell you, fear him.”

Luke 12:4-5

29 July,
1928



ST. PAUL'S PARISH HALL, FAIRFIELD

IN DARKEST AFRICA THE CHALLENGE OF TANGANYIKA

Moving Picture and Lantern Talk

by

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Slides mostly from the camera of the Bishop of Central Tanganyika,
the new Australian Diocese in Africa.

WEDNESDAY, 22nd MAY, 8 p.m.

TELL OTHERS

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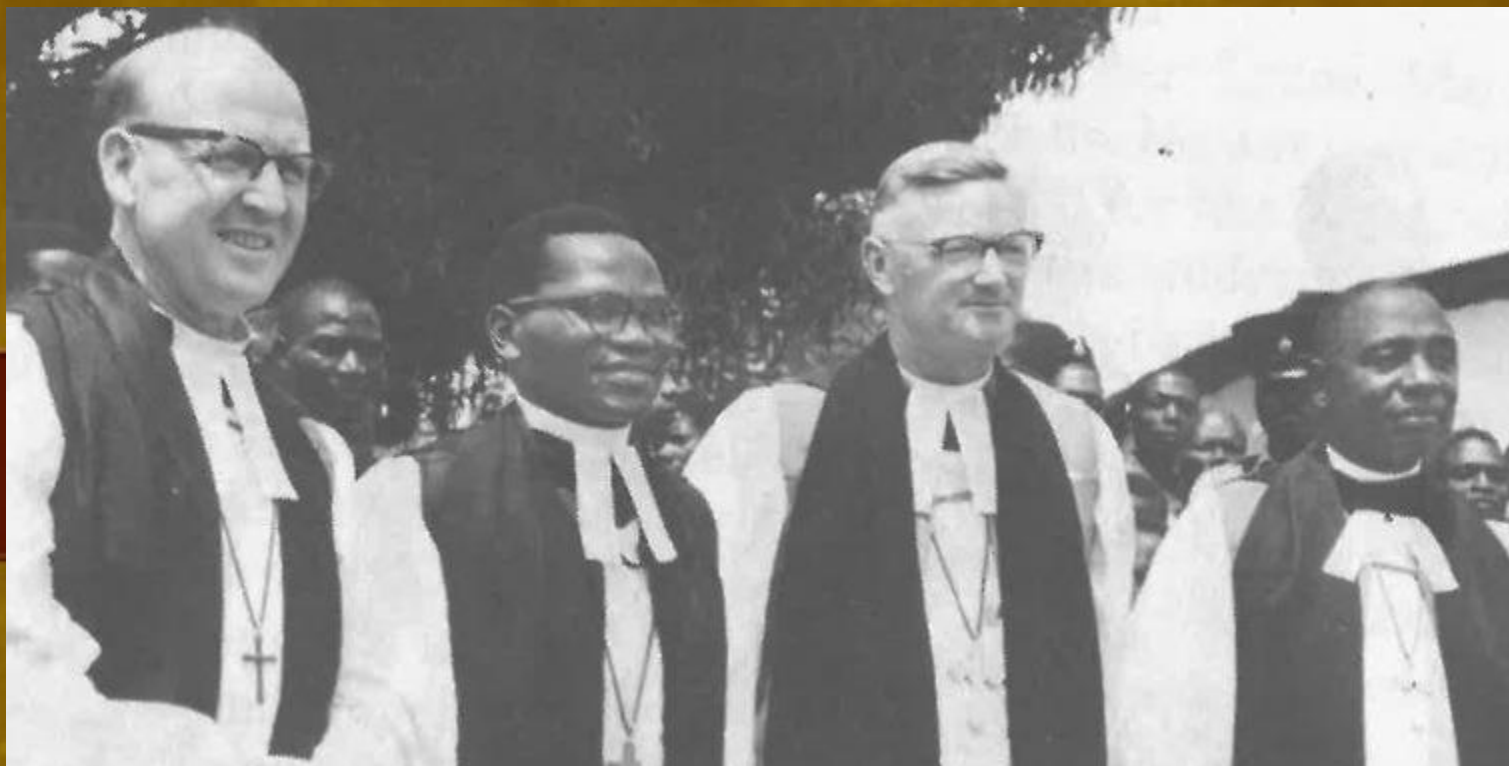


Schoolboys from the mission school in Kaloleni



**Dodoma
Cathedral
1951**





Stanway with his first three Assistant Bishops: Max Wiggins, Musa Kahurananga and Yohana Omari

This year saw the impact of Bishop Stanway on our organization and administration. He has been able to overhaul and revise some of our procedures so that our office runs more efficiently. He has been helped by Miss Mary Punt, who came out from England early in the year to be our House Manager. In October Miss Gillian Seath, also from England, joined us as assistant House Manager. These two have been able to reorganize the domestic side of the college and things run much more smoothly accordingly. We give them a warm welcome and wish them well in their new sphere.

LEON MORRIS
PRINCIPAL.

Ridley College Annual Report, 1972



**Faculty and
Visiting lectures
at the opening of
Trinity Episcopal
School for
Ministry, 1976**

Paul Azhl, Leslie Fairfield, Alf Stanway, John Rodgers,
Peter Dacids, Fitzsimons Allison

- Responsive to God and the call to serve
- Administrative and organisational skill matter
- Evangelism
- Vital evangelical spirituality
- Godly lives lived in the service of the Gospel



'What' Would Alf Say?

One person's influence showed me we never outgrow our need for role models.

JOHN W. YATES II

«Well, what do you think Alf would say?" At that, my clergy associates around the kitchen table were silent. We had been discussing a particularly knotty problem with little success, when suddenly its answer seemed clear to all of us who had known Alf.

In your case, "Alf" could be anyone who has been an effective role model. In our case, Alf is Alfred Stanway, a retired Anglican bishop who came to the United States from Australia in the 1970s to establish a new Episcopal seminary. When he arrived, there was no school, property, faculty, curriculum, student body, or library—nothing, in fact, apart from an idea with considerable support. Today the school is a thriving, evangelically oriented institution in Ambridge, Pennsylvania, known as Trinity Episcopal School for Ministry.

For four years my wife, Susan, and I lived across the street from Alf and Marjory Stanway. They were just good friends then, but we realize now that they exerted a tremendous influence

us more about marriage than all the books on the subject ever could. Their disciplined walk with God provided us with a model of true piety and taught us about the hazards of taking ourselves too seriously. By their example, the Stanways challenged us to develop a bigger vision of God. They demonstrated remarkable simplicity in prayer, and they taught us the value of establishing regular habits.

Alf and Marjory are back in Australia now. But their influence convinced me that we never outgrow the need for role models—people who set an example that, in turn, enables us to live life and serve God more effectively and wisely.

Remember your leaders

Modeling is not new; it is one way in which God has always worked to provide specific guidance. Examples of modeling abound in Scripture. Joshua looked up to Moses; Elisha had Elijah; Samuel had Eli—a negative model, both as a priest and a parent. In the New Testament, Mary had Elizabeth as a role model, and Timothy had Paul.

help inform and direct our response to him. Recently my church faced a major decision about purchasing property and beginning a building program. Another senior pastor, one of my models, had dealt with a similar situation, and so I spent an afternoon with him seeking his counsel. He offered direct and firm advice—but in this instance, it was direct and firm advice I could not accept. We continually must sort out and test how God is guiding us.

Becoming a model

Most of us are shaped and directed more than we realize by the models God has given us. Likewise, we need to be aware of ways in which we serve as models for others. There are people around me all the time who size me up as a Christian man, father, husband, pastor, teacher, and neighbor. My character is on display.

My wife and I receive calls and letters regularly from friends we have influenced, wanting to bounce ideas off us or just asking our advice. Often, these are people we have simply befriended, as Alf and Marjory befriended us. We did not set out to "disciple" them. But we became models to them nonetheless, and shaped their approach to ministry. When modeling becomes deliberate, and the role model takes on a closer relationship with a younger brother or sister in Christ, it becomes a more purposeful ministry of discipling. Training may be deliberate, but modeling is simply setting an example, consciously or unconsciously.

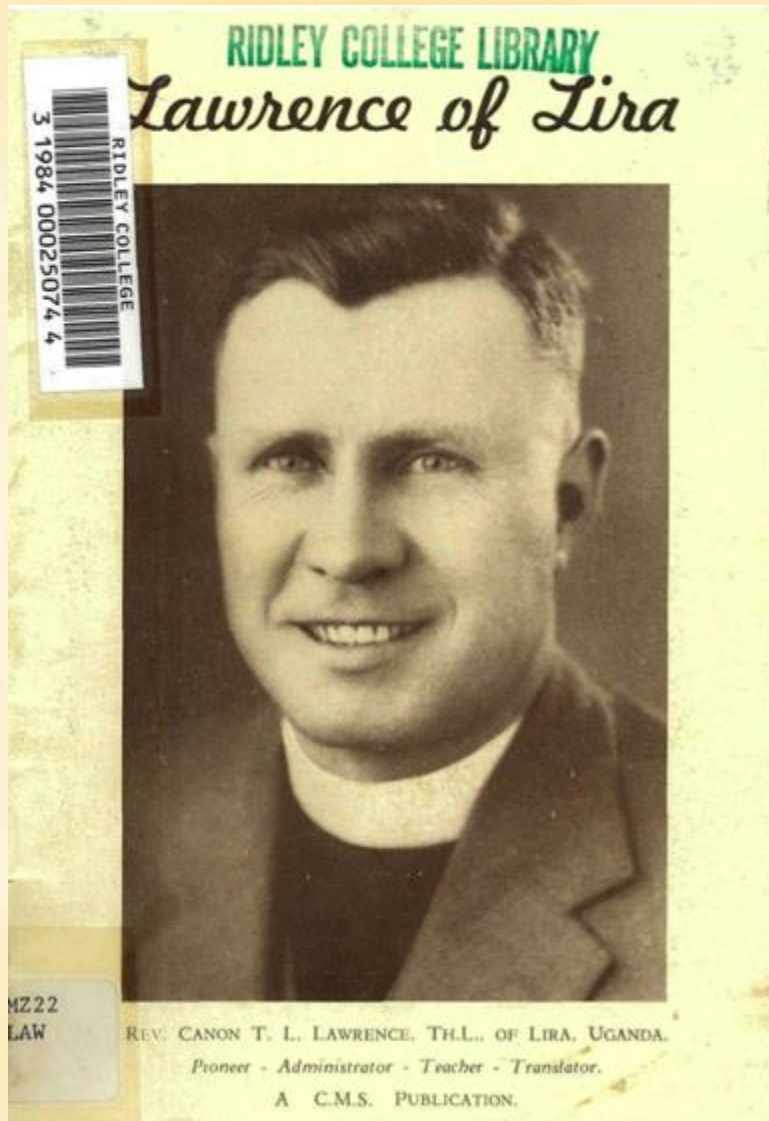
What would Alf say about this? Not much, I imagine. It is likely that he would simply point out the need for each of us to take time to be with the people whom God brings into our lives and for whom we sense a special affec-

Christianity
Today,
September 4 1987



**Alf and Marjory in front of Constellation
Plane**

The CMS League of Youth



Tom Lawrence

The C.M.S. League of Youth.

A Fellowship of Young People (from 15 to 30 years of age) in connection with the Church Missionary Society of Australia and Tasmania, in Victoria.

Motto—"Whatsoever he saith unto you, do it."

John ii. 5.

DECLARATION.—Having accepted the Lord Jesus Christ as my Personal Saviour, I very solemnly before God declare my willingness to give my life entirely to His service, either at home or abroad as He may direct.

PLEDGE.—And I hereby pledge myself, as long as I retain this card of membership

- (a) To pray regularly both for God's guidance in my own life and for the missionary undertakings of the Church.
- (b) To study diligently the Holy Scriptures and to read missionary literature with a view to knowing more of God's work and will for all mankind.
- (c) To help, as opportunity arises, in any missionary work within my power, especially in my own parish and in association with other members of the League of Youth.
- (d) To give of my means, as God enables me, for the furtherance of Christ's Kingdom.

UNDERTAKING.—And I undertake annually to renew this pledge very solemnly before God in the presence of other full members of the League of Youth.

Signature

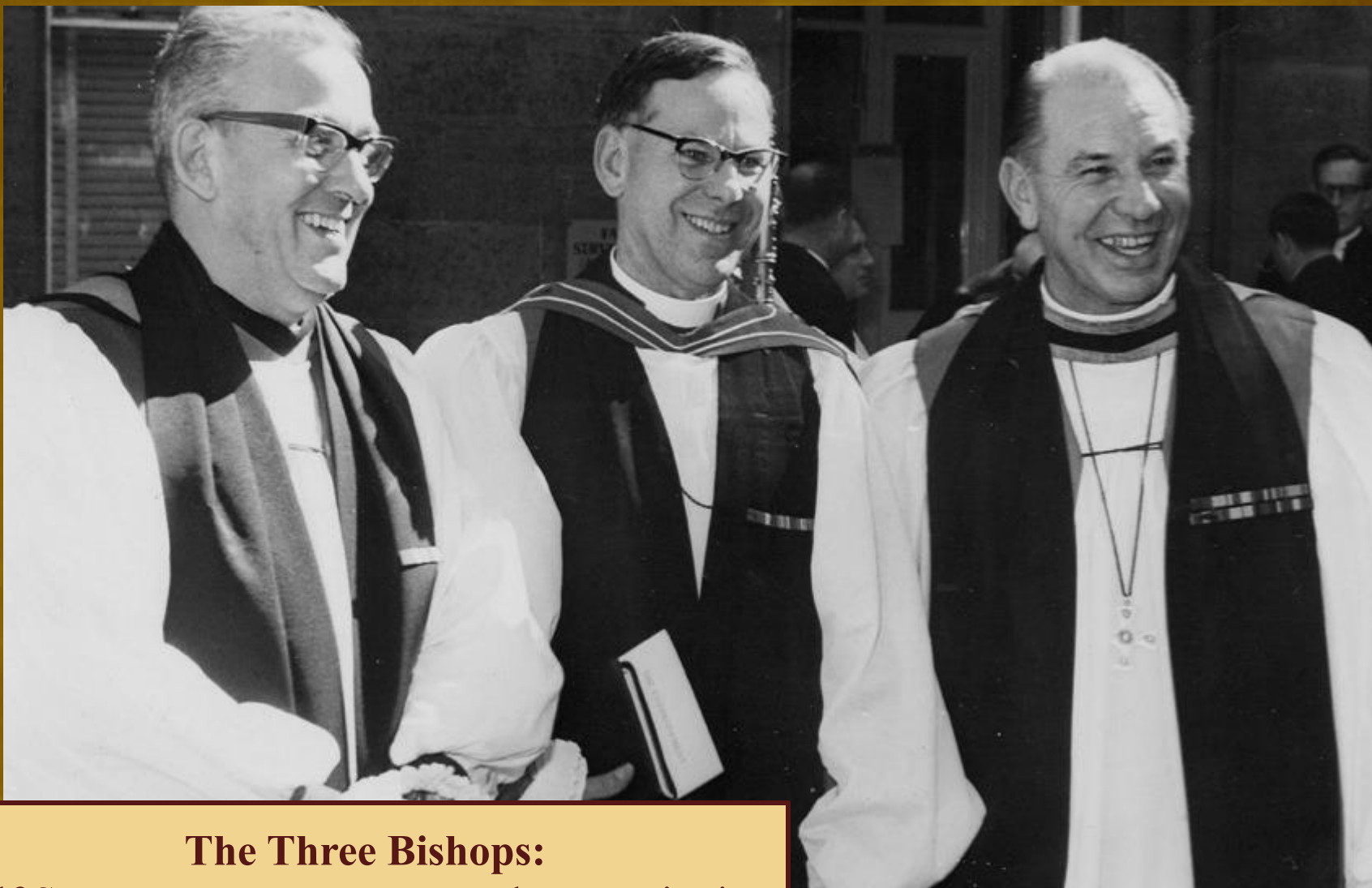
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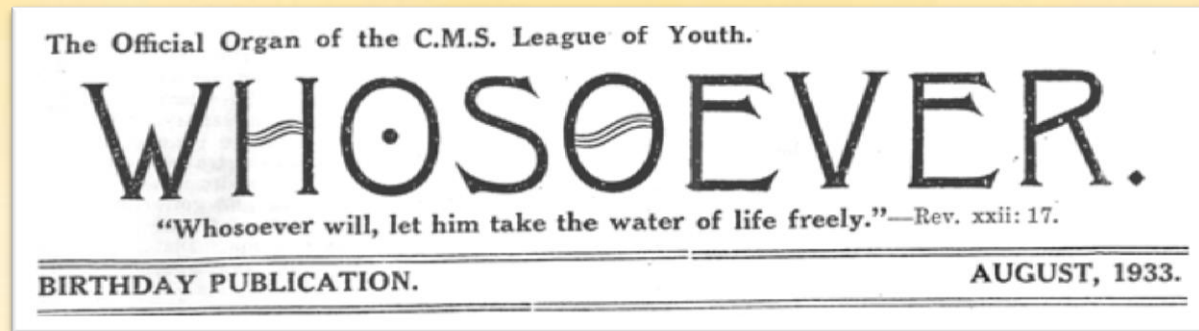


LOY members
at the Upwey
campsite
mid-1930's





The Three Bishops:
Alf Stanway, Marcus Loane and Max Wiggins



- Vital evangelical piety
- Leadership opportunities for the young
- The priority of overseas mission

