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## Introduction

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**Gary L. McIntosh, Editor**

While the Church Growth Movement attracts new criticisms every year, old ones seem to live on and on. One issue that has a life of its own is the Homogeneous Unit Principle. Skip Bell speaks directly to this recurring issue in, "What's Wrong with the Homogeneous Unit Principle?" He uses two case studies to conclude that the emerging heterogeneity is the new homogeneity.

Professor Tom Steffen presented a paper at the Multicultural Local church Conference held at Biola University in October 2002. His paper, which focused on narrative-based evangelism, is presented here in its entirety.

Edgar Machel reports on his recent trip to study growing churches in Australia. He notes 8 Passions Needed for Church Planting and Church Renewal discovered from his field research.

Qualitative church growth is the topic of Larry McDonald's article. He presents a brief literature review of the works of Dallas Willard making appropriate applications to church growth studies.

Concluding this issue is the annual index listing all of the articles and book reviews published since 1990. All of the past articles are available as photocopies. Please write the editor for complete information.

—Editor

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