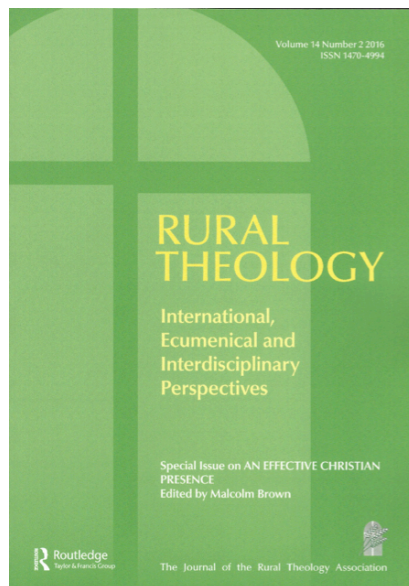




Effective Christian Presence: Rural Theology



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In this special issue:

- Jerry Marshall (Arthur Rank Centre) explores the question 'Is Rural Enterprise God's Business?' to which Chris Beales (Diocese of St Albans) responds from a social entrepreneur perspective and Andrew Bradstock (University of Winchester) responds from a theological perspective;

- Elizabeth Clark (Arthur Rank Centre) explores the notion and potential application of 'An Effective Christian Presence' in rural communities;
- George Lings (Church Army Research Unit) makes 'A Case for Multiplying the Type and Number of Churches';
- Neil Burgess (Diocese of Lincoln) explores the fostering and development of 'Collaborative Ministry in Rural Areas';
- John Inge (Diocese of Worcester) explores 'The Significance of Buildings in Terms of a Christian Presence in the Community';
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