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My dear Sheila,

You are constantly in our prayer and on our minds; the news was a great shock to us. Although we thought Bill look very tired when we saw him in July, we believed that rest would deal with that. We had tried to get back in touch, to express my deep appreciation to him for all that he has meant to us and countless others. Now I am sure the Lord is doing that for us!

There is so much we would like to say, but we don't want you to have the trouble of a long letter - only to say that Bill and you have been the dearest of people, and without you both we sometimes wonder how we would have survived. Bill's contribution to our lives has been immense. We know he had enemies, but that is always true of prophets who are faithful. Truly Bill fought the good fight. He kept the faith, and he has now been awarded the crown of righteousness.

Truly to honour Bill, we must continue the fight. Bill saw things so clearly, when the rest of the Church was so blind!

I am enclosing some of my writing which I hope does justice to such an outstanding life. These are letters to the *Daily Telegraph* (I have also done one to the *Times*) - not sure to be published. The others are for the *Church of England Newspaper* and *Renewal* magazine. We will keep in touch, and will not forget you and the family in our prayers.

Much love to you, Sheila, and remember us to Andrew and Mary. We will be in touch too with Stephen.

Yours ever,

Mitchell + Teame

 e seem to
give them back to You,

O God, Who gave them to us.
Yet, as You did not lose them
in giving, so do we not lose them
by their return. Not as the world
gives, do You give, O Lover of
souls. What You give, You do
not take away, for what is Yours
is ours also if we are Yours. And
life is eternal and love is immortal,
and death is only an horizon and
an horizon is nothing save the
limit of our sight. Lift us up,
strong Son of God, that we may
see further; draw us closer to
Yourself that we may know our-
selves to be nearer to our loved
ones who are with You.

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