

Correspondence

Dr Bray,

My attention has been drawn to an article in Churchman of September last year, in which you refer to me as a practising homosexual (p.195). The point was made again and again in the debate surrounding my appointment to Reading, and again to St. Albans, that I lead a sexually abstinent life and have done so for many years. I trust that you will take rapid steps to correct this falsehood in your magazine, and to remove it from your website.

I should also be interested to know the evidence on which you say of me that 'he covets a bishopric, to which he feels entitled' (p.198). If your source is Bates' book, you might have noted that I refused to meet Bates and gave him no information at all. I am surprised at your readiness to misrepresent and denigrate a fellow Christian whom you have never met and of whom you know nothing.

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Editor's Note: The book referred to is Stepehn Bates, *The Church at War* (London: I.B. Tauris Press, 2004).