Editorial

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Recipients of the January and July mailings of the Networks for the Study of Implicit Religion (NSIR) and Centre for the Study of Implicit Religion and Contemporary Spirituality (CSIRCS) will be aware that the Journal migrated at the beginning of 2003 from Maney's, who so delightfully launched us, and, after a brief stop-over, has now finally, we hope, come home to roost with Equinox Publishing. To our readers, now, as before to our contributors, I offer my apologies for the delays experienced this year. In 2004, all should be sweetness and light!

This double-issue clinches Equinox's desire to move *Implicit Religion* up, in the first instance, from two issues a year, to three. Certainly, one of the advantages of additional pages, is to demonstrate more visibly than usual the catholicity of our concerns—and at the same time, the cogency of the concept. This is particularly (and delightfully) apparent in the pages that can, at last, be devoted to reviewing some of the books received. But it is also apparent, if a little less dramatically, in the articles published.

May I publicly express my (and our) thanks to all our contributors—and invite further contributions? With three, or even four issues a year we could do something more like justice to our topic.

As for NSIR—CSIRCS events in 2004, the Denton Conference (May 7–9 in Yorkshire) has never had so many offers of Papers (let alone, so soon). The Religious Education course (September 24–25) in Berkshire continues to 'set [people] up for the year', as they always say—in that most demanding of tasks. While the three Church Study Days (February 5, May 6, October 6) will focus, in turn, on the 'religion of non-churchgoers'; on people's understanding of baptism, and the practice of spirituality in management; and on urban theology.

However, 2004 should also see the start of a study programme in Leiden, and, it is hoped, in Birmingham and Bangor. They, and the events already listed, can all expect to be reflected in the pages of *Implicit Religion*.