

## PC 102 BARKER COLLECTION DESCRIPTIVE LIST

### Dr Anthony Barker & Dr Margaret "Maggie" Barker of the Charles Johnson Memorial Hospital, Nqutu, KwaZulu-Natal

Dr Anthony Barker was born in Birmingham, England in 1920, where he qualified as a medical doctor in 1943. He served in the British Merchant Navy from 1943 to 1945, during which time his ship was torpedoed and sunk off Madras. He married Dr Margaret Newton in August 1943, and in 1945 they arrived as missionary doctors at the Charles Johnson Memorial Hospital in Zululand, South Africa. There they stayed for almost 30 years, building the hospital from its rudimentary beginnings to a large teaching hospital serving thousands of patients, delivering babies, performing operations and running outlying clinics.

They left Nqutu in 1974, and returned to England, living in Wimbledon, London, and working at St George's Hospital Casualty. After retirement, they moved back to South Africa for six months, working at the Alexandra Clinic outside Johannesburg. When back in England, in 1993, they went to the Lake District to celebrate their golden wedding. While riding together on their tandem bicycle, they were tragically killed in an accident.

Dr Anthony Barker wrote two books and several unpublished manuscripts. His published books are: UK title: *Giving and receiving* (1959) The Faith Press, London  
USA title: *The man next to me* (1959) Harper & Brothers, New York  
and: *Nqonqotha* (1999) Mulberry Books (now Maoildearg), Calais, France. This was based on the manuscript "Into a new land".

One of Dr Anthony Barker's hobbies was to take black and white photographs, which he developed himself. Many of these photographs, mainly of Nqutu, are included in this collection.

This collection was donated to the Alan Paton Centre by Mr John Dorken, nephew of Dr Anthony Barker. Prior to this donation, these documents and manuscripts were used by Dr Barry Adams, for his research on his biography of the Barkers: *Anthony and Maggie Barker: Lives in Tandem*.

The section on the Barker Memorial Trust was donated by Drs Carolyn and Howard Mowbray, who were involved in the setting up and administration of the Trust.

PC 102/1	PERSONAL DOCUMENTS
PC 102/1/1/1	Curriculum Vitae of Dr Anthony Barker, 1973 & background
PC 102/1/1/2	Honorary Doctorate in Medicine from University of Natal, 1974
PC 102/1/1/3-4	Dr Anthony Barker's Diaries 1953 & 1955

- PC 102/2  
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- MANUSCRIPTS - PUBLISHED BOOKS**
- “The Book of the Book” - documentation on the writing of *Giving and Receiving/ The Man Next to Me*
- “Into a new land”  
198 p. Typescript 1988/9? (Wimbledon, London) Revised in 1993. Published posthumously in 1999 as *Nqonqotha* by Mulberry Books, now “Maoildearg”, 47 rue du Pont Lottin, Calais, France.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> incomplete copy of “Into a new land” 65p.

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PC 102/3/2/2  
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PC 102/3/3/3
- MANUSCRIPTS - UNPUBLISHED BOOKS**
- “Except you ravish me”  
141p. Typescript 1962 (Nqutu) (2 copies)
- “We call this Friday, Good” (Thoughts on the death of Jesus)  
31p. Typescript 1972 (Nqutu) (& one copy of the 20 made)
- “No harvest but a thorn: Letters of a living fossil”  
219p. Typescript 1973 (Nqutu)
- “A remarkable people”  
157p. Typescript 1976 (Bramshott and Villa Serbelloni)
- “A true service”  
123p. Typescript 1985/6? (Wimbledon, London)
- “The Alexandra experience: On the dark side of Johannesburg”  
115p. Typescript 1987 (Alexandra and Wimbledon)
- Research for a book (undated)

- PC 102/4  
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PC 102/4/1/2  
PC 102/4/1/3  
PC 102/4/1/4  
PC 102/4/1/5  
PC 102/4/1/6
- ARTICLES written by Drs Anthony & Maggie Barker**
- “And not to count the cost” by Anthony Barker  
4p. Typescript (undated - pre 1975)
- “Human relationships in isolated hospitals” by Anthony Barker  
5p. Typescript (undated - pre 1975)
- “Comparison of half-cream powdered milk and full-cream acidified powdered milk as a diet for marasmus”  
by Jennifer Pot, Margaret Barker and Robert Brown 7p. Typescript (undated - 1969?)
- “A technique combining neurolept-analgesia with local analgesia for Caesarean section”  
by J.V. Larsen, Anthony Barker, Margaret Barker and R.S. Brown - page from *S.A. Medical Journal* 10 July 1971
- “Some thoughts on the improvement of Casualty services in the district”  
by Anthony Barker, St George’s Hospital Casualty 4p. Ts 25 May 1977
- “The view from Alexandra” by Anthony and Margaret Barker  
5p. Typescript (undated - 1987?)

- PC 102/5            **SPEECHES** by Dr Anthony Barker  
made between 1969 and 1987
- PC 102/6            **CORRESPONDENCE**  
of Drs Anthony & Maggie Barker from 1968-1979
- PC 102/7            **CHARLES JOHNSON MEMORIAL HOSPITAL**  
information, church programmes, etc.; quotes handwritten by  
Anthony Barker.
- PC 102/8            **NEWSPAPER CUTTINGS** relating to the Barkers
- PC 102/9            **PUBLICATIONS**  
See shelves in Alan Paton Study for:
- AP 968.491 BAR     *Giving and Receiving* by Anthony Barker, pub. The Faith Press,  
London, 1959. (Signed copy, presented by Dr Barker to Alan Paton at  
Nqutu Prizegiving ceremony; and Jonathan Paton's copy)  
Housed with Barker Collection:
- AP 920 BAR         *The Man next to me* by Anthony Barker, pub. Harper & Brothers, New  
York, 1959. (USA version of *Giving and Receiving*)
- AP 307.709 684 CLA *Women without men: a study of 150 families in the Nqutu District of*  
*KwaZulu* by Liz Clarke and Jane Ngobese; photos by Dorothy Mclean and  
Anthony Barker, pub. Institute for Black Research, Durban, 1975.
- AP 968.491 ADA     *Anthony and Maggie Barker: Lives in Tandem* by Barry Adams, pub. E.B.  
Adams, Suffolk, 1996.

## PC 102/10 BARKER MEMORIAL FUND

This section was donated by Drs Carolyn and Howard Mowbray, who were involved in the setting up and administration of this fund, which commemorated the Barkers' lives by gathering funds as a once-off donation, and using these funds to enable health workers from under-developed areas to exchange ideas and to visit more developed health facilities, where they would learn valuable lessons to take back with them. Also donated was the programme of the Memorial Service for the Barkers in Southwark Cathedral, London; and pamphlets about the Helwel Trust and the Shared Earth Trust, in which the Barkers were involved.

## PC 102/11 PHOTOGRAPHS (See APC photograph collection)

Dr Anthony Barker took many black & white photographs which he developed himself. These were taken mainly at the C.J. Memorial Hospital at Nqutu. They were used to illustrate his book *Giving and receiving/ The man next to me*, and the book *Women without men* by Liz Clarke and Jane Ngobese. There are also five photograph albums, covering Nqutu 1974 and the visit in 1986, and the Alexandra Clinic, 1986.