

DR. DOUGLAS HILL

Doctor Douglas Hill was born in 1948 in Tamworth NSW. From an early age he had a sense of mission and a determination to follow Jesus Christ which continued undiminished until his death. He studied at Sydney University and graduated M.B., B.S. He spent two years in Perth as hospital resident medical officer.

In March 1974 he and an engineer friend, Brian Taylor, went to Britain where they purchased a Landrover. Together they travelled over the Sahara Desert to Upper Volta to work with another friend, Dr. Elliot. Here mornings were spent in attending to patients, and the afternoons in building a hospital. They then journeyed to Ethiopia, helping needy people on the way. On arrival in Ethiopia Dr. Hill joined the Sudan Interior Mission and worked at a hospital in Shashamanie for several months, intending then to return home for studies in Paediatrics. However, faced with a need in the south of Ethiopia, he accepted the challenge which cost him his life, for, as he was about to open a clinic he was stabbed in the chest by a fanatical tribesman.

Those who knew Doug and were encouraged by his faith and dedication know that his life was not in vain and we give thanks to God for his life.

THE DOUGLAS HILL MEMORIAL FOUNDATION

The aim of the Foundation is to provide scholarships to assist Australian Christian medical students with the costs of travelling overseas during their vacations to participate in medical projects in developing countries.

This aim reflects Doug's personal example and interest.