



ARDS EVANGELICAL BOOKSHOP

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Ards Bookshop does it again.

Ards Evangelical Bookshop are pleased to announce that they have been awarded Large Christian Retailer of the Year Runner-Up at the 2011 bookseller's convention. The award is drawn from a pool of between 300 and 400 Christian bookshops in the United Kingdom. AEB have previously won the award in 2007.

Last year the McCoubrey family celebrated thirty years at the helm of Ards Bookshop, and ten years in their dream location at Crimond House. They continue to manage AEB with commitment and care for the community, providing good wholesome books for all the family. Their internet and mail order business continues to expand and in recent years they have also taken on the role of a publisher. Under their imprint, Crimond House Publications, they have produced their own Two Version Bible (AV/RV), and their Crimond Classics reprint series. They have several exciting new titles planned for the autumn, including a collection of missionary stories, *A Great Door and Effectual* and G. Campbell Morgan's classic work *The Crises of the Christ*.

"We are very pleased to be recognised again with this award and feel it is due to the hard work of our dedicated staff in providing a unique service to the Christian community, without whose support, none of this would be possible."

Richard McCoubrey, Manager.

About Ards Evangelical Bookshop

Ards Evangelical Bookshop is a family-run award-winning bookshop, Northern Ireland's first online Christian bookshop. It is located in the busy town centre of Newtownards, a lively market town on the Co. Down coast. They enjoy serving the needs of all churches and fellowships in this bustling Christian community.

The bookshop was established in 1967, taken over by the McCoubrey family in 1980, and within two years moved from a small 600sq. ft. location to a busy High Street shop of 1800sq. ft. Their worldwide mail order service has steadily expanded and in 1998 they launched their website, being one of the first Christian bookshops in the U.K. to offer a full online bookshop service. In the year 2000, having struggled for space for many years at the beloved "7 High Street" they moved to their current location at "Crimond House," where they offer a unique experience of 6000sq. ft. of Christian Retail, including an extensive reference section, children's and youth department and a first floor picture gallery.

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Notes to editors

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