

**THE
OPEN SCHOOLS ERA
(1976-1986)**

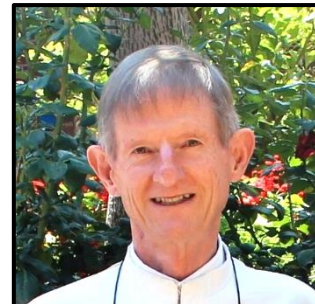


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It is with great pleasure that the **MARIST BROTHERS** announce the **PUBLICATION** of Brother Jude Pieterse's long-awaited work on **THE OPEN SCHOOLS ERA**.

As Chair of a body representing Catholic schools, Brother Jude was integrally involved in decade-long negotiations between the Catholic Church and the state to ensure that private schools could legally admit pupils regardless of "race" in the "old" South Africa. The process was a struggle, requiring clear thinking, courage, and united action.



The eventual legalisation allowing private schools to be "OPEN" paved the way for the government of the day to create its "Model C" schools where limited desegregation was allowed, and finally to public schools in post-apartheid times.

Brother Jude kept meticulous records throughout the decade: minutes of meetings; circulars sent to owners and principals of schools; and editorials and cuttings from the press. Relying on these authentic contemporary records, the author has produced a volume that deserves a place on the shelves of educationists, sociologists, historians, and the Catholic Hierarchy who played a vital role in the negotiations.

For a video outlining the book, click on <https://youtu.be/XYhUoPjEoMY>

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