



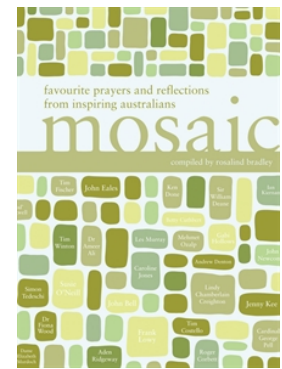
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## *mosaic*

Favourite prayers and reflections from inspiring Australians

Edited By ROSALIND BRADLEY

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*Mosaic* is a collection of favourite prayers and reflections chosen by a broad range of Australians from different backgrounds and faiths. Mosaic's editor, Rosalind Bradley, was inspired to create this book after being in London at the time of the 2005 bombings. The event deeply distressed her and also left her feeling powerless and vulnerable. Ros became determined to channel her concerns into something constructive and positive and so devised the concept of this book to help build bridges, foster mutual respect and assist in the 'dialogue of living' in Australia's multicultural and spiritually diverse society.

Ros contacted over 450 people chosen to represent a cross-section of modern Australia and received over 165 responses. In her Introduction she writes:

*Mosaic represents a snapshot of life in contemporary Australia, with selected quotations and thoughts from people who range from quiet achievers to high-profile individuals. ... Strong themes that have emerged include: a desire for connection with others; the recognition of support from family and friends; the deep sense of comfort given by a familiar prayer; a desire to reinforce the mystery, power and celebration of 'God'; the significance of an individual's identity; the importance of forgiveness; faith in action; the mapping out of a sense of purpose in life and the fulfilment of dreams.*

Contributors include elder statesman Tom Uren, President of the Muslim Women's National Network Aziza Abdel-Halim, Lindy Chamberlain-Creighton who was unjustly accused of murdering her baby, Sudanese born Adut Dau Atem; author Tim Winton, founding Director of the Fred Hollows Foundation, Gabi Hollows; Wiggles member Anthony Field, sports and businessman John Eales, counsellor and author Petrea King, TV presenter Andrew Denton, chef Charmaine Solomon, philosopher Professor Peter Singer, Rabbi Jacqueline Ninio, composer Peter Sculthorpe and many more.

### About the Author

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