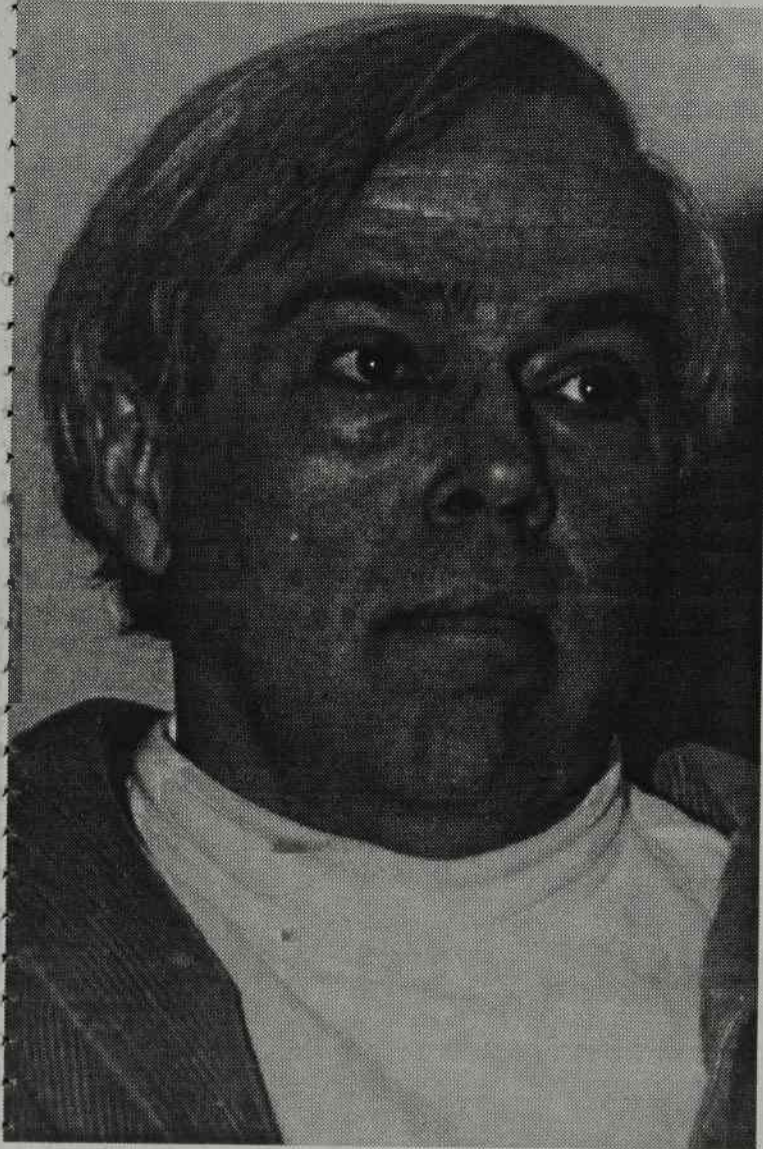


Price to read his works next week on campus



COMING TO CAMPUS — Award-winning novelist Reynolds Price will read from his latest works, including his newly published apocryphal gospel *The Honest Account of a Memorial Life*, on Wednesday, Oct. 26, at 4:30 p.m. in the SAC.

Women's Assembly to meet at Wesleyan

By CECILIA LYNN CASEY

North Carolina Wesleyan College will host the fifth bi-annual meeting of North Carolina Equity Women's Assembly in the Student Activities Center on Monday.

Local women's groups will meet to talk about what the N.C. state legislature should set as their priorities.

A handbill printed by N.C. Equity explains that "Every two years, N.C. Equity sponsors County-wide Assemblies for women to voice their concerns and learn about the concerns of other women. Each Assembly creates an Agenda which reflects its priorities."

The Agenda that will be discussed Monday will include issues of economic development, housing, child care, violence, and health care.

A press release issued by N.C. Equity states, "Over 1,600 North Carolinians from over 80 organizations are expected to meet this fall in almost 40 events to iden-

tify, discuss, and rank issues and public policy alternatives likely to affect women. Women in each local area will respond to a *Draft Women's Agenda* generated by policy experts in many areas.

"The Women's Agenda Program is a part of N.C. Equity, a private, non-profit organization which develops public policy strategies and advocates for women on economic, social, and health issues," it noted.

N.C. Equity is funded by the Z. Smith Reynolds Foundation, the Rockefeller Family Fund, and other foundations, as well as the contributions of individuals and corporations."

There will be a \$5 registration fee and all those interested in attending will need to register by Friday, Oct. 21. A light supper will be served before discussions are started.

Both Betty Anne Whisnant and Carolyn Whitener will be able to provide more information and registration forms for all those who are interested.

Award-winning novelist Reynolds Price will read from his latest works next Wednesday at 4:30 p.m. in the Student Activities Center, including a new "gospel" account of the life of Jesus published today by North Carolina Wesleyan College.

In the spring of 1993, Price was teaching a seminar at Duke University on the gospels of Mark and John. At mid-term as they prepared to write final seminar papers — he and the students were each to write a *new* apocryphal gospel — a common set of sources had to be agreed upon.

They were free to use the four canonical gospels, the Acts of the Apostles, the undisputed letters of Paul, and those other New Testament letters which may at least have originated in the first generation of men and women who knew Jesus of Nazareth.

"A reader may wonder why I set such a task when we already have four impressive gospels, two of which stand a good chance of proceeding directly or at only secondhand from eye-witnesses," Price wrote later. "The simplest answer — and one that has lain behind the thousands of attempts on Jesus that have crowded libraries for the past two millennia — is that the life and its effect on history are so magnetic in their mystery as to demand ceaseless watch and question."

Thus evolved Price's apocryphal gospel, *The Honest Account of Memorial Life*. It retells the

life of Jesus with the stories of Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John set side-by-side in a single harmonious account.

In *The Honest Account*, Price tells the story of Jesus' life as a 20th century novelist would, recreating the "feel" of the experience in sensuous details. He depicts the sights, sounds, and smells of the scene, so that the reader experiences all of this as it happens.

Price, recent winner of the Prairie Schooner Award for excellence in writing, has also received superlative reviews for *A Whole New Life* (Atheneum 1994), the story of his war with cancer of the spine, diagnosed ten years ago.

Since the diagnosis, he has experienced an outpouring of work. In addition to many celebrated

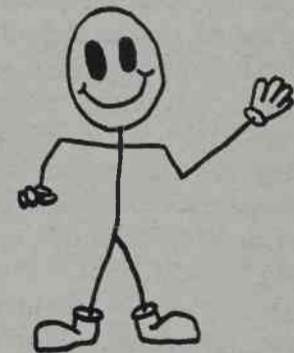
novels, he's written short stories, poems, plays, and screenplays.

Price has been praised for his fiction since he won the William Faulkner Foundation Award for his first novel, *A Long and Happy Life*, in 1962. More than 30 prolific years have followed (with a National Book Critics Circle Award for *Kate Vaiden* in 1986), but Price admits to writing as much in the past 10 years in his battle against time as he has written in all the rest of the years put together.

"I am delighted that this rush of work has come," he says, "but I can't explain how it has happened. This inspiration comes mysteriously, rapidly... if I tried to explain or define this inspiration I am afraid that it might vanish."

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Oct. 24 – Nov. 4

Monday, Oct. 24	10:20 a.m.	Freshman Pre-Registration Workshop	Room 105
	10:30 a.m.	Memory Tips	Room 189
Tuesday, Oct. 25	2:40 p.m.	Freshman Pre-Registration Workshop	Room 105
Wednesday, Oct. 26	4 p.m.	Interviewing Skills Workshop	Room 276
Monday, Oct. 31	10:30 a.m.	Studying Smarter	Room 189
Tuesday, Nov. 1		JOB FAIR, Holiday Inn, Goldsboro	
Friday, Nov. 4		END OF SECOND INTERIM GRADING PERIOD	

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