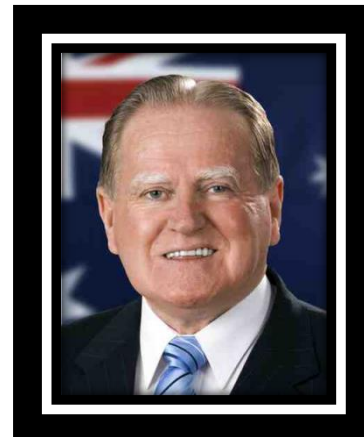


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## FAMILY HISTORY

- Rev. Fred Nile was born in Kings Cross, Sydney, in 1934.
- Fred's father, of Devon, UK, migrated to Australia after serving in the trenches of France during World War I. He worked as a taxi driver in Kings Cross.
- Fred's mother, Marjorie, migrated to Australia from New Zealand and was of Scottish heritage. She worked as a waitress in Kings Cross.
- Both of Fred's parents are now deceased, and are buried in Christchurch, New Zealand.
- Fred has one brother (deceased), Jim who lived in Sydney, and two sisters, Marjory and Mary, who live in Christchurch, New Zealand.
- Fred married Elaine in 1958.
- Together, they had four children:
  - *Stephen*: Retired NSW Senior Police Constable, Driving school instructor.
  - *Sharon*: Social Worker.
  - *Mark*: State School Teacher, Previously secondary (17 years) now primary
  - *David*: Retired NSW Senior Police Constable (injured on duty). Council Ranger
- Sadly, Elaine passed away on the 17<sup>th</sup> October, 2011 from Cancer of the liver after 3 years of Chemotherapy and operations.
- Fred was remarried in December 2013 to Silvana Nero.

## BRIEF OVERVIEW – POLITICAL CAREER

- 1981 elected as Call to Australia Member to the NSW Legislative Council for 11 year term.
- 1991 re-elected for an 8 year term.
- 1999 re-elected as Christian Democratic Party Member for an 8 year term.
- 2007 re-elected for an 8 year term.
- 2015 CDP Candidate for NSW Legislative Council.

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## ACADEMIC STUDIES

### 1940-1946

- Kings Street Infants/Primary School, Mascot, Sydney.

### 1947-1949

- Full-time Crown Street Commercial Intermediate High School.
- Cleveland Street High School.
- Passed Intermediate Certificate.
- Left school at 15 years to seek employment.

### 1956-1957

- Victorian College of the Bible (Formerly Melbourne Bible Institute).  
There, Fred completed a two year full-time course and was awarded First Class Diploma, appointed Senior Student.

### 1958-1963

- NSW Congregational Theological College, Melbourne College of Divinity.
- NSW United Faculty of Theology, University of Sydney (Adult Matriculation).
- University of New England, (Passed Philosophy I, History I), (Studied Education I).
- Awarded the L. Th. of the Melbourne College of Divinity and the Theological Diploma of the NSW Congregational Theological College. Qualified the Examinations of the Diploma of Religious Education, Melbourne College of Divinity.

### 1980

- Attended lectures (MA Politics), Macquarie University.  
(NB: Did not complete any degrees, except Theological Tertiary Course (L.Th.)

## MILITARY SERVICE

### 1948

- Joined 45th Infantry Battalion (Machine Gun) Regimental Cadets (CMF) - promoted to Corporal, served 4 years (Hurstville NSW).

### 1952

- Volunteered when 17 years old for full-time National Service, 13th National Service Battalion, Member winning Brigade Drill Squad (Ingleburn NSW).

### 1953

- Transferred to 45th Infantry Battalion. Promoted to PI Sgt (CMF).

### 1955

- Promoted to PI Lt 45th Infantry Battalion (Qualified Lt Examinations 1954).

### 1956

- Transferred to Melbourne University Regt (MUR) (Officer Training Unit) (Qualified Captain Examinations 1958).

### 1958

- Promoted to Captain, Sydney University Regt (SUR).

### 1960-1974

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- Transferred to 14th Infantry Brigade., OC HQ Coy.; Adjutant 3 RNSW Regt (Millers Pt).
- Advance Officer Training Corp (2 DIV HQ). Qualified as Infantry Major. OC., D Coy, 4 RNSW Regt appointed OC (Officer Commanding). Awarded Queen's Award - ED. Efficiency Decoration. Won CO's Cup for most Efficient Officer in 4 RNSW Regt.
- Won 4 RNSW Regt Shield for most Efficient Company (Tactics, Weapons, Drill).

**1974**

- Transferred to Retired List Army Reserve after 22 years CMF (Army Reserve) Service.

**1974-2004**

- Participating in Annual Royal NSW Regt. Church Services, Garrison Church, Milsons Point and Reserve Forces Day Marches and activities.

## FULL TIME EMPLOYMENT

**1950-1955**

- Paul & Gray Pty Ltd., Aircraft Industry, Mascot and Bankstown Airports. Commenced as junior storeman, then junior clerk, then salesman, and finally Assistant to Manager.

**1959-1963**

- Student Minister Newcastle (Mayfield West) and Bexley and Brighton Le Sands Congregational Churches.

**1964**

- Ordained as evangelical Congregational Minister at Bexley, Sydney.

**1964-1967**

- National Director, Australian Christian Endeavour Movement (Protestant Youth Leadership Training Organisation).

**1967-1968**

- Assistant Director, 1968 Billy Graham Crusade, Sydney Showgrounds (455,000 total attendance, 21,000 enquiries).

**1968-1969**

- Director, NSW Congregational Board of Evangelism.

**1970-1971**

- Director, Methodist Mission to the People of NSW (Evangelistic Newness, NSW Campaign), led by Rev. Alan Walker.

**1971-1973**

- Director of Outreach and Evangelism, Sydney City Wesley Central Methodist Mission.
- Programme Director, Vision Valley Conference Centre, Arcadia.
- Principal Christian Training Centre, "Jesus Commune" East Sydney.
- Youth Director, Central Methodist Mission.
- Personal Assistant to Rev. Sir Alan Walker.

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## 1976

- Transferred to the new Uniting Church of Australia as a recognised Minister of the Word and Sacraments, without pastoral charge in an approved position. (Uniting of Methodist, Presbyterian and Congregational Churches in Australia).
- Retired 1994 from active Parish Ministry whilst still recognised as preacher and accredited minister.

## 1974-1981

- National Co-ordinator and NSW Director, Australian Federation of Festival of Light – Community Standards Organisation (FOL-CSO). (Campaign for purity, love and family life).

## 1981

- Elected NSW Parliament (State Senate) with a record 9.1% of the vote (248,425 primary votes, with 296,854 votes including preferences), as a Christian minister in Parliament for three terms of Parliament - 11 years under Registered Federal (1984) and Registered NSW (1987) Political Party "Call to Australia [Fred Nile] Group", which was founded by Rev. Fred Nile MLC in 1977 "For God and the Family".

## 1984

- Jim Cameron, former Speaker of the NSW Legislative Assembly, resigned from the Liberal Party and joined Fred Nile's Call to Australia Group. He was nominated as the CTA Candidate for the 1984 NSW State Election and was elected with 166,210 primary votes and 183,313 with preferences. Unfortunately he was forced to resign in October 1984 because of a major heart attack.
- The Rev Fred Nile nominated Marie Bignold as Mr Cameron's successor (1984-1991). In 1991 her Seat was abolished in the Constitutional Referendum.

## 1991

- Following disagreements, Mrs Bignold and Rev Fred Nile were reunited in 1991 when he successfully moved a Bill to provide her with a parliamentary pension.

## 1988

- Wife, Elaine Nile, elected to Parliament for 8 year term (State Senator) with 5.7% of the vote: 172,225 primary votes and 240,676 votes including preferences.
- "Call to Australia Party" recognised as official Political Party in NSW Parliament with Rev. Fred Nile MLC as Party Leader, and also National and NSW President of the Call to Australia Citizens' Movement. (Note: Continued as Honorary National FOL-CSO Co-ordinator and honorary NSW Director FOL-CSO from 1981- 2005).

## 1991

- Re-elected to the NSW Parliament (State Senator) NSW Legislative Council for 8 years with 3.6% of the vote: 208,000 preference votes.

## 1995

- Elaine Nile re-elected to the NSW Parliament for a further 8 years with 3.0% of the vote: 101,556 primary (first preference) votes.

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1997

- "Christian Democratic Party" supersedes CTA as official Political Party in NSW Parliament, with Rev. Fred Nile MLC (as National Leader) re-elected to the NSW Parliament (State Senator) NSW legislative Council with 3.2% of the vote: 112,699 preference votes for 8 years.



2002

- Elaine Nile retired due to ill health from the NSW Legislative Council in September 2002 and Rev. Dr. Gordon Moyes was nominated by Rev Fred Nile to fill the vacancy. He was subsequently elected on 22 March 2003 as the CDP Candidate.

2003

- Resigned as a Minister of the Uniting Church in Australia over their new policy of the ordination of practicing homosexuals. Fred then renewed his affiliation, as an ordained Minister, with the evangelical Fellowship of congregational Churches, which is associated with the USA Conference of Conservative Congregational Churches.

2004

- Resigned from the Legislative Council in August to contest a Federal Senate seat. Received 2.61% of the vote: 103,763 primary (first preference) votes. Last Senate Candidate to be eliminated.
- Re-elected in October at a joint sitting of NSW Upper & Lower Houses to his still vacant Legislative Council seat.

2006

- Organised the National Christian Endeavours Convention at Wesley Mission Sydney.

2007

- Re-elected to the NSW Legislative Council for another 8-year term with 168,545 votes and 0.97% of a quota and elected as Assistant President of the Legislative Council.

2009

- Elaine diagnosed with cancer of the liver, commenced Chemotherapy and radiation treatment and finally an unsuccessful liver operation.
- Rev Gordon Moyes expelled from Christian Democratic Party for disloyalty. He joined Family First Party as Candidate for 2011 State Election.

2011

- Paul Green elected as CDP Candidate for NSW Legislative Council in place of Rev Gordon Moyes having failed to be elected as Family First Candidate. CDP again has two seats with the successful election of Paul Green.
- Elaine Nile finally succumbed to cancer and went to be with the Lord on 17 October 2011. Over 800 mourners attended Elaine's Funeral Service at Calvary Chapel, Georges Hall, Sydney.

2014

- Redesign of Christian Democratic Party Logo.



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## OVERSEAS SPEAKING AND STUDY TOURS

1966

- Around the world - UK, Ireland, Germany, USA (Delegate World Christian Endeavour Convention, Belfast):
- Highlight – 21 day lecture tour West Germany.

1967

- New Zealand Study Tour.
- New Guinea: (Mission working party):
  - Highlight - Lecturing at Christian Leaders' Training College, Banz.

1968

- Billy Graham Congress on Evangelism, Singapore.

1970

- USA Canada (Delegate/Speaker World CE Convention, Waterloo, Canada).

1972

- Pacific Islands, Samoa, New Hebrides (Vanuatu), Fiji.

1974

- Around the World - UK, Germany, USA, with Elaine Nile (Delegate/Speaker, World CE Convention, Essen, Germany).

1985

- World Study Tour: (Supported by Elaine Nile):
  - Studied the HIV/AIDS epidemic, etc and drug epidemic - China, Thailand, Hong Kong, Egypt, Israel, Germany, Greece, Denmark, USSR, UK, France, Belgium, Holland, Australia, Switzerland, USA.
  - Highlights:
    - Guest-Sabbath Services Great Synagogue of Jerusalem;
    - Guest/Briefings US Navy HQ Pearl Harbour, Hawaii;
    - Guest/Briefings Foreign Ministry, Jerusalem;
    - Guest/Briefing US State Dept Washington USA;
    - Guest/Briefings AIDS Centre for Disease Control, USA.

1987

- Fiji - Addressed Pacific Conference on "God and Politics", Suva, Fiji.

1988

- Fiji - Addressed First National Prayer Breakfast in Suva, Fiji, with President of Fiji.

1990-1992

- New Zealand- Various Parliamentary Investigations.

1992

- World Study Tour: (Supported by Elaine Nile):
  - Studied Christian Political Parties etc - Russian Federation, Poland, Sweden and UK.
  - Highlights:

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- Guest/Briefings Russian, Polish, Swedish Parliaments and House of Commons;
- Inspected horrors of Nazi Final Solution, murder of 6 million Jews - Concentration Camp, Auschwitz where 3 million innocent persons were murdered.

## 1993

- Official Parliamentary Tour - U.S.A. - Sexual violence, youth violence, etc.

## 1995

- Official Commonwealth Parliamentary Association World Study Tour: (Supported by Elaine Nile):
  - Studied Federal/State tensions, native land rights etc - Canada, USA, UK, Europe & South Africa.
  - Highlights:
    - Guest/Briefings Canadian Parliament;
    - USA Congress/Senate;
    - British Government - London, Belfast, Edinburgh and Provincial Parliaments - Ulundi, Johannesburg and Capetown, South Africa.

## 1996

- Speaker New Zealand National Christian Heritage Political Party Convention, Auckland.

## 1997

- Speaker Fijian Evangelistic Festival.
- NSW Parliamentary Law and Justice Committee Overseas Inquiry into Motor Accident Compensation - USA, UK, Canada.

## 1999

- Speaker New Zealand National Christian Heritage Political Party Convention.

## 2000

- World Commonwealth Parliamentary Association Study Tour:
  - Studied drug crisis causes and solutions - USA, UK, Ireland, Denmark, Sweden, Switzerland, Bulgaria, Turkey, Egypt, India, Hong Kong, Taiwan and Singapore.

## 2001

- Korea - Speaking Tour.
- Korea - National Prayer Breakfast, Seoul, Busan and Masan.

## 2003

- Delegate to Korean National Prayer Breakfast of opening of Christian Chang Shin University.

## 2006

- 25th World Christian Endeavour Convention in Budapest Hungary. Studied current issues in Germany, Denmark, Ireland and USA with Elaine Nile.

## 2013

- Israel - NSW Parliamentary Study Group visit to Israel during January 2013 in cooperation with the NSW Jewish Board of Deputies:

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- The Deputation included two CDP MPs (Hon Paul Green MLC and Rev Hon Fred Nile), Shooters and Fishers Party member (Hon Robert Borsak MLC), two ALP MPs (Hon Walt Secord MLC and Hon Luke Foley MLC), three Liberal MPs (Gabrielle Upton MP, Hon Matthew Mason-Cox MLC and Hon David Clarke MLC), two National Party MPs (John Barilaro MP and Hon Rick Colless MLC).
- Armenia - A delegation of seven politicians from Australia's largest state of New South Wales (NSW) paid their respects at Yerevan's Armenian Genocide monument (Dzidzernagapert). They met with His Holiness Karekin II (Catholicos of All Armenians) and President Serzh Sargsyan on an historic visit to Armenia, organised by the Armenian National Committee of Australia (ANC Australia) in July 2013.
  - Jonathan O'Dea MP, who is the Chair of the NSW Parliament's Friends of Armenia group, was joined on the trip by Marie Ficarra MLC, Amanda Fazio MLC, David Clarke MLC, Fred Nile MLC, Shaoquett Moselmane MLC, and Gladys Berejiklian MP
  - NSW Delegates welcomed by President of NKR Nagorno-Karabakh Assembly, Armenian Republic.

## AUSTRALIAN SPEAKING TOURS

- Addressed rallies, meetings, seminars and conferences from 1955 onwards in all States, as well as all major regional centres in NSW.
- Guest Speaker at University Student debates at Sydney University, Macquarie University, University of NSW, University of Technology, University of New England, Australian National University and University of Wollongong, etc.

## PROJECTS

- Organised Australian Tours by:
  - Mary Whitehouse (1973 Clean-up TV campaign, 1978);
  - Ban Child Porn campaign, 1984 Ban X-Rated Video campaign);
  - Pat Boone and Family (1974);
  - Malcolm Muggeridge (1976);
  - Svend-Age Laursen of Denmark (1971, 1981, 1985);
  - Professor E Blaiklock (1980 Ten Commandments campaign);
  - Mother Teresa (1981 International Year of the Disabled);
  - Dr Ron Goodwin, Mrs Phyllis Schafly and USA Team (Moral Majority) (1993);
  - William Murray (1992) - all States;
  - Chuck and Donna McIlheny (1994 Anti-Militant Homosexuals campaign);
  - Gianna Jessen of USA 1996 Pro-life campaign in all States.
- Organised regular National Conferences, for example:
  - National Education (1981);
  - National Youth Summit (IYY) (1985);
  - "One Nation Under God" Aboriginal Bicentennial Project) (1988)



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## GOVERNMENT CONFERENCES AND INQUIRIES

- The Rev Fred and Elaine Nile have participated in Federal, State, and UNESCO Conferences and Inquiries on a wide range of issues, including:
  - Television
  - Cable TV
  - Videos
  - Family Law Act
  - Drugs
  - Prostitution
  - Pornography
  - Education
  - Adoption Laws
  - Births, Deaths & Marriages
  - Homosexuality
  - Youth Violence
  - AIDS
  - Divorce Law
  - Rape & Sexual Assault
- They also prepared Submissions on a wide range of issues such as TV, drugs, gun reform, pornography, prostitution, family law, AIDS etc.

## LEGISLATION

- Fred has introduced many Bills and motions into New South Wales Legislative Council for example:
  - Tobacco Advertising Prohibition Act (Passed)
  - Smoking Regulation Act(Passed)

Fred and Elaine introduced the following Bills into Parliament:

- Family Impact Commission Bill
- Sexual Offence Damages Bill
- Alcoholic Beverages Advertising Prohibition Bill
- Unborn Child Protection Bill
- Pre-Surgery (HIV/AIDS Tests) Bill
- Citizen's Referendum Bill
- Nudity (Indecent Exposure) in Public Places Prohibition Bill
- Crimes Prevention Bill
- Anti Discrimination (Heterosexual Discrimination)Amendment Bill
- Anti Discrimination (Homosexual Vilification) Repeal Bill
- Pornographic Publications Video Sale and Display (Prohibition) Bill
- Compensation Innocent AIDS Victims Bill
- Parliamentary Contributory Superannuation Amendment (Definition of Salary) Bill (Passed)
- Gambling (Anti-Greed) Advertising Prohibition Bill
- Police Authorities Bill
- Constitution Amendment (Public Accountability) Bill.

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Fred, further introduces the following Bills

- Liquor Amendment (Drinking Age) Bill
- Liquor Amendment (Health Warning for Pregnant Women) Bill
- Drug and Alcohol Treatment Amendment (Rehabilitation of Persons with Severe Substance Dependence) Bill
- State Senate Bill
- Sex Services Advertising Prohibition Bill
- Summary Offences Amendment (Full-face Coverings Prohibition) Bill
- Adoption Amendment (Same Sex Couples Repeal) Bill
- Crimes Amendment (Soliciting Sex for Payment) Bill
- Crimes Amendment (Incitement or Promotion of Terrorism and Violence) Bill
- Child Protection (Nicole's Law) Bill
- Classification (Publications, Films and Computer Games) Enforcement Amendment (Banning Restricted X Rated Films) Bill
- Pregnancy Termination (Mandatory Counselling) Bill
- Crimes Amendment (Pre-natal Termination) Bill
- Crimes Amendment (Zoe's Law) Bill (Passed by Assembly 63-26)
- Drug Misuse and Trafficking Amendment (Injecting Centre Repeal) Bill
- Constitution Amendment (Restoration of Oaths of Allegiance) Bill (Passed)
- St Shenouda Coptic Orthodox Monastery (NSW) Property Trust Bill
- Crimes Amendment (Provocation) Bill 2014 (Passed)

## MEDIA

### Magazines:

- Fred was Editor of:
  - Revesby Congregational Church News 1954 - 1957
  - "Australian Christian Endeavour" (ACE) 1965-1974
  - "RAP" (Revolutionary Action Power) 1971-1974
  - "Christian Activity" 1968-1969
  - "Christian Solidarity" 1981-1987
  - "Family World News" (1994-present)



### Radio:

- Fred was host of Radio Station 2GB Talk Back Programme from 1981 to 1985.
- Radio programme 2CBA from 1985 to 1988 every Sunday night.
- Frequent interviews 2GB, 2UE, ABC, 2SM, etc.

### TV:

- Fred frequently guest on National, State and regional programmes.

### Press:

- Fred contributed a weekly column to the Sunday Telegraph from 1981-1984 and guest articles.

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## MEDIA FEATURES ON FRED NILE

- *Please don't let me be misunderstood*: Weekender Feature in The Illawarra Mercury published 26 February 2005 (page 12), author: Bill Simpson:

*"In possibly one of his most intimate explanations about his morals campaigning over the past 30 years, Mr Nile says he has no doubt it was part of his Christian 'calling', just as he sees Parliament as his 'parish'."*

- *He had a seat - and it wasn't on a fence*: The Daily Telegraph on 14 July 2004 featured a page 30 article on Fred Nile, author: David Penberthy:

*"[Fred Nile] deserves high praise, as he is arguably the most honest politician of his generation ... the reality is that much of Nile's work has not related to moral issues, but the generally good government of the state."*

*As there are too many articles written on Rev Nile – for current media article please Google "Rev Fred Nile"*

## AFFILIATIONS & MEMBERSHIPS

Fred is **currently** serving on various Parliamentary Inquiries:

- Assistant President, NSW Legislative Council (2007-present)
- Chairman General Purpose Standing Committee No. 1 (2007-present)
- Member Privileges Committee (2003-present)
- Member Procedure Committee (2003-present)
- Member ICAC Committee (2003-present)
- Chairman, Select Committee on the impact of gambling (2013-present)
- Member Joint Select Committee on Sentencing of Child Sexual Assault Offenders (2013-present)
- Member, Staysafe (Joint Standing Committee on Road Safety) (2013-present)
- Chairman, bullying in WorkCover NSW Inquiry

Legislative Council prior positions

- Assistant Deputy President (2007)
- Temporary Chairman of Committees (2003-2010)
- Member, Select Committee on the partial defence of provocation (2012-2013)
- Member, Select Committee into the closure of the Cronulla Fisheries Research Centre (2012)
- Member, Committee on the Health Care Complaints Commission (2007 -2011)
- Member, Committee on Children and Young People (2007 -2011)
- Member, General Purpose Standing Committee No. 1 (2007 -2011)
- Member, Standing Committee on State Development (2007 -2011)
- Member, Joint Select Committee on Parliamentary Procedure (2010)
- Member, Select Committee on Electoral and Political Party Funding (2007-2008)

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- Chairman, Joint Select Committee on the Royal North Shore Hospital (2007)
- Member, General Purpose Standing Committee No. 1 (2005-2007)
- Member, Committee on the Independent Commission Against Corruption (2003-2004)
- Member, Procedure Committee (2003-2004)
- Member, General Purpose Standing Committee No. 1 (2003-2004)
- Member, Committee on the Independent Commission Against Corruption (2004-2007)

Fred Nile MLC served as a member of the NSW Parliamentary Standing Committee on Social Issues (1988-1995), which investigated and reported upon:

- NSW Adoption Laws
- Drug Abuse amongst Youth
- Compensation for Innocent (Medically Acquired) AIDS/HIV Victims
- Juvenile Justice
- Births, Deaths and Marriage Records
- Also conducted investigations into Rape Rates and Pornography, Youth Violence, Youth Rural Suicides in Australia USA & NZ.

Fred also served as a member of NSW Parliamentary Standing Committee on Law and Justice (1995-1999):

- Investigations into Mandatory Life Sentences, Motor Accident Insurance, Occupational Health and Safety etc.

## Community Organisations

- Member of the Board of Reference of Bill Newman Crusades; George & Rita Galleh Crusades
- Member of Aboriginal "One Nation Under God" Committee
- Life Councillor of the Australian Christian Endeavour Movement
- Member Council of the University of Wollongong (1995-1999)
- Invited Guest of Israel National Day Celebrations
- Honourary Patron / Director Australian Christian Nation Association
- Honourary National / NSW President Christian Democratic Party (Fred Nile Group)
- Honourary President Fellowship of Congregational Churches
- Honourary Director 2CH Broadcasting
- Member Council of Churches (NSW)

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## AUTOBIOGRAPHY

In August 2001, "**FRED NILE, AN AUTOBIOGRAPHY**" was released. It is a self-portrait of a controversial Australian that will be of interest to supporters and opponents alike. A Korean edition was released in 2003.

It cuts through the stereotypes and reveals the heart and soul of the man behind all the headlines and posturing; a fascinating mix of moral crusader, humble pastor, tireless politician and compassionate human being.

In his autobiography, after twenty years in Parliament, the Reverend Fred Nile describes his:

- Origins as the son of a Kings Cross taxi driver and a Kings Cross waitress
- Brief career as an SP bookie's runner
- Conversion to Christianity at the age of fifteen
- Innovative youth work among skinheads, bikies and surfies at Sydney Wesley Central Mission
- Controversial leadership of the Australian Festival of Light
- Tenacious fight against the "moral darkness" he sees threatening the foundations of society
- Confrontations with the gay rights movement
- Unexpected election to the NSW Legislative Council in 1981, with a record first preference vote for an Independent
- 20-year career as a political survivor in the NSW Parliament
- Love-hate relationship with the media
- Ultimate vision for Australia

