

# The Church of England Homes

## doing the job

Keeping a family together through a crisis can be a fairly delicate business. The Church of England Homes employs the right people with the right qualifications to help open communications between parents and children. They give them room to see what their problems are and to make choices to solve

them. Social workers, parents, children, foster parents all participate in discussions where mutually agreed goals are set. Sometimes all a family needs is a little financial input at a crisis time. Sometimes just the chance to talk things through.



Kingsleigh, our home in Blacktown provides temporary, crisis accommodation for up to seven children. Perhaps mum is in hospital and dad is working out of town. Perhaps mum simply needs a week away from the pressures of running things on her own. At Kingsleigh, the children can relax for a short time in a stable, supportive situation while the social worker deals with things at home.

Cornwall, Buckland, Havilah and Marella are our Group Homes which provide longer term care. Perhaps the children aren't getting normal care at home. Maybe they have missed out on it for a long time. These homes provide a kind of holding situation. But one which avoids damaging them still further by providing them with a good model of a positive family-type experience. Meanwhile,

everything possible is being done through the counselling service to restore family relationships. Hopefully, after six months, usually sooner, the family can get back together or foster placement can be arranged. Two of our homes are for Aboriginal children. They are managed and staffed by Aborigines and are the first of their kind.

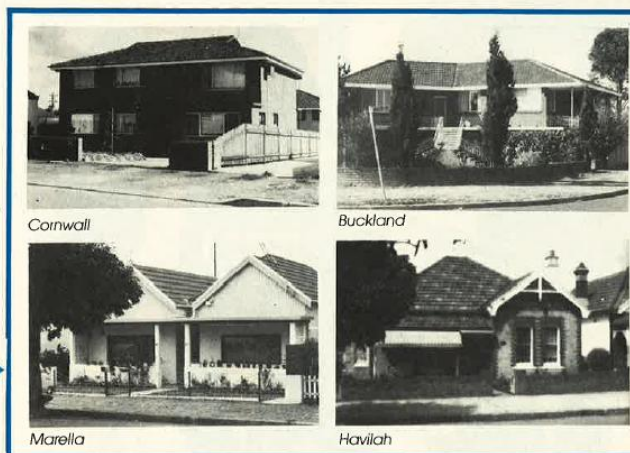
### Family Support

### Crisis Care

### Residential Care



Kingsleigh



Cornwall

Buckland

Marella

Havilah