1. Record Nr. UNINA9910465325603321 Autore Chan-Yeung Moira M. W. **Titolo** The practical prophet: Bishop Ronald O. Hall of Hong Kong and his legacies / / Moira M. W. Chan-Yeung Hong Kong, [Hong Kong]:,: Hong Kong University Press,, 2015 Pubbl/distr/stampa ©2015 **ISBN** 988-8313-78-9 Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (269 p.) Sheng Kung Hui: Historical Studies of Anglican Christianity in China Collana Disciplina 283.0922 Soggetti Anglican Communion - Bishops Anglican Communion - China - Hong Kong - Bishops Electronic books. Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Note generali Includes index. Nota di bibliografia Includes bibliographical references (pages [237]-241) and index. Nota di contenuto Foreword / Paul Kwong -- Preface -- 1. Sowing the seeds : early encounters with China -- 2. The making of a bishop: Bishop R.O. Hall's early years (1895-1932) -- 3. Working under the threat of the Japanese : the Diocese of South China and Hong Kong (1932-45) -- 4. Managing the diocese under political turmoil: the Diocese of South China and Hong Kong (1946-51) -- 5. Shepherding his flock in God's beloved city : the Diocese of Hong Kong (1951-56) -- 6. Consolidating and expanding his work: the Diocese of Hong Kong (1957-66) -- 7. His humanity and his legacies in Hong Kong -- Appendix 1. Transcript of Bishop R.O. Hall's tape recordings made after his retirement --Appendix 2. Bishop R.O. Hall's life events -- Appendix 3. Bishops consecrated, deans installed, archdeacons -- Appointed, and clergy ordained by Bishop R.O. Hall -- Appendix 4. Churches and schools in Hong Kong during Bishop R.O. Hall's episcopate -- Appendix 5. Names of places, people, and terms in English and Chinese -- Appendix 6. Sources of information. Sommario/riassunto As the longest serving and the most influential bishop of Hong Kong during one of the most tumultuous periods in China's history, Bishop R. O. Hall played a crucial role in the reconstruction of the Anglican Church and Hong Kong after the Second World War. Born in England,

the bishop committed his life to building bridges: between China and England; between Hong Kong workers and company management; between the government and the Hong Kong people; and, of course, between the Hong Kong people he loved and the Divine he worshipped. His single-mindedness in pursuing and translating the social theology of F. D. Maurice into practical terms resulted in his enormous contributions to the development of social welfare, low-cost housing, and education in postwar Hong Kong and helped spur its economic and social evolution into a global city. This book highlights the two major controversies during his episcopacy: the ordination of a woman priest during the war and his visit to China during the "Hundred Flowers Campaign." Based on primary archival and private materials, this book shows that Bishop Hall, whole-hearted in pursuit of his goals for Hong Kong through "love-in-action," was also multifaceted, with longings, questions, and inner contradictions we all share.