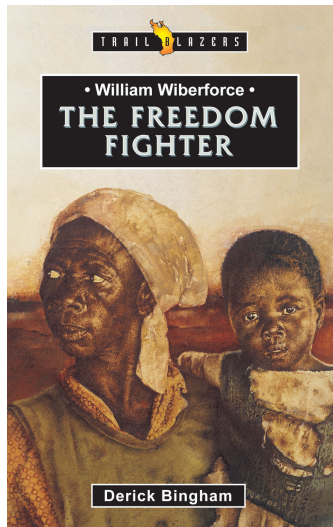


# William Wilberforce: The Freedom Fighter

Derick Bingham

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## DESCRIPTION

This exciting story shows how faith in Christ and love for people can transform a nation. Thousands of men, women and children were separated and sold before slavery was abolished. One man fought to bring freedom and relief from the terrors of the slave trade; it took him forty-five years. His name was William Wilberforce.

## MARKETING POINTS

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Amazing story for all young people to hear

## AUTHOR

Derick Bingham was the teaching pastor at Christchurch, Belfast. He was also an Adjunct Professor of English Literature at the John Brown University and a Fellow of the Royal Society for Arts. A popular author and well known public speaker Derick passed away on the 6th of March 2010 following a long battle with Leukemia.

## ENDORSEMENTS

William Wilberforce recorded many intimate details about his spiritual life, and thanks to Michael McMullen's painstaking work, many of them are published here for the first time. This book is an inestimable treasure – it draws back the curtain on Wilberforce's struggles and rejoicings in his own words as he wrestled both with himself and all that God had called him to be and do.

### Eric Metaxas

*Author of Amazing Grace: William Wilberforce and the Heroic Campaign to End Slavery and host of the nationally syndicated Eric Metaxas Radio Show*

Wilberforce has fascinated and confused biographers and historians for centuries – how did this hilarious, spontaneous, chaotic and conspicuously gracious man change the world? Christians have delighted in his attachment to their gospel and have hoped that the silver stream of world-changing inspiration was divine. And now at last, in these pages, Wilberforce can speak for himself – and the conclusion is luminous: Jesus Christ once said that people would be fruitful as they abide in him. In these pages we see a man, an undeniably fruitful man, abiding in Christ. Believers will find a brother travelling the path that they have known, and will be inspired to press on, rejoicing by faith in the One who brings fruit into sight. I can't think of a more thrilling or important publication from the last ten years.

### Ben Virgo

*Director, Christian Heritage London*

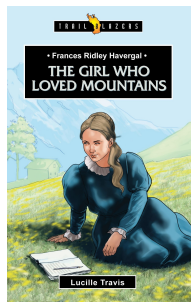
William Wilberforce, the leader of the campaign for the abolition of the slave trade, was a devoted Evangelical Christian. His spiritual journals between 1785 and 1833 open a window on the inward life of this public man. He was frank, self-critical and conscious of his constant dependence on the God of mercy. Michael McMullen has transcribed all the journals and added helpful explanatory notes so as to make this detailed record of Wilberforce's Christian journey available for the first time.

### David Bebbington

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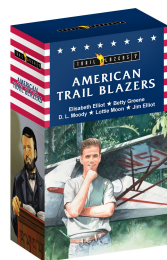
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