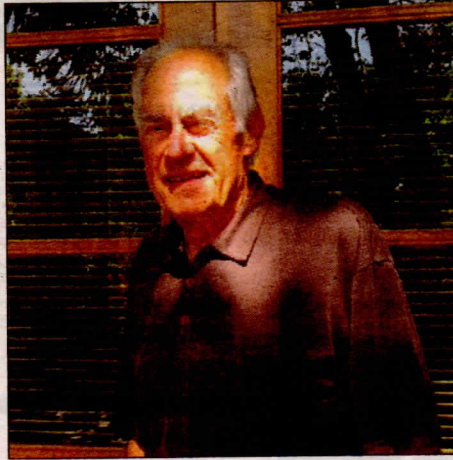


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bought her two Los Angeles homes with him.

They also share a townhouse in Manhattan's Greenwich Village and a home in London.

Bell Tolls



Architect Bob Easton oversees the All Saints rescue project

Initial restoration work has now started on the 116-year-old All Saints by-the-Sea Episcopal Church with the historic bell tower and its 616-pound bell coming down to allow for much-needed seismic reinforcement to stop it collapsing.

Montecito architect **Bob Easton**, who is overseeing the \$11-million project with Santa Monica engineer **Bruce Resnick**, tells me: "What must come down will also come back up.

"The bell tower has many cracks and is really just a pile of stones. It is being rebuilt and strengthened, and with a freshened face will be ready for another century or more.

"It will be the same size and shape and look, but without the decades of ivy. There is a theory that the ivy is actually holding it together, but I don't believe it.

"Once the tower's stones are removed, catalogued, and assessed, and the rubble foundation is removed, a new strong foundation will be built secured deep in the earth with four caissons.

"The tower will be rebuilt with many of the existing facing stones that are worthy around a reinforced

concrete core. The two spires will be rebuilt with steel cores, lightening the loads, and the bronze bell will be safely stored in the sanctuary during construction."

The structure site will be fenced for safety, and scaffolding will be erected and taken down at least three times, so progress will be viewable. The work will be completed in October.

Next up is reinforcement work with steel beams to the main building's walls and roof, which means the congregation moving to alternative premises for services, which is still to be decided.

Work should be completed by 2018.