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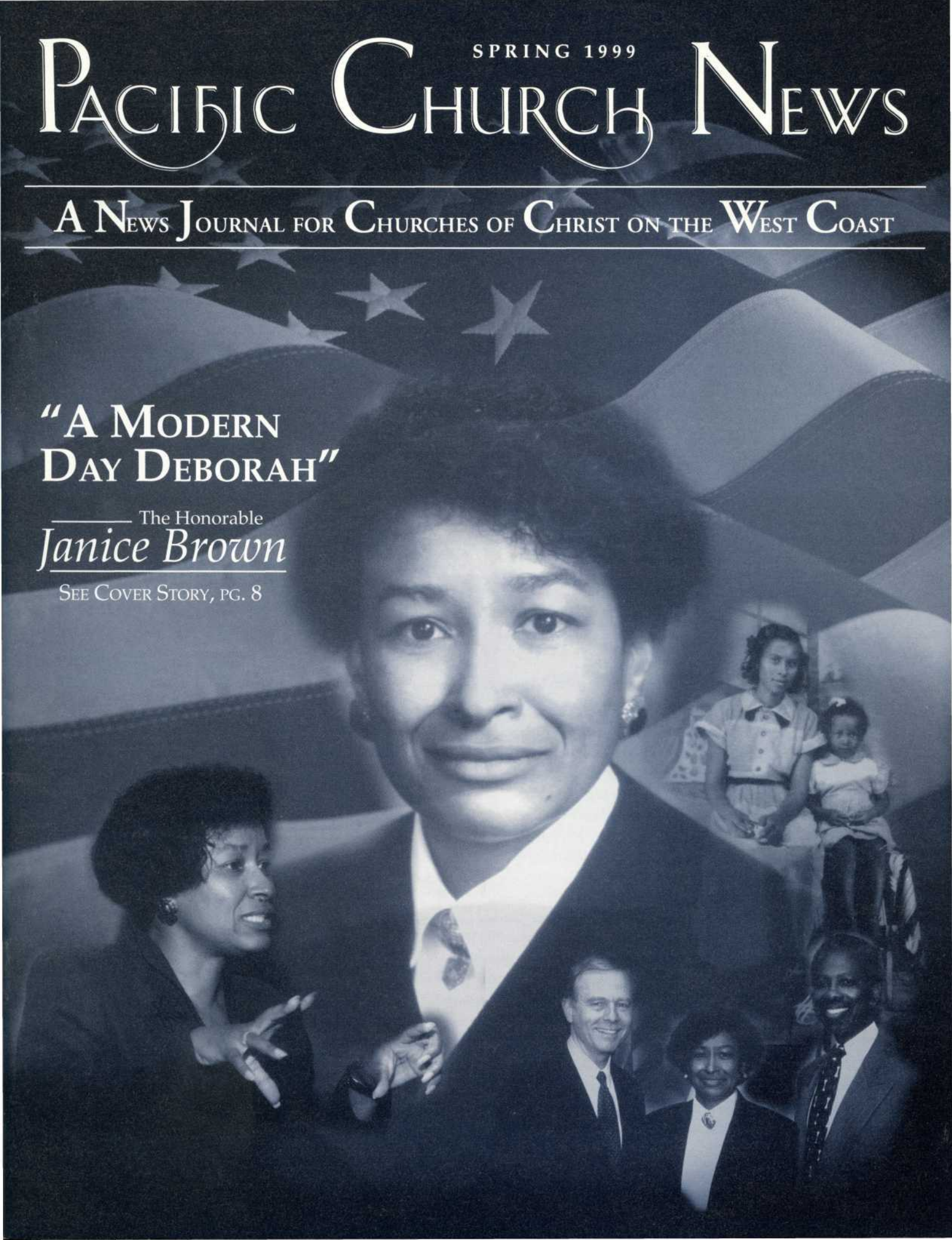
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## "A MODERN DAY DEBORAH"

The Honorable  
*Janice Brown*

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## Pepperdine President David Davenport to Resign in the Year 2000



David Davenport, sixth President of Pepperdine University, announced his resignation to the university community on March 29, 1999.

Dr. David Davenport announced that the next academic year (1999-2000) will be his final year to serve as president of Pepperdine University. He plans to step down from this post on June 30, 2000, after completing 15 years in office. In an April press conference, Dr. Davenport stated that the average tenure of college presidents is about 5 years, and recognized his years as being a remarkable partnership.

"I strongly believe that institutions thrive during times of stability, but they also need the opportunity to grow around new leaders," said Davenport. "Also, individuals need the opportunity to grow with new challenges. Typically university presidents will retire from this position, but when you begin at age 34, you know that one challenge is finding the right moment to make a transition. I believe this is the most appropriate time for both Pepperdine and for me," said Davenport.

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## ACU To Present Tom Bost With Distinguished Alumni Citation

Dr. Royce Money, president of Abilene Christian University, will present Tom Bost with a Distinguished Alumni Citation, April 28, during the Pepperdine Lectures.

Bost, ACU class of 1964, serves as chairman of Pepperdine University's Board of Regents, a seat he has occupied for 18 years. He also serves on the Dean's Council of ACU's College of Business Administration. He was selected for this ACU alumni honor because of his distinctive personal and professional achievements.

The majority of his professional career has been with the Los Angeles law firm of Latham & Watkins, where he began practicing in 1968 and became partner in 1975. Since joining Latham & Watkins, the firm has grown from 40 attorneys to more than 800 with offices in Japan, Hong Kong and Moscow.

The Bost family have been members of the Culver-Palms Church of Christ in Los Angeles since 1968. During the '70s and early '80s, Tom served as a deacon and Sunday school teacher. He is currently serving as an elder and has served in this position of responsibility for more than 15 years.

Along with graduating from Abilene Christian University, Bost earned his law degree at Vanderbilt University Law School.

Bost and his wife, Sheila, have four children, Amy, Luke, Emily and Paul.



Tom Bost has served as Chairman of the Board of Regents for Pepperdine University since 1980.

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The Honorable Justice Janice Rogers Brown is a member of the California State Supreme Court and a member of the Cordova Church of Christ in Northern California. Justice Brown is also teaching a class during this year's Pepperdine Bible Lectures. Her life story is featured on pages 8-9.

# REMEMBERING

## Remembering My Brother Dan Anders

by Ken Durham



Dan Anders served as minister for the Malibu Church of Christ from 1985 to 1998.

Dan Anders ministered to the Malibu Church of Christ in the heart of the Pepperdine University community for thirteen years. More to the point, he loved it, prodded it, taught it, counseled it, prophesied to it, shaped

it, led it, pushed it, pulled it, delighted it, disturbed it, soothed it, stirred it, and in the finest and most biblical sense of the word “evangelized” it for those thirteen years. When Dan and Judy left the Malibu church for retirement in Texas, they left it a healthy, loving, faithful, forward-looking fellowship — enduring and distinctive marks of their years of ministry there. When Dan passed away on February 8 of this year after a ten-year battle with lymphatic cancer, Christians worldwide grieved.

Dan Anders was born in Dallas in 1936. He was adopted as a baby, and like Samuel of old, was dedicated by his parents to be one who would “minister before the Lord.” Brought up in Dallas and Seagoville, Texas, he attended Abilene Christian College, where he studied Bible and Greek, and graduated magna cum laude. Dan was a boy-wonder preacher, a preaching prodigy. The great E. W. McMillan recognized this and took Dan around the world with him—6 months, 36,000 miles—on a grand “missionary journey” in 1958.

Dan was a man known for his wisdom, a gift never more evident than when in 1963 he married Judy Snow of Dallas, Texas. Their extraordinary 35-year marriage was a union of uncommon Christian devotion and affection. And from that love were born their daughters Leigh



Ann and Lara.

Dan’s full-time preaching ministry began with the Graham Street Church of Christ in Stephenville, Texas (1961-65), and included the Hoyt Avenue Church of Christ in El Monte, California (1965-1969), the Central Church of Christ in Houston (1969-83), and after a merger, the Southwest Central Church of Christ in Houston (1983-85). In 1985 he and Judy moved to Malibu, California, where he served as the preaching minister for the congregation on the Pepperdine campus until 1998. Following his retirement from full-time ministry, Dan worked briefly part-time with the staff of the Glenwood Church of Christ in Tyler, Texas.

Long acknowledged as one of our brotherhood’s most effective preachers and teachers, Dan conducted over 400 evangelistic meetings, workshops and retreats, and was a featured speaker at virtually all of the major brotherhood lec-

tureships. His award-winning gifts as a Christian writer were displayed in such journals as *21st Century Christian*, *Restoration Quarterly*, *UpReach*, *Image*, and *Power For Today* (all of which he served either as a staff writer or editorial board member). This year he was recognized as one of Abilene Christian University’s Distinguished Alumni, an award presented posthumously by ACU President Royce Money at Dan’s memorial service at the Glenwood church in Tyler.

Dan Anders was widely spoken of as a “preacher’s preacher”—an outstanding witness to the gospel who raised the bar of excellence for all who seek to preach, a man many of us identified as a model of the kind of minister we desire to be. Because he was a wise and inspirational mentor to so many preachers around the world, his godly influence will continue to be extended through generations of

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## Jay Cho's Dream

by Ted Parks

He was born in what is now the sinister Democratic People's Republic of Korea, better known as North Korea. Years later, he studied at Korean Christian University in South Korea and worked with Churches of Christ in Seoul. Jay Cho would eventually make his way to America. He now lives in Southern California, where his dream is to strengthen Churches of Christ and train teachers and leaders, whatever their ethnicity, for the next century.

Cho has been the prime mover in establishing the Los Angeles Institute for Christian Studies (LAICS). The Institute cooperates with Pepperdine's Church Relations Office to provide classes leading to the Christian Education Certificate. The LAICS begins core classes for the program May 3 at the Glendale Church of Christ.

According to LAICS information, the certificate plan gives participants opportunities to "Engage in responsible study of Scripture, history, and Christian ministry." It helps participants breathe new energy into their "personal life of faith and service to others."

The Church Relations Office of Pepperdine puts the university's academic punch behind the program. The Office approves all the instructors, who must have at least a master's degree to teach in the program. Cho said that Pepperdine also provides a graduation ceremony and a certificate that looks much "like a diploma." The LAICS board includes Dr. Rick Marrs, chair of the Pepperdine Religion Division; Dr. Jerry Rushford, Director of Church Relations; and Dr. Woody Hughes, professor in the Pepperdine Graduate School of Education and Psychology. Cho, who directs LAICS, is also on the board, along with local ministers Jerry Jones from Van Nuys

and Jason Fikes from Pasadena.

Marrs commented on the history of the Christian Education Certificate program, which originally focused on African-American leaders of Churches of Christ. Marrs noted that the program Cho is now organizing has an especially qualified faculty because most of the instructors are candidates for doctoral degrees. The Christian Education Certificate is a "neat way for people to do serious Bible study," Marrs said.

Students who earn a Christian Education Certificate must complete six classes of 27 hours' instruction each. Of the six, three are core courses: "Survey of the Old Testament," "Survey of the New Testament," and "Church History: Bible Times to the Present." The three remaining electives come from a variety of courses that include, among other topics, textual studies, apologetics, and ministry. Luke-Acts and Paul's Epistles are examples from the biblical area. In "Apologetics: Answering the World's Arguments," students look at faith in an age of doubt. "The Task of Ministry" will focus on the how-to of service.

The program, Cho believes, will meet the needs of a cross-section of people in Churches of Christ and perhaps in other groups. All classes are in English for the general church population, but Cho would especially like to see LAICS equip a new generation of Korean-American leaders from the Churches of Christ.

Cho's own interesting story gives ample evidence of his dedication to

serving Asian Christians. Cho graduated in 1970 from Korean Christian, operated by Churches of Christ in Seoul, South Korea. He began at Korean Christian in 1964, but the Vietnam War interrupted his studies when he left home to serve with the South Korean Air Force in Vietnam from 1965-67. During his



Above: Jay Cho has served as a minister to Korean-American Christians at the Glendale Church of Christ for the past 14 years.



Leaders of the Korean-American Churches of Christ. Front row, l to r: Chul Kook Choi and Roger Kim. Back row, l to r: Abraham Song, Chang Ho Lim, Jay Cho and Paul Chung.

stint there, Cho got to know veteran American missionary Maurice Hall, he said. He later worked part-time with churches in Seoul while he held down other jobs, including one as public information officer for the South Korean government.

Cho came to America the first time

in 1973, after which he returned to South Korea as a "native missionary" with support from American churches. He worked there with a team of Korean brothers in the Korean Military Evangelistic Crusade. With the blessings of the military command, Cho preached at bases from the east coast to the west on the Korean Peninsula.

His work even took him near the Demilitarized Zone, to soldiers on the "front lines," Cho said. Though the DMZ was ordinarily off-limits to civilians, the military furnished him transportation. Cho also established a middle school for street children in South Korea.

When he came back to the States in 1978, Cho settled in Houston. After his

business collapsed with the city's financial slump in the early 1980s, he headed west. "I wandered around like a vagabond," Cho explained, as he searched for work in the Northwest. About that time he wrote Pepperdine President Howard White, having met White earlier in Korea. Cho enrolled in the graduate religion program in 1985 and later earned a Master of Science in Ministry.

"I am indebted to the University," Cho said, for the chance Pepperdine gave him to continue his education. It was also providential, he believes, that the Glendale Church of Christ needed a Korean minister the same time he started his graduate study. Cho has now served the Korean-American congregation at Glendale for 14 years. With a typical Sunday attendance of about 60, the Glendale Korean-speaking group is one of six in Los Angeles. Cho estimates the total membership among Korean-American Churches of Christ in the area at 300.

To keep using his opportunities for service, as well as enhance those of others, including his Korean-speaking brothers and sisters, is at the heart of Cho's work with the LA Institute for Christian Studies. "With the dawning of the 21st century," the LAICS information sheet explains, "church leaders and workers need to be even better prepared to meet contemporary challenges and to lead God's people."

For more information on the Los Angeles Institute for Christian Studies program, including fees and the application process, contact Jay Cho at the Glendale Church of Christ, 2021 W. Glenoaks Blvd., Glendale, CA 91320, (818) 842-1931.

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Jay Cho (left) and a visiting Korean preacher from New York in front of the Glendale Church of Christ. The Korean sign is visible beneath the English.



Korean Mission Workshop, hosted by the Glendale Church of Christ, was held at Pepperdine University in 1994.

# CONGREGATION

## A Tale of Twelve Churches

by Bill Henegar

Through this century, 12 Churches of Christ have been born in California's San Diego county that have one historical thing in common: they all trace their beginning, in part or in whole, to the El Cajon Boulevard Church of Christ. The newest of these 12 is called the Northern Hills Church of Christ in north San Diego County. After much planning and prayer, the congregation had its first worship service on Sunday, October 4, 1998. The church is using the Morning Creek Elementary School in the community of Sabre Springs as a meeting place.

At the center of the encouraging and evangelistic activities over the years is the venerable "mother church," El Cajon Boulevard (ECB), the longest established congregation in the county. The congregation began meeting at its present location around 1933, when El Cajon Boulevard was the main highway leading into downtown San Diego from the east. But its roots are even older. In 1892, the great evangelist, T. B. Larimore, came to San Diego to preach the gospel. It was only one of the productive works he accomplished in the last chapter of his life in California. The meetings the famous preacher held produced three baptisms and those believers became the core of what would become ECB.

The influence of ECB has been broad and consistent. For the past 28 years, the church's television program, "Know Your Bible," has shared the good news through a Bible question and answer format, using the minister and others as spokespersons. It is presently seen on station KSWB at 8:00 a.m. on Sunday. It has been seen on affiliate television stations of various networks through the years, and today the viewership is estimated at 13,000. In addition, for many years, ECB broadcasted its morning worship service over a local radio station. It was especially effective



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for shut-ins who couldn't attend services.

Across the border in Tijuana, Mexico, San Diego's sister city, the church has supported Reuben Medina in his work with the Miramar Church of Christ for more than a quarter century. And with San Diego being the location of one of the most important naval bases in the nation, ECB has always had a vital outreach to service personnel and their families.

The city of San Diego is California's second largest. Only Los Angeles is larger. The greater San Diego area has a population of 2.7 million, and that number dramatically increases during the prime tourist season. Indeed, the area is one of the most popular vacation destinations in the nation. It is estimated that, by the year 2020, the San Diego area will have about 3.8 million residents.

The El Cajon Boulevard Church of Christ is served by four elders: W.L. Fletcher III, Jim Goodyear, Gary Schwertly, and Frank Wilson. Kevin Withem has been the pulpit minister for nearly 12 years. Kevin and his wife, Karen, have two children, Brett, age 6, and Ian, age 3. Ron Runion is the "Know

Your Bible" minister, and Kathy Rogers is the "Know Your Bible" secretary and bookkeeper. Whitney McDowell is the church secretary. Austin Smith, whom Withem called "an outstanding youth minister in the county," works with the teens at both ECB and Northern Hills. In fact, the two groups have been integrated into one for the present time.

As in earlier years, the ECB leadership saw the need to launch out into a new work in the San Diego area. This time the work was targeted toward the north in those new communities along the I-15 corridor: Carmel Mountain Ranch, Rancho Penasquitos, Poway, Scripps Ranch, and Rancho Bernardo. The new residential developments already boast a population of more than 165,000, and that number is expected to grow to 188,000 in another 15 years. "The new congregation is in an area where population will continue to spiral upward," said Withem. "I see it as becoming one of the most vibrant outreaches in California. We believe we are developing an atmosphere that young families will connect with, that will emphasize that there's no limit to the future. We see it as a place for people to



The new Northern Hills Church of Christ paused for a photo after services at the Morning Creek Elementary School in Sabre Springs. They are averaging about 85 in attendance.



Pulpit minister for both congregations is Kevin Withem. He and his wife, Karen, have two sons, Ian (left) and Brett.



The elders of the El Cajon Boulevard Church of Christ are (front, l.to r.) Frank Wilson, W.L. Fletcher, (back left) Jim Goodyear, and (back right) Gary Schwertly. Two of the ministers are in the back center, youth minister Austin Smith (left), and "Know Your Bible" minister Ron Runion (right).

return to their roots and a place where newcomers will find a home."

The leadership began discussing the planting of a new church in 1997 and by early 1998, a viable plan had been developed. Proposals for financial support were made to various trusts and foundations, as well as to individuals. These were favorably received and partners were enlisted in the new work. October was set as a target date to begin worship services in Sabre Springs. The concept was for the two churches to share church staff. The new church would be a satellite work, an extension of ECB, and the elders would have a hands-on role in the

development of the church.

On schedule, Kevin Withem began preaching an early service at ECB at 8:45 a.m. on Sundays, then rushed up the freeway to Northern Hills by 10:30 a.m. Two elders, W. L. Fletcher and Gary Schwertly, meet with the new congregation for the present time. Withem splits his time for other services, preaching Sunday evening at ECB and teaching a Wednesday evening class at Northern Hills Church.

The new congregation was launched with Bible classes for all ages, including pre-school and elementary, junior-senior high school and adult. Because of the large number of families with children in this part of the county, a Children's Ministry is an important part of the Northern Hills Church of Christ. It is hoped that young families will be reached through ministering to children. Thus, a children's service, called "SonTown," is conducted during the morning worship for the convenience of parents and for worship training for the children. The SonTown outreach utilizes puppets, crafts, and the creative storytelling and teaching of Elizabeth Smith and Ellen Wilson.

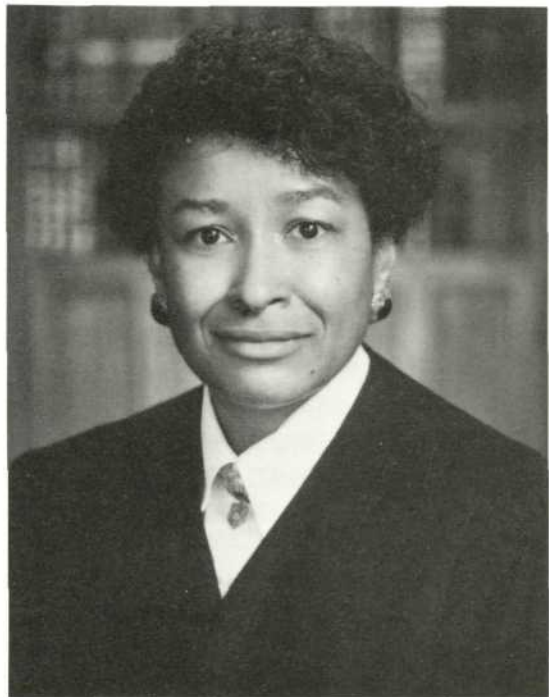
Regarding the El Cajon Boulevard Church, Withem said, "It is centrally located and I absolutely see the church continuing to minister to people in San Diego. It continues to draw people of all ages. There have been some slight declines in attendance because we only have one service—an early one. When we return to a later service, we will pick up larger numbers."

El Cajon Boulevard Church used the "Know Your Bible" television program to announce the beginning of the Northern Hills Church. A direct mail piece is now in the process of being mailed to 35,000 homes in the target area. Morning Creek Elementary School, where the group is meeting, has proven to be a fine location, with an auditorium that can seat 500 and plenty of classroom space. It is located at 10925 Morning Creek Drive South, San Diego, CA 92128.

The elders and ministers envision having two full-grown congregations within a relatively short time, rather than one older established church and one struggling new church. Kevin Withem added, "We hope to revitalize the idea of church planting."

## A Modern Day Deborah

by Chris Goldman



Official California Supreme Court portrait of Justice Janice Rogers Brown.

Each week she takes her place as a member of California's highest court. On Sunday she takes her place as a member of the Cordova Church of Christ in Rancho Cordova, California. As the first African-American woman appointed to the California Supreme Court (appointed by Governor Pete Wilson), Justice Janice Rogers Brown is a new paradigm for the west coast political establishment. An avowed conservative, she is also held up as an example of success for young women and African-Americans.

Although her professional resume is well known within legal circles, perhaps the key to who she is as a person and

a judge rests not in her studies at California State University, Sacramento, or UCLA Law School, but on the firm foundation of family and faith she received as a youthful member of the Church of Christ. Born and raised 50 miles south of Montgomery — in the tiny town of Luverne, Alabama — Janice was part of the fourth generation of her family to be a member of the Church of Christ.

Growing up in Alabama in the mid-'50s, there was both a sense of optimism and a sense of menace. Jim Crow was in its heyday. Everything — from the water fountains to the churches — was segregated. "My grandmother was resigned to going to the black hospital because it was the only place trauma care was available," Janice said. She sent me to a segregated school because there was no other opportunity to

get an education. We could, however, live our lives without seeing a movie if it meant being relegated to the balcony. She refused to drink from the colored foun-

tains; to sit in the colored waiting room; or go to anybody's back door." Without receiving one lecture on the subject, Brown says she learned from people around her that bowing to the inevitable is not the same thing as surrender. "You may have to bend sometimes, but you can never be broken unless you submit."

Janice acknowledges that two

ministers had a great influence on her life. Her uncle, James Kolb, was one of the well known teachers in the region. "I was terrifically impressed with him," she said. "He loved to debate. And it filled him with delight to demolish some specious argument. 'Do your homework' he would say. If you had something to say, he expected you to, 'back it up with the Book.' Without realizing it, I was learning respect for intellectual rigor and logical reasoning." The pursuit of knowledge and the love of language have carried into



Janice and her mom on a hot summer day in Alabama around 1953.



Janice Brown and her son in June 1977 on the day she graduated from the UCLA School of Law.

her professional life as well. She notes that then, and now, the most attractive quality of the Churches of Christ is their unabashed allegiance to the Word.

Brown was baptized at the age of 10 at a revival meeting. Her grandmother was concerned that she study first and took the time to see that she did. "I had begun reading the Bible with her before I started school," Janice remembered. "I was always impressed that she could pronounce all of those names in the Old Testament." Though she had little formal education, her grandmother had a lifelong love of learning and a passion for



excellence. Her motto was, "Whatever you do, do it with all your might."

Janice decided she wanted to be a lawyer while still in grade school. Her family was not immediately enthusiastic. "Despite the good work of the lawyers of the NAACP Legal Defense Fund, having to deal with a lawyer was still something more people tried to avoid," she said. "I think I was 8 or 9 before I finally realized 'shyster lawyer' was two words."

One lawyer, Fred Gray, a man they knew only by reputation, helped to change her family's perceptions. He was an attorney and a minister. In the mid-50's, he represented Rosa Parks during the Montgomery bus boycott and sometimes acted as attorney for Dr. Martin Luther King. "Fred Gray was proof positive to my family that you could be a lawyer and also a decent person," Janice said.

Brown looks back on the events of her life and sees what an important role her faith has played in all the challenges, triumphs, and tragedies of her life. "I wish I had been one of those staunch, steadfast, steady members of the church. But I must admit, during different periods of my life, my level of commitment has waxed and waned. My faith has never left me, but there have been times when the flame was barely flickering, when I succumbed to spiritual laziness," she admitted. "Becoming a parent steadied me. I knew I wanted my son to have the same heritage, the same bedrock which had helped me to endure."

A brand new law school graduate, Janice moved into a house in Rancho Cordova in 1978 and went looking for a church. The Cordova Church of Christ was meeting nearby in a small building on Coloma Road. Don Huddleston was preaching and the building was bursting at the seams. In 1986, the congregation moved to new and more commodious facilities — still on Coloma Road. Janice

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Left to Right: Governor Pete Wilson, Janice Brown and her husband. This picture was taken in, 1996, the day Governor Wilson announced Janice Brown's nomination to the California Supreme Court.

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This photograph was taken the same day in 1996 that her nomination to the California Supreme Court was announced. Justice Brown is standing in the halls of the 3rd District Court of Appeals.

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Justice Janice Brown (far right) took her place on the California Supreme Court in 1996.

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# GRADUATE BIBLICAL STUDIES



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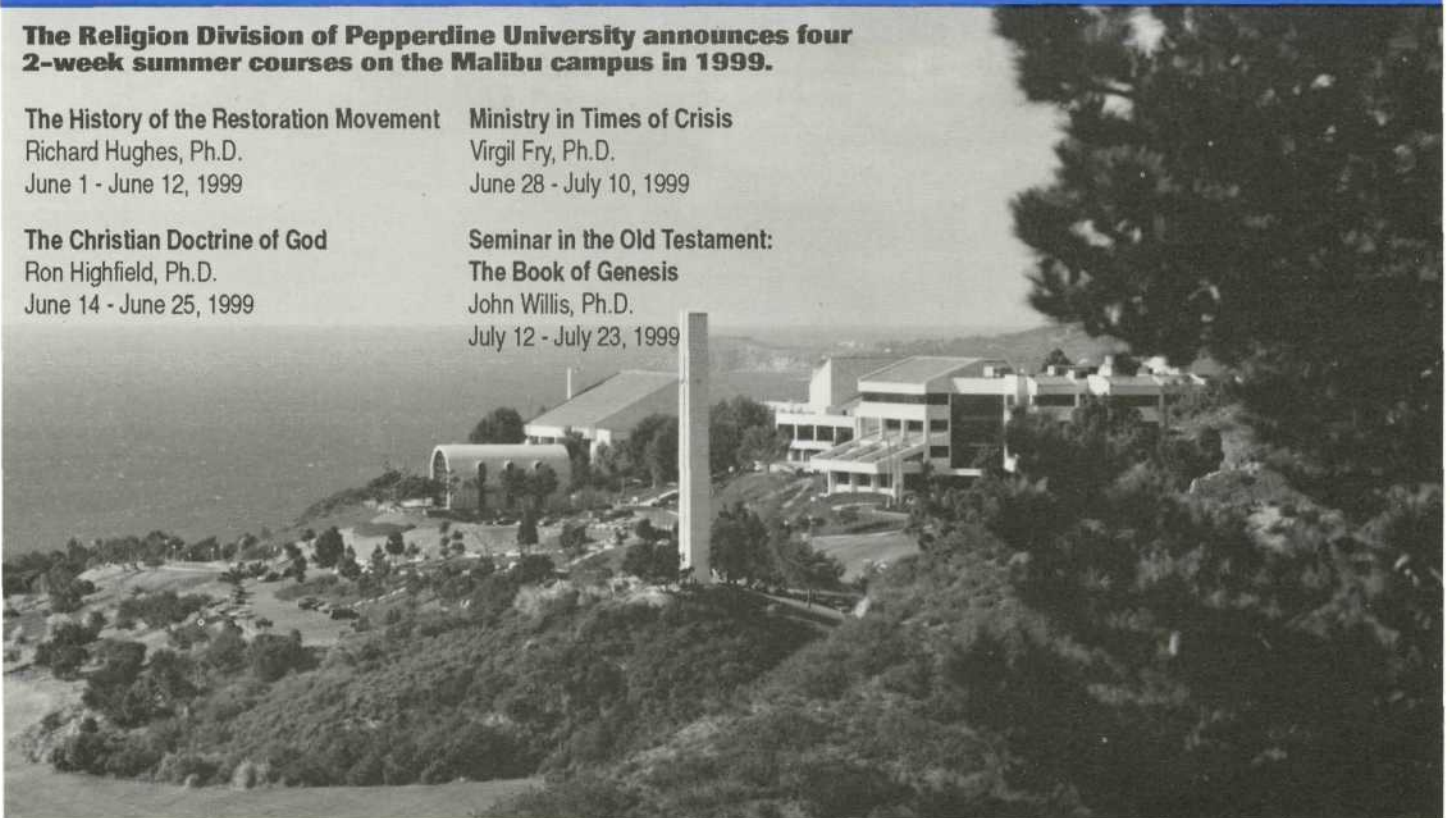
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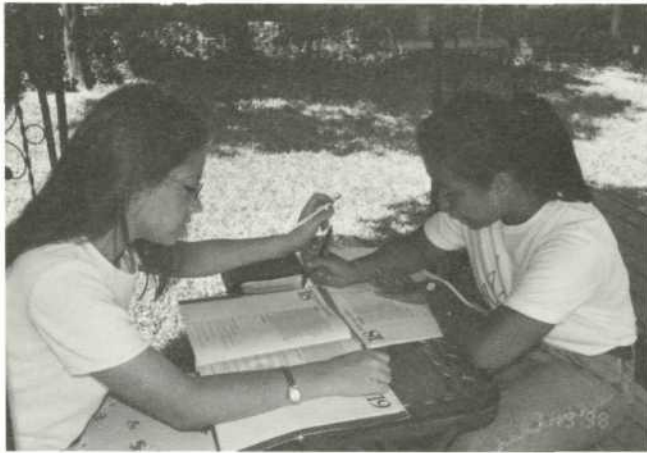
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## Students Sharing Their Faith

by Regan Schaffer

Pepperdine's mission states that the university is "committed to the highest standards of academic excellence and Christian values" (1999) for its students, which includes preparation for Christian



Pepperdine student Emily Woodward (left) with her reader from Bangkok, Thailand.

service throughout the world. The university community recognizes that the strengthening of the Christian value of service most often occurs through experiences that connect faith with action. Consequently, through co-curricular campus events and the Malibu Church of Christ, students are given several opportunities to connect faith and service. Two programs in particular provide opportunities for students to make such a connection in another country, Project Serve San Felipe and Let's Start Talking ministries.

For five days in March of this year, about 50 students spent their Spring Break in San Felipe, Mexico, assisting with various benevolence projects with the Church of Christ. (The Pepperdine community has had a relationship with the San Felipe church for almost 35 years having built nearly 70 homes, the church building, and most recently, a camp.) The students participating in Project

Serve began building a 500-seat auditorium at the Bible camp site which will be used this summer by over 250 children from Tijuana, Ensenada, and San Felipe. In addition to building the auditorium, the students also collected food and clothing that they dispersed to needy families in San Felipe. "I think it's a great idea," said freshman Ryan Curtis, who participated in Project Serve. "It gives us something positive to do during our Spring Break." Furthermore, it allows current students to be a part of the history of the community of faith that has been developed through the years between Pepperdine and San Felipe.

Another opportunity available for students to share their faith in another country is through Let's Start Talking (LST) summer mission projects. LST has had a strong presence on campus since 1989 when Scott and Kim Lambert first became involved with this ministry. Since then, the Lamberts and others have worked to recruit and train more than 125 students and 20 resident members of the Malibu Church of Christ to share their lives and Jesus in conversational English lessons overseas. Essentially, the students serve as "workers" and

the people taking the conversational English lessons are "readers" since they are reading from the gospel of Luke presented in an easy-to-read format. Students conduct the lessons with the understanding that the Word is the teacher, and the worker is the illustration. Thus the students not only share the text from Luke, but they share their lives in one-on-one conversation sessions with their readers. The Biblical basis for this approach is found in John 20:31: "But these things are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing you may have life in his name." Consequently, in order to build faith in Jesus as God's Son, LST tries to let the word of God speak for itself.

Each team is composed of 3-7 workers and spends approximately 60 hours in training, including an Intensive Training weekend, before they are sent to their host sites where the team spends six weeks. The training, coupled with time spent overseas, not only allows the students to mature in their own faith and ability to share Jesus with others, but also helps develop lasting spiritual relation-

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Pepperdine students worked hard over spring break 1999 helping with Project Serve San Felipe. Here, students meet the needs of one family by building them a home.

# PEPPERDINE PEOPLE ON THE MOVE

by Agnes Gibson

**Calvin Bowers**, professor of Communication, gave a series of sermons at the Eastside Church of Christ in Austin, Texas. He also lectured for the West Coast Preachers Forum in Las Vegas, Nevada, on February 10 on building strong Bible classes for men. On April 23-25 he will hold a three-day teacher training seminar for the Southside congregation in Seattle, Washington, and on May 16-21 he will hold a one-week revival meeting at the Del Amo Church of Christ in Long Beach.

**David Davenport**, president, will present a class titled "Does God Have a Place in the Academy?" during the Pepperdine Bible Lectures. He will also speak for York College at a commencement ceremony on May 8. In June he will speak at a retreat for the Canyon View Church of Christ in San Diego.

**Ken Durham**, minister at Malibu Church of Christ, conducted a preachers/wives retreat on February 19-20 at Camp Yamhill in the Portland, Oregon, area. February 26 he spoke during the Pepperdine student chapel program.

**Susan Giboney**, lecturer in the Humanities/Teacher Education Division, is presenting a history of Associated Women for Pepperdine during the 56th annual Pepperdine Bible Lectures. On May 1 she is teaching a class entitled "Providing a Marriage Preparation Course Through the Church" at the Center for the Family Conference at Pepperdine.

**Rick Gibson**, manager of University Publications, presented a Children's Bible Hour program March through April at the Simi Valley Church of Christ.

**Bill Henegar**, assistant vice president for Creative Services, will teach a three-day class and preach the Sunday sermon at the Grand Canyon Family Encampment July 11-14.

**David Holmes**, assistant professor of Humanities/Teacher Education Division,

was awarded the "Carroll Award" by Normandie Christian School on February 5 for outstanding service to the community. On February 21 he preached for the Normandie Church of Christ.

**Terry Kite**, associate professor of Natural Science, preached for the Van Nuys Church of Christ in March.

**Dennis Lowe**, professor of psychology at the Graduate School of Education and Psychology and director of the Center for the Family, and his wife, **Emily Scott-Lowe**, a therapist at the Pepperdine Counseling Center, conducted eight Sunday morning classes on developing family relationship skills for the Culver-Palms Church of Christ in January and February. In March they led a weekend marriage and family seminar in the Seattle, Washington, area. At the sixth annual Family Ministry Conference held at Pepperdine on May 1 they will present a class entitled, "Enhancing Spiritual Intimacy in Marriage." On May 21-23 they will present "Building Marriages to Last" at a weekend marriage enrichment seminar for the Harvey Drive Church of Christ in McAllen, Texas, and at another marriage seminar at the Whittier Church of Christ on June 13.

**Rick Marrs**, professor and chair of the Religion Division, preached for the Montgomery Boulevard Church of Christ in Albuquerque, New Mexico, on April 4.

**Daniel Rodriguez**, assistant professor of Religion and Hispanic Studies, was a keynote speaker February 22 for the annual ACU Bible lectures where he presented "They Shall Come from East and West: The Multiethnic Metropolis, Mission's New Frontier."

**Jerry Rushford**, director of Church Relations and professor of Religion, gave a lecture on church history at the Crossroads Church of Christ in Portland, Oregon, on March 10, and taught three classes at the Soul-Winning Workshop in Tulsa, Oklahoma, March 24-28. He spoke for the Northside Church of Christ

in Spokane, Washington, April 7. On April 11 he taught a class and preached for the Hazel Dell Church of Christ in Vancouver, Washington, in the morning and lectured on Oregon church history for the Central Christian Church in Portland, Oregon, in the evening. He will be a theme lecturer and will teach three church history classes at the Red River Family Encampment in Red River, New Mexico, June 26-29.

**Larry Sullivan**, assistant director for the Straus Institute for Dispute Resolution, conducted a seminar for church leaders on February 8 for Falkner Christian University and Jones School of Law in Montgomery, Alabama. He also presented "Managing Our Conflicts Before a Watching World" to the Normandie Church of Christ on February 12-13 and to the Moreno Valley Church of Christ on March 13-14. He was a round table discussion leader for Christian peacemakers in Torrance on February 18, and he provided guidance for a Christian leaders retreat held in Lake Arrowhead for ministers and other leaders and the group spent time praying for Churches of Christ in the Los Angeles area.

**Tim Willis**, associate professor of Religion, preached for the Sierra Madre Church of Christ on January 31, February 28 and March 28.

**John Wilson**, professor of Religion and director of the Institute for the Study of Archaeology and Religion, gave a guest lecture on March 24 to the graduate seminar at the Selly Oaks Colleges in Birmingham, England. John was the guest of Springhill College, which is affiliated with the Churches of Christ in Great Britain.

**Helen Young**, assistant director of Church Relations, will present a class with her three daughters, Emily Lemley, Marilyn Stewart, and Sara Jackson, during the Pepperdine lectures. On June 4-6 she will speak for a convention of women's organizations that help raise funds for Christian colleges.

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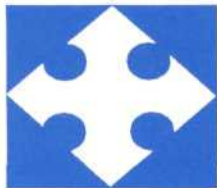
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## Resignation

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The Board of Regents has already begun the search to identify the seventh president of Pepperdine University. Davenport looks forward to the next chapter of his career and he's considering a return to teaching or preaching, or providing leadership to an organization in the non-profit sector.

Earlier in the press conference, Dr. Davenport shared that Pepperdine's "Challenged to Lead" campaign has gone over the top. Sixteen months ahead of schedule, the \$300 million initiative has hit the \$303 million mark. He expressed gratitude to the more than 26,000 donors who helped the university reach this goal.

"Even as we celebrate this success, there are still several crucial campaign projects yet to be funded," said Davenport. "We will press ahead to complete these priority capital projects, endowed faculty positions, student aid funds, and program resources," he said. "Continued support is vital to this quest."

Davenport was born and raised in Kansas and served as a youth minister in his home congregation in his earlier years. He received his bachelor's degree from Stanford University. Then after graduating from the University of Kansas Law School, he accepted a position with a law firm in San Diego.

After a few years, he took a leave of absence to serve as interim pulpit minister for the El Cajon Boulevard Church of Christ in San Diego. He preached there for a year, then accepted a teaching position at Pepperdine University School of Law. He eventually became executive vice president and, in 1985 was selected as Pepperdine's sixth president.

David and his wife, Sally, have three children, Katie, 16, Charlie, 14, and Scott, 10.

## Remembering Dan Anders

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ministers to come.

But the good that Dan did extended well beyond the local church and our brotherhood. In the greater Malibu area, he generated tremendous good will among the local citizenry and within the greater religious community. He worked to gather area clergy for Bible study and prayer. He led efforts to gather a disaster relief fund that exists today in readiness for any natural disasters that might strike this area. That was Dan — doing so much good for God that we could see, and so much more good than any one of us could ever see.

This beautiful Christian gentleman's presence among us was powerful because he fixed our eyes on Jesus. For Dan Anders not only preached about the goodness of God, in the spirit of Micah 6:8 he showed us that goodness — acting justly, loving mercy, walking humbly with his God. Every Sunday, and across a lifetime, it is clear that the Father answered the prayer we came to recognize as Dan's signature petition before the sermon:

*God, be in my head,  
and in my thinking.*

*God, be in my mouth,  
and in my speaking.*

*God, be in our ears,  
and in our hearing.*

*God be in our lives,  
and in our doing.*

*God, be at our end,  
and at our departing.*

*Through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
Amen.*

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*Dr. Ken Durham succeeded Dan Anders as minister of the Malibu Church of Christ in May 1998.*

## Students Sharing

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ships with their teammates. Cass Tallon, an LST worker who traveled to Lisbon, Portugal, last summer, would agree: "In my experience with LST I learned about relying on brothers and sisters in Christ and came to a new understanding of the brotherhood of believers, not only across language and ethnic barriers, but within friends," she said. "I praise God for the opportunity to be a part of a team that was so focussed on Him and so in love with Him that we were content in any circumstances and found peace and joy in Him!"

This summer Pepperdine teams will go to San Miguel, El Salvador; Osaka, Japan; and Hong Kong, China. In addition, two teams will work with the Narvskaya and Neva churches in the St. Petersburg, Russia area.

While the LST experience has a dramatic affect on the lives of the students who participate, it is also extremely effective in bringing the news of Christ to people all over the world. Just this past summer 190 LST workers read with more than 2,000 people in 13,000 hours of Bible study and conversation. LST conducted almost 50 projects in 17 different countries and Pepperdine students were a part of this amazing effort!

Project Serve and LST are just two of the ways that the Pepperdine community provides real world experience for students to connect faith and service. Furthermore, the students return to campus with a deeper spiritual understanding of Christian faith in action.

For more information on Let's Start Talking, contact: Lets\_Start\_Talking@compuserve.com or www.lst.org)

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*Regan Schaffer is an instructor in the Business Division of Seaver College at Pepperdine University. She is also a member of the Malibu Church of Christ.*

## Janice Brown

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Lecturing at the UCLA School of Law in 1997.

has now been a member of the Cordova congregation for more than 20 years.

When she visits the Malibu campus of Pepperdine University this spring, she will be taking new steps in her Christian walk — she has recently accepted a position on the Pepperdine Board of Regents and she is teaching at the 1999 Bible lectures. While she does not consider herself to be a Biblical or spiritual giant (more of a spiritual gnat she says), she does bring a great deal of experience to her topic, “Beyond the Abyss: Restoring Religion to the Public Square.”

A recovering workaholic and self-described political junkie, Janice says she was inspired by a favorite hymn which begins: “Restore my spirit Lord, I need restored” ...and ends with the passionate request “Renew my love, rebuild my faith, Oh restore my soul!” Serving as a judge in a day when evil seems to be prevalent and growing, Janice restores faith to the Supreme Court in the same fashion Deborah restored faith in her day. It is that zeal for renewal and her 20 years of experience in law, government, and politics that she brings to her subject.

*Chris Goldman is an alumnus of Pepperdine University, and the minister for the Cordova Church of Christ in Rancho Cordova, California, near Sacramento.*

## Cascade College Holds First Expositors Seminar

The first Michael C. Armour Northwest Expositors Seminar welcomed over 60 participants to the Cascade College Campus, March 15-17. Participants came from Oregon, Idaho and California and were challenged by excellent presentations by seminar speakers.

Cascade honored Mike Sanders, the preaching minister for the El Dorado congregation in Boise, Idaho, at a dinner the opening night of the seminar. Sanders' dedicated service to churches in the Northwest and his commitment to expository preaching were noted.

“Participants were especially enthusiastic about the feeding they received from Dr. James Thompson of ACU and Dr. John Mark Hicks of Harding Graduate School of Religion,” said seminary director Dr. Mark Love, adjunct faculty and minister for the East County Church of Christ in Gresham, Oregon.

The final evening featured a campus worship experience during which a student expositor, Lee Cookman, preached. Love said that Cookman, a Bible and

ministry major from Beaverton, Oregon, “did an outstanding job and began what we hope will become a campus tradition.”

Next year's seminar has been scheduled for January 31- February 2, 2000, speakers to be announced. The anticipated theme is “Preaching and the Experience of Worship.”

Cascade College is the Portland, Oregon, campus of Oklahoma Christian University. The Armour Expositors Seminar was funded through a gift honoring the work of Armour, former president of Columbia Christian College, which preceded Cascade on its Portland campus.

### Pepperdine's Center for the Family Hosts Conference May 1, 1999

“Building Stronger Families Through the Church” is the theme for this year's Family Ministry Conference. Mike Cope will give the opening address, followed by Tom and Sandy Milholland at lunch. Morning and afternoon classes will be offered as well. Lunch tickets are \$5. For more information, call Sara Jackson at (310) 456-4771.



The staff of *Pacific Church News* continues to appreciate receiving historical photos relating to the Churches of Christ. We need help dating and identifying the above photo of a gospel meeting held in Los Angeles in the 1940s. Anyone with information regarding this photo is asked to call the Department of Church Relations at Pepperdine University at (310) 456-4270.



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