# PACIFIC CHURCH NEWS

A News Journal for Churches of Christ on the West Coast



## **News**

#### Renewal Northwest 2009

Christians throughout the northwest region of the United States will converge on the Cascade College campus July 1-4, 2009 for the 4th annual Renewal Northwest.

This year's theme comes from Philippians 2:15: "so that you may become blameless and pure, children of God without fault in a crooked and depraved generation, in which you shine like stars in the universe."

"We are putting a lot of emphasis on missions people can be going on themselves as well as sharing your life with those who are not yet believers," says Dave Dowlen, minister at Pateros Church of Christ and board member with Renewal Northwest. "I think the Prayer Seminar with Billy Curl and Silas Shotwell will be one of the best offerings in the whole program."

Keynote speakers will be:

Billy Curl, minister at Crenshaw Church of Christ, Los Angeles, California; Rich Little, minister at Naperville Church of Christ, Naperville, Illinois; Don McLaughlin, minister at North Atlanta Church of Christ, Atlanta, Georgia; Terry Rush, minister at Memorial Drive Church of Christ, Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Other participants include: Stan Granberg, Kathy Shaner, Michael Lewis, Jeff Hicks, Buzz Porter, Shawn Moore, Dan Jocoy, Silas Shotwell, Bonnie Miller, Mark McLean, Becca Turner, Glenn Newton, Rosa Colquitt, Chuck Harle, and Gregg Strawn with performances by the Westside Praise

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Don McLaughlin



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Terry Rush



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#### **COVER**

For the past quarter century the Churches of Christ in the Greater Portland area have been meeting together for a combined worship service one Sunday morning every October. These meetings are called "Together with Love in Christ" (TLC), and for the first 12 years they were held in the Portland Memorial Coliseum. Since 1997 the gatherings have met in the Oregon Convention Center which is in the foreground of the cover photo of downtown Portland.

## COVER

#### Portland Area Churches of Christ Celebrate 25 Years of Combined Worship

By Bonnie Miller

This fall will mark the 25th year that more than 25 congregations of the Churches of Christ in the greater Portland metropolitan area have met for a combined Sunday morning worship assembly. Begun in 1985, the celebration of Christian unity in the Northwest has featured 24 different guest speakers. This year Billy Wilson from Tucson, Arizona will be the speaker.

The gathering, called Together with Love in Christ (TLC), includes a morning of singing, fellowship and communion in addition to preaching. Simultaneous programs are conducted in adjoining rooms for children and an attended nursery is also made available for infants.

Originally held in the Portland Memorial Coliseum, the Oregon Convention Center has been the venue since 1997 in order to accommodate larger numbers in a more comfortable environment. As many as 2300 have participated with most congregations cancelling their regular morning assembly. The average congregation in the Portland area has about 120 members. Therefore this one morning of common worship provides an important opportunity for the churches to realize their collective strength.

For several years the day included an afternoon of singing and an evening youth rally. However, the cost to rent a facility for additional hours became prohibitive. The funds to finance the facility rental, speaker transportation, advertising and other expenses are provided by those participating during a special collection at the morning assembly.

The annual budget for the one-day event runs about \$12,000. A separate collection is taken for members to donate to their home congregation so



**Oregon Convention Center** 

that their regular church budget is not overlooked.

The Eastside church will host a Saturday program as well with classes and singing. Billy Wilson will be teaching "Inreach, Upreach, Outreach: Where God is Lord." His Sunday lesson will be "The Unity of Sacrifice" from John 12:24.

A committee composed of members from several of the area congregations plans each year's program that includes men from the area churches to lead singing, read scripture, offer prayers and lead the communion time. Two of the local churches oversee the children's program that supervises over 100 children from nursery to fifth grade.

The 25th anniversary celebration will take place at the Oregon Convention Center on October 25. Participating churches include Agape, Eastside, Meinh, Mallory, Northeast, Peninsula, Piedmont, and P.U.M.P., all from Portland. From the Portland suburb of Gresham will be East County, Kingswood, and Metro. Other churches from Oregon will be Gladstone, Hood River, Living Streams (Clackamas), Mid-Columbia (Dallesport), lalla, Newberg, Oregon City, Sandy, Scappoose, Southeast (Milwaukie), Southwest (Tigard), Westside (Beaverton), and Woodburn. From across the river in Washington, Hazel Dell, Longview, Renovatus, Vancouver and Washougal will be in attendance.

#### Annual Speakers 1985-2009

Gordon Ferguson

1986 Prentice Meador

1987 **Humphrey Foutz** 

Lynn Anderson

Jerry Jones

J.P. Sanders

**Jerry Rushford** 

Howard Norton

Ian Fair

1994 Mike Cope

1995 Billy Curl

1996 **Jack Reese** 

1997 Paul Faulkner

1998 Lynn Anderson

1999 Don McLaughlin

2000 Rick Atchley

Charles Siburt 2001

2002 **Iack Evans** 

Ken Durham 2003

2004 Dan Rodriguez

2005 Michael Armour

2006 Randy Harris

2007 Jerry Taylor

2008 David Fleer

2009 Billy Wilson

#### **COMING THIS FALL** 25th Annual TLC program

(Together with Love in Christ)



Speaker: Billy Wilson Tucson, Arizona

**Oregon Convention Center** Portland, Oregon Sunday, October 25, 2009

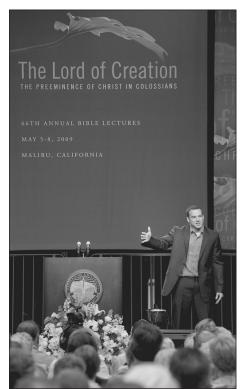
## Pepperdine Bible Lectures

# Refreshed and Fulfilled at the Pepperdine Lectures

By Jerry Rushford

President Andy Benton welcomed guests to the Bible Lectures this year by writing: "My wish for you in these days in early May is that you enjoy a season of refreshment and fulfillment." From the letters sent to Pepperdine following the event, it was apparent that many of the visitors had indeed returned home refreshed and fulfilled.

A preacher from a southeastern state wrote: "Thank you for providing a week that truly inspires me in my personal walk with Christ, challenges me to be a better minister to the people God has entrusted me to care for, and reminds me of how blessed I am to be a part of the Churches of Christ." A preacher from the Great Northwest added: "There are very few places that



Josh Ross in Firestone on Friday morning.

I feel more alive than at the annual Pepperdine Lectureship. Such was the case this year. Every aspect of the program was simply great."

"I felt this was one of the most beneficial programs for me personally in my 6 or 7 years of attending the Pepperdine Lectures," commented a preacher from Texas. "I brought back extra programs and gave a copy to each of my elders, hoping some of them will join us next year." "What a super Bible Lectures!" enthused a church leader from a southern state. "I have been coming for about 10 years now, and this may have been the most powerful one yet. I am already excited about next year's, and I don't even know what the theme is." "Thanks for another great week" wrote a preacher from Illinois. "I was blessed by having been there - re-energized, convicted, and re-connected. That last may be the most important for me; sometimes I don't realize how isolated I can be until I'm surrounded by my sisters and brothers on the Pepperdine campus."

A preacher from Tennessee announced: "Pepperdine has restored my confidence in the church and what we can be if we emphasize Jesus! There was a time that I seriously considered

giving up on preaching. Now I am more excited than ever to preach." "I love the praise emphasis of the Pepperdine Bible Lectures" declared a church leader in California. "At Pepperdine you usually get to hear acappella singing at its best and you sing yourself hoarse." A woman from Michigan wrote on her blog: "I cannot say enough good things about the Pepperdine Bible Lectures. I really hope that we are able to attend them again one day."

"Once again the Pepperdine Bible Lectures will make it into my annual Christmas letter as a highlight for 2009" wrote a church leader from a northern state. "I cannot thank you enough for the banquet feast we experienced again this year. Everything was absolutely wonderful – even with the construction!" A missionary to Indonesia agreed. "This year's lectures were the best ever" he wrote. "I say that every year and it's always true. They just keep getting better and better." A Texan attending for the first time wrote: "We were overwhelmed by the beauty of the campus, the depth of the lectures, the love from friends, and the friendliness of the students. Let me tell you, our cup is still overflowing



The opening night crowd listens to Monte Cox preaching on "Christ, the Mystery of God."

from the lectures and brotherhood we experienced while on campus."

"The Bible Lectures were fantastic" wrote a Canadian Christian. "The entire week was inspiring, encouraging, thought provoking and Christ Centered."A leader from the International Churches of Christ declared: "Well organized and meaty. I only wish more people in our part of the brotherhood knew about this great opportunity and took advantage of it." "The only thing I can complain about Pepperdine is that it is too short" wrote a preacher from New Mexico." When I had to leave I was simply sad. I did not want to leave."

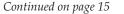
"What a wonderful week it was at Pepperdine" wrote a guest from Tennessee. "Thank you is too small a phrase to communicate the gratitude in my heart (and in the hearts of many) ... for the Pepperdine Bible Lectures. I was inspired (and challenged) by the keynote speeches, instructed and enriched by the classes, and energized by the worship and fellowship ... I believe God's shaping of the Body of Christ is being conducted in a significant way through this annual event." A woman from a southern state was grateful for the "glimpses of heaven" that "we are blessed with in this life because we are able to enjoy time with old friends on your beautiful campus."

A Christian from Iowa made this observation: "The involvement of brothers and sisters from the International Churches of Christ, the Christian Churches, and the African-American Churches of Christ brings valuable perspectives and insights, and helps to break down walls that have been built over time. Thank you for providing a safe place where people of many different backgrounds can gather to encourage one another and praise God together."

The Pepperdine student workers received a lot of well-deserving praise this year. "I have told people in my congregation several times that the Pepperdine students were the most helpful and friendly of any campus in the country" wrote a preacher from Texas. A teacher from Kentucky said: "The students and staff you had running the shuttles and various other

things were just wonderful. They were amazingly pleasant and helpful, and beyond being professional and competent in their tasks." A guest from Iowa said: "the student workers were always polite and kind, and if they did not know the answer, they were quick to find out." A woman from Maryland added: "We were both also very impressed with the student staff and how helpful and supportive they were to us in our efforts. They showed maturity and grace beyond their years."

A teacher from Arkansas wrote: "I truly was blessed by the lectures I heard and the beautiful singing. I also want to say that the students who helped at lecture central and those who drove the vans picking up and delivering us around the campus were some of the finest, kindest young folks I have ever





Lighthouse leads singing in Firestone



Randy Harris signs copies of God Work.



The Huffard children honor their parents during the Appreciation Dinner.



The closing night crowd joins hands and sings "The Lord Bless You and Keep You."

## **TRIBUTE**

#### **Honors at Pepperdine**

By Joella Michael

With fellow Christians coming from more than 40 states and 20 foreign countries, it's always a thrill to have so many attend who serve tirelessly in their ministries all over the world. It makes for the perfect opportunity to honor a few of them in front of their brothers and sisters. At this year's Pepperdine Bible Lectures, there were 17 award presentations made during the week.

Paul and Wanda Long of Camarillo, California were honored at the Associated Women for Pepperdine dinner on Tuesday evening with AWP's 2009 Christian Service Award for their ongoing commitment to Christian education and service.

That same evening, Pepperdine University recognized the Made in the Streets ministry in Nairobi, Kenya, and its achievements in reaching homeless children with a message of Christian hope. The director, Francis Mbuvi, received the tribute on behalf of the program.

On Wednesday morning in Firestone Fieldhouse, Mladen Jovanovic of Zagreb, Croatia, was honored for his evangelism and faithful service as an elder and preacher at Kuslanova Church of Christ. During lunch on Wednesday, the Christian Chronicle recognized Everett and Nancy Ferguson of Abilene, Texas, for their inspiring lifelong dedication and invaluable contribution to the service of Christ. At the Youth Workers' Luncheon that same day, Greg Woods of Gresham, Oregon received a Distinguished Christian Service Award for almost 30 years of ministry with Metro Church of Christ in Gresham, Oregon.

An appreciation dinner on Wednesday evening in honor of Evertt and Ileene Huffard of Memphis, Tennessee, was filled with those whom they have mentored and encouraged.



Moses & Jessie Akpanudo Obong Ntak, Nigeria, Africa



Carol & Fred Gray Tuskegee, Alabama

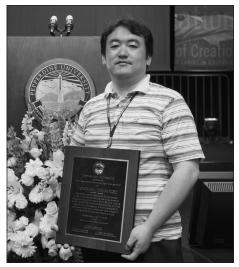
Several shared their gratitude for the Huffards' unceasing devotion and commitment to the cause of Christ.

Moses and Jessie Akpanudo of Obong Ntak, Nigeria received warm applause in the Fieldhouse on Wednesday evening for their evangelism efforts in Africa. They have planted 38 Churches of Christ in Nigeria and are founders of the Obong Christian Schools.

Thursday began with the recognition of Yoshiya Noguchi of Tokyo, Japan for his zeal and service with the Ochanomizu Church of Christ and



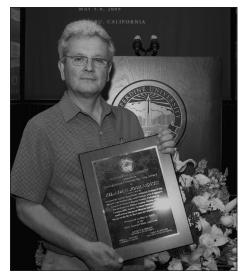
Marti O'Rear Allen, Texas



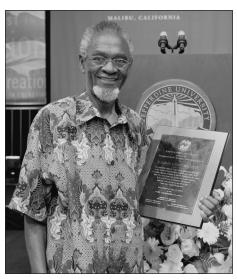
Yoshiya Noguchi Tokyo, Japan

the Ibaraki Christian University. 21st Century Christian and Power For Today honored Glenn and Shirley Boyd of Searcy, Arkansas, for their humble dedication to missions and their commitment to strengthening Churches of Christ around the world. At the Friends of Pepperdine dinner, President Andy Benton commended Loyd and Anne Frashier, beloved members of the Pepperdine community for more than 50 years. They were honored for nearly 40 years of service at Woodland Hills Church of Christ.

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Mladen Jovanovic Zagreb, Croatia



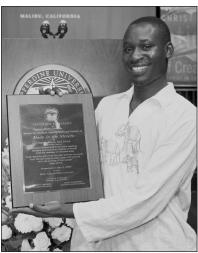
Chris Chetsanga Harare, Zimbabwe, Africa



Max Dauner Marseilles, France



Susan Giboney, Malibu, California, presents AWP award to Paul & Wanda Long, Camarillo, California



Francis Mbuvi Nairobi, Kenya, Africa



**Everett & Nancy Ferguson Abilene, Texas** 



Glenn Boyd Searcy, Arkansas



Dottie & Greg Woods Gresham, Oregon



Robert Hull, Johnson City, Tennessee; Paul Pollard, Searcy, Arkansas; Allen Black, Memphis, Tennessee

## Scenes From Pepperdine's



The Zoe Group from Nashville leads singing on Wednesday evening.



Moses & Jessie Akpanudo from Nigeria respond to their award.



Pondering the centrality of Christ in Colossians.

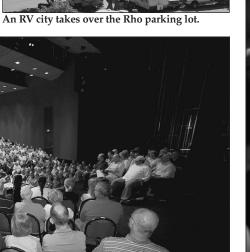


Visiting the Eastern European Mission exhibit.



Jonathan and Rick co-teaching in Smothers.





A capacity crowd welcomes Randy Harris to his daily class in Smothers Theatre.

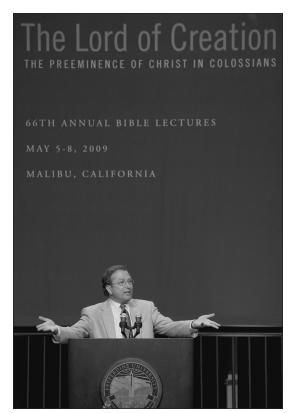


Browsing books during the lunch break.



Tom Olbricht leads prayer on Friday night.

## 66TH ANNUAL BIBLE LECTURES



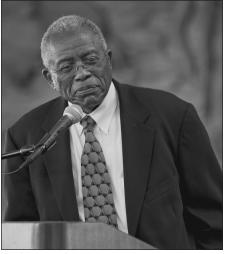
Mike Cope preaching on closing night.



Susan Giboney serves pie and coffee to Brady Bryce.



Brian Simmons reminds us: "the spider is dead."



Fred Gray at his Appreciation Dinner.



Monte Cox projects his message.



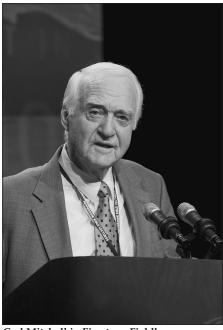
Shuttle with an ocean view.



Student workers with energetic children.



Sharon Beard reading to children.



Carl Mitchell in Firestone Fieldhouse.

## **CHRISTIAN EDUCATION**

# Northwest School Views Expansion Opportunity

By Bonnie Miller

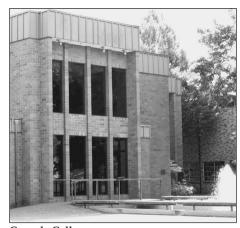
Columbia Christian School opened its doors in 1947 with an enrollment of 36 students. Through the years the school grew, built a new campus and expanded to include kindergarten through an accredited four-year college. Located in Portland, Oregon, one of the most unchurched areas of the country, posed challenges as the school struggled financially and eventually was forced to close the college in 1993. At that time, Oklahoma Christian University assumed operation of the college, renamed Cascade College, as a Northwest extension of its Midwest school.

It was at that time that the elementary/high school officially separated from the college and continues as one of only four private schools in the Northwest to offer accredited classes from kindergarten through high school. In fact, Columbia carries dual accreditation through the Northwest Association of Accredited Schools and the Association of Christian Schools International.

Columbia's enrollment this year was 230 students plus an additional 105 on a satellite campus located in the Vancouver Church of Christ about 15 miles from the main campus.

With the closure of Cascade College this spring, Columbia is faced with another challenge. Even though the school was officially independent of Cascade, the elementary and high school used the college gymnasium, lunch room and athletic field. Now they are in discussion with Oklahoma Christian about the continued use of the facilities with hopes of eventually purchasing the entire campus including the classrooms and dorms. In the meantime, the academy will continue to lease the gym, lunch room and soccer field.

A major fund raising campaign



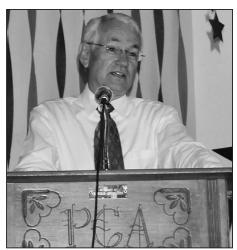
Cascade College

called "A Walk of Faith" is being organized. It is Columbia's desire to maintain the campus as a meeting place for churches in the Northwest as well as an educational facility. Several area church activities are planned for the campus this summer including Renewal, Youth Wave, and the PUMP Summer Program.

More information will be forthcoming in the ensuing months as the capitol campaign develops and options are explored.

# Pacific Christian Academy begins its 92nd year

Pacific Christian Academy was established in the little Sonoma County village of Graton in 1918. The school has been located on the same property for 91 years, and it looks forward to beginning its 92nd year in September.



Pepperdine's Dr. Steve Davis is an alum of Pacific Christian Academy. In this photo he is seen speaking for a recent graduation at PCA.



More than 140 Pepperdine students worked for the Bible Lectures in May.

## Congregation

### Four Language Groups Share Communion, Fellowship

By Erik Tryggestad, Additional Reporting: Billie Silvey The Christian Chronicle, Vol. 66, No. 6, June 2009

The believers who meet at the Culver Palms Church of Christ worship God in Chinese, Korean, Spanish and English. Once per year, they do it all at the same time.

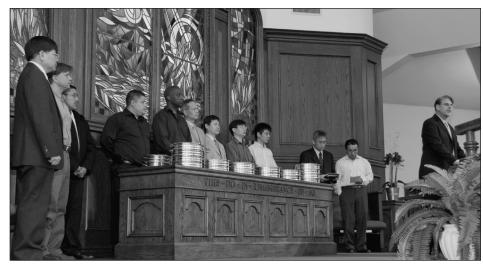
The Los Angeles church hosted its annual International Day recently, combining four separate language services into one multilingual morning of praise. About 350 people attended.

Located in the city's diverse Palms district, the church offers services in English, with senior minister Mark Manassee, and Chinese, with Chinese minister Shifan Man. Two other congregations, with their own ministry staffs and leaders, meet in Culver Palms' building. Youngman Kim preaches for the Korean congregation. Fernando Santos preaches for the Spanish church.

During the Sunday service, Shifan presented devotional thoughts as the congregation prepared to take the Lord's Supper. Ushers waited until the meditation was read in all four languages before passing the trays so church members could take communion at the same time, said Matt Bush, Culver Palms' worship minister.



Paul Cox tries a pair of chopsticks during the fellowship meal.



Members of the Culver Palms church prepare to serve communion during the church's International Day. About 350 Christians from four different language groups attended.

The service incorporated other languages as well. Brent Bost, who grew up on the mission field in Brazil, read John 3:16-21 ("For God so loved the world ...") in Portuguese and English. Farzin Madjidi, a church member from Iran, read Psalm 96 ("Sing to the Lord a new song ...") in Farsi and English.

"One of the touching moments for me this year was hearing Clark Leon, a Haitian brother, pray in his native French publicly for the first time," Manassee said. The international potluck that followed the service was "a taste of God's kingdom banquet," he added.

Church members regularly interact with internationally born people

in their community, Manassee said. The church offers weekly classes in FriendSpeak, a program that helps immigrants improve their English skills using the Bible. The program has enrolled students from Mexico, Guatemala, China, India and Turkey.

As the international service concluded, church members sang "Bind Us Together" in four languages simultaneously.

"It is truly a cacophony of sound —more like a joyful noise," Bush said, "but it always brings a smile to everyone's face."



Marie-Anne Balthard with her mother, Denise Balthard, and her grand-daughter, Nairobi Cavitt-Seabrooks, at the Culver Palms' International Day.



After the International Day service, church members enjoy a fellowship meal featuring cuisine from around the world.

## Pepperdine People on the Move

By Joella Michael

Raymond Carr, visiting professor of Religion, taught several classes at Woodland Hills Church of Christ February-April, attended the Transforming Theology Project on March 13-14 at Claremont University, and preached for Reseda Blvd. Church of Christ May 3. He also spoke at the inaugural Family of Faith Network Conference at Pepperdine University on June 18.

Christopher Chesnutt, graduate student in the Religion Division, preached at Sunny Hills Church of Christ in Fullerton January 11, Los Altos Church of Christ in Long Beach January 18, and Hilltop Church of Christ in El Segundo March 22 and July 5. He also taught youth-aged Bible classes for Hilltop Church of Christ in El Segundo March 19 and 22 and for Northern Hills Church of Christ in San Diego April 19 and 26.

Dyron Daughrity, assistant professor of Religion, has been preaching and leading singing each Sunday at the Pasadena Church of Christ. He hosted an Assyrian Christian (Nestorian) priest on the Pepperdine campus in March, represented Christianity at an interfaith dialogue event at the Bukkyo Buddhist Temple in Los Angeles in March, and met with the Primate of the Armenian Apostolic Church in Burbank on May 30. He will be travelling with a group of Armenians on a "pilgrimage" to this ancient Christian land in July and speaking at an Armenian monastery while there. He is also involved in a study of Armenian Christian immigrants in the Los Angeles area.

Richard Dawson, director of International Student Services, preached for Culver Palms Church of Christ on January 18 and Mission Viejo Church of Christ on February 15.

Kindalee Pfremmer De Long, assistant professor of Religion, presented a paper for the *Leaven* symposium at the Pepperdine University Bible Lec-



Pepperdine's Loyd and Anne Frashier were honored during the Friends of Pepperdine Dinner at the Bible Lectures.

tures, May 5-8; presented a lecture at the 5<sup>th</sup> Women in Ministry Conference, May 13, which took place at Pepperdine this year; and, convened a session at the Christian Scholars' Conference, June 27, at Lipscomb University.

Andrei Duta, assistant professor of Organizational Behavior and Management, preached on January 25 at Oakhill Drive Church of Christ in Escondido and spoke at the Pepperdine University Bible Lectures in May. He led Pepperdine University's Club Convocation through an eight week series in the spring. In July, he will take a group of Pepperdine University students to Bucharest, Romania to work with children in four orphanages.

Susan Giboney, assistant professor of Education, credential analyst, and Liberal Arts coordinator, taught two classes on Preparing Lay Members to Work with Premarital Couples June 19-22 at the Boone Center for the Family's Family of Faith Network Conference in Malibu; taught women's classes at the Red River Encampment in New Mexico June 28-July 2; and will speak at the Education Conference at Harding University September 25 and 26.

Chris Heard, associate professor of Religion, will teach a three-week series at the Woodland Trace Church of Christ in Jasper, Alabama during July as well as a wisdom literature class at Conejo Valley Church of Christ in August. **John Jones**, associate professor of Communication, preached for the Murrieta Church of Christ in February.

Terence Kite, associate professor of Physics, preached for Lancaster Church of Christ on January 18, Costa Mesa Church of Christ on January 25 and North Oaks Church of Christ on May 24.

**David Lemley**, Pepperdine University Chaplain, spoke at Lipscomb University Summer Celebration July 1-3.

**Steven Lemley**, interim chair and associate professor of Communication, spoke for North Oaks Church of Christ on February 1, and for Conejo Valley Church of Christ on July 12.

D'Esta Love, chaplain emeritus, spoke at the Calistoga Ladies' Revival, hosted by the Antioch Church of Christ, March 14 and 15. In May, she was a moderator for the Leaven Symposium and a host of the Leaven Luncheon during the Pepperdine Bible Lectures. She also hosted and spoke at the Women in Ministry Conference held at Pepperdine University. She served on two panels at the Christian Scholars' Conference at Lipscomb University in June.

Stuart Love, professor of Religion, was the guest preacher at the Prineville Church of Christ in Prineville, Oregon on January 4 and for the Sierra Madre Church of Christ on February 22. In May, he served as a moderator for the Leaven Symposium and a host of the Leaven Luncheon at the Pepperdine University Bible Lectures. He will teach at the Irondike Family Encampment in Eastern Oregon July 19-23.

**Michael Murrie**, professor of Telecommunications, preached at Redlands Church of Christ on January 11.

Tom Olbricht, professor emeritus of Religion, lectured at Alberta Bible College and preached for Calgary Church of Christ in Calgary, Alberta, Canada in April. In May he presented 4 lessons on Hebrews for the Southern Aroostook County Church of Christ in

Houghton, Maine. In May and June he taught a course on systematic Christian Theology at the Austin Graduate School of Theology in Austin, Texas. He made several presentations at the Christian Scholars Conference in Nashville in June, and in July he will lecture at McGill University in Montreal, Canada. He will teach 3 classes on Thomas Campbell's *Declaration and Address* at the ACU Summit in September.

**Daniel Rodriguez**, associate professor of Religion and Hispanic Studies, preached for Santa Paula Church of Christ on January 25 and Inland Valley in Ontario, California on February 8.

Jerry Rushford, professor of Religion and director of Church Relations, preached for Churches of Christ and spoke for Bible Lectures promotional events in Tigard, Medford and Salem, Oregon; Federal Way, Washington; Rancho Cordova, Livermore, Campbell, Santa Maria, Yorba Linda, Escondido, Sierra Madre, Oceanside and Glendale, California; Albuquerque, New Mexico; Anthem, Arizona; and Colorado Springs, Colorado, in January to April. In March, he spoke at the annual Men's Retreat at Camp Yamhill, Oregon, and at the Church Enrichment Conference in Tacoma, Washington. He preached for Wall End Church of Christ in Kirkby-in-Furness, England, on May 17, and for Crenshaw Church of Christ in L.A. on June 14. He read two papers at the CSC in June and preached for Otter Creek Church of Christ in Nashville on June 28. He taught classes at Lipscomb University Summer Celebration July 1-3, and he will teach classes and speak at a dinner celebrating ministry at the ACU Summit September 20-23.

**Gary Selby**, Blanche E. Seaver professor in Communication, preached for Westside Church of Christ in Bakersfield, California on January 25.

Darryl Tippens, university provost and professor of English, preached at Hilltop Church of Christ in El Segundo, California on January 25. He will also speak at Abilene Christian University's Summit in September.

**Tim Willis**, professor of Religion, spoke at the Austin Graduate School of Theology Sermon Seminar May 18-20.

On the Road Again

Sarah Hollingsworth

Darnell Brisco

Matt Earnhart

Kristen Dellapace

Matthew Seth Baker

Stacy Stivers



## Summer Tour 2009

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## **News**

#### **Honors at Pepperdine**

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Chris Chetsanga of Harare, Zimbabwe, and Max Dauner of Marseilles, France, were both honored in the Fieldhouse on Friday morning. Chris has served the Avondale Church of Christ in Harare for more than 25 years, is a strong supporter of Nhowe Mission, and a mentor to many. Max, founder and director of Christians on Missions, has been a dedicated servant of Christ and missionary for nearly 40 years.

At the Children's Ministries lunch, Marti O'Rear of Allen, Texas received tribute for her many years of devoted service to young children and their growth in Christ. Three individuals were recognized at the *Restoration Quarterly* luncheon for their years of teaching and mentoring young adults: Paul Pollard of Searcy, Arkansas, for his 35 years at Harding University; Robert Hull of Johnson City, Tennessee, for over 30 years at Emmanuel School of Religion; and, Allen Black of Cordova, Tennessee, for over 25 years at Harding Graduate School of Religion.

The last recognition of the week was for Dr. Fred Gray of Tuskegee, Alabama, who has been a faithful preacher



Evertt and Ileene Huffard were honored with an appreciation dinner during the Pepperdine Bible Lectures. Joining them for the festive occasion were their children and their extended family.

of the gospel of Christ for more than 65 years and a respected elder at the Tuskegee Church of Christ for more than 30 years. Dr. Gray received glowing remarks and a surprise visit from his dear friend, Dr. Solomon Seay of Tuskegee, Alabama.

In the grand scheme of things, we recognized only a handful of godly men and women. Thank you to the thousands who continue to serve with zeal and dedication for the glory of God the world over!

#### **Renewal Northwest**

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Team of Beaverton, Oregon, Harmony Xpressions, Won By One from Pepperdine University, and Rescue of Gresham, Oregon.

Next year, Renewal Northwest will return to the Cascade campus in Portland June 30-July 3, 2010. For more information, visit www.renewalnorthwest.com or call (509) 633-8368.



## Looking ahead . . .

67th Annual Pepperdine Bible Lectures
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"The Hero of the Story"

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#### Refreshed and Fulfilled

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met. They made a positive impression on me and I know on many others also (maybe as much as the speakers)." A preacher from Alabama reported: "This year I stayed on the campus for the first time in several years and was reminded of what a great job the students do in providing help with housing arrangements and transportation. I know you are proud of your students and the way they represent Christ and the University as they extend hospitality to all of us who invade the campus for the week."

One Virginia preacher went home and said to his congregation: "Why don't we all go next year? We'll just move services that Sunday to Malibu. What do you say? This was a special, special week. We are already looking forward to next year. Seriously, let's all go next year. Plane ticket -- \$200 (Air Tran). Room and board -- \$125 (on campus). Spiritual experience -- priceless!"

The 67<sup>th</sup> Bible Lectures are scheduled for May 4-7, 2010. The theme is "The Hero of the Story" (The Book of Acts Revisited). We hope to see you next year in Malibu!

# Mike Casey Remembered at the Christian Scholars Conference

Mike Casey held the Carl P. Miller Endowed Chair of Communication at Pepperdine University and was an active participant and leader in the Christian Scholars Conference before his untimely death in October 2007. This year he was remembered and honored during a formal banquet at the Christian Scholars Conference at Lipscomb University on May 26. Tributes and memories were shared at the banquet, and a special "In Memoriam" collection of essays was presented to Mike's wife, Judy, and other family members.

In appreciation for Mike Casey's scholarship and churchmanship, Tom Olbricht and David Fleer served as editors of the "In Memoriam" essays. The book is entitled *And the Word Became Flesh* and was published by Wipf and Stock Publishers and released on June 25 at the opening of the Christian Scholars Conference. The volume includes

a biographical article by Douglas A. Foster and eighteen essays written by colleagues and friends. The essays in the book are divided into three section. Those in the first section are on Restoration History, The second section includes essays on Rhetoric and Homi-

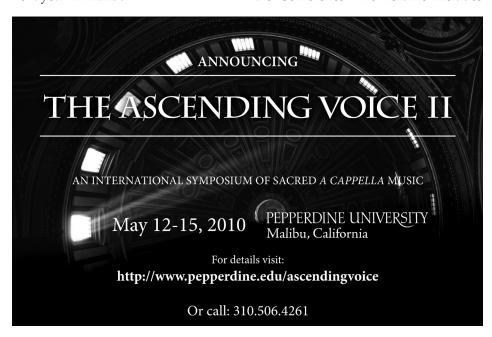
letics. The final section contains essays on Pacifism, Just War, and Peacemaking.

In addition to essays by editors Olbricht and Fleer, the other essays were written by: W. David Baird, Carisse Mickey Berryhill, Mark W. Hamilton, John Mark Hicks, Hans Rollman, Jerry Rushford, Bobby Valentine, Dave Bland, Robert C. Chandler, Jeffrey Dale

Hobbs, John M. Jones, Martin J. Medhurst, Robert Stephen Reid, Gary S. Selby, Lee C. Camp, Shaun A. Casey, and Richard T. Hughes.

In the introduction to the book, the editors wrote: "In his fifty-three years Mike Casey made an indelible impact upon all his academic friends in the United States, Great Britain, and elsewhere in the world. His thirty some years of research and publications were multinational. Mike was especially adept at looking into archival details on the numerous subjects that interested him in communication, Scripture, and history, especially as they focused upon Churches of Christ and the Stone-Campbell Movement."

Mike Casey published four books and numerous scholarly articles, His four books were: Saddlebags, City Streets, and Cyberspace: A History of Preaching in the Churches of Christ (1995); The Battle Over Hermeneutics in the Stone-Campbell Movement, 1800-1870 (1998); The Stone-Campbell Movement: An International Religious Tradition (co-edited with Douglas Foster in 2002); and The Rhetoric of Sir Garfield Todd: Christian Imagination and the Dream of an African Democracy (2007).



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## Pepperdine Schedules Fall Events

## **Preachers Luncheon**

**September 14, 2009** 



"Preaching at the Crossroads of Christ & Postmodern Culture"

Chris Altrock
Highland Church of Christ
Memphis, Tennessee

30th Annual William M. Green Lectures October 6, 2009

"The Bicentennial of an American Christian Classic"

Leonard Allen ACU Press, Leafwood Publishing Abilene, Texas





39th Annual Thanksgiving YouthFest

A Christian camp for grades 9 - 12

November 27-29, 2009

Jason Locke College Church of Christ Fresno, California

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