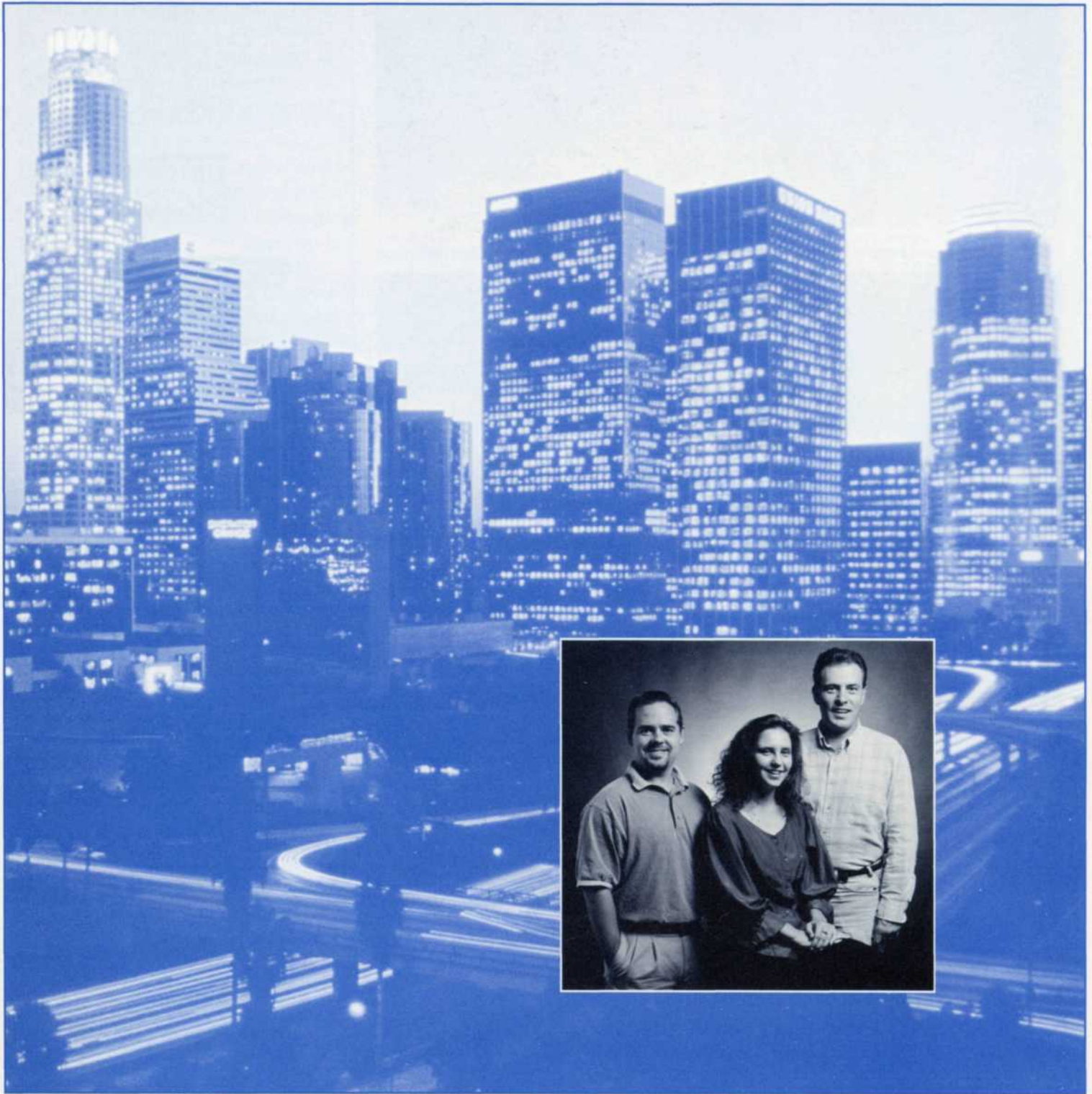


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## Durham Family Moves to Pepperdine



Cathy, Ken, Gabe and Jennifer Durham

One of Pepperdine's greatest acquisitions in the last year came in the form of a family. Ken, Cathy, Jennifer, and Gabe Durham came to Pepperdine from Falls Church, Virginia, to join the Religion Division, Business Administration Division, and 1997 fall freshman class.

Ken will serve as a visiting professor of religion, leaving his six-year, full-time ministry position at the Church of Christ in Falls Church, Virginia. He earned his Ph.D. and M.A. in Communication Theory and Research from Louisiana State University, and his B.A., magna cum laude, in Speech and Education from David Lipscomb College.

Cathy will serve as an assistant professor in the Business Administration Division. She received her Ph.D. in Human Resource Management from the University of Maryland, an M.B.A. from Southwest Missouri State University in Springfield, Missouri, and a B.S. from Louisiana State University in Baton Rouge.

The Durhams made the move to Pepperdine for a myriad of reasons. "I came to teach at Pepperdine because of the university's mission, because of the composition and quality of the student body, because I felt that I could perform useful service here, and because I felt I would be able to develop my own capabilities as a teacher and research scholar in this place," Cathy said.

Ken stressed his love for the university environment. "I went into full-time ministry over 20 years ago (as a campus minister at the University of Texas) because I loved the excitement and adventure of working with university students," he said. "Pepperdine is giving me the chance to do that again, as well as to sharpen my teaching and thinking skills. Plus, I was drawn to the opportunity to be part of a faculty community of men and women for whom scholarship, service, and faith are primary life commitments."

Jere Yates, Business Administration chairperson, looks forward to the assets Cathy brings with her. "An outstanding teacher needs to be successful in three areas: teaching, research, and service," he said. "She is going to be the epitome of what we want in all three areas. She'll bring honor to our college by inspiring students with her teaching, conducting nationally recognized research, and modeling servant leadership."

Religion Division Chairperson Rick Marrs anticipates Ken's experience as being a rich resource for students. "Ken is widely recognized among Churches of Christ as an accomplished preacher and speaker. His expertise in homiletics and years of experience in pulpit ministry will provide our students with a treasured resource from which to draw," he said.

Ken and Cathy both stressed the importance of developing the whole person when teaching and mentoring. "I hope to encourage them (students) to think hard about their values, beliefs, and goals, and to strive to attain, not mediocrity, but rather the very best within them," Cathy said.

"I feel like my primary role as a teacher—in religion and communication courses especially—is to nurture my students in a process of self-discovery and personal growth," Ken said. "Ideally, as they uncover and master certain areas—such as religious truths and communication skills—they will deepen and grow into people who are wiser, kinder, and more productive."

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World Mission Workshop Directors Greg Gillham, Elise Napier, and Campus Minister Scott Lambert planned for months in preparation for the 38th Annual Workshop. Photo courtesy of the Los Angeles Convention & Visitors Bureau/©1991 Michele and Tom Grimm.



## Pepperdine Hosts 38th Annual World Mission Workshop

by Lauren Waldvogel

For the 38th year, college students and campus ministers came together from across the nation for fellowship and growth in hopes of advancing college campus ministries during the four-day World Mission Workshop.

Pepperdine hosted, for the fifth time, the event that drew approximately 600 students from around the country October 16-19. "City Lights: Christ in the City" was the 1997 theme emphasizing evangelism, not just in the inner-city, but the urban areas of America in general.

"We used Los Angeles as a lab, since it is a good example of cities all over the world," Greg Gillham, co-director of the Workshop, said. "We took a bus tour of the city, through the ethnic areas downtown and then into Beverly Hills and Hollywood. We want everyone to see both extreme sides of society."

In addition to the bus tour, the participants worked with city churches and service organizations on Saturday. They broke into groups and spent part of Saturday with their assigned church or organization in fellowship, worshipping, and learning what they do for outreach to the community.

The World Mission Workshop rotates hosts between ten Christian colleges and universities: Pepperdine University, Harding University, David Lipscomb University, Freed-Hardeman University, Abilene Christian University, Oklahoma Christian University, Cascade College, Lubbock Christian University, and Southwestern Christian College.

According to Scott Lambert, Pepperdine campus minister, the role of the workshop is to inspire students to spread the Word of God. "The workshop is there to further create interest in and a desire for missions within our fellowship," he said. "It's to continue inspiring college students to serve as missionaries and ministers both domestically and internationally."

Student Director Elise Napier, a junior



Jim Reppart, a missionary from Nairobi, Kenya for 25 years, lectured to a packed Smothers Theatre during the 38th Annual World Mission Workshop.



Students sang in the candlelight during devotionals in the outdoor amphitheater on campus.



The mission-focused weekend inspired prayer and spiritual growth in the hundreds of student participants.



World Mission Workshop Directors Greg Gillham, Elise Napier, and Scott Lambert were enthused by the large attendance.

at Seaver College, said, "The neatest thing about helping direct this program is that I'm a past participant, a past missionary, and now a student director. This has all helped to give me perspective on how we

can inspire and equip the students to get involved in missions. That's our goal."



## Planting the Seed at Evening: Emily Pownall's Latest Mission Trip

by Emily Y. Lemley

*Wherever He may  
guide me,  
no want shall turn  
me back.  
My Shepherd is  
beside me and nothing  
shall I lack.*

If Emily Pownall had time to choose a hymn, surely this would be the one. But, as a widow of 75, after spending a lifetime in Italian mission work with her husband, Mel, she is spending all of her time and thought and prayer in the war-torn eastern European country of Albania, teaching English to Albanian students of all ages as they learn by studying the Bible. Working in the capital city of Tirania, Emily uses her fluent Italian to help her communicate with Albanians who use Italian as a second language.

The political and economic situation in Albania mirrors many of the former Soviet satellite states: the economy is shaky, many of the bright young men and women are trying to flee the country for hope of better lives in Europe or America (hence, English language learning is significant), health care is very poor (families bring the patient food and sheets), heat, modern sanitation, and the variety of foods that we take for granted are rare.

But Emily Pownall seems not to notice these discomforts. In a recent newsletter to her home congregation, the Conejo Valley Church of Christ in Thousand Oaks, California, she wrote:

*"Still at night we hear gunshots both single and machine guns, but it's just aimed into the*

*air, mostly. Anyway we are in our homes before dark as you can imagine."*

Emily Pownall is a self-supporting missionary, primarily using her own social security. The Conejo congregation tries to help her "as much as she will let us," states minister Allan Pope. She worked as the secretary for Conejo for eight years after Mel's death from cancer. "It was a wonderful thing to serve the church," she recalls, because "when your husband dies, all else is inconsequential but God." Pope remembers that she was much more than a secretary: "She was always involved in service and ministry to people. She was a great focus of God's love in this fellowship."

Many at Conejo were worried when Emily decided in 1993 to rent her condominium and go to teach in Albania, but her fearlessness was typical (she learned to ski at 68 and makes annual winter ski trips with several women friends). Her son, Tim, a member of the Conejo congregation, said, "The Lord has drawn her [into this work] because she has sought it . . . she has a profound reliance on God."

Emily begins her day with quiet time with God and breakfast with her apartment mate, Doris Lohry. They walk to a building downtown that has been rented as a home for the World English Institute, the teaching ministry organized by Dick Ady from Edmond, Oklahoma. There is a large classroom, and also space for one-on-one teaching and fellowship space for the students. Here, too, every Monday, Wednesday and Friday morning, World English Institute hosts over 200 children in beginning English classes which focus on Bible stories, songs, and activities. Emily reports, "At the moment every corner of the building, the courtyard and garden is occupied with the World English Institute teachers [and their students] and PRAISE GOD several of these are Albanians who formerly took the course and are now

teaching others!" Even with these new converts teaching, and Emily and Doris and the 12 members of Ady's current six-week team, they cannot accommodate all of the students who have signed up to learn English through scripture.

These missionary-teachers use a curriculum developed by Ady. "What Is Man?" is the first book and deals with God's power and faithfulness to his creation. "Albanians have grown up being taught evolution," Pownall reports. "This study challenges them to believe in God." One physics professor who studied with Clara Bristol, another volunteer summer missionary from Portland, Oregon, came in one day after studying the first book and asked Clara, "Tell me why you believe in God." Clara had prayed that morning to be given the words to share her faith, and here was the question. As Clara answered, the woman became peaceful and determined to keep on studying even though the Bible disputed most of what she based her life upon.

The other three booklets in the study series cover the conflict between good and evil, the kingdom of God, and our hope in Christ. Two of the girls Emily has studied with were 14 when they began coming to her for study. They decided to be baptized and now they continue to study with her and are encouraging their mother to come study with them. "They don't have the distractions that teens in America deal with," Emily reports, "Our [American] comforts are very alluring."

Emily's recent letter tells of a growing church family which has recently had to move into a large auditorium of the National Museum for Sunday morning and Wednesday evening services:

*"And the Lord is adding daily those who are being saved' is a thrilling actuality here to behold and be a part of the sowing and harvesting. A beautiful student I had last fall, Linda Nkrecka, . . . obeyed the Lord in baptism a week ago. I think about*





Emily Pownall



A Friday gathering for Bible study.



Emily with Eri, one of the Albanian students who was baptized into Christ after studying the Bible with World English Institute.

Pepperdine for his training in Bible. In the 1950's they began working in Italy with the Padens, Mitchells, Bybees and others. Because of the media attention they received, their work was a dramatic moment in missions. During these years, Emily and Mel raised three sons: Tim who is married and has two children in Thousand Oaks, Gary who is married and lives in Italy, and Tom who is deceased. Frankie Mitchell recalls her long friendship with Emily on the mission field, "We were all a team. There was so much hospitality and working together to interest people in the gospel. Emily was joyful and welcoming in all circumstances."

Emily herself counts those years as such a blessing from God. Her work with Mel is often in her mind. His last words to her were, "You and me are a great team." Now she depends on God alone as her partner in a new work that keeps the Pownall name on the mission field long after most would have said "enough." "Doris and I hope to be able to stay indefinitely . . . how can I repay all that the Lord has done for me?" responds Emily Pownall.



A group of Albanian Bible students gather for fellowship.



Emily studies the Bible with a young student.

20 baptisms have taken place just since we arrived. Yesterday there were 4 and we have only 3 baptismal garments, so the last girl had 'drip-dry' clothing going into the portable baptistry."

Emily's missionary career began when she met Mel Pownall at the end of World War II. They married and he attended



# CONGREGATION

## The Little Church that Could (Grow)

by Bill Henegar

It refers to itself as a "user-friendly, purpose-driven church," and it is thriving in an area where "Church-of-Christ" was once a disparaging word. In fact, this church's turf is the most unchurched county in the most unchurched state in the Union.

Drawing from an area population base of less than 15,000 (the three towns have a total of only 5,000 residents), the Tri-City Church of Christ has grown from about 25 in attendance in 1973 to a high attendance of more than 170 in two services this year. That record doesn't count the special service in Millsite Park this past July that drew more than 300.

Tri-City is an unincorporated patch of land in the mountain country of southern Oregon, surrounded by Myrtle Creek, Canyonville, and Riddle. The "big" town in these parts is Roseburg, some 15 miles north on I-5, with a population of 17,000. But the Tri-City Church has not imported many Roseburg folks to its membership. Its growth is coming mostly from local citizens, and mostly through conversions. And the greatest increases have been in the last two or three years.

So how did they do it? How has this rural church grown to nearly seven times its original size and in such a difficult area to evangelize, a tough-sell neighborhood of lumber mill workers, farmers, and free-thinkers? The answer takes a little explanation.

Back in 1973, J. C. and Jo Hackett decided it was time to begin a new Church of Christ in the county. Pioneers from the Restoration Movement had planted churches in Douglas County more than 120 years earlier. But the shameful division near the turn of the century and the splintering factions that continued in this century produced more than a dozen groups claiming to be The Church within a 25-mile radius. The warring groups were known more by what they were *against* than by what they were *for*. So the



J.C. and "Mama" Jo Hackett were key pioneers of the Tri-City Church in 1973.



Elders Erwin Hackett (left) and Lonnie Williams are leading with a new vision.



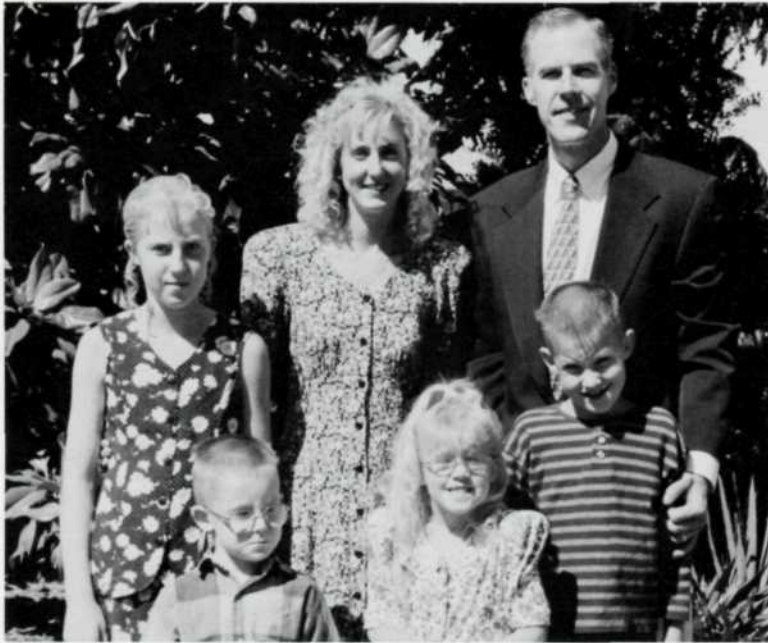
The Tri-City Church's building, erected in 1980, received a classroom wing about five years ago. Increasing attendance has made two Sunday services necessary.

Hacketts pulled together about 40 Christians who wanted something better. They met in the Myrtle Creek VFW for a while, but even that group quickly dropped to perhaps 25. So that is where they began.

They decided that, despite its glorious past, the Church of Christ in Douglas County was facing a mission situation now. They appealed for help to the Bell Trust and the Brentwood Church of Christ in Ft.

Worth, Texas. Both responded with mission funds. Neil Wicker preached part time for the group early on, and by 1980, the church was able to construct its modest building. The next year, Ron Murphy came to preach full time. He ministered for six years, in which time the attendance doubled to a little more than 60. When Murphy left in 1987, the church found various preachers to fill in until they could find a permanent replacement.





Dan and Wendi Jocoy, with their children (l. to r.) Natalie, Michah David, Jessica, and Ryan, are much of the reason for the church's growth.



In September, the Tri-City Church had a special prayer for returning students and teachers during the worship services.

During the years that Murphy was preaching at Tri-City, a young man named Dan Jocoy was training to preach the gospel at Bear Valley School of Biblical Studies (1981-84) and later served as youth minister for the Rancho Cordova Church of Christ in Sacramento, California (1985-89). Jocoy grew up in Placerville, in gold-rush country not far from Sacramento. As a young man, he loved music and was a rock and roll musician. He thought music would be his life's career, until he realized he was spiraling downward into substance abuse and a directionless life. He got back to church and discovered a new thirst to share the Good News of Jesus. He also met a beautiful young woman named Wendi, his wife-to-be. They were married about the time he graduated from Bear Valley. Five years later while he was at Rancho Cordova, Paul Methvin told him about a little church in southern Oregon that was looking for a preacher. Although he had no intention of applying for the job, Dan did agree to hold a preaching series for the church.

The rest, as they say, is history. Jocoy obviously did accept the position, and

within three years, the church was up to 90. They notified Bell Trust and the Brentwood Church that they were now self-supporting and wouldn't need the mission funds any longer. And since the building seated only about 100, they decided to move to two services. It also became apparent that they needed to add a classroom extension to the building.

Since 1992, the attendance has continued to inch up, despite the somewhat limited pool of prospective members. Especially in the last three years or so has the growth accelerated to an average of 150 each Sunday. So what's the secret?

It seems to be a combination of happy components: a positive, upbeat preacher; a forward-thinking leadership; an energetic, involved membership; and, perhaps most crucial, a certain *attitude*. While every component is vital, it is the attitude that seems to be the energy that animates the growing organism.

The leaders, the preacher, and the members have agreed to be "a real church, a church that's easy to belong to." That does not mean they have watered-down the gospel. It means they are a welcoming

group that accepts people where they are in life and helps them to be better.

Tri-City Church has two elders: Erwin Hackett (son of J. C. and Jo), who has served for three years; and Lonnie Williams, who became an elder just this year when elder Richard Risener moved away. They enthuse, "Everyone is beginning to see that he or she has a ministry. It's like a breath of fresh air. There's a willingness to break away from long-held human traditions; we can be less formal, more real." What do they see as the challenges facing the church at the end of this century? "We must make Christianity applicable to the 1990s. We must make the church more than a building." These two humble, dedicated men have decided to involve themselves in the lives of their members. "Even though people 'blow-it,' they are accepted here," they vow.

The church's deacons (Ted Adams, Joe Augsburg, Lee Cole, J. C. Hackett, Steve Legg, and Mike Lechner) and their wives have clearly identified tasks and are

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# PEPPERDINE BIBLE LECTURES

## In the Shadow of Christ

by Bill Henegar

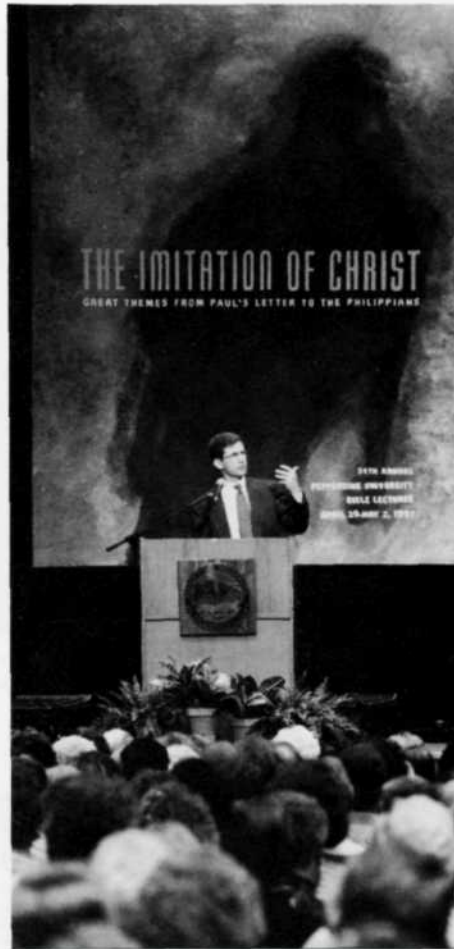
Frankly, Bible Lectures Director Jerry Rushford was never fully comfortable with the title. He struggled for weeks and finally adopted Thomas à Kempis' classic title, "The Imitation of Christ," for the theme of the 54th annual conference on the Malibu campus. But as attendees will tell you, the title could not have been more appropriate. The entire series, from opening night on April 29 to the closing lecture on May 2, echoed the Philippian theme of the Mind of Christ.

John O. York keyed the series with a call to become Christ to the world. His lecture was followed by Rushford's stirring account of the saving of Pepperdine in 1957. Jerry called to the platform the three key people involved in the bold move: then-chairman of the board Don Miller, then-dean J. P. Sanders, and third president of Pepperdine M. Norvel Young. A grateful audience stood to honor the accomplishment of 40 years ago.

In succession, Tony Ash, Harold Shank, Ira Jolivet, Gary Selby, and Mark Henderson presented lectures on the main theme. And on Friday evening, Rick Atchley closed the series with "I Have Learned the Secret." The large crowd left Firestone Fieldhouse energized and emboldened. The week had seen more than 260 opportunities: classes, addresses, performances, assemblies for worship, in addition to the informal times of fellowship. A blur of precious and encouraging encounters was over.

One woman from Oklahoma reflected, "I was hesitant this year about coming because I was sure you couldn't top last year's 'Out of the Whirlwind' theme, but this year was inspiring in a different vein. I'm still on a High!" A couple from Hanford, California, concluded, "The Pepperdine Lectures were, as usual, better than last year's (we never think that is possible — you always manage to surprise us). What a spirit-filled week!"

A man from Texas confessed, "I think it



John O. York from Nashville, Tennessee, delivered the keynote address on "The Imitation of Christ."

was the best I have yet attended. I am grateful to Pepperdine University for providing such an open forum for the exchange of ideas and study." He continued, "We can only say again that the lectures are like the refreshing oasis we eagerly anticipate from the desertland. You really cannot have any idea how it fuels our minds and hearts." From New Mexico came a note that mirrored those sentiments: "Thank you for the opportunity to drink deeply from the well of God's word again. I must admit that my own well was beginning to dry. Pepperdine refreshed me and encouraged me." And from neighboring Arizona: "I was tired, spiritually spent, and in need of renewal. The few days at Malibu provided what I needed."



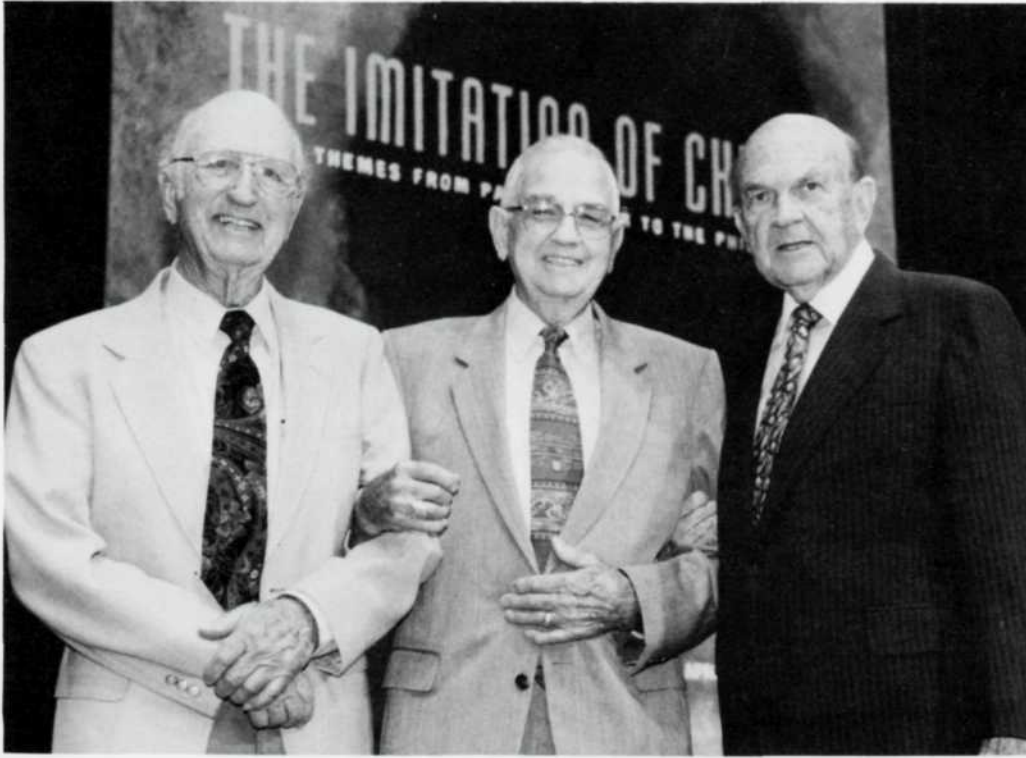
Pepperdine students organized numerous childcare activities during the week.

A preacher from British Columbia had a different perspective. "I was struck this year by how important the Bible Lectures are to those of us who are called to work in areas removed from Church of Christ strongholds. Not only are the lectures instructive and encouraging, they are like an annual report which keeps us informed as to the character of the church." From Maryland a minister wrote, "What a week last week was! The campus, with its scenery and ocean air and view, was magnificent. Far better, however, was the spiritual renewal that the Lectures provided for my ministry . . . and, even more importantly, for my own relationship with God."

As the 54th Annual Bible Lectures drifted into the pages of history, its impact remained in the present. People spoke quietly of strengthened marriages, of renewed ministries, of deepened faith — of new commitments to be better husbands and wives and moms and dads, better Bible teachers, better preachers and elders, better Christians. "I have to tell you that never in my 47 years as a Christian have I ever felt closer to God than I do right now," said one person returning home.

And that is what happens when men and women determine to allow Christ to come again into the world . . . through their surrendered lives.





George Pepperdine brought three men together in the spring and summer of 1957 in an effort to strengthen the Christian mission of George Pepperdine College. Don Miller (center) was chosen to succeed Mr. Pepperdine as Chairman of the Board of Trustees, and he served in that capacity for the next 20 years. J. P. Sanders (left) was brought from David Lipscomb College in Nashville, Tennessee, to be the Dean of the College. He served in that position for 13 years and later returned to Pepperdine as Professor of Bible. M. Norvel Young (right) was summoned from Lubbock, Texas, to become the third President of Pepperdine College. He served 14 years as President and another 14 years as Chancellor. Forty years later, they were honored on the opening night of the annual Bible Lectures for their monumental achievements.





**A Multiplicity of Honors at the Pepperdine Lectures**

by Lauren Waldvogel

Once again those blessed to be present at the annual Pepperdine Bible Lectures were inspired by specific couples and individuals who were honored for their life service to the Kingdom of God. At the 54th annual lectures nine couples and eight individuals were honored by Pepperdine and three Christian publications.

The first awards of the week were given during the AWP dinner and the Opening Night Men's Dinner. Amy Wilson Kendall was honored by AWP with their Christian Service award for her fine leadership and service. Amy has traveled far and near with her efforts for the spread of the Gospel. She participated in the Let's

Start Talking missions program to Moscow in 1992 and then returned to the city in 1994 with her husband, Lee, for a year and a half to work with the church and help them with a transition to a long term group of missionaries. As an undergraduate at Pepperdine, she was involved in the campus ministry and the inner-city ministry of the Union Rescue Mission. There she worked primarily with a Sunday school program for children in the projects of downtown Los Angeles and a women's program seeking aid in prayer and support from the Mission. She is currently working as the children's minister at the Redwood Church in Redwood City, California.

Ian Fair's dedication to Christian missions for more than 35 years was also recognized by Pepperdine. He began his mission work in 1960 in Pietermaritzburg, South Africa, and stayed there for the next

14 years. Coming back to the United States in 1974 to work with the Sunset School of Preaching, he has since been involved in 14 different mission fields. In 1968, he helped establish the Natal School of Preaching for Zulu and Xosa



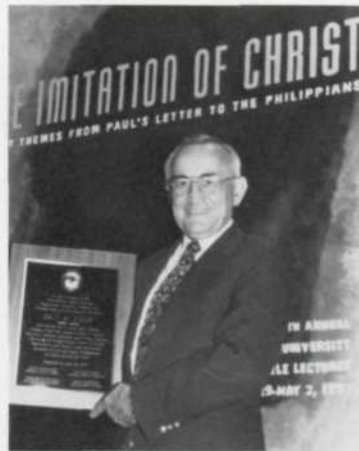
Lois & Alvin Hamilton



Lynn & Carolyn Anderson



Elmer & Geneva Prout



Ian Fair



Marca & Ken Young



Dan & Judy Anders



Cathryn & Jeff Walling & sons



Amy Wilson Kendall & her parents





Billy Curl



J.P. Sanders & Prentice Meador



Phil & Lois Wall & sons



W. L. & Marilyn Fletcher



Richard Hughes & Ian Fair



Norma & Roy Knott



Rue & Clinton Storm



Jeanene Reese



D. Boultinghouse & Harold Shank

church leaders. Ian also served for two years on the Board of Trustees for the Southern Africa School of Biblical Studies. In 1978, Ian moved to Abilene to work with Abilene Christian University, where

he served as the Dean of the College of Biblical and Family Studies and professor of New Testament and New Testament Theology. For the last six years, he has served as an elder for the 11th and Willis Church of Christ in Abilene, Texas.

Billy Curl's dedication to church planting and spreading of the Gospel was honored at the Pepperdine Lectures. Billy

has preached for more than 34 years, serving at the Crenshaw Church of Christ in Los Angeles, California, for the last 25 years. He has served as a missionary to Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, for six years. While there, he established over 30 congregations which have

grown to more than 300 congregations, with about 30,000 members. For five years he appeared as a panelist on "The Way of Truth" television program. Billy has taught at the Los Angeles Bible College, conducted seminars and retreats on marriage, served as the liaison in charge of

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D'Esta Love relives the language of hymns



Jim McGuigan explores "The Hero in Thy Soul" in a daily class in Smothers Theatre



Joyful reunions punctuate the week



Ira Jolivet, morning lecturer



A relaxed moment in the HAWC



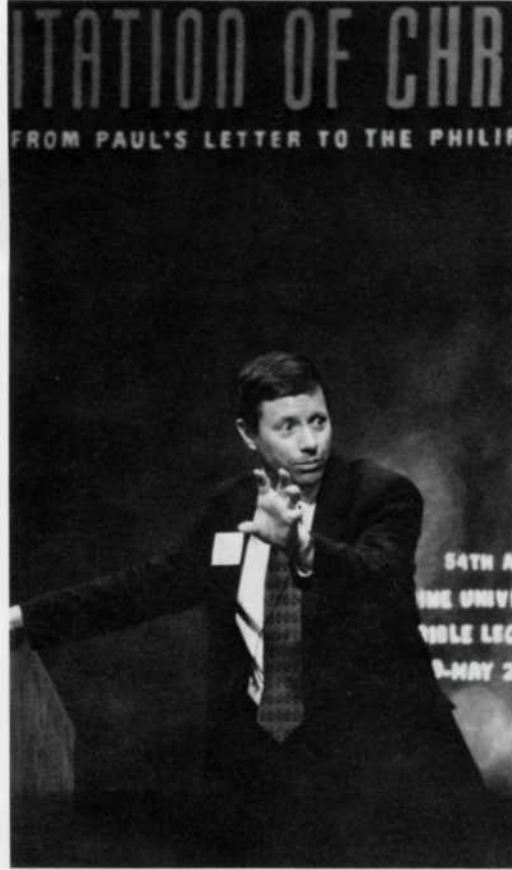
Catching up on the latest Christian books



An afternoon concert with "One A 'Chord"



# 54TH ANNUAL BIBLE LECTURES



Harold Shank preaches from Philippians 2



Visiting the art gallery between classes



Chris Goldman exhorts listeners



"Promised Land" plays to overflow audiences in Elkins Auditorium



A child's view of lecture week



During the week, orders were placed for more than 15,000 audio tapes



## Claudia Sangster Appointed President of AWP



Claudia Sangster

Claudia Sangster was installed as the 1997-98 Associated Women for Pepperdine president at the June 14 Installation Meeting.

"I think what excites me most about this group is its diversity—individuals of all ages, socio-economic and ethnic backgrounds work beautifully together because of a very significant shared value—a desire to educate young people in a Christian environment," Claudia said. "Our mission is to provide opportunities for young people—our future leaders—to be educated in all aspects of their lives, whether it is intellectually, spiritually or socially and to go back to their communities better prepared because their educational experience at Pepperdine was conducted from a Christian worldview. It is a profound task and worthy of our commitment."

Patty Atkisson, executive coordinator of AWP, complimented Claudia's reputation. "Claudia has a love for the mission of the organization—to help students obtain a quality Christian education. She has much experience motivating the volunteers to accomplish

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## Tatum Boulevard Church in Phoenix Calls Chris Green to Pulpit Ministry

Chris Green joined the Tatum Boulevard Church of Christ in May as the full-time pulpit minister. After nearly five years as youth minister with the Mesa Church of Christ in Mesa, Arizona, Chris and his wife, Pamela, and two daughters, Bevin and Ciara, moved to Phoenix, Arizona.

"I prayerfully considered the opportunity to make a change in my personal ministry, and I am excited about my new role," he said.

Chris began his role in the ministry at a very early age of three-years-old, when he first helped lead singing at the Gardena Valley Church of Christ in Gardena, California. He preached his first sermon at the age of 13 at the Cypress Church of Christ in Cypress, California.

"From a young age, I knew preaching was something God intended me to do,"

Chris said.

The Tatum Boulevard church has grown to almost 400 members and is currently working to develop a comprehensive involvement ministry. "In the spirit of Ephesians 4, the intention is for every member to acknowledge their spiritual giftedness and become involved in active ministry," Chris said.

Chris looks forward to the dynamic worship assemblies and full compliment of service ministries at Tatum Boulevard. "Tatum is a church with a vision and a dream, where they believe God intends to be a safe harbor of refuge for souls in need. A church where hurting people come to be healed, nurtured, and prepared for service so that 'the body of Christ may be built up,' Ephesians 4:12. Tatum is well known for its warmth and unconditional love," Chris said.



Christopher and Pamela Green with Ciara and Bevin.



## Exeter Church Reaches Out to Retired Christians

by Lauren Waldvogel

The Baby Boomers are growing older and as the next century approaches there is an ever increasing number of retired citizens in our ranks. How will the contemporary church respond to the rapid change of demographics? What can a Christian or church do to give back to this segment of society that has given so much in the last century?

One church came up with an answer.

The Exeter Church of Christ in Exeter, California, found itself with vacant property around its building.

"The congregation had five acres and was only utilizing half of it," Charles Dickens, a member of the church said. "So we had approximately two and a half extra acres. Instead of selling it off, we thought—here is the chance to make use of something we already had."

So the church built a neighborhood for retired Christians to come and live in fellowship with one another. The facilities consist of a Manor home with single or couple occupancy rooms, a dining room, and a lounge. Surrounding the Manor home are duplex homes for independent living.

The establishment is supported by the Exeter Church and a Ladies Auxillary Group that organizes fundraisers. The auxillary group raises just under \$5,000 each year with their various fundraising activities. The group hosts such things as

flea markets, theme dinners, and luncheons in celebration of seasonal holidays. There is also a "Sunshine Chairwoman" who is in charge of making sure each resident receives a card, a homemade cake on their birthdays, and flowers for the ladies or candy for the men.

The funds the ladies raise go towards decorating and furnishing the Manor home or meeting any other specific need the Board of Directors deems necessary.

"This is truly God's work," Tammy Fifer, a member of the Auxillary said. "Our group is also an example to others. There are ladies with us who are not members of the Church of Christ, but decided they wanted to help. We love the fellowship with other women and we love to help the people that live there. I'm with the residents quite often and being a part of their lives is really important to me."

Directors Jim and Bonnie Stovall sum up the program with James 1:27:

"Religion that God our Father accepts as pure and faultless is this: to look after orphans and widows in their distress and to keep oneself from being polluted by the world."

"Our purpose here is to glorify God and the residents see that and appreciate it," Jim said.

Don Miller, one of the

original five trustees of Pepperdine University, and also a resident of the facility along with his wife, Louise, said that as soon as he heard of the establishment in 1990, he sold his home and moved in.

"It has been the greatest blessing. The spiritual life here has been the richest of my 91 years."

"I was baptized in 1918 at a church in Los Angeles. My religious life has reached its zenith here. It has been so wonderful," he said.

Charles Dickens, also a resident along with his wife, said, "Everyone here is strongly influenced by Christian examples. The employees who are not members of the Churches of Christ are influenced with very, very rich blessings. It's an ongoing experience," he said.



The large Manor home has rooms, dining area, and lounge.



The Manor home Dining Room is a busy place at lunch time.



The village has apartment living (Don and Louise Miller's is on the right).



## The Little Church that Could (Grow)

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excited about the church's future. Other members like Darryl and Teresa Middleton and Dean and Bonnie Kenyon are an ever present force, willing to fill in where needed, willing to support and help. In fact, it is awkward to mention any particular names, because there are so many who serve and support. Indeed, involvement by a very large percentage of the congregation is one of the keys to their success.

Dan Jocoy believes the church should be an active part of the community. So he was appointed to the city planning commission and served as president of the

ministerial alliance. A couple of years ago, he won a seat on the Myrtle Creek city council. "If there's a crisis in the town, they will call us," he says. "Folks have begun to think of Tri-City Church as people who help make things better."

About two years ago, Dan introduced the concept of becoming a "user-friendly, purpose-driven" church. The church determined to purposefully be unpretentious. It opened its arms to people with problems. The result has been a church composed not only of those who always remained faithful to the Lord, but also of those who have suffered with drug or alcohol problems, those who have had marriages fail, those who have had financial problems — in other words, a cross-section of real life people. All ages are represented, including a youth group of about 25, many of whom come without

their parents.

Jocoy has adapted materials from large, successful churches. He has developed a worship team of eight or nine members. He has created an encouraging, uplifting Sunday service. But through all the activities, Dan is clearly the spark plug. On Tuesdays, he visits the county jail. On Wednesdays, he visits the old folks home. On Thursdays and Fridays, he visits the high school. He is on the go all the time, supported by Wendi and their four children: Natalie, 10; Ryan, 7; Jessica, 5; and Micah David, 3.

The three words Dan uses to describe Tri-City Church are "healthy, vibrant, and relevant." Those words also describe him, his wife, and his family. Together, they, the church leaders, and all the members are building a new kind of church that connects with people. The way Jesus did.

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## A Multiplicity of Honors at the Pepperdine Lectures

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the National Crusade for Christ in Los Angeles, California, served as a board member of Southwestern Christian College, and as the board president of directors of the Normandie Christian School.

Clinton and Rue Storm's half century of service to God was recognized at the Pepperdine Bible Lectures, as well. The Storms have given years of their life together to churches in Eugene, Oregon; Winslow, Arizona; Maywood, California; Hanford, California; Salem, Oregon; and Allied Gardens in San Diego, California. Today, they work with the Ojai, California, church. From 1961 to 1966, the Storms, directed the Hanford Youth Camp at Yosemite Bible Camp. They also served as volunteer instructors in Bible and Church Ministry at Columbia Christian College from 1968 to 1970.

Harold Shank was honored by *Image* magazine for his many years of church planting. In 1974, Harold began working with the Highland Street Church of Christ in Memphis, Tennessee. He next worked on the Highland-backed effort to plant the Northtown Church in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, from 1976 to 1986. He has preached for Highland since 1986. In the last 11 years, he has helped plant new churches in the Ukraine and the inner-city of Memphis. He is an active supporter of the Urban Ministries Conference, Memphis Area Cooperative Services, Highland Outreach Ministry Efforts and the Highland School Store. The author of *Loosening Your Grip*, *Letting Go and Living in True Security*, Harold is a contributing editor of *21st Century Christian* and in 1996, the appointed spokesperson for Christian Child Care.

Dan and Judy Anders' life in Christian missions and Christian journalism was honored at the annual Appreciation Dinner. Dan has spent the last 43 years preaching God's Word in Texas and California, with the last 12 at the Malibu

Church of Christ. Judy currently works as the office manager for the Religion Division of Pepperdine University. In addition to contributing editorial and writer support to *21st Century Christian*, *Power for Today*, *Image*, *Upreach*, *Restoration Quarterly*, and *Leaven* magazines, Dan has received Christian journalism awards from *21st Century Christian*, *Power for Today*, and *Wineskins* magazines. He has demonstrated his lifelong devotion by conducting more than 400 evangelistic meetings, workshops, and retreats.

Roy and Norma Knott accepted Pepperdine's honor for their life of service in the state of Washington. Norma is a homemaker and registered nurse. Roy has preached for more than 40 years. They have served at the Enumclaw Church of Christ, Puyallup Church of Christ, and for the last 20 years at the Southside church in Tacoma, Washington.

Phil and Lois Wall were recognized by Pepperdine for their 30 years of ministry. For the last 22 years, the Walls have served at the Fillmore Church of Christ in



Fillmore, California. However, in the beginning of their ministry they served as youth ministers at the Porterville Church of Christ. They also worked as missionaries for eight years in Athens, Greece. Over the years, the Walls have also served at the Yosemite Family Encampment, and chaired the European Workshop Bible Lectureship in Athens, Greece.

**J.P. Sanders**, formerly the Dean of Pepperdine and President of Columbia Christian College, was honored by *21st Century Christian* as the founding editor of the magazine in October 1938.

**W.L. and Marilyn Fletcher** were recognized for their involvement at the El Cajon Boulevard Church of Christ in San Diego for numerous years of service. W. L. has also served on Pepperdine's Board of Regents for nearly two decades.

**Elmer and Geneva Prout** accepted Pepperdine's award for their lives in mission work on their 50th wedding anniversary. The Prouts have traveled to Japan on four different occasions spreading the Word of God.

**Alvin and Lois Hamilton's** half-century of service was also honored by Pepperdine during the week. The couple has worked with the Arlington Church of Christ in Riverside, California, for more than 35 years, the Rialto Church of Christ from 1956-1961, teamed with James Tolle in the San Fernando Valley for outreach ministries from 1952-1956, and served as the first minister for the Sierra Avenue Church of Christ in Fontana, California, from 1949-1952. Alvin and Lois, both retired school teachers, have also made five trips to the South Pacific island of the Kingdom of Tonga where the Arlington church has sponsored a missions ministry for more than 20 years. Alvin currently serves as Minister Emeritus at the Arlington Church.

**Lynn Anderson** was recognized by *Wineskins* magazine for his lifetime of planting churches and contributions to Christian journalism. Lynn has been the contributing editor to *Wineskins* magazine and the author of numerous books including: *Finding the Heart to Go*

*On; Freshness for the Far Journey; If I Really Believe, Why Do I Have These Doubts?; Heaven Came Down, Navigating the Winds of Change; In Search of Wonder; The Shepherd's Song; and They Smell Like Sheep.* After receiving his B.A. from Harding University, Lynn returned to his native Canada and spent 11 years planting two churches in British Columbia. He next moved on to Abilene, Texas, and served as minister for 19 years. In 1990, he took a writing sabbatical, completing three books, and traveled extensively. He spoke in a different pulpit each Sunday including several African and European countries, Canada, Mexico, and Brazil. He then became the pulpit minister at the Preston Road Church of Christ in Dallas in 1991. He also served as an adjunct professor for Abilene Christian for 20 years.

**Ken and Marca Young's** efforts in music ministry were recognized by Pepperdine. Ken currently serves as the music minister for the Golf Course Road Church of Christ in Midland, Texas. He also is the director of Hallal Music and is a song writer, arranger, and publisher. His music and arrangements are recognized worldwide. Marca works hand-in-hand with Ken for Hallal and serves as the office manager for the incorporated organization.

Pepperdine also recognized the efforts of **Jeanene Reese** in the area of women's ministry and education. She received her M.S. in Biblical and Related Studies from Abilene Christian University and is currently completing her M.Div. She serves as the director of the Center for Women in Christian Service at ACU and is an adjunct faculty member in the Department of Undergraduate Bible and Ministry in the College of Biblical and Family Studies. She emphasizes her work in three areas: providing mentoring and spiritual counsel to women students, helping equip women for future work in churches, and teaching women among Churches of Christ around the world. Jeanene has also produced a two-part video series entitled, *Woman to Woman: Encouragement for the Tough and Tender Times of Life*. She has been the recipient of the "Role Model of the Year"

in 1994 by the W-Club and was awarded the "Extra Mile Award" as outstanding faculty by the Student's Association for the 1994-95 school year. Jeanene serves on the editorial board for ACU Press and is also the annual director of the Equipping Women for Ministry Workshop at ACU, a featured columnist for *Image* magazine, and a past featured writer for *21st Century Christian*.

**Richard Hughes** was recognized by his alma mater, Abilene Christian University, as a distinguished alumnus for his extensive career. Richard has served four universities over the last 20 years. He is currently a distinguished professor of religion at Pepperdine from 1988 to the present, prior, he served at Abilene Christian University as professor of history from 1983-1988, as associate professor of religious studies at Southwest Missouri State University from 1977-1982, and as visiting associate professor in the school of religion in the summer of 1977. He is also the author of a distinguished list of books, *Models for Christian Higher Education: Strategies for Survival and Success in the 21st Century; Proclaim Peace: Christian Pacifism From Unexpected Quarter; Reviving the Ancient Faith: The Story of Churches of Christ in America; The Primitive Church in the Modern World; Illusions of Innocence: Protestant Primitivism in America; The American Quest for the Primitive Church; Discovering Our Roots: The Ancestry of Churches of Christ; and The Worldly Church: A Call for Biblical Renewal.*

**Jeff and Cathryn Walling** were recognized publically for their dedication to Christ over the last two decades. Jeff speaks annually to tens of thousands in lectureships, youth rallies, evangelism seminars, workshops, and campaigns both domestically and internationally. Jeff has served as the youth minister at the Newland Street Church of Christ in Garden Grove, California, pulpit minister for the Churches of Christ in Anaheim and Mission Viejo, California, and currently preaches for the Providence Road Church of Christ in Charlotte, North Carolina.



# PEPPERDINE PEOPLE ON THE MOVE

by Lauren Waldvogel

**Dan Anders** was the featured speaker at the annual Pepperdine Fall Campus Ministry Retreat. The retreat, held September 19-21 in Frazier Park, hosted 240 students.

**Craig Bowman**, academic project design manager and adjunct professor of religion, taught a three-day class on "Preaching from Genesis: God as Creator, Covenant Maker and Redeemer—Background, Bibliography and Structure" at the 6th Annual Expositor's Seminar in Portland, Oregon, August 18-20. He is also serving as a World Bible Translation Center Consultant for the center's Ukrainian and Chinese projects on I Kings, Psalms 90-106, and Zephaniah.

**Calvin Bowers**, professor of communication, conducted a revival meeting at the Residence Park Church of Christ in Dayton, Ohio, June 8-13 and led a leadership seminar at the Vermont Avenue Church of Christ in Los Angeles, on June 28. On July 29-June 2 he conducted a three day revival meeting at the Church of Christ in Pasadena. On August 3 he spoke for the Forrest Hill Church of Christ in Selma, Tennessee, and August 4-10 he taught a class for counselors at the National Youth Conference at Harding University and preached a Sunday morning sermon there. On September 28 he conducted a leadership session at the Crenshaw Church of Christ and October 31- November 1 he will present two lectures at the Marriage Conference for the Churches of Christ in Houston on "A Time to Speak and a Time to Be Silent."

**Mike Casey**, associate professor of communication, presented a paper, "A Family Quarrel Within the Church of Christ: the Pacifist Tradition of the Non-Sunday School/One Cup Churches" at the Christian Scholars Conference in Abilene, Texas, on July 18.

**Brad Cheves**, associate dean for advancement and director of the Institute for Public Policy, was a guest preacher July

20 and 27 for the Coastline Church of Christ in Harbor City.

**President David Davenport** preached for the Spring Woodlands Church of Christ in Houston, Texas, on October 12 and spoke for the World Mission Workshop at Pepperdine on October 16. He will also preach for the Culver Palms Church of Christ on October 26.

**Rich Dawson**, director of international student services, preached for the Turnpike Road Church of Christ in Santa Barbara on August 10.

**Susan Giboney**, lecturer in humanities/teacher education, taught a women's Bible class June 10 at the Sunny Hills Church of Christ, in Fullerton. She also spoke for the Annual Women's Retreat September 26-28 at Mount Palomar in San Diego County.

**LaJuana Gill**, former Pepperdine campus minister, spoke for the National Campus Ministry Seminar at the Preston Road Church of Christ in Dallas, Texas, August 4-7.

**Randy Gill**, former associate director of church relations, spoke for the Labor Day Youth Rally at Daybreak Camp August 29-31 in Northern California. In early September the Gills moved to Nashville, Tennessee, to begin their new ministries with the Woodmont Hills Church of Christ.

**Bill Henegar**, assistant vice president for creative services, **Keith Whitney**, associate professor of business administration, and **Morris Womack**, professor of communication, each lectured and then team-taught a three-day class on their book, *Living with God: Devotions to Strengthen Your Christian Walk* at the Grand Canyon Family Encampment in Flagstaff, Arizona, July 6-8. Bill also preached for the Tri-City Church of Christ in Myrtle Creek, Oregon, on September 7 and will speak at the Bakersfield Westside Church of Christ Men's Retreat on November 15 in Pismo Beach.

**Richard Hughes**, distinguished professor of religion, preached for the

College Church of Christ in Fresno on June 8. On September 12, he spoke on "Models for Christian Higher Education" at the Lilly Seminar on Religion and Higher Education at the University of Notre Dame in South Bend, Indiana. He also delivered two lectures for David Lipscomb University September 26-27 during the annual Forrest Reed Lectures, sponsored by the Disciples of Christ Historical Society. On October 23-24, he will present "Exploring Models for Christian Higher Education" at the Lilly Endowment Conference on Christian Higher Education for Southern Baptist-Related Colleges and Universities at Wake Forest University in Winston-Salem, North Carolina. On November 7-9, Richard will participate in a panel discussion on "Fuzzy Denominationalism: Views From the Academy" at the Society for the Scientific Study of Religion in San Diego.

**Ira Jolivet**, assistant professor of religion, lectured on Hebrews 9-13 at the 40th Annual Rochester College (formerly Michigan Christian College) Bible Lectureship in Rochester Hills, Michigan, October 7.

**Emily Lemley**, consultant for Church Relations, spoke for the women at the Circle Church of Christ's Annual Women's Retreat at Camp Yamhill, Oregon, September 12-14. She also spoke for the Harding University Bible Lectures September 29-30 in Searcy, Arkansas.

**Randy Lowry**, director of the Straus Institute for Dispute Resolution, gave a workshop on conflict management at the Annual Conference of the Christian Senior Services Association on September 18 in Upland. He also presented workshop material at the 48th Annual Conference of the Christian Child & Family Service Association September 27 in Charleston, South Carolina.

**D'Esta Love**, dean of students, and **Stuart Love**, professor of religion, taught a workshop on marriage at the North American Christian Convention in Kansas City, Missouri, July 1-4. They also taught a Bible class and Stuart preached for the



Lakeview Church of Christ in Lakeview, Oregon, August 24. On September 21, Stuart preached for the Malibu Church of Christ. On October 3-4, D'Esta was the featured speaker at the King of Prussia Ladies Retreat at Camp Manatawny, Pennsylvania. On November 11-13, Stuart and D'Esta will host the annual board meeting of *Leaven* journal at Emmanuel School of Religion in Johnson City, Tennessee.

**Dennis Lowe**, director for the Center for the Family and professor of psychology, and **Emily Scott-Lowe**, a therapist at Pepperdine's Counseling Center, served as presenters at events including: "Family Communication for the '90's" at Pleasant Valley Christian Camp in Mineral, Washington, July 27 - August 2; "Preventive Family Care" at the All-Samoan South Pacific Bible Lectureship at the Torrance Church of Christ on August 25-26; and at the Herald of Truth's "Saving the American Family" Conference in San Antonio, Texas, September 25-27. They will serve as presenters at the "Building Marriages to Last" Seminar on October 17-18 at the Walnut Creek Church of Christ in Northern California and then again at the Parenting Seminar for the Turnpike Road Church of Christ in Santa Barbara, California, on November 15.

**Rick Marrs**, chairperson of the Religion Division, served as a class teacher at Jubilee in Nashville, Tennessee, July 2-5. On July 8, he preached at the Grand Canyon Encampment in Flagstaff, Arizona; on July 27 and August 3, for the Conejo Valley Church of Christ in Thousand Oaks; on August 17 for the El Cajon Boulevard Church of Christ in San Diego; on October 3-5, for the elders, deacons, and ministers at a retreat for the Antioch Church of Christ. Rick also spoke October 6-8 for the Southern California Preachers Retreat at Camp Tanda in Big Bear.

**Blaine McCormick**, assistant professor of business administration, presented material on "Preserving Our A Cappella Heritage into the 21st Century" at the Great Northwest Evangelism Workshop in

Kirkland, Washington, on July 4 and for the Elders and Church Leaders Workshop at Abilene Christian University in Abilene, Texas July 21-22.

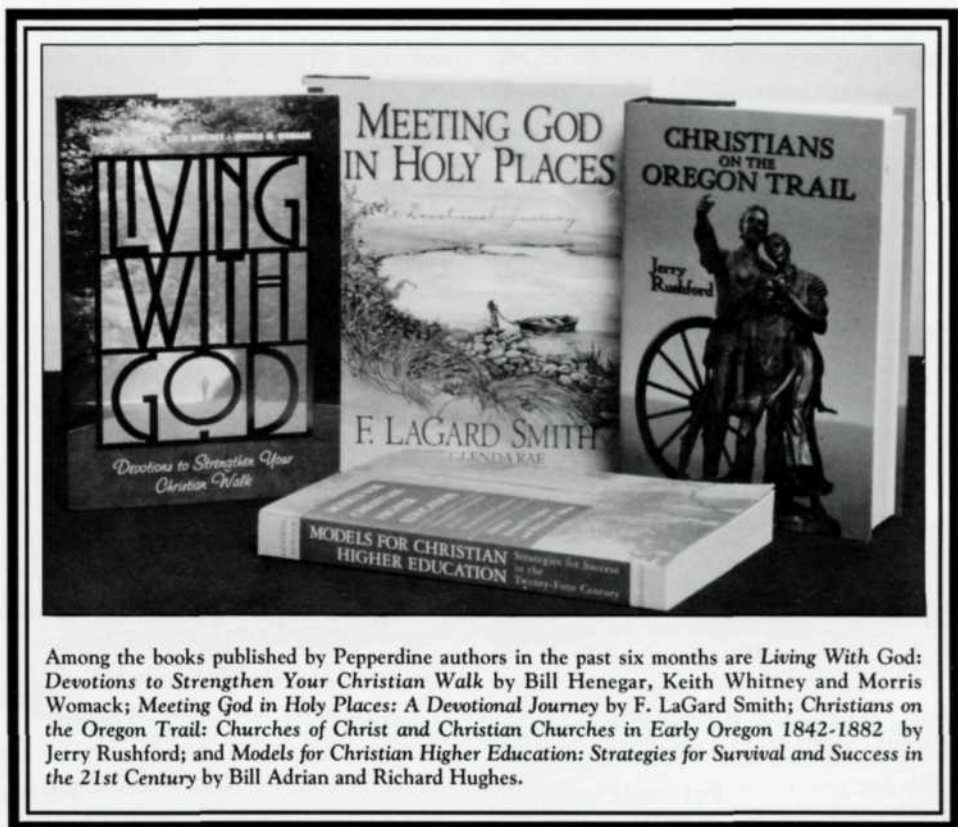
**Daniel Rodriguez**, visiting instructor of religion, spent the month of July in southeast Mexico with his family encouraging and strengthening the Christians in Puebla, where they spent nine years establishing and nourishing the church. On September 20, Daniel taught for the "World Evangelism Forum" at the Sunset International Bible Institute in Lubbock, Texas. On October 3-5, he taught at the "Fiesta Days Celebration" at the Johnson Street Church of Christ in San Angelo, Texas. On November 14, he will be the keynote lecturer at the "Urban Ministry Conference '97" held at the White Station Church of Christ in Memphis, Tennessee.

**Jerry Rushford**, director of church relations and associate professor of religion, preached for Churches of Christ in Federal Way, Washington, August 24; Seattle, Washington, September 7; Fresno, California, September 14; Rochester,

Michigan, October 5; and Tacoma, Washington, October 12. He spoke for "A Celebration of Heritage" at First Christian Church in Portland, Oregon, September 21, delivered the keynote address and taught a class at the annual Bible Lectureship for Rochester College in Rochester, Michigan, October 5-6; and will teach a class for the "Conference on the Family" at Cascade College in Portland, Oregon, October 24-25. He will preach for the River Road Church of Christ in Eugene, Oregon, October 26.

**Larry Sullivan**, assistant director for the Straus Institute for Dispute Resolution, served as lead trainer for a class called "Managing Our Conflicts Before a Watching World" at the Annual Samoan Conference at the Torrance Church of Christ and at the Broken Arrow Church of Christ Family Retreat in Broken Arrow, Oklahoma, September 19-20.

**Dewayne Winrow**, visiting instructor of religion, served as a guest speaker at the 66th anniversary of the Simpson Street Church of Christ in Atlanta, Georgia, on August 17.



Among the books published by Pepperdine authors in the past six months are *Living With God: Devotions to Strengthen Your Christian Walk* by Bill Henegar, Keith Whitney and Morris Womack; *Meeting God in Holy Places: A Devotional Journey* by F. LaGard Smith; *Christians on the Oregon Trail: Churches of Christ and Christian Churches in Early Oregon 1842-1882* by Jerry Rushford; and *Models for Christian Higher Education: Strategies for Survival and Success in the 21st Century* by Bill Adrian and Richard Hughes.



## 230 Women attend Annual Retreat at Camp Yamhill

by Lauren Waldvogel

Camp Yamhill sits in a wooded valley in the mountains one hour west of Portland, Oregon. For more than 30 years, it has been used by thousands of families, teens, women and men's groups as a place for fellowship and spiritual uplift. Remembered as the birthplace of the "Brazil '68" dream, which drew so many families to South America during the 1970's, Yamhill is still a focal point for many members of Churches of Christ in the Northwest.

On September 12-14, the 30th annual women's retreat was held at Yamhill, hosted by the women of Circle Church of Christ in Corvallis, Oregon. With 230 women attending representing more than 30 congregations, this retreat's theme was "Investing in the 'Bear' Necessities." Emily Y. Lemley from the department of Church Relations at Pepperdine was the speaker, focusing on the cross of Christ.

This retreat began on Friday afternoon and ended with a Sunday morning worship and a meaningful communion led by Kristen Parrish of the Oregon State University ministry in Corvallis. As each woman took the bread and the wine, they spoke to the woman next to them about its significance. This fellowship was the fruit of two days of small group discussion and prayer which bound these women together.



More than 30 congregations were represented at the Circle Church of Christ Women's Retreat at Camp Yamhill.

There was also hiking, canoeing, and plenty of late night laughter (the Corvallis women provided ear plugs for those who needed their sleep).

Lemley reported, "I was impressed with the diversity of ages of the women." She continued, "There were several who had been there at the first women's retreat—more than 30 years ago when my mother, Helen Young, was the speaker! And there were many who were first timers." Nora Cloutier, one of the retreat organizers said, "We have such wide participation. It is a great time to be with other believers. So many young women see the spiritual value

of this retreat and are committing to come." June Breneger, frequent speaker at Yamhill and dean of students at Cascade College, said that "Yamhill has been an important place in the hearts of women in the Northwest. It has always been a strong spiritual support."

Operating under a board of trustees from many Churches of Christ in Oregon, Yamhill has been selected by the Board of Education of Oregon to be one of their "Outdoor Schools." This program draws fifth graders from all over the state to one

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## 55th Annual Bible Lectures "Another King, Another Kingdom"

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## Pepperdine Sends Out Student Mission Teams

by Lauren Waldvogel

Once again this summer, Let's Start Talking missionary teams from Pepperdine University spanned the globe spreading the Gospel of Luke and teaching conversational English.

Two teams of students went to Bangkok, Thailand, and Moscow, Russia. In addition, one team from the Culver Palms Church of Christ traveled to Argentina.

Former group leader Greg Gillham described the mission teams' goals. "We teach free conversational English using the book of Luke as a workbook," he said. "The team members work one-on-one with readers for an hour a day, four days a week.

In total, we normally spend six to eight hours a day in study with readers."

Besides the help it lends to the foreign readers, the sessions provide spiritual maturity for team members, as well. "It always helps me to talk about my faith with any kind of person, no matter what kind of background they're coming from," Greg said. "The experience has helped me to understand my own faith and forced me to put it into words in a very simple way for people with a basic understanding of English."

Ruth Dowdey, leader for the Moscow team, explained what the book of Luke

offered the Russian people she met. "It gives them hope in the world around them. When they see no hope in economics or government, it gives them stability and hope spiritually that transcends the material failure around them," she said.

The Pepperdine teams spend the school year in preparation training and then travel every summer. The coordinator for Let's Start Talking on the west coast is Kim Lambert. For further information on this mission field, please contact the Pepperdine Campus Ministry Office at (310) 456-4504.

## Fred Gray Delivers Annual Green Lectures at Pepperdine

by Jerry Rushford



Fred Gray

Pepperdine University will host the Eighteenth Annual William Green Lectures October 20-21. Renowned attorney Fred Gray of Tuskegee, Alabama, will speak on his book, *Bus Ride to Justice*. Dr. Gray is best known for his civil rights role as Rosa Parks' and Dr. Martin Luther

King, Jr.'s lawyer. Lectures will be held in Smothers Theatre at 7:30 p.m. on both Monday, October 20, and Tuesday, October 21.

Dr. Gray began his dynamic civil rights career in 1955 when he represented Mrs. Rosa Parks who was arrested when she refused to give up her seat on a bus to a white man, which ignited the Montgomery Bus Boycott. He was also Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s first civil rights attorney. Gray filed suits which brought racial integration to all institutions of higher learning in Alabama and nearly all of the 121 elementary and secondary school systems in the state.

Dr. Gray was one of the first African-Americans to serve in the Alabama Legislature since Reconstruction, having served from 1970-1974. He also served as the 43rd president of the National Bar Association from 1985-1986.

Dr. Gray serves as an elder in the Tuskegee Church of Christ and as Chairman of the Board of Trustees of Southwestern Christian College in Terrell, Texas.

**Won By One**, Pepperdine's Christian student singing group, will be performing at the following locations this fall:

### October

16-18 "City Lights: Proclaiming Christ in the Cities" World Mission Workshop at Pepperdine University in Malibu, California

23-26 Hazel Dell Church of Christ in Vancouver, Washington, and the Salem Academy in Salem, Oregon

### November

28-30 Thanksgiving Youth Festival at Pepperdine University

### December

6 Los Altos, California



## Woodland Hills Church Hosts Seminar on Generation X

by Greg Gillham

Dr. Rick Rowland, Pepperdine professor of communication, and Greg Gillham, graduate student of religion, hosted a four-hour workshop presenting materials to Southern California church leaders on reaching "Generation X."

The program was presented by Pepperdine faculty, staff and students at the Woodland Hills Church of Christ on March 22.

The program demonstrated to church leaders that the average 18 to 30-year-old is very different from generations of the past. The presenters stressed that in order to reach those of "Generation X," older generations have a challenge to breach the barriers of distrust.

Tim Celek and Dieter Zander cite in their 1996 book, *Inside the Soul of a New Generation*, that "Generation X" is very different from previous generations due to the lifelong exposure to four major societal forces—postmodernity (worldview with no absolutes), the broken and blended family, the media, and the economy.

"When 'Generation Xer's' perceive churches to be families where they can belong, churches that value their service and contributions to the community, churches may find themselves full of young, enthusiastic 'Generation X' Christians working and worshipping alongside themselves," Gillham said.

In their book, *The Gospel According to Generation X*, David K. Lewis, Carley H.

Dodd, and Darryl L. Tippens said, "... about one-half of teens leave the Churches of Christ after graduation from high school. Furthermore, it appears that about one-third totally lose faith in Christ."

Gillham points out another trend of the generation.

"They are extremely interested in spiritual matters. This is because the forces that have shaped 'Generation X' have tended to lead them to distrust institutions," he said. "But the church is not simply an institution. It can be a genuine, caring community expressing God's love. Where 'Generation X' perceives the church being that community, it will be reachable and fiercely loyal."

## Cascade College Enrolls 292 for Fall Semester

by Kelly Deatherage

The ever-growing Cascade College in Portland, Oregon, has continued to expand for the fourth straight year. School enrollment is up 14 percent to 292 students coming from as far away as Kenya and Albania.

The 1997-98 school year also started with several significant faculty and administration additions. Dr. David Tucker, former dean of Harding University's College of Business, is serving as professor of business and director of operations. Ken McFarland of Manna International will serve as an adjunct professor of business while completing a doctoral degree at Portland State University. Dr. Gary Tandy, professor of English, was installed as dean of the college on July 1. Dr. Tandy has also taught at the University of Tulsa in Tulsa, Oklahoma; Abilene Christian University in Abilene, Texas; and the University of Tennessee in Knoxville, Tennessee. Tom Buchanan will serve as assistant professor of music and

direct the school's performing ensembles and the touring vocal group, Heirs. Mr. Buchanan has been active throughout the Northwest, participating in numerous conferences and retreats. Dr. Eric Gross will join the faculty as assistant professor of history. Dr. Gross specializes in 20th century history. The final addition is Jonathan Picklesimer, who will serve as director of technology, overseeing all campus computers, telecommunications, and video conference systems. Dr. Picklesimer is also qualified to teach math and computer courses having formerly taught at the Arkansas State University in Jonesboro, Arkansas, and Crowley's Ridge College in Paragould, Arkansas.

During the fall semester, Cascade will host the Conference on the Family October 22-26. Those speaking include: John O. York, Beaverton, Oregon; Randy and Camilla Becton, Abilene, Texas; Roger and Nelda Hawley, St. Louis, Missouri; Jerry Rushford, Agoura Hills, California;

Ron Rose, Richardson, Texas; Bill Park, Woodburn, Oregon; Paul Faulkner, Dallas, Texas; Ron Stump, Beaverton, Oregon; and Brian Simmons, Stan Granberg, Cascade Heirs, "Visions" drama group, and Cascade Choir from Cascade College.

New intercollegiate sports have been added to the schedule as well, including women's soccer, men's and women's cross country, and women's track. Cascade is currently competing at NAIA level in men's basketball, men's soccer, and women's volleyball.

Following the Conference on the Family, the Portland area Churches of Christ will host their annual TLC (Together Loving Christ) worship service on Sunday morning, October 26, at 9:30 a.m. The preacher for this annual gathering will be Paul Faulkner from Dallas, Texas, and the service will take place at the Oregon Convention Center on Martin Luther King Boulevard in Downtown Portland.



Kenneth Hahn Dies in Los Angeles at Age 77



Kenneth Hahn, a Pepperdine alum and a member of the Church of Christ, served on the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors for 10 consecutive terms from 1952 to 1992. His wife, the former Ramona Fox, is also a Pepperdine alum. Her parents were missionaries to Japan for many years. George Pepperdine gave Kenny Hahn his first campaign contribution and he offered the resources of George Pepperdine College to assist in his election. At the swearing-in ceremony on December 1, 1952, Kenny and Ramona (center) were flanked by George Pepperdine and Dean Earl Pullis on the right, and by Councilman Gordon Hahn (Kenny's brother) and Governor Goodwin Knight on the left. Kenneth Hahn died on October 12, 1997. David Davenport, Pepperdine's president, was one of those who spoke at his funeral on October 17. Hahn is survived by his wife and two children.

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Kenneth F. Hahn, 77, Is Dead; Political Giant in Los Angeles

By The New York Times  
 LOS ANGELES, Oct. 13 — Kenneth F. Hahn, a giant of Los Angeles politics for 45 years who helped relocate the Dodgers baseball team from Brooklyn, died on Sunday in Inglewood, Calif. He was 77.  
 The cause was heart failure, said his son, James K. Hahn, the Los Angeles City Attorney.  
 Mr. Hahn served on the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors for 10 consecutive terms from 1952 to 1992, representing an ethnically diverse district that included the predominantly black neighborhood of South Central Los Angeles. His time on the board coincided with Southern California's tremendous post-war growth and the periodic turmoil that defined the politics of his era.  
 Mr. Hahn gave tremendous support to the effort to move the Dodgers to Los Angeles in 1958, lobbying city officials and leading a campaign to gain public approval. He was the first official from Los Angeles to talk with the Dodgers owner, Walter O'Malley, about relocating the team, and they were together in a helicopter when Mr. O'Malley spotted the site near downtown where Dodger Stadium was eventually built.  
 In 1965, after the Watts riots, Mr.

Hahn worked for the construction of a public hospital to serve that devastated area even after voters refused to provide financing. He later fought to have the hospital's name changed to honor the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., whom he met in 1961.  
 People sometimes refer to him as a "pothole politician" who diligently tended to the needs of his electorate, from building parks to fixing streets. It was not uncommon for Mr. Hahn to stop his car to chat with people on the sidewalk, they say, or to visit a firehouse on a whim.  
 "He epitomizes what a local political official should be," said Rosalind Wyman, who served on the Los Angeles City Council from 1953 to 1965 and who was one of Mr. Hahn's friends.  
 He was instrumental in creating the county's paramedic system and made Los Angeles the first city in the nation to have telephones installed along the freeway for stranded motorists. He was also behind several big construction projects, including the Music Center and the metro system. The county administration building is named in his honor.  
 In 1987, Mr. Hahn suffered a stroke that left him partly paralyzed. Nevertheless, he was re-elected in 1988 with 84 percent of the vote.  
 Mr. Hahn began his political career in 1947 with a successful run for a seat on the Los Angeles City Council. At 28, he was the youngest person at the time to ever serve on the Council, and at 32, was the youngest at the time to serve as a county



Kenneth F. Hahn

supervisor.  
 Mr. Hahn was born on Aug. 1920, in Los Angeles, and except for his time in the Navy he never lived more than three miles from his childhood home. He graduated from Pepperdine College with a political science degree in 1942 and immediately joined the Navy, serving for 10 years as a lieutenant. Upon return from World War II, he taught political science and history at Pepperdine.  
 Mr. Hahn's son was elected controller in 1981 and then city attorney in 1983. His daughter, Jane, was elected in 1996 to the Los Angeles Charter Reform Commission.  
 Besides his children, Mr. Hahn survived by his wife, Ramona, of Los Angeles.

Claudia Sangster Appointed President of AWP

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their tasks. Claudia is loved by many and is a blessing to the organization. She is a joy to know and work with," Patty said.

Claudia's goals for the organization involve expanding membership. "This June, we will be celebrating AWP's 40th Anniversary, 40 years of reaching out to young Christian students who seek the unique education offered by Pepperdine. AWP is a vital link between the Churches of Christ and Pepperdine University, and it is my desire to see the relationship between AWP and the University strengthened during this year," she said. "To accomplish that goal, I would like to see AWP's membership increase—particularly through the membership of former scholarship recipients. Membership is vital to our continuity, and because we are an organization that has been in existence for

over 40 years, I would like to see this organization grow in numbers and financial commitment as we begin our next 40 years of service."

Claudia, a Pepperdine alum, came back to the campus in January of 1993 and is currently the senior counsel in Estate and Gift Planning for the University. She earned her B.A., summa cum laude, at Seaver College and her J.D., magna cum laude, from the Bates College of Law at the University of Houston.

Currently, Claudia works with donors and prospective donors, providing counsel in all aspects of estate planning, negotiating charitable giving plans which serve both the needs of donors and the University. She also works in structuring and implementing the many charitable gift plans available to donors, such as charitable gift annuities, charitable trusts, and bargain sales.

Her husband, Chris, serves as the director of Advancement and Alumni Relations at Pepperdine.

230 Women Attend Annual Retreat at Camp Yamhill

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week of camping experience, studying the flora and fauna under the direction of teachers and forestry service personnel. In providing facilities and meals for this program during the school weeks, Yamhill has been able to improve its cabins, kitchen, and meeting hall significantly.

Three retired Christian couples live on the grounds of Camp Yamhill and provide the cooking and maintenance work. The Williamses, one of the couples who live on the grounds, ministered to the Newburg, Oregon, Church of Christ for many years. They talked about their life and ministry now at Yamhill, concluding, "Churches, campus ministries, and others usually want the camp for weekends during the fall and spring months, so we clean and cook seven days a week, but we love it!"





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