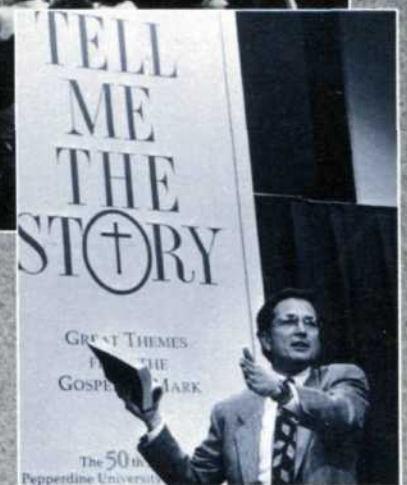


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Pepperdine's 50th Bible Lectures

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A NEWS JOURNAL FOR CHURCHES OF CHRIST ON THE WEST COAST

Jack Evans will Speak at Crusade for Christ

by Billie Silvey

Dr. Jack Evans, president of Southwestern Christian College in Terrell, Texas, is the speaker for the week-long Crusade for Christ, which begins Sunday, July 25. Held every two years in a different major city in the U.S., this is the first time the Crusade has come to Southern California.

Judge Andrew Hairston, minister of the Simpson Street Church in Atlanta, will speak for the kick-off banquet Saturday, July 24, at the Westin Bonaventure Hotel.

R. N. Hogan, minister for the Figueroa Church of Christ, is Southern California Chairman for the crusade with Billy Curl, minister of the Crenshaw Church, assisting. The Hilton Hotel will serve as crusade headquarters with rallies held daily to motivate personal workers. A concentrated program of personal evangelism and an intensive media blitz are being planned. The speeches will be broadcast on radio and television.

All Christians in the area are being asked to support the crusade with their participation, prayers and contributions. Some twelve thousand people are expected to hear Evans open the series at 10 a.m. Sunday on "Redigging Old Wells."

Evening speeches are scheduled at 7:30 p.m., with topics as follows: Sunday, "The House in the Hood"; Monday, "And This Thing Became a Sin"; Tuesday, "God's Dividing Line"; Wednesday, "Serving God after the Due Order," an address dedicated to R. N. Hogan, and Thursday, "Preparing for the Big One: Earthquake Insurance."

Evans has spoken for previous crusades in Houston, 1983; San Francisco, 1985; Orlando, 1987; New Orleans, 1989 and Detroit, 1991. A native of Houston, Evans was baptized into Christ at age fifteen and began preaching the next year. He holds the B.A. from Eastern New Mexico University in Portales and the M.A. from the University of Texas at El Paso, having also attended Nashville Christian Institute in Nashville, Tennessee, and Southwestern

Christian College in Terrell, Texas. Both Harding University and Pepperdine University awarded him honorary doctor of laws degrees.

Evans became dean of Southwestern, and instructor in history in 1963. In 1967, he was appointed the first black president of the predominantly black Christian college. Southwestern became fully accredited during his administration in 1973. Author of books of debates, including one with Louis Farrakhan, books of sermons and books on instrumental music and divorce, Evans has spoken in meetings, seminars, and at Christian college lectureships across the nation. He is listed in Who's Who in American College and University Administration and Who's Who in Texas Today.

Evans is married to the former Patricia Officer of Nashville, Tennessee and is the father of three sons, Jack, Jr., Herbert Raye, and David Paul.

Bound for Russia



Norvel and Helen Young and their two grandsons, Christopher Young (left) and David Lemley, will leave Los Angeles on August 2nd for a four-week evangelistic mission to Russia. They will concentrate their efforts in St. Petersburg, Minsk, Niev, and Moscow. A full report of their exciting journey will appear in the fall issue of *Pacific Church News*.

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From Max Lucado (top left) on Tuesday evening, to Mike Cope (bottom right) on Friday evening, large and attentive crowds in Firestone Fieldhouse heard the story of Jesus, as recorded in Mark's gospel, retold with great power.

Let Us Exalt His Name Together

by Ben Wall

I will extol the Lord at all times; his praise will always be on my lips. My soul will boast in the Lord; Let the afflicted hear and rejoice. Glorify the Lord with me; Let us exalt His name together—Psalm 34:1-3. From the heart of the legendary psalmist, David, comes a response of praise to God for the way God heard his prayers and delivered him from his fears. David exclaims that he will constantly praise the Lord and invites us, God's dearly loved children, to join him in glorifying God. David's exuberance and joy cannot be contained as he proclaims the awesome power of our living God.

Perhaps you too have known and now know this joy. Perhaps you have also seen God's hand work in your life and have witnessed the transforming power of our mighty God. I have seen God move this powerfully in Churches of Christ in Southern California and am excited about what God is doing in the church.

I have seen a renewed sense of passion for a deeper, more personal and meaningful time of praise and worship during our times of assembly. Once song leaders chose several of their favorite hymns a few minutes before service; now worship leaders are spending more time in prayerful preparation, working hard to bring purpose and focus to the service. Christians all over Southern California are being refreshed and renewed by these times of worship, not because they sing "contemporary songs," but because the focus of the service draws worshipers into the presence of God, and God transforms them through this encounter by his Holy Spirit.

This is the ultimate goal of any worship leader. It isn't to teach a favorite new hymn. It's not to get people to listen to a



"beautiful" voice or to be well known in the brotherhood. The ultimate goal, the deep burning desire, is to move people into the presence of the living God. It is to bring people so close to the cross of Jesus Christ that they almost taste the gritty dust of the road that leads by Golgotha. It is a desire to have people come face to face with a dying Jesus as He hangs in anguish



on the cross...a desire for people to mentally and emotionally reach out and see the scars and feel the wounds in Jesus' body...a desire for people to be so moved by their experience of mind and heart that they have only one response as they envision a living Jesus rolling the stone away and appearing to his disciples! It is the response of the heartfelt proclamation, "Jesus, You are my Lord, and my God!"

This is the real goal behind what is called, "Day of Praise." Through this afternoon of praise and worship, we want to help individuals and churches develop a

deeper worship encounter with God every day. We want Christians to unite, stand together and proclaim Jesus Christ to a world in desperate need of His saving grace.

Last September, more than 1,500 Christians from Churches of Christ all over California did just that. They spent a Sunday afternoon proclaiming God's name through song, scripture and prayer. Ken Young and the Hallal! singers led the afternoon of praise and worship in what turned out to be a phenomenal experience for everyone. The response to this day was so overwhelming that this year's anticipated number of participants is anywhere from 3,000-5,000 people.

There will be no registration fee this year in hopes that no one will be prevented from attending this exciting event. If you would like to receive information for this year's Day of Praise, contact the Costa Mesa Church of Christ: 287 W. Wilson St., Costa Mesa, CA 92627, (714) 645-3191.

Date: Sept. 12.

Location: Bren Events Center—University

of California at Irvine.

Time: Worship begins at 2:30 p.m. and ends at 6:15 p.m. Cost: \$2.00 for parking (each vehicle).

Day of Praise Tentative Worship schedule:

2:30 p.m.-3:20 p.m.—Praise and Worship begins

3:20 p.m.-3:40 p.m.—Stretch break

3:40 p.m.-4:30 p.m.—Praise and Worship

4:30 p.m.-4:50 p.m.—Stretch break

4:50 p.m.-6:10 p.m.—Praise and Worship

6:15 p.m.—Dismissal

LECTURES

The 50th Anniversary Bible Lectures . . . "Write on my heart every word"

by Bill Henegar

It was George Pepperdine's favorite, a hymn that the faithful have been singing for 113 years. And on this particular evening, Fanny Crosby's familiar words resonate from the rafters of Firestone Fieldhouse like an echo from the past. The chorus swells to a spiritual crescendo . . . "Tell me the story of Jesus," the multitude sings, "Write on my heart every word; Tell me the story most precious, Sweetest that ever was heard."

Best-seller Christian author Max Lucado approaches the podium and slowly begins to spin a beautiful web of words that softly entraps, enthrals, his audience. The writer carefully inscribes "every word" on the hearts of his listeners.



Max Lucado

It is opening night of Pepperdine's Annual Bible Lectures. In fact, it is the beginning of the golden anniversary celebration of the much anticipated event. Everyone has come with a sense of excitement—no one is disappointed.

The week whirs on, picking up even more momentum. Tim Woodroof lectures, then Harold Shank. Tom Olbricht speaks, and Jeff Walling. Friday comes with Larry James, and finally, Mike Cope. The retelling of the story edges toward its conclusion in the evening as Cope asks, "Must Jesus bear the cross alone?" He

answers in the words of hymn writer Thomas Shepherd: "No! There's a cross for everyone, And there's a cross for me."

And the 50th Bible Lectures are over.



Mike Cope

Sandwiched between Lucado and Cope are more than 200 classes, plus special breakfasts, luncheons, and dinners, worship experiences, moments for perusing displays and renewing friendships . . . an exhausting 70- or 80-hour blur of activities (with minimal sleep)!

The week is so filled with thoughts and impressions and emotions that most attendees must return home and "process" the experience before they can adequately reflect on it. One man later writes, "I'm still basking in the glow of the Lectures! It was a tremendously uplifting experience. . . What impressed me was the spiritual revival that the Lectures ignited within me and the spiritual revival of our fellowship as a whole that seemed to be in the very air."

A preacher from Tennessee, reflecting on the impact of the Lectures, writes, "The energy from this week spreads like a rock in a pond—in ever-increasing circles." And from Texas come these words: "The

Lectures were everything I had hoped they would be—and then some! The prayers that these Lectures would serve as a time of renewal and encouragement were answered in my wife and me, as we were able to return home with our hearts encouraged and our spirits revived."

A woman from Nashville writes that "the week was a spiritual high" for her. She has been attending the Lectures for years, and she says, "The week means so much to me that, even before I moved to Nashville, I used a week's vacation so I could attend more than just the opening lecture. It is a priority on my calendar each year." For others, it is their first trip to the Lectures. A couple from Clovis, California, write,



Helen Young speaks at the AWP Banquet on opening night. She was a co-founder of AWP with Helen Pepperdine in 1958.

"The week was fantastic and we plan to make this an annual trip."

From Florida, a minister sums things up. "Without a doubt, the Pepperdine Lectures are the best our fellowship has to offer," he says. "The thing I most appreciate is the atmosphere of freedom, in which one can teach or worship as God leads. One is not required to fit the mold. And a church leader from the state of Washington adds, "I believe the Lectures are on the cutting edge of what is happening in the church today, and the forum you provide is deeply rewarding for me spiritually—which translates into a more vital ministry with my congregation." Another person from Washington concurs, "The Pepperdine Lectures were the best I have ever



President David Davenport (left) and Chairman of the Board Tom Bost (right) with Jerry Rushford at the unveiling of the collage of lecture booklets and photos.

experienced.”

Throughout the week, many worthy Christians are honored for their service to the Lord and his church. But on Friday evening, Lectures Director Jerry Rushford himself is honored. Usually the one who succeeds in surprising his honorees, Rushford is caught off guard as President David Davenport concludes the evening by calling Jerry forward and presenting him with an impressive plaque. The ceremony is followed by a presentation of albums filled with letters of appreciation, handed to Rushford by Lynn Anderson and Mike Cope. Then Pepperdine’s Chairman of the Board of Regents Tom Bost steps forward to present a framed piece of art depicting

eleven years of lectures under Rushford. Finally, Jerry’s wife, Lori, is called to the podium by President Davenport, and the couple are presented with a gift from their beloved England. It is a moment of triumph—not only for the Rushfords, but for the revitalized Bible Lectures and all those who love this gathering of Christians.

A minister from Louisiana later writes to Rushford, “I would like to personally thank you for the wonderful work you have done in the last eleven years organizing the Lectures which are generally acknowledged to be the most inspiring in our brotherhood.” And a respected university administrator comments, “The high point



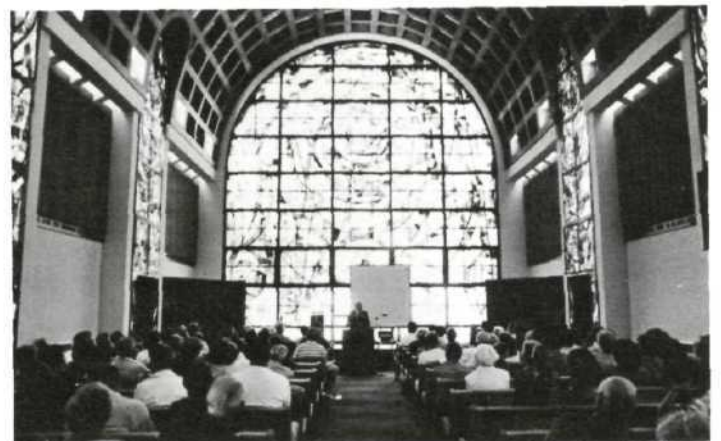
Lynn Anderson (left) and Mike Cope (right) present Jerry Rushford with albums of letters of appreciation.

of the Lectures for us was when you were appropriately honored on the final evening. It was moving and so well deserved.”

It is impossible to calculate the good that is done in the four days. For many church leaders and members alike, it is like a long draft from a cool spring in the midst of an expansive wasteland. The words that most often surface from comments and letters are “refreshed,” “revived,” and “renewed.” One person calls the Lectures a “festival of faith.”

Perhaps the Bible Lectures are worth the months of planning, the weeks of promotion, the days of preparation, the hectic hours of final coordination . . . perhaps they are worth it all.

Because the story of Jesus is being told.



Two of the more beautiful classroom settings during lecture week are Raitt Recital Hall and Stauffer Chapel.

A Week Filled with Honors at the Pepperdine Lectures

by Holly Brown

The four golden days at the 50th Annual Pepperdine University Bible Lectures (April 27-30) are remembered for large and excited crowds, pleasant weather, superb teachers, inspiring lectures, joyful singing, and, as one observer noted, "for the honoring of men and women who have served God, often quietly and out of the spotlight." The University took great pride in honoring 14 individuals with Distinguished Christian Service Awards during the four-day event.

At the Opening Night Men's Dinner, Nyal Royse was honored for a career of full-time preaching and years of service to Christian education. Royse has been a devoted preacher of the gospel for more than sixty years. Early in his ministry he preached for California Churches of Christ in Bell Gardens (1941-45), Norwalk (1945-51), and Southwest in Los Angeles (1951-54). Royse received his B.A. and M.A. from Pepperdine University, and he later served as the dean at Columbia Christian College and as a professor of education and director of graduate studies at Harding University. After leaving California for several years, he returned to preach for the Norwalk Church in 1987. Now in his eightieth year, Royse continues to preach full-time.

Walter and Anna King of San Pedro, California, were honored at the Friends of Pepperdine Dinner for their years of support to the University and for their unselfish service to Churches of Christ in the Los Angeles area. The Kings both graduated from Pepperdine, and Walter was later employed by the University for eight years. Following retirement, both Walter and Anna have continued to assist their alma mater in many ways, remaining active in alumni and Associated Women for Pepperdine activities. Walter served as a deacon and elder at the Inglewood Church and more recently, has been serving as an elder at the Redondo Beach Church of Christ since 1984.



Nyal Royse



Tommy and Vesta Thompson



Walter and Anna King



Cline Paden

Tommy and Vesta Thompson and Eugene and Irene White were honored for their lifetime of service to Churches of Christ in California. The Thompsons were especially lauded for their enthusiastic involvement with the Culver-Palms Church of Christ in Los Angeles for more than four decades. Tommy has served as an elder at Culver-Palms for the past 40 years. The Whites were praised for their long years of service to World Bible School. From 1936-56, Eugene preached for Churches of Christ throughout California. He has served as an elder at Southwest in L.A. (1956-1963), Inglewood (1963-1972), and Woodland Hills (1972-1992). Along with his dedication to the

church, Eugene served as a professor at Pepperdine University for 40 years.

At the Thursday evening Men's Fellowship Dinner, Cline Paden was honored for his pioneer missionary work in Denmark and Italy and for his role as the enthusiastic director of the Sunset School of Preaching and Missions in Lubbock, Texas, for 31 years. He will retire from this position of responsibility this summer. Cline has been an elder at the Sunset Church of Christ for 25 years, and he has served as a member of the board of directors for World Christian Broadcasting Corporation, Abilene Christian University's Advisory Board, and the President's Council of Lubbock Christian University.



Eugene & Irene White



Sammy and Janet Dzamesi



Gene and Ruth Ann Stallings



Carl and Frankie Mitchell

Stephan and Reba Bilak of Lausanne, Switzerland, and Sammy and Janet Dzamesi of Ghana, West Africa, were honored for their devotion to evangelism and mission work. The Bilaks have given most of their lives to the difficult task of penetrating the iron curtain with the gospel of Christ. Since 1959, they have used several different radio stations to broadcast the liberating gospel of Christ throughout the former Soviet Union. Now that the walls have come down, they are broadcasting from Ternopil, Ukraine, under the oversight of the Minter Lane Church of Christ in Abilene, Texas.

The Dzamesis were lauded for their inspiring leadership in evangelism that has



Stephan and Reba Bilak

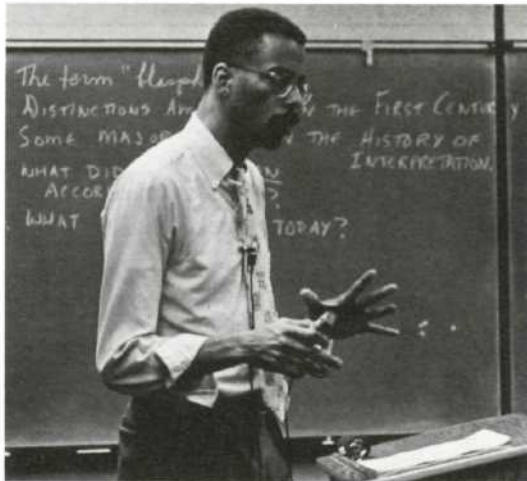
greatly strengthened and multiplied the Churches of Christ in the Volta Region of

Ghana. After his graduation from Ghana Bible College, Sammy began preaching in the city of Ho. The church has grown from three members to more than 200 during his ministry, and more than 40 additional congregations have been established in villages throughout the region. Sammy estimates that he has baptized about 1,000 people. In addition, the Dzamesis founded a Christian school in 1990 that has rapidly grown to include 260 students from preschool through grade 3. Sammy serves as director of the school.

At the annual Appreciation Dinner on Friday evening, Pepperdine honored Carl and Frankie Mitchell of Searcy, Arkansas, for their years of missionary service in Italy and for their dedication to Christian education at Pepperdine University and Harding University. The Mitchells served as missionaries in Italy for over 15 years, working with churches in Milan, Rome, Sicily, and Florence. Among their many contributions to Christian education, Carl was a professor of religion at Pepperdine University for 15 years, serving as division chair the last four years, and Frankie assisted with the founding of the San Fernando Valley Christian School in 1965, where she continued to work as a volunteer in services and fundraising for over 12 years. The Mitchells returned to Harding in 1989, where Carl is currently serving as dean of the College of Bible and Religion and Frankie as the director of Human Resources.

In addition to the various Pepperdine awards, *21st Century Christian Magazine* presented their annual Distinguished Christian Parents Award to Gene and Ruth Ann Stallings of Tuscaloosa, Alabama. Gene is the head coach of the national champion University of Alabama football team, and Ruth Ann was a featured teacher at the Pepperdine lectures this year. The Stallings are members of the University Church of Christ in Tuscaloosa.

SCENES FROM PEPPERDINE'S



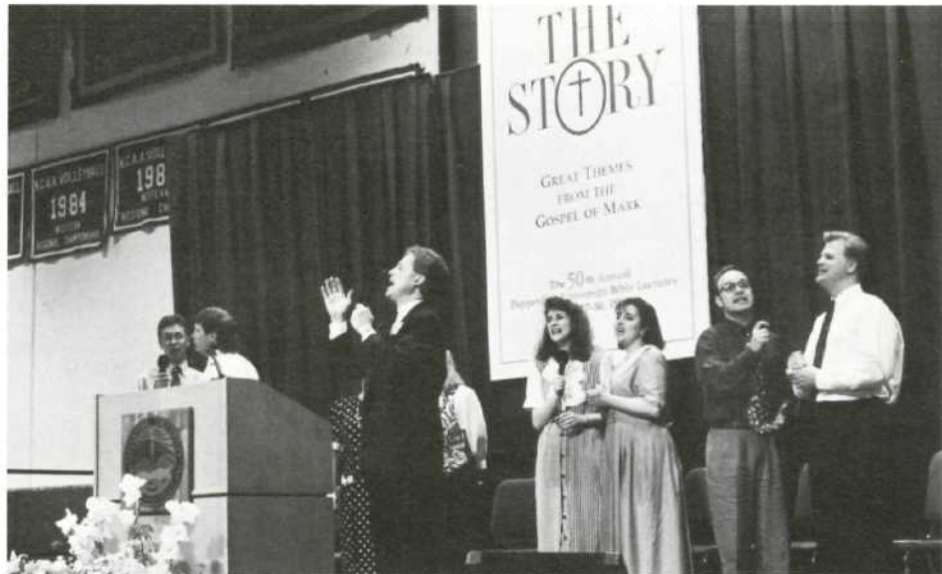
Arthur Sutherland lectures on images of Christ



Carroll Osburn teaching in Elkins Auditorium



Chairman Tom Bost defines Pepperdine mission



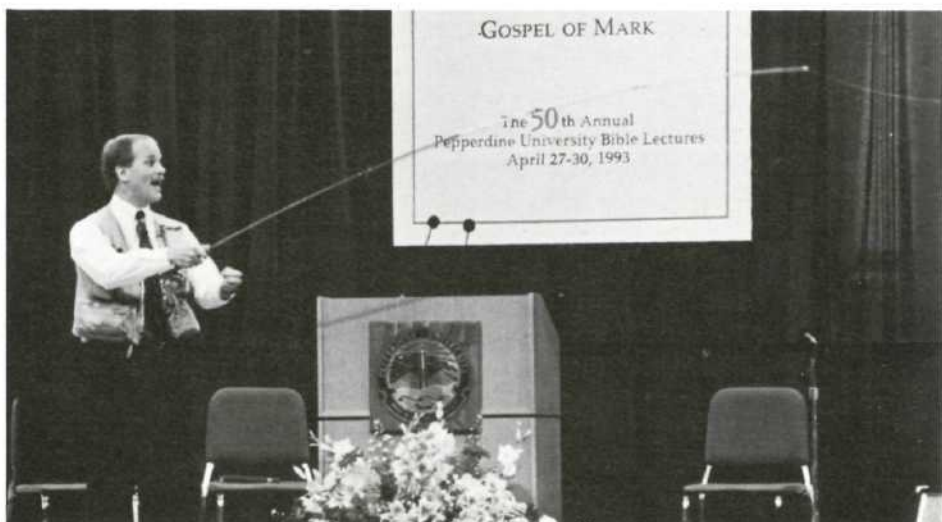
In addition to their daily class, Halla! leads songfest on Friday evening in Firestone Fieldhouse



A spiritual feast for all generations

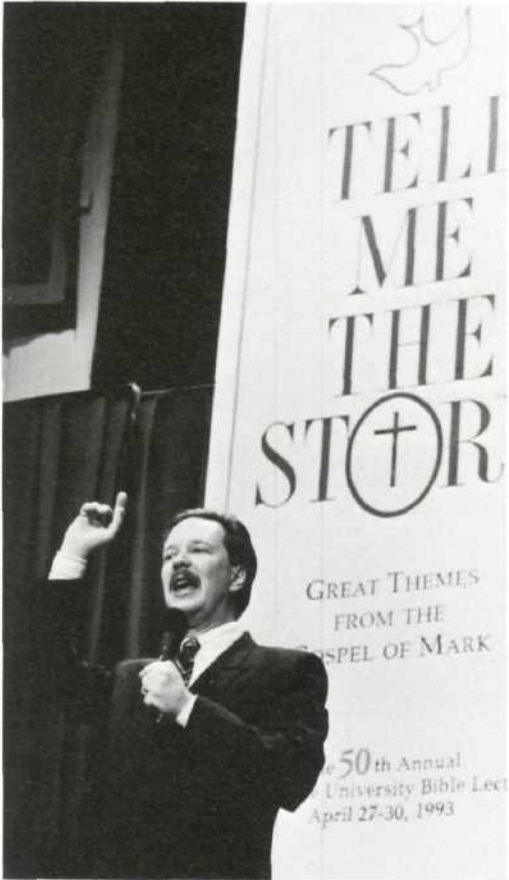


Evening lecturer Harold Shank



Theme lecturer Tim Woodroof goes fishing in Firestone Fieldhouse

50TH ANNUAL BIBLE LECTURES



Jeff Walling tells the story of Jesus



That brief break between classes — a time for reflection and rest



Judy and Rob McRay teach a daily class



Laurie Vanderpool teaches on Proverbs



A time for joyful reunions



Smothers Theatre hosts standing-room-only crowds all four days

CONGREGATION

Jewel of the Central Coast

by Bill Henegar

One of the most beautiful cities of California's central coast is San Luis Obispo, established as a Spanish mission by padres Serra and Cavaller in 1772. Nestled in the coastal hills just 10 minutes from the ocean, the city became even more important when California State Polytechnic University (Cal Poly) was established there in 1901.

The city's Central Church of Christ traces its beginning to the uncertain days of 1941. Just seven months before the attack on Pearl Harbor, a handful of Christians met for worship and fellowship at the home of Virgil and Mabel Skeen. Among the pioneer members, in addition to the Skeens, were Joe and Stella Proctor, and E. David Carroll.

After a few weeks, the little flock moved to a rented hall above a grocery store at Chorro and Marsh streets. Later, they moved to a second rented hall and then, in 1945, managed to purchase their own meeting house on Santa Rosa Street at Murray. While at this location, the first leaders were selected: elders J. M. Potter and A. P. Haynes; and deacons Luther C. Williams, Roy Hilliard, Virgil Skeen, and Herbert Lange.

The tiny building on Santa Rosa served the church for seven years, but when the expanding city had need of the property, the church was ready to sell and move to larger facilities. For the next 10 years, the church occupied a building on up the street at 1444 Santa Rosa, which they purchased from the Seventh Day Adventist Church. As they grew, the dream of building an even larger facility took shape. Property was purchased, and construction was begun.

On August 26, 1962, the church held its first Sunday meeting in its present building at 3172 Johnson Avenue. The minister at that time was Leonard R. Pamplin, and when the building was dedicated on September 30, the special speaker was Dr. J. P. Sanders, dean of Pepperdine College. Perhaps it was this



(Top left) The church's first building was purchased in 1945 and needed remodeling.

(Top right) LaVerne Bucy stands on the steps of the second building at 1444 Santa Rosa.

(Right and below) Overlooking the valley, the present building on Johnson Avenue is above street level and is partially sheltered by mature pine trees.



early association with Pepperdine that established the long-standing tradition of Central's enthusiastic support of the annual Bible Lectures at the University.

One of the remarkable things about the Central Church is the continuity of its members, especially its leadership. In our mobile society, rapid member turnover can mean a whole new membership in 10 or 15 years. But at the Central Church, the shortest tenure among the elders is 24 years.

After earning his Ph.D. at the University of Illinois, LaVerne Bucy left his native Kentucky to join the animal science faculty of Cal Poly in 1955. He well remembers the church building at 1444 Santa Rosa. In fact, he was appointed an elder there in 1961. "San Luis Obispo has probably tripled since the '50s when we moved here," he says. Bucy is now retired from Cal Poly. He is known as a good administrator and, like his fellow elders, a man completely dedicated to the Lord. His sometimes gruff exterior is betrayed by his warm heart and by the



hospitality and tremendous good he and his wife, Lurline, accomplish.

Frank Potter grew up on a small farm in New Mexico. He moved to the coastal area near San Luis Obispo in the mid-'40s after military service in World War II, then moved on into the city in 1960. Now retired from the Southern California Gas Company, he worked as a welder and heavy equipment operator for many years. He was appointed an elder along with Bucy in 1961, thus following in the steps of his father, J. M. Potter, who was one of the first two elders of the San Luis Obispo church.



(Top left) Present elders and their wives are (l. to r.) LaVerne and Lurline Bucy, Frank and Dessa Potter, and Jim and Maxine Greathouse.

(Above) Michael and Debbie Anderson have been working with the church for nearly three years; son Justin was born earlier this year.

(Above) The church's campus ministry at Cal Poly has blessed the lives of many students over the years.

Frank has proven to be a loving shepherd; he and his wife, Dessa, fill their time with visiting and encouraging church members. "I think we are a church that's known for caring about people," he says.

Jim Greathouse is the youngest of the three leaders, having served as an elder since 1969—"a mere 24 years." Like Potter, he grew up in New Mexico. He eventually earned the Ed.D. degree from the University of New Mexico and, after many years in education, served as vice president of nearby Cuesta Community College. Not long ago, he retired from that administrative post. Greathouse is an excellent organizer, speaker, and teacher—and like the other two leaders, a man devoted to God. He and his wife, Maxine, give themselves fully to the upbuilding of the church.

"Each of us is different," explains Potter, "and among us, we represent a good cross-section of the congregation." Remarkably,

the three men have a total of 88 years of service as elders of the Central Church.

Over the years, the church has nurtured many long-term relationships. For example, a consistent force for good in the congregation has been Charles Melton, who served the church for nearly 20 years, most of that time as the pulpit minister. He even supported himself financially for several years when times were hard. Health problems forced him to move to a drier climate three years ago.

The present pulpit minister is Michael Anderson, who moved to San Luis Obispo with his wife, Debbie, in September 1990. Anderson grew up in Richardson, Texas, and attended Abilene Christian University where he received his bachelor's degree in Bible and his Master of Divinity. Debbie was raised near Tacoma, Washington, and also attended A.C.U. where she and Michael met. She earned her bachelor's degree in education and taught school in

Abilene while Michael completed his master's. After arriving in San Luis Obispo, she operated a tutoring business until little Justin was born only a few months ago.

The Andersons love both the Central Church and the San Luis Obispo area. "Visitors most often mention the friendliness and openness of the church," Michael says. "And the city has much to offer: cultural events, good weather, friendly people," adds Debbie.

Perhaps the church's greatest ministry has been its work on Cal Poly's campus. The thousands of students who become temporary residents each year have formed a rich mission field. Hundreds of them have been reached, either converted or ministered to in some way. However, there is a feeling among many that the church is moving into a transition period, forging a new identity. "The talent and desire of our members is incredible," says Michael Anderson. "While the campus ministry has been our main focus, we have been somewhat 'invisible' in the broader community. It's time for us to reach out to the people of San Luis Obispo including—but beyond—Cal Poly. Outsiders need to experience that friendliness and love we all enjoy."

In some ways, the Central Church is a leader among the dozen or so churches that compose the "central coast." The Lompoc congregation is actually the largest coastal church between Los Angeles and the Bay Area, while most of the other churches are quite small. The Central Church at San Luis Obispo has for several years averaged about 150 in attendance.

Its influence is probably much greater than its size would suggest, however. It often is considered the innovator, the progressive force along the central coast, according to Bucy. Potter concurs and adds, "I think we must always move ahead. We can't remain stagnant and be satisfied with the status quo."

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PEPPERDINE PEOPLE ON THE MOVE

by Holly Brown

Dan Anders, minister for the Malibu Church of Christ, will be a theme speaker and class teacher at the 53rd Yosemite Family Encampment, July 25-30.

Garry Bailey, instructor of communication, and his wife **Janet**, development systems, served as team leaders for Pepperdine's "Let's Start Talking" summer program in Moscow, Russia, during June and July.

Calvin Bowers, professor of communication and equal opportunity officer, spoke at the Ford-Linwood Church of Christ in Detroit, Michigan, for a special weekend seminar May 13-16. He conducted a teacher training workshop at the Holgate Church of Christ in Seattle, Washington, May 21-23. He served as a speaker and facilitator for a youth counselors workshop at the Carlyle Avenue Church of Christ in Inkster, Michigan, June 10-13. He spoke at a gospel meeting in Bakersfield, California, June 18. He will be teaching Christian counselors at the National Youth Conference at the University of Illinois, August 2-8.

Rick Cupp, associate professor of law, will serve as a team leader for Pepperdine's "Let's Start Talking" summer program in Moscow, Russia, during July and August.

President **David Davenport** preached for the Culver Palms Church of Christ, May 9 and June 13, and for the Malibu Church of Christ, May 16. He will be speaking at the Grand Canyon Family Encampment in Flagstaff, Arizona, July 11-14 and will preach for Culver Palms, August 8.

Susan Giboney, visiting instructor in Humanities and Associated Women for Pepperdine president, spoke at the AWP district 34 installation of officers in Palm Springs, California, May 8. She also spoke at the AWP district 2 installation of officers in Whittier, California, May 20. She was a presenter at the National Meeting of Officers of Women's Support Organizations for Church of Christ Colleges and Universities at Freed-Hardeman University in Henderson, Tennessee, June 12. She will make an

AWP presentation at the Yosemite Family Encampment, July 26.

Terry Giboney, associate provost for special programs, preached and taught Bible class for the Lakeview Church of Christ in Chicago, Illinois, May 23.

Bob Gilliam, professor of psychology and director of academic computing, will preach for the Church of Christ in Woodland Hills, California, July 11. He will also be preaching for the Church of Christ in Van Nuys, California, later this summer.

Bill Henegar, assistant vice president for creative services, taught an adult Bible class for the Long Beach Church of Christ during April, May, and June.

Richard Hughes, acting department chair and professor of religion, taught the Sunday morning Bible class on "Christianity as a Counter-Cultural Movement" at the Culver Palms Church of Christ, May 16. He participated in the Fuller Seminary Congress on Systematic Theology, May 21-22. He was an invited participant to the conference on "The Development of New Christian Graduate Schools" at Messiah College in Grantham, Pennsylvania, May 25-26. He served as a co-convenor and participant at a seminary on "A Christian Worldview in the Classroom: What Does It Mean?," held at Pepperdine University, June 14-25. He will be a responder to the conference, "Churches of Christ in the Post-Modern World", at the University of Arkansas in Little Rock, July 21-22. He will also participate in the Christian Scholars Conference at Harding University, July 23-24.

Campus Minister **Scott Lambert** was the keynote speaker for "Soul Quest" at York College in York, Nebraska, June 14. He will be teaching a workshop on "Developing Student Leaders" at the National Campus Ministry Seminar at Louisiana State University in Baton Rouge, August 4. His wife **Kim** will also be teaching a class at the seminar on Pepperdine's "Let's Start Talking" program.

Dean of Admissions **Paul Long** served as chairman for the Christian Leadership Conference held at Pepperdine, June 11-13.

Dean of Students **D'Esta Love** will be

the featured speaker at the Northern California Women's Retreat in Richardson Springs, California, September 16-18.

Stuart Love, professor of religion, preached for the Central Church of Christ in Bakersfield, California, May 9, and for the Church of Christ in Exeter, May 23.

Dennis Lowe, associate professor of psychology, and his wife, **Emily Scott Lowe**, coordinator of student counseling services, conducted a seminar on "Making Marriages Work" at the Church of Christ in Moorpark, California, May 14-16. They will be presenting additional marriage enrichment seminars at the University Christian Church in Los Angeles, California, July 23-25; at the Central Church of Christ in Stockton, California, September 10-12; and at the Church of Christ in Santa Rosa, October 1-3.

David Lowry, director of educational technology, will be teaching a 10 week series of classes for young adults on "personal spirituality" at the Simi Valley Church of Christ.

Randy Lowry, director of the Institute for Dispute Resolution, was a participant in the "Nairobi Conference," sponsored by the Churches of Christ in Nairobi, Kenya, June 19-27.

Rick Marrs, associate professor of religion, was a keynote speaker at the David Lipscomb University Bible Lectureship in Nashville, Tennessee, June 14-16.

Vice Chancellor **Mike O'Neal** will preach and teach a class on "Estate Planning for Christians" at the Yosemite Family Encampment, July 26-31.

Religion Division Chairperson **Tom Olbricht** was the speaker for "Preachers Day," June 5, and "Work and Worship Week", June 28-July 2, at Camp Ganderbrook in North Raymond, Maine. He will be the closing speaker for the Christian Scholars Conference at Harding University in Searcy, Arkansas, July 24.

Rick Rowland, associate professor of communication, spoke on the topic of abortion at a youth meeting held this spring at the Culver Palms Church of Christ. He will be a speaker and master of ceremonies for the National Campus

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by Rick Rowland

When the National Campus Ministries Seminar convenes in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, August 2-5, it will mark the 100th anniversary of campus ministry in the Restoration Movement. Charles A. Young launched the first "Bible Chair" program at the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor in the fall of 1893.

The Church of Christ in Ashland, Oregon, is now raising support to begin a campus ministry at **Southern Oregon State College**. The church has already raised \$10,000 toward a down payment on a facility next to the campus. **Greg Weston** has been appointed as the campus minister when the work begins in the fall of 1993...**Mike Tess**, professor at **Montana State University**, reports that the Billings Church of Christ is raising support for a full-time campus minister to complement their program. Tess now serves as the faculty advisor.

The Nigerian Mission records that missionary **Ita Bassey** has begun a series of Bible studies with three students from the **University of Uyo** in Africa. The Los Angeles Normandie Church of Christ oversees this work.

The first meeting of the Churches of Christ campus ministry at the **University of Southern California** was held this spring featuring **Don Crawford**, Hollywood Church of Christ minister. The new campus ministry program was approved by the university and has student officers from three different congregations of the Church of Christ. **Bill Bedard**, a member of the Culver Palms Church of Christ and a junior engineering major, is president; **Gustar Barrow**, a member of the Church of Christ in Hollywood, and a graduate student in chemistry working toward dentistry school, is vice president; **David Smith**, a member of the Church of Christ in Hollywood and a graduate student in the MFA program, is secretary/treasurer; **James Taylor**, a member of the Fontana Church of Christ and a Ph.D. student in political

science and **William Lambert**, a member of the Culver Palms Church of Christ who is completing his Ph.D. in religion at USC, will also work with the student officers. Pepperdine University's "Methods in Theology of Campus Ministry" course, taught by **Rick Rowland**, is using this new program as their fall project. **Wilson Parrish**, a graduate student at Pepperdine, is the key intern helping develop this program, which is under the oversight of the elders of the Church of Christ in Hollywood.

Dave Altizer is the new campus minister at the **University of Washington**. This work is a ministry of the Northwest Church of Christ in Seattle. Altizer formerly served the campuses at Cal Poly and Cuesta College in San Luis Obispo. Former University of Washington campus minister **Mike Dollar** will attend the University of North Carolina to further his graduate work...**The University of Arizona** is losing veteran campus minister **Kevin Stewart** who will pursue graduate studies at Abilene Christian University. The Mountain Avenue Church of Christ guides the University of Arizona ministry. The 1994 Western Campus Ministry seminar will not be held at University of Arizona (as originally planned because of Stewart's departure). It will now be co-hosted by the **University of California Santa Barbara** Campus Advance for Christ and the **Pepperdine** Campus Ministry in a "retreat setting" January 21-23, 1994. Please contact UCSB's Ron Smith at (805) 967-4611 or Pepperdine's Scott Lambert at (310) 456-4504 for details. The 1994 WCMS will be the 25th annual seminar.

Pepperdine's Campus Ministry had 25 attend the Campus Ministry Campout, May 21-22 at Ventura's McBrath Park...More than 25 students are participating in a variety of mission efforts in Moscow, Japan, Africa, Belgium, and Mexico...Eight students will attend the National Campus Ministries Seminar in Baton Rouge, Louisiana...The Fall term will focus efforts toward implementing a Small

Groups approach to Campus Ministry. Fall Campus Ministry Interns for 1993-94 at Pepperdine are: **Tom Nicholas, Cari Myers, David Lemley, Greg Gilliam, Stephanie Frahme, Eric Gumm, Chris Brunner, Carl Flynn, and Adelle Stone**. Some of the interns are in the M.S. program with a Campus Ministry emphasis through the Pepperdine Religion Division.

A record number of more than 80 attended the "Campus Ministries" luncheon at the **Pepperdine Bible Lectures** that had campus representatives from across the nation. **Milton Jones** and **Howard Jones** were the featured speakers. In addition, many campus ministers gave "30 second" reports. New campus ministries have just formed or are forming according to reports by Air Force Captain **Mike Chapman** at West Point, **Jennifer and Rex Hamilton** at Stanford, **Raul Fonseca** at the **University of Connecticut**, **Tim Brinkley** at Cal State San Marcos, and **Don Crawford** at the **University of Southern California**. A "How To" packet prepared by **Pepperdine's Scott Lambert, LaJuana Gill** and **Rick Rowland** was also made available to those beginning new campus ministries. (Call (310) 456-4164 for packets.)

The **2nd Annual Rocky Mountain Campus Ministry Retreat** was held this spring in Jackson, Wyoming. **Pepperdine** religion major graduate, **Ian Morgan**, will begin the 1993-94 school year as the first Church of Christ campus minister at the **University of Delaware**. The new "full-time" college ministry will be sponsored by the Newark Church of Christ. Morgan's wife, Lisa, is also a Pepperdine graduate and served as a campus intern while working on her M.S. in ministry with a campus ministry emphasis. For information on this program call Ian or Lisa at (302) 455-0628...The annual summer internship for campus ministry at **UC Santa Barbara** will conclude their intensive eight week program at the National Campus Ministries Seminar in Louisiana, August 2-5. **Ron Smith**, of the Turnpike congregation, leads the ten summer students.

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Ministry Seminar's 100 Years' Celebration Banquet at Louisiana State University in Baton Rouge, August 2. He will also teach a class at the seminar on "History of the Churches of Christ and How it Relates to the Campus Ministries of the 1990s," August 3-4.

Jerry Rushford, associate professor of religion, led a "History of Hymns" tour to England, Wales, and Scotland, May 10-22. He spoke to a breakfast meeting of church leaders in Portland, Oregon, June 12, and preached for the Metro Church of Christ in Gresham, Oregon, June 13. He will be a theme speaker and class teacher at the Yosemite Family Encampment, July 25-30. On September 26, he will lecture on the history of California Churches of Christ for the Yolo County Historical Society in Northern California.

LaGard Smith, professor of law, taught a class at the 5th annual Jubilee in Nashville, Tennessee, June 30-July 3. He will be teaching a class at the Harding University Bible Lectureship in Searcy, Arkansas, September 26-29.

Bill Stivers, professor of foreign languages, participated in the area rally for the Los Angeles Crusade for Christ at the Culver Palms Church of Christ, May 23. He was a lecturer at a seminar on "How to Live a Spiritual Life" at the Instituto Baxter in Tegucigalpa, Honduras, June 8-14.

Assistant to the President **Kanet Thomas** was the featured speaker at the Oxnard Church of Christ ladies day, "Offering Ourselves, One to Another," June 5.

Dean of Faculty and Professor of Communication **Dwayne VanRheenen**, participated as the first vice president of the religious speech communication association at the Christianity and Communication Conference held at Regent University in Virginia Beach, Virginia, June 4-6. He will present a paper

on "Worship, Preaching, and Congregational Communication" at the Christian Scholars Conference at Harding University, July 22-24.

Helen Young was the featured speaker at a ladies seminar for the Broadway Church of Christ in Lubbock, Texas, May 23. She was a delegate to the National Meeting of Officers of Women's Support Organizations for Church of Christ Colleges and Universities at Freed-Hardeman University in Henderson, Tennessee, June 10-12. She will be the featured speaker for the women's dinner at the Harding University Bible Lectureship in Searcy, Arkansas, September 27.

Chancellor Emeritus **M. Norvel Young** was the speaker for the 20th Century Christian Luncheon at David Lipscomb University in Nashville, Tennessee, June 15. He and his wife, Helen, will be traveling to Russia to strengthen and encourage churches in St. Petersburg, Minsk, and Niev, August 2 - September 2. They will spend most of their time in Moscow where a church was started 2 years ago by Pepperdine University students. He will also be the speaker for the men's dinner at the Harding University Bible Lectureship in Searcy, Arkansas, September 27.

Jewel of the Central Coast

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What does the future hold for Central? Dave Altizer, Central's minister at Cal Poly, is moving to Seattle, having accepted the campus ministry position at the University of Washington, and the leaders have decided to study the future needs of the campus ministry before filling that position. Meanwhile, the church is involved in a community homeless shelter project called "The People's Kitchen." In addition, a marriage seminar for the community is planned for the fall, featuring Pepperdine's Dennis and Emily Scott Lowe. The leaders are examining the

demographics of the congregation (presently it is about one third senior saints and about one fourth college students/young professionals) to determine how to build for the future.

The church recently drafted a congregational plan for the next two years. It begins, "The Central Church of Christ exists to provide an environment for the discovery and development of personal relationships with Jesus. We strive to be a Christ-centered family whose purpose in all things is to glorify God." The plan outlines five characteristics or emphases that will be stressed: significant relational groups, dynamic worship services, competent programs and activities, specific outreach objectives, and strong leadership resources.

There is a room in the church's educational wing that may speak mutely but eloquently about the nature of this church. It is used for elders meetings, among other things, and its walls are lovingly adorned with photographs of past and present preachers and elders. Also pictured are early Restoration leaders Alexander Campbell and Barton Stone. Several scriptures are carved into the room's wooden beams, a prominent one reading, "Thy faithfulness endures to all generations. Psalm 119."

With three elders and their wonderful wives comprising 88 years of foundational leadership, with an exciting and energetic young couple ministering full time, and with a congregation of talented and willing Christians . . . the jewel of the central coast promises to shine even brighter as the city of San Luis Obispo and the Central Church of Christ face the beginning of the third millennium of our Lord Jesus Christ.

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The 23rd Annual
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November 26-28

Pepperdine University, Malibu

Pepperdine Adds Jolivet to Religion Faculty

Beginning in the fall of this year, Ira Jolivet will join the Pepperdine religion faculty as an instructor of religion. A native of Houston, Texas, Jolivet was baptized into Christ at the Fifth Ward Church of Christ in Houston in June 1979. He later preached his first sermon at Fifth Ward in January 1980.

Jolivet moved to Austin, Texas, in September 1981 to continue his education. While completing his B.A. in Biblical Studies from the Institute for Christian Studies, he preached part-time for the Wheelers Lane Church of Christ. After graduating in 1983, he began preaching full-time for the Wheelers Lane congregation, where he has preached the last ten years. He later received a B.A. in Classical Civilization (1986) and a M.A. in Classical Greek (1987) from the

University of Texas. In the fall of 1989 he was accepted into the Ph.D. program at Baylor University. He was awarded a 1991-92 Black Doctoral Scholarship grant from the Fund for Theological Education in New York to complete his doctoral studies in religion.

Jolivet said the reason he started on his doctoral degree was his keen interest in Paul's letter to the Romans. His dissertation focuses on the perspective of Romans from ancient rhetoric. He realized he wanted to teach upon the completion of his Ph.D. and he feels Pepperdine offers an exciting and challenging teaching environment. Jolivet has served as an adjunct faculty member at



(l. to r.) Nathan, Ira, Tabatha, Marcy, Jerrod. Seated: Shelby

the Institute for Christian Studies, teaching elementary and intermediate New Testament Greek.

Jolivet and his wife Marcy, have three children: Nathan, age 16, Jerry, age 18, and Tabatha who lives in Austin with her daughter, Shelby, while her husband, Brian, is stationed in the service in Hawaii.



Dr. Robert Hooper, Professor of History at David Lipscomb University in Nashville, Tennessee, will be the guest speaker at a special luncheon at Pepperdine University on Tuesday, September 14. Hooper has been a professor at Lipscomb for 33 years, where his main teaching area is United States history, and his special areas are the American South and the American Restoration Movement. He has been invited to Pepperdine to publicize his new book, *A Distinct People: the History of Churches of Christ in America in the Twentieth Century*, which was published this summer. He is also the

author of *A Call to Remember: Chapters in Nashville Restoration History* and *Crying in the Wilderness: A Biography of David Lipscomb*. The time for the luncheon is 11:15 a.m. to 12:45 p.m., and the event will take place in the Hahn Fireside Room adjacent to the cafeteria. Professor Hooper's luncheon address is entitled "The Outsiders: Churches of Christ in Early 20th Century American Religion."



Dr. J. J. M. Roberts, Professor of Old Testament Literature at Princeton Theological Seminary since 1979, has

been chosen to deliver the fourteenth annual William M. Green lectures at Pepperdine University on October 25-26. Professor Roberts will present three lectures on "The Divine-Human Contract: Theologies of Covenant in the Old Testament." Roberts received his B.A., *summa cum laude*, from Abilene Christian University, his S.T.B., *cum laude*, from Harvard Divinity School, and his Ph.D. from Harvard University. Roberts is the author of four books and numerous scholarly articles. He is currently working on a commentary on Isaiah 1-39 for the Hermeneia series. In addition to his scholarly work, he has served Churches of Christ as both a preacher and an elder.

The Green lectures honor the memory of William McAllen Green (1897-1979), who was Professor of Classics at the University of California, Berkeley, from 1927 to 1962, and Professor of Ancient Christian Literature at Pepperdine University from 1962 to 1974. The lectures are open to the general public.

The 53rd Annual Yosemite Family Encampment

July 25-30, 1993

Theme: "The Servant"

Date	Time	Topic	Speaker	City and State
25	10:45 a.m.	"The Servant"	Tex Williams	Austin, TX
	6:00 p.m.	"The Servant Loves"	Gary Evans	Lubbock, TX
		"The Servant is Rewarded"	Dan Jocoy	Tri City, OR
26	9:30 a.m.	"The Servant Serves the Lord, Not Man"	Jerry Rushford	Agoura, CA
		"The Servant Gives"	Mike O'Neal	Malibu, CA
	6:00 p.m.	"Thinking Like a Servant"	Stanley Lockhart	San Angelo, TX
		"The Servant Serves With Reverence"	Joe Johnson	Gadsden, AL
27	9:30 a.m.	"The Servant Forgets"	Norman Gipson	Lubbock, TX
		"The Servant Serves"	Bruce Logue	Lodi, CA
	6:00 p.m.	"The Servant Rejoices"	Mel Weldon	San Leandro, CA
		"Moses, a Servant"	Mike Tackett	Sacramento, CA
28	9:30 a.m.	"The Servant Forgives"	Tom Milholland	Abilene, TX
		"Peter, a Servant"	Dick Blythe	Pleasanton, CA
	6:00 p.m.	"Paul a Servant"	Lyndell Cheeves	Salem, OR
		"A Servant is a Refreshment to Others"	Phil Stroud	Placerville, CA
29	9:30 a.m.	"The Servant Has Inner Peace"	Carl Mitchell	Searcy, AR
	6:00 p.m.	"The Servant's Influence"	Ron Rhoads	West Covina, CA
		"The Servant Obeys"	Jim Holland	Merced, CA
30	9:30 a.m.	"The Servant Cares"	Dan Anders	Malibu, CA

Class teachers will include Terry Hutchison, Mae Matthews, Clarene Keesling, Lucia Dean, and Bruce Smith. There will also be ladies, singles, and college classes. For information and accommodations, write or call Florence Johnston, 2950 Routier Road # 19, Sacramento, CA 95827, (916) 361-7149.

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