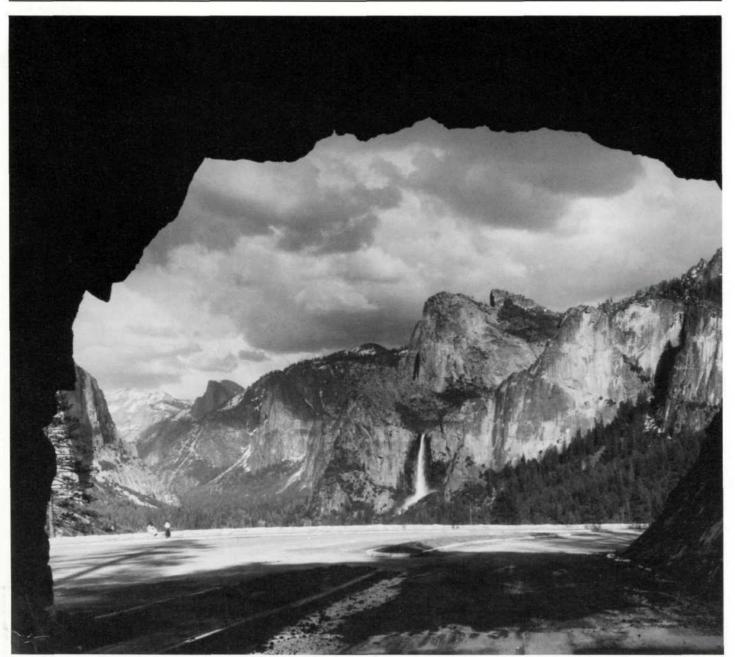
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"The Way to Heaven" is the theme of the 47th Annual Yosemite Family Encampment to be held July 26-31 at Yosemite National Park. Four college presidents are among the twenty-three speakers at the annual event. Twelve adult classes are scheduled, as well as a class especially for singles and a special 8 a.m. class for church leaders. Classes are available for ages three and up, including a special "youth encampment" for teenagers. Campfire programs for adults and teenagers close each day. For information about housing, call Florence Johnston at (916) 967-3608 or write to Yosemite Family Encampment, P.O. Box 2005, Orangevale, CA 95662.

# The Pepperdine Lectureship: An Enduring Tradition

by Bill Henegar

Pepperdine is in its 50th year—not a long time as far as universities are concerned, but long enough to establish a number of venerable traditions, among which is the Annual Bible Lectureship.

The lectureship began in 1943, six years after the founding of George Pepperdine College in south central Los Angeles. With the help and support of others, W.B. West, Jr., chairman of the religion department at the time, organized the first series of lectures. In the early years, the participants were mostly preachers, elders, and teachers. But in time the annual event drew others as well.

The attendance for the lectureship has ebbed and flowed through the years, influenced by religious and social trends. Sometimes the numbers were very small. But in the early 1960s, with many California churches experiencing phenomenal growth, the gatherings outgrew the campus auditorium.

The main lectures were moved first to the Shrine Auditorium and then, when even that large structure could no longer contain the crowds, to the Los Angeles Sports Arena. Many attendees from the early days remember the familiar figure of Mr. George Pepperdine, who, after stationing himself near a door, did his best to shake the hand of every person leaving the meeting. "Thank you so much for coming," was his usual, gracious greeting.



Mr. Pepperdine attended lectureships until his health failed. Wife Helen continues the tradition.

Mr. Pepperdine's last time at the lectureship was in 1962. Gravely ill, he had to be transported to the Sports

Arena in an ambulance. It is estimated that the crowd that night numbered more than 7,000. From the ambulance gurney, Mr. Pepperdine expressed his love to all present and commended everyone to the care and keeping of the Lord whom he had served.

In recent years the Bible Lectureship has gained new momentum, growing in daily attendance from a few hundred in the late 1960s to nearly 3,000 in 1986. Opening night ceremonies are now filling Firestone Fieldhouse to capacity with more than 4,000.

1985 was a remarkable lectureship in that President David Davenport delivered the keynote lecture on his first day in office. There was a special "spiritual inauguration" ceremony with participation by President Emeritus Howard White, Chancellor Charles Runnels, and Chairman of the Board of Regents Thomas Bost. It was a moving and singularly significant event.

The Pepperdine Bible Lectureship enjoys a rich heritage, and this year, for the University's golden anniversary, the tradition continues. The 44th annual lectureship, with its theme of "Triumph of the Good News," may prove to be the greatest ever.

# Busy Spring at Columbia Christian College

by Kelly Deatherage

Many exciting things have been happening this spring at Columbia Christian College. "Stretching Friendship Further, Fuller, Forever" was the theme of a retreat for collegeage young people held January 23-25 by the Columbia Christian College Associated Student Body. The retreat was held at Camp Yamhill in Oregon. Mike Armour, former president of Columbia Christian, was the keynote speaker.

Well known preacher and teacher Reuel Lemmons of Austin, Texas, was the featured speaker at a special areawide meeting held at Columbia on April 8. The study involved church leaders and ministers and looked at crucial issues facing leadership in the Church.

"Have Yourself Committed" was the theme of Columbia's High School Days, which were held April 11-12 on the campus. Guest speakers included Fred Spain of Redwood City, California; Dave Bravo of Greeley, Colorado; Tony Hawk of Coquitlam, British Columbia, Canada; and Rick White of Stockton, California.

"Bring the Text to the People" is the theme for Columbia's Seventh Annual Ministers Enrichment Seminar, scheduled for May 18-21. Speakers this year include Tony Ash, James Thompson, Gary Elliot, David Fleer, and Dan Rhodes. Seminar fees are \$155 per couple or \$100 per individual, which includes tuition, housing, and meals. Tuition alone is \$35 per individual. For more information or registration materials, write or call Dan Rhodes, Bible and Religion Division, Columbia Christian College, 9101 E. Burnside, Portland, OR 97216-1515, (505) 257-1253.

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# 44th Annual Pepperdine Lectureship Set for April 21-24

The opening theme lecture of the 44th Annual Pepperdine Bible Lectureship will be presented in Firestone Fieldhouse on Tuesday evening, April 21, with Jerry Rushford of Agoura Hills, California, proclaiming "The Triumph Song of Life" from Acts 28:30-31. It will begin four days of lectures and classes on the theme "Triumph of the Good News: The Book of Acts for the Twenty-first Century" for over 4,000 attendees on the Malibu campus.

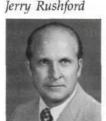
The lectureship has grown every year under the direction of Rushford. When he was assigned by Pepperdine to be the guest professor for the university's 1986-87 year in London program, the lectureship committee insisted that he return in time to direct the activities and speak on opening night.

Tuesday's activities will begin at 4:15 p.m. when David Davenport, president of Pepperdine University, speaks at the annual Associated Women for Pepperdine Dinner and James Cail from Oklahoma Christian College addresses the Opening Night Men's

The theme speakers for Wednesday through Friday will be Bill Love of Houston, Texas; Mike Cope of Searcy, Arkansas; Phil Ware of Austin, Texas; Jim Woodroof of Burlington, Massachusetts; and Lynn Anderson of Abilene, Texas. Landon Saunders, who was scheduled to speak on Friday morning, has recently suffered a heart attack. Although he is recuperating nicely, he will be unable to travel to California for the lectureship. Rubel Shelly of Nashville has been chosen to replace Saunders as the theme speaker on Friday morning.



Jerry Rushford



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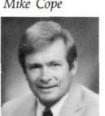
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M. Norvel Young

The daily expository classes featuring the book of Acts will be taught by Jeanene Reese of San Antonio, Texas, and Rick Oster of Memphis, Tennessee.

Distinguished honoraries will receive tributes during the series, including R.N. Hogan of Los Angeles on opening night and Homer Hailey of Tucson, Arizona, at the Men's Fellowship Dinner. On Friday evening guests will join in honoring M. Norvel Young at an appreciation dinner.

The annual fellowship dinners will have as speakers Thomas Olbricht of Malibu and D'Esta Love of Agoura Hills. The Friends of Pepperdine Dinner will feature University Regent Gail Hopkins of Lodi, California.

The new Fouch Amphitheatre luncheons will be highlighted by three Malibu speakers: Dan Anders on Wednesday, Michael Adams on Thursday, and William Adrian on Friday.

Paul Faulkner's late-night series has had one of the largest attendances in lectureship history, and he will return from Abilene to present evening lessons on "The Neglected Curriculum." At the same hour, James Hinkle of York, Nebraska, and Tim Woodroof of Lincoln, Nebraska, will present their popular series on "Living in Harmony." The nightly musical performances in Stauffer Chapel add greatly to the closing hour of the evening. Featured groups will be from Los Angeles, Long Beach, Santa Ana, West Covina, Bakersfield, Redlands, and Whittier.

The Good Life Puppet Company of La Habra will return for their third consecutive year to teach and entertain the children each evening in Elkins Auditorium.

For more information about the lectureship, contact Church Services at (213) 456-4270.

# **New WBS Indian Effort**

The second most populated nation in the world is just a postage stamp away from hearing the gospel.

As a result of a recent trip to India, J.P. "Jake" Coppinger, director of World Bible School, has launched a program to evangelize the country via World Bible School correspondence courses.

"We have on hand 15,000 names and addresses of people requesting Bible correspondence courses in the Tamil language, 3,000 in Malayam, 7,000 in Telegu," Coppinger said. "We could easily have requests in every tongue in India."

World Bible School has presented Bible lessons to millions in the English language due to the efforts of thousands of Christians who correspond using World Bible School materials and their own postage. A number of whole congregations have taken it as a mission and work together, paying for supplies and postage from the church treasury.

Because of a lack of funding to handle the project in India, Coppinger is bringing enrollments to the United States where they will be printed in the native languages of India in hopes that American Christians will take the

names and mail the materials.

In December, Indian preachers were preaching in twenty-four languages throughout India, and in January ten American preachers began gospel campaigns in the country.

The total cost of materials and postage per name is \$1.17 if it is not sent by air mail. The students' costs will be even less because they will return the lessons to an Indian address.

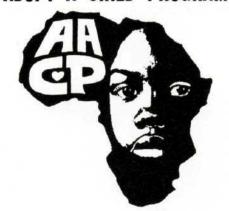
For more World Bible School information, contact J.P. "Jake" Coppinger at 217 W. Feemster, Visalia, CA 93277 or telephone at (209) 739-7349.

# New Program Helps Ethiopian Children

The Compton Avenue Church of Christ in Los Angeles recently agreed to develop and administer the "Adopt a Child Program" for the United States. Elders Grady Bryant, Sr., and Frank Peters took over responsibility for the program from the elders of the Uptown congregation in San Francisco.

The new work is aimed at helping those Ethiopian children who have been expelled from schools because their families have become members of the Church of Christ. Contributed funds are used to provide at least one decent meal a day for the students, as well as books and teachers' salaries. In addition, a well will be drilled and equipped to provide water for the Christian school and

# ADOPT A CHILD PROGRAM



surrounding villages.

There is a great deal of turmoil and persecution in Ethiopia today, and the Compton Avenue church feels that the "Adopt a Child Program" is one way people in America can share some of the heavy burden. A contribution of \$12 allows a student to attend the Christian school for one month, providing much-needed water, meals, books, and teachers.

When an Ethiopian child is "adopted," the donor receives a photo and detailed profile of the student with periodic progress reports, along with a certificate and newsletter.

For more information contact the Adopt a Child Program, P.O. Box 88362, Los Angeles, CA 90009.

# SCSE Hosts Multi-lingual Lectureship

Southern California School of Evangelism hosted its 11th annual lectureship this past winter, centered on the theme "That We May All Be One: Urban Evangelism in the '80s."

Under the oversight of the eldership of the Buena Park Church of Christ, speakers Paul Chung of Santa Ana, John Banks of San Diego, Carroll Pitts of Los Angeles, and Alonzo Rios of Tijuana, Mexico, sought to bring together Christians of diverse cultural backgrounds in a study of the book of Ephesians.

Fred Dominguez, the school's director, said the purpose of the lectures was to create an understanding of the unique factors involved in evangelizing Blacks, Hispanics, and Koreans. In keeping with the theme, nightly classes were taught in English,

Spanish, and Korean.

Dr. Evertt Huffard, professor of missions at Pepperdine University, kicked off the program with a presentation on "The Church in Transition." Dr. Huffard has studied changing ethnic balances in Los Angeles County in order to provide guidance for the growth of the church in Southern California.

As a result of the lectureship, plans are already underway to recruit Korean and Hispanic students to the school, which is already training a number of blacks. "With a growing Asian and Hispanic population in Southern



Southern California School of Evangelism Director Fred Dominguez with lectureship speakers (l. to r.) Paul Chung, John Banks, Carroll Pitts, and Alonzo Rios

California," Dominguez said, "this is the next step in meeting the challenge of evangelizing the West Coast."

Charles E. Stancill, the school's academic dean, has announced the dates for next year's lectureship, Nov. 8-11, 1987, though the theme has not yet been selected.

Information about the school's program of study may be obtained by calling (714) 523-8362 or writing Fred Dominguez, Director, Southern California School of Evangelism, 7201 Walnut Ave., Buena Park, CA 90620-1798.

#### Editor's Note:

Dr. Morris Womack, professor of communication at Seaver College, is currently writing a biography of J. P. Sanders, professor of religion at Seaver College. Womack is interested in receiving photos, newspaper clippings, letters, personal stories, and anecdotes about Sanders. All correspondence should be addressed to: Dr. Morris Womack, Communication Division, Pepperdine University, Malibu, CA 90265.

# Pepperdine People on the Move

by Carol Piland Morehead

Michael F. Adams, vice president for university affairs, preached for the Conejo Valley congregation in December and for Torrance in January. He also preached at the congregation in Jerusalem, Israel, on March 29.

Dan Anders, minister of the Malibu Church of Christ, preached for the Southwest Central church in Houston, Texas, on December 28. Dan has also spoken at congregations in Stockton, Sacramento, Fresno, and San Diego to help promote Pepperdine's Bible Lectureship. He will be one of the keynote speakers at the York College Lectureship in April.

Professor of Law Harold Bigham spoke on "Church Discipline and the Law" at the Area Elders Conference held at Magnolia Bible College in Mississippi. He also spoke at the Kosciusko congregation in Mississippi

in March.

**Rich Dawson**, associate dean of students, participated in the West Coast Campus Ministry Seminar held in Fresno in January.

Professor of Biology **Doug Dean** gave three lectures on Science and Religion at the Bay Area School of Religion in

Richmond, California.

Randy Gill, director of the Showcase Singers, was the featured speaker at youth rallies in Nebraska and Oregon in February, and he spoke at the Youth Leaders' Conference in Nashville, Tennessee, on March 13-15.

Professor of Missions Evertt Huffard delivered the keynote address at a seminar entitled Educating For Ethnic Evangelism held in Los Angeles. Evertt also taught at the Missions Workshop in Dallas, presenting a bibliography of theses and dissertations on missions which have been done by members of the Church of Christ. He has spoken throughout the L.A. area this spring and he will be teaching a class at the Pepperdine Lectureship.

Stuart Love, associate professor of religion, preached for the Atlantic congregation in Long Beach in March. Stuart and his wife D'Esta Love, director of the Career Development Center, were the featured speakers at a Marriage Seminar in Medford, Oregon, on March 1-4, as well as

teaching a class at the Atlantic church in February on the same subject. D'Esta was the featured speaker at a women's seminar held in Lancaster and will speak at the Women's Fellowship banquet at the Pepperdine lectureship.

Associate Professor of psychology and therapist at the Psychological Services Center **Dennis Lowe** preached in Woodland Hills in December and in Redlands in January. He was also the speaker at the Sweetheart Banquet in Lancaster on February 14 along with his wife **Emily Scott-Lowe**, director of the Psychological Services Center.

Carl Mitchell, dean of students, chaired the Annual Board Meeting and Seminar of the African Christian Hospital Foundation held in Dallas, Texas, in January. He also was a featured speaker at the Annual Sunset Elders Workshop at the Sunset School of Preaching in Lubbock, Texas. "The Quality of Our Faith" was the topic of his sermon preached for the Foxworthy congregation in San Jose for its 20th Anniversary. After speaking at a breakfast for Christian Counselors at the Pepperdine Lectureship, Carl and his wife Frankie will be moving to Florence, Italy, where he will direct Pepperdine's newest Year-in-Europe program.

Tom Olbricht, chair of the religion division, has spoken at numerous congregations in California to help promote Pepperdine's Lectureship. Tom taught a three-part class at the Abilene Christian University Lectureship in February. He presented a paper at the Society of Biblical Literature Western Regional meeting in Long Beach in April. In May he will preach for the Mission Emphasis Sunday at the La Mesa congregation

in San Diego.

Vice President for Business Affairs Mike O'Neal preached for Christian Education Sundays in January at the Central church in Bakersfield and the church at Barstow. He conducted a seminar in Christian Estate Planning for the San Diego Christian Foundation in February. Mike will also speak at a breakfast on estate planning at the Pepperdine lectureship.

**Gene Priest**, professor of religion, is preaching regularly for the Church of Christ in Pasadena until April.

Rick Rowland, instructor in the communication division, taught a class

at the Campus Ministry Seminar in Fresno in January and was a theme speaker at the 15th Southwest Campus Ministry Seminar in Austin, Texas, in February. He lectured at a youth meeting held March 22 at the El Cajon congregation in San Diego as well as speaking at the Westside church in Bakersfield on the subject of campus ministry.

Jerry Rushford, director of church services and associate professor of religion, preached in Oxford, England on January 25 and for the Hope Chapel congregation on February 8. He spoke for the church in Corby, England on February 15 and taught at the British Bible School on February 16. Jerry will be returning from his teaching assignment in London in order to speak at Opening Night for the Pepperdine Lectureship.

Professor of Religion J. P. Sanders spoke for congregations in Ridgecrest, Inglewood, and Palm Springs for Christian Education Sundays. He was also a speaker at a fund raising dinner for the Orange County Christian

School on March 21.

Assistant Professor of Biology Dwayne Simmons preached for the Woodland Hills and the Vermont Avenue congregations in January. He also taught a special high school class at the Normandie congregation in Los

Angeles.

Dwayne VanRheenen, professor of speech communication, presented a paper at the national meeting of the Religious Speech Communication Association and chaired a meeting of the Restoration Communication Scholars Network in Chicago. He was the featured speaker at the March Preachers' Luncheon at Pepperdine and lectured at Calvin College in Grand Rapids in April. VanRheenen has also been part of the planning committee for the Bicentennial Celebration of Alexander Campbell, which will take place in Los Angeles in 1988. He will be teaching a class at the Pepperdine Lectureship.

Dean of Seaver College John F. Wilson presented a slide presentation on Archeology and the New Testament for the Woodland Hills church. He preached for congregations in Woodland Hills, Malibu, and Thousand Oaks in January and

February.

#### MEN TO MATCH OUR MOUNTAINS: PART I

#### California's Pioneer Church Builders

by Jerry Rushford

old in California!" These three magic words inaugurated a new period in America's history by peopling its western shores with wildly romantic adventurers from almost every nation on earth. With the exception of the Civil War, no other event in nineteenth-century America caused as great an upheaval as James Marshall's discovery of gold at Sutter's Mill, fifty miles east of Sacramento, on January 28, 1848.

The news accounts of the gold discoveries were generally greeted with skepticism until the stories were confirmed by President James Polk. In his State of the Union address to Congress on December 5, 1858, the President declared, "The accounts of the abundance of gold in that territory are of such an extraordinary character as would scarcely command belief, were they not corroborated by the authentic reports of officers in the public service."

The assurance that gold in great quantities existed in California produced electrifying results. Almost overnight, some 100,000 restless people began making plans to go to the new El Dorado.

In the following two years, about 40,000 people came to California by sea, and an even larger number came overland. California's non-Indian population swelled from about 5,000 in 1845 to over 100,000 by 1850. San Francisco, a village of only 812 people in 1848, grew to a boom town of more than 25,000 by 1850. California became a state in 1850, and its population continued to grow. By 1852 there were over 224,000 residents in the state.

Although people came from all over the world to mine for gold in California, in the first decade the majority came from the states of Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Kentucky, Tennessee, Missouri, and Iowa. Coincidentally, these were the same states that formed the heartland of the movement to restore New Testament Christianity. It was inevitable therefore, that some of the members of this movement would be included in the migration to the gold mines.

Today, tourists in Sacramento read a legend carved on one of the state buildings in Capitol Square: "Give me men to match my mountains!" In the first decade after the gold rush, this plea was answered for the Churches of Christ scattered across the new state.

California's pioneer church builders suffered hardships and loneliness, but they endured as seeing Him who is invisible, and they laid deep and strong the foundation of the Kingdom of God in the Golden State. Not many of these trailblazers amassed great fortunes in gold or silver, but they measured their wealth in proportion to the good they did for their fellow men and the glory they gave to God.

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Statistics confirm that by 1860, the Restoration Movement in California had established at least thirty-eight congregations with a combined membership of 1,500 baptized believers. Who were the leaders of these churches? Where did they come from, and when did they arrive in California?

The church in Stockton was organized on August 21, 1851, with 21 charter members. Two of the leaders of this congregation, Thomas Maxwell and Silas Hitchcock, had been living in California for several years prior to the gold rush. As members of the San Jose Rangers they fought in the Mexican War under Captain Charles M. Weber, the man who founded the city of Stockton.

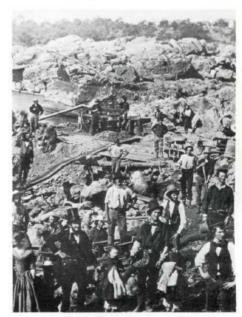
A. C. Hawkins was born in Virginia in 1808, and lived for a time in Kentucky and Missouri before coming to California at the head of a wagon train in 1847. By 1852 he had settled his family in the Vaca Valley and offered

the schoolhouse on his ranch for church meetings for several years before the church built a meetinghouse in Vacaville.

Hawkins was one of the five wealthiest citizens in Vacaville and a generous benefactor to the church and the community. He served as one of the elected Directors of the Vaca Valley Railroad Company and donated a sizable portion of his ranch to begin the Vacaville-Elmira cemetery. Hawkins hosted a large family encampment on his ranch for members of the church in the fall of 1856.

This ten-day spiritual feast became an annual event for the Churches of Christ in California, and it was hosted by a different congregation each fall.

William W. Smith and Joseph H. Smith were twin brothers from Lynn, Massachusetts. They were carpenters by trade and preachers in a restoration movement that had been started in New England by Elias Smith and Abner Jones. The Smith brothers set sail from Boston harbor aboard the Forest on January 11, 1849, with their families. After sailing around Cape Horn, the ship entered the Golden Gate on July 6, 1849. The Smith



Thousands flooded into the Golden State to seek their fortune.



The historic Gilroy meetinghouse was erected in 1857.

families, along with several others, began building a new community at the mouth of the San Joaquin River. The church met in W. W. Smith's home.

On July 4, 1851, a basket picnic was held at the home of W. W. Smith. The all-absorbing topic of the day was "What shall we name our town?" After much discussion, W. W. Smith proposed that, inasmuch as the first settlers at this spot were members of a back-to-the-Bible movement that wanted to be "Christians only," the town should be given a Bible name. After reading Acts 11:26, it was decided to name the town Antioch, a name that has lasted to this day.

William Johnston of Wilkinsburg, Pennsylvania, was just 19 years of age when he joined a party of 300 fortune seekers bound for the gold mines. He arrived in California on August 26, 1849. His stately Victorian residence, which became known as Rosebud Mansion, still stands on the banks of the Sacramento River near Hood. Johnston became a prominent

politician, first as a state assemblyman, later as a state senator. He was the strength of the church in Franklin for many years until his death in 1905.

Fifty-two-year-old Thomas Thompson, from Paris, Missouri, was already a veteran preacher by the time he settled in California in September, 1849, but he gave 23 more years to the building up of the cause of Christ in his new home state. From his farm in the beautiful Santa Clara Valley, Thompson traveled widely, rallying together the Christians who were scattered all over Northern California. He helped establish congregations in Stockton, Santa Clara, Yountville, Gilroy, Woodland, Santa Rosa, Sacramento, and San Jose.

The venerable Nathan Porter of Napa County had been a close friend of the Campbells, Stone, and Scott during his years in Ohio. When he came to California in 1850, he preached his first sermon in the old Liberty schoolhouse near Petaluma. He preached for the churches in Napa and Browns Valley until his death in 1879.

Daniel McSwain was one of the earliest settlers in the remote area around Hopeton and Snelling on the Merced River in Merced County. This pioneer preacher from Missouri called together a congregation at Hopeton in the early 1850s, and this church continued to report encouraging growth in the 1860s.

Dr. James Madison Case and his family came to California from Tennessee, and settled in Sonoma County near Santa Rosa in 1850. They became charter members of the church in Santa Rosa and were instrumental in helping the church erect a \$3,000 meetinghouse at the corner of Fourth and B streets in 1857. In later years, they lived in San Francisco and San Jose and strengthened the church in those cities. Dr. Case served as an elder in San Jose. Their three daughters and one son were all faithful members of the church.

When Milton and James Holsclaw moved to Gilroy on August 2, 1851, they were the first Protestants to locate in the town. These two brothers from Howard County, Missouri, established a church in their home.

The Massey Thomas family from Lewis County, Missouri, arrived in Gilroy on October 16, 1853. The entire family was devoted to the work of the church. Massey served as an elder of this church until his death in 1900, and his son, Thomas Reynolds Thomas, served both the church and the community. He was not only a deacon in the church, but he was elected to represent his district in the state legislature as well.

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Massey Thomas brought a herd of 300 cattle to Gilroy. He settled on a squatter's claim of 475 acres, which he subsequently purchased along with 900 additional acres. He became a prize-winning cattle breeder, a noted orchardist, and a prominent citizen. Today, Thomas Road runs through acreage which was once the large "Old Homestead" of the Thomas family.

Another illustrious name in the annals of California church history is that of James K. Rule from St. Louis, Missouri. Rule was the captain of a wagon train that came overland in 1855. He settled his family on a farm that bordered Llagas Creek in the Gilroy area, and he preached continuously for the Gilroy church until his death in 1882.

The first church building erected by a congregation of the Church of Christ in California was probably the one that the Gilroy church built at a cost of \$2,500. It was designed to accommodate 200 people. This historic meetinghouse was located on Church Street near Third. Still standing today, it is the oldest building in Gilroy. In May 1981 it was added to the National Register of Historic Places.

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# STUDY RELIGION THIS SUMMER AT PEPPERDINE UNIVERSITY, MALIBU

The Religion Division of Pepperdine University announces four courses especially designed for those studying for ministry or who are currently involved in ministry.

Each of the following courses will meet Monday through Friday, six hours a day for two weeks and is for four credit hours:

May 4-15 Church Leadership and Management Ken Chaffin and Dan Anders

June 1-12 Introduction to Old and New Testament Exegisis Randy Chesnutt and Rick Marrs

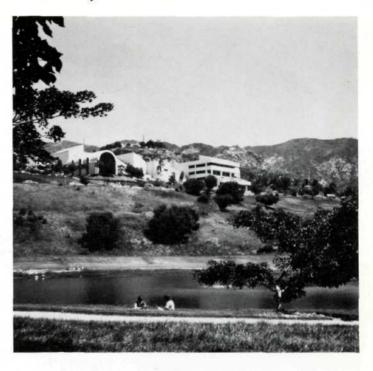
July 6-17 Strategies for Maturing Churches Charles Siburt

July 27 - August 7 New Testament Theology Thomas H. Olbricht

The first two courses may be taken for undergraduate or graduate credit. The second two may be taken only for graduate credit.

Courses may be taken by any person as a special student. Those seeking degrees at Pepperdine must qualify according to the standard procedures. Scholarships are available for all who take these courses.

Courses are taught on the beautiful Malibu Campus of Pepperdine University overlooking the Pacific Ocean. The University offers on-campus housing at reasonable rates in dormitories and apartments on a space-available basis. Persons taking courses may want to bring their families and take their vacation before or after the sessions.



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