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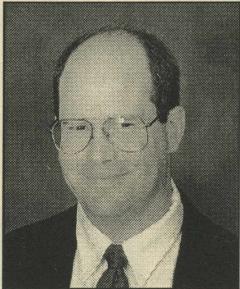
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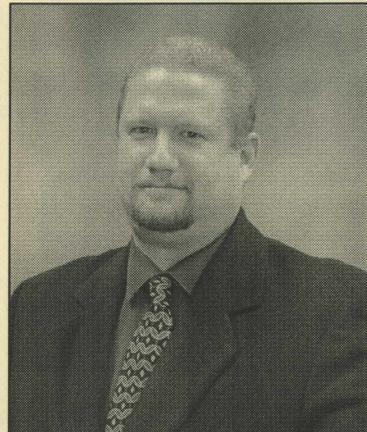
Intramural basketball sign-ups have begun. You may sign-up at the front desk of the Ledford Center by February 7.

Higgins selected new PR director

As the defending Eastern Conference champion Carolina Hurricanes began a new season last fall, the Lord began a new work in the life of one of their employees. Jerry Higgins, then Director of Public and Media Relations of the National Hockey League's Carolina Hurricanes, accepted Christ as his personal Savior this past September.

Higgins, who was born in Woodbury, NJ, grew up in a Catholic home and attended both Catholic church and school. Upon moving to Maine, his family found it more difficult to go to church due to the distance from their home to the nearest church. That background left Higgins knowing what the Bible was about but not knowing the Bible.

After spending most of his career as a sports reporter and editor for newspapers in New England, including the *Boston Globe* and the *Gloucester Daily Times*, he moved to Raleigh and accepted the position of Director of Public and Media Relations with the Carolina Hurricanes.



Jerry Higgins, former Director of Public and Media Relations with the Carolina Hurricanes, now serves as Director of Public Relations at Southeastern.

During the summer of 2002, the Higgins family received information about Wake Cross Roads Baptist Church in north Raleigh, and his daughter attended Vacation Bible School. At the invitation of Southeastern graduate Mike Nerney, the Higgins family attended a fair at the church and then began attending the worship services.

Higgins said, "In his sermons, Pastor Bowyer was talking about

my work situation, my life, everything."

The church continued to contact Higgins through FAITH visitation and personal contacts. As Bill Bowyer, pastor of Wake Cross Roads Baptist, offered the invitation in a service, Higgins remembered thinking, "It's time. We're ready for this. He wants us now!"

That morning, both Higgins and his wife accepted Christ as their personal Lord and Savior.

Higgins said, "I haven't slept better than the night after I accepted Christ."

In October, Higgins left the Hurricanes in order to spend more time with his family. The decision was an opportunity to exercise his new faith and trust God to provide for his needs.

Higgins then accepted the position as Director of Public Relations at Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary in January. With his experience in journalism and the media, he hopes to open doors with the media and to use his contacts to help the Seminary.

Hundreds accept Christ during mission endeavors



Southeastern students worship on the beach with believers from Fuerteventura, a part of the Spanish Canary Islands.

Time and time again, Southeastern students demonstrate their faithfulness to the commis-

sion of our Lord by spending their breaks on the mission field.

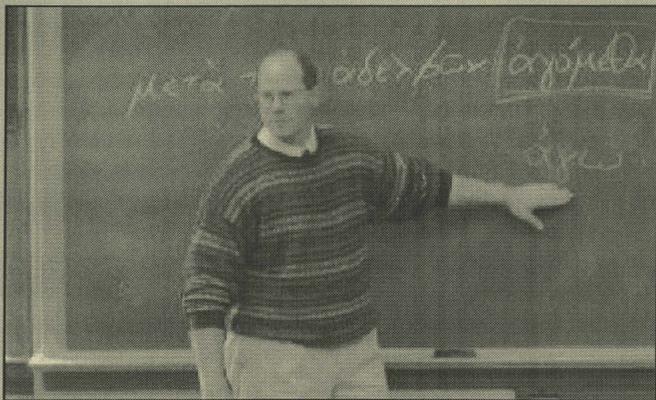
During Christmas break, 101 students and professors served Christ on mission trips to the Canary Islands, Mexico, and Florida. During these trips, 336 people accepted Christ as their personal Savior.

These trips allowed students to receive three hours of credit in either

Practicum in International Evangelism or Practicum in North American Missions.

Jay Todd served on the trip to the Canary Islands along with his wife Christina. He said, "We often forget about Europe when we consider missions. However, there are so many people who desperately need the Lord over there."

Faculty Spotlight: Scott Kellum



Family: Cathy C. Kellum; Hannah, 9; Josh, 7; Rachel, 4; and Elijah, newborn (12/22/2002)

Seminary/College position: Assistant Professor of New Testament and Greek

Hometown: Oxford, Mississippi

How you became a Christian: After a long process of drawing, I received Christ two weeks before high school graduation in May of 1982. I had previously buried both grandfathers within a year and had a profound sense of my own mortality in a sinful state.

Current church: Hales Chapel Baptist Church, Zebulon, NC

Current local church ministry: I teach the Adult Sunday School materials to the Sunday School teachers. I am currently working with the Pastor to have a comprehensive missionary strategy for the church.

Most influential person in your life: Outside of my parents, I would have to say Dr. Gerald Shook, the pastor of my home church, who believed in me even when I didn't.

Something surprising about you: I spent six years working as a disc jockey.

Education: B.A. in Graphic Arts, Classical Civilization, emphasis on Greek, University of Mississippi; M. Div. with Languages, New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary; Ph. D. in New Testament, Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary

Classes currently teaching: Seminary: NT Introduction I & II; College: Greek 201, NT Survey

Favorite class ever taught: I enjoy teaching the Greek classes most of all but have never taught a class that was not very satisfying.

Recent or upcoming publications: Currently in conversation with the editors at Sheffield on publishing a revision of my dissertation.

Favorite author: P. T. O'Brien, Stephen Levinsohn, D. A. Carson, and N. T. Wright

Favorite musician: When I was a disc jockey, I enjoyed a group called Harvest, Steve Green, and several others.

Hobbies: Ole Miss sports, hunting, fishing, and carpentry

What influenced you to come to Southeastern: When I was making a decision about doctoral studies, my brother (who was an SEBTS student at the time) sent me the application materials. I had given no real thought to SEBTS until then. When I asked him why he sent it, he said, "The Holy Spirit told me to do it." Because I know he is not some hyper-flaky mystic, I couldn't say no.

A word of wisdom for the readers: Martin Luther stated, "A theologian is born by living, dying, and being condemned—not by thinking, reading, and speculating." The final answer to our questions comes from the living God, not the ability of people to reason.

Georgia scholarship

All students who are residents of Georgia and members, or former members, of a Georgia Baptist church, may come to the Student Life Office to fill out an application for the Georgia Baptist scholarship. The deadline is February 18.

Hollinger scholarship

All students who are residents of Florida can come to the Student Life Office to fill out an application for the Hollinger scholarship. The deadline is February 18.

Keesee scholarship

Residents of North Carolina and Virginia may come to the Student Life Office to pick up an application for the Keesee Scholarship. Applications are due to the Keesee Foundation by April 1.

Sharing Shop

The Sharing Shop is open on Saturdays, 10:00 a.m. to noon, and Tuesdays, 6:30-8:00 p.m. Remember to bring your student ID or parking pass with you in order to shop.

Counterfeits and Counterculture Workshop

Dean Bush, in association with the Interfaith Evangelism Team of the North American Mission Board, is offering Masters Workshop credit (2 hrs.) for the workshop "Counterfeits and Countercultures: The Continuing Challenge of Cults in the Twenty-first Century." The workshop will be held at the Tempe Mission Palms in Phoenix, AZ, June 11-14. It is not required that you remain for Crossover or for the Southern Baptist Convention, but the dates are set to make that a convenient option. Space is limited, so please register early! Full details and application forms are available from Dean Bush's office. Subsidy for hotel costs may be available. Off-campus students should call (919) 761-2225 for details.

Part-time graphic artist

The Public Relations Department has an opening for a part-time graphic artist. Candidates must have experience in QuarkXpress and PhotoShop, operating from MAC OS X platform. Candidate must be skilled in design and must be a self-starter. Experience in Illustrator or any other free-hand software is a plus. Hours are flexible to accommodate your class schedule. If you are interested, please send a resume and samples of your portfolio to Crissy Sirianni, Public Relations Office, Stealey Hall, room 302 or call 761-2270.

Intramural basketball

Sign-up for intramural basketball is now underway at the front desk of the Ledford Center. The deadline for sign-up is February 7. For more information, contact Seth Bible at 761-2309.

International Student Meeting

All international students must attend a mandatory meeting to discuss the changes implemented by the Student and Exchange Visitor Information System. The meeting will be Monday, February 3, at 7:00 p.m. in the Multi-Purpose Room of the Ledford Center. If you have any questions, please contact the Student Life Office.

Make-up photo schedule

Make-up photos for the pictorial directory will take place in the Public Relations Office on the third floor of Stealey Hall during the following times:

February 3, 9:00 a.m. - noon

February 5, 2:00-5:00 p.m.

February 7, 9:00 a.m. - noon,
2:00-4:00 p.m.

Intramural referees

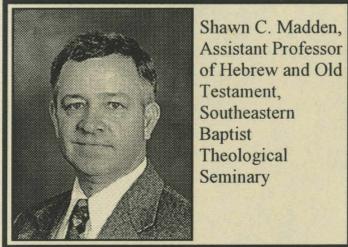
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Theological Thoughts

'You' and the original languages

By Shawn Madden

Sometimes it is too easy to get the goat of students and there is a leprechaun in me who delights in doing so. I have to control him enough that such endeavors are used pedagogically. One of my favorite tactics (and here I am revealing myself) is to set students up for doing some hard work in the semester. One of the best is to ask the simple question, "Who is more important in the grand scheme of things, a pastor



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is more important, the pastor or lawyers?" Of course the answers are repeated, eternal things are compared to temporal things and of course the pastor, the one concerned with matters heavenly and eternal, not earthly and clock bound is the one who is most important in the grand scheme of the universe and the universe's creator. At that point I have them. "Ought not those who are studying to be pastors—the great delvers into things deep, dark, and eternal—ought their program of study not be as rigorous and thorough as any medical doctor or jurisprudence doctor's program? Ought they not devote themselves to the long hours of study, reflection, and practice that they expect physicians and counselors to do? Ought they not rather work harder and be more studious than their temporally concerned colleagues?" It is here that folks start to squirm. They have been had and have been forced to agree that what they have set themselves to is an important matter and they, by their own admission and argument, should apply themselves as studiously and as rigorously as those other two professions.

At that point I move to stage two. Those seeking to be physicians submit themselves to a course of instruction that is basic and required of all those who would be doctors, gross anatomy.

or a physician?" Invariably at a seminary with the gung-ho type "pastor wannabes" that we have here, the answer comes back quick as a shot, "The pastor is!" I then dig the hole a little deeper and ask them, "How so?" At that point I get back, "the pastor is concerned with eternal matters while the physician is merely concerned with those temporal things" or "the pastor is the caretaker of the soul while the physician is merely the caretaker of the body." To push it a little further I ask, "What about lawyers? Who

Their business is the human body and they need to know it thoroughly. And so, minutely, and in great detail MD wannabes set themselves to get as intimate with the subject of their craft as possible. So too lawyers have basic courses that are part and parcel to their trade. Our 'trade' is the Bible. To know Holy Writ as well

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as physicians know the human body one has to immerse himself in the original languages, Hebrew, Aramaic, and Greek. Difficult as it may be for some to hear, there is no way around this. For a pastor to do his job as well as he expects a physician to do his that pastor has to have a facility with the languages—not just a familiarity, he has to be able to work with them.

As good and important as the fields of education and counseling

are, far too many seem to be opting for these to avoid the languages thinking that teaching and counseling from God's Word can adequately be done from one of a myriad of translations that will be flawed in one way or the other (look at an English language text and tell me whether that "You" is singular or plural, masculine or feminine! In Matthew 16:13ff who is the "you" that Jesus is talking to? Is it theologically significant?). Is a physician able to treat you or your family without a thorough knowledge of the human anatomy? Can you do as well without a thorough knowledge of the anatomy of the Bible? The study of the Bible is not something one does to "get out of the way." So too one does not take a semester of Hebrew or Greek to "get it out of the way" but rather, like the physician, studies it thoroughly, continuously, and uses it as the basis for all discussions of the content of God's Word, theological teaching, and application of it to what ails those whom God has put in your charge and care, those who are of the Body of Christ. Take the languages early, take as much of them as you are able (especially when you have the caliber of profs at your disposal as God has made available to you at Southeastern) and use them in all that you do, here and in the

Bush delivers during ice storm

While most classes were cancelled during the ice storm that hit Wake Forest on December 4, Dr. Bush's philosophy class met on Thursday evening as scheduled, except there was no electricity.

Delivering his lecture by candlelight, Bush maintained the understood Seminary policy

that classes are never cancelled. Seven philosophy students braved the bitter cold and icy conditions to sit under the tutelage of Dr. Bush.



Students take notes by candlelight as Dr. Bush lectures during the ice storm.

Whisnant named Citizen of the Year



Beverly Whisnant, administrative assistant for the Library, was

named Wake Forest's Citizen of the Year. She came to Wake Forest in 1980 and has served the Seminary since 1985.

She has also served with the Wake Forest Kiwanis Club, the Wake Forest Birthplace Museum, the Wake Forest Woman's Club, and the Historic Preservation Committee. This year she serves as president of the Wake Forest Community Council.

Mission Opportunities

SUMMER

East Asia: May 25-June 12
Middle East/Israel: July 7-24
New Hampshire: August 1-9

For more information contact:
 Melody Luther or Betsy Durand
 at CGCS@pobox.com or 761-2230.

El Salvador Mission Trip

Dr. Cowen is sponsoring a mission trip to El Salvador during spring break, March 8-15. There are approximately nine spaces left. Please contact Carolyn Burress at 761-2208 or cburress@sebts.edu for more information.

New Hampshire Mission Trip

Dr. Brown will be leading a mission trip to Lebanon, NH, August 1-9, to work with a Southeastern church planter. Three hours of credit is available. For more information, contact Dr. Brown at 761-2167.

Ministry Opportunities

Students and graduates may receive assistance through the Ministry Referral Office in finding positions in churches and are encouraged to set up a file in this office. The office is located on the first floor of Broyhill Hall. If you would like information on any of the following Ministry Opportunities, please contact the Ministry Referral Office:

Part-Time/Bi-Vocational Ministry Opportunities

- Bethesda Baptist Church, St. Charles, MO, Pastor

Full-Time Ministry Opportunities

- Mansfield First Baptist Church, Mansfield, AR, Youth Minister
- Chinese Baptist Church, Campbell, CA, Chinese Associate Pastor (Cantonese)
- Savannah Baptist Church, Savannah, GA, Pastor for Chinese congregation (Mandarin)
- Faith Baptist Church, Amherst, OH, Pastor of Music and Creative Arts
- Matoaca Baptist Church, Matoaca, VA, Music and Children's Minister

Summer Opportunities

- Student Leader, Restricted Access Country
- First Baptist Church, Rossville, GA, Summer Missionary to Children (Female Requested)
- Exmore Baptist Church, Exmore, VA, Summer Youth Pastor

River Valley Ranch

Mr. Josh Ray from the River Valley Ranch, a summer youth camp, will be at SEBTS on February 4 and 5 to interview candidates interested in being camp counselors at any of their three camps. You may sign up for interviews through the Ministry Referral Office.

Nehemiah Project

Dr. Ed Handkins will be on campus February 18 and 19 to interview those who would like more information on working with the Nehemiah Project, specifically in Illinois. Please contact the Ministry Referral Office to schedule an interview.

Florida church planting

Dr. Mike Hoffman from the Florida Baptist Convention will be here on March 4 and 5 to interview those interested in church planting in the state of Florida. Please contact the Ministry Referral Office if you would like to schedule an interview.

NAMB

Out of 704 available positions through NAMB last summer, 143 went unfilled. The need for students to serve in North America is critical. For more information on how you can answer the call to North American missions, please visit: www.answerthecall.net.

Weekend ministry experience in Delaware

The Delaware Baptist Association is offering an opportunity to get experience in leading worship, youth, education, and outreach. There is employment potential upon graduation. Host churches will provide lodging plus reimbursement for gas and meals. Contact Rev. Jim McBride, DOM, for more information: (302) 741-2488 or jmcbride@lwol.com.

Spanish speaking interpreters needed

Spanish speaking interpreters needed for mission trip to Honduras on July 8-16. Please contact Pastor Tim Rogers, of Victory Baptist Church, Seagrove, NC for details: (336) 873-7900.

Worship leader needed

New church plant in the local area is looking for a contemporary-style worship team leader. Please contact Paul Meeks at 562-8278.

Chapel Schedule

February 4

Rev. Peter Rochelle
 Church On the Rock
 Knightdale, NC

February 5

Rev. Bill Bowyer
 Wake Cross Roads
 Baptist Church
 Raleigh, NC

February 6

Dr. David Hogg
 Assistant Professor of
 Church History
 SEBTS

February 11

Rev. Esmond Hilton
 First Baptist Church
 Lynn Haven, FL

February 12

Rev. Robert Crowley
 President
 Summit Lake Bible
 Conference

February 13

Dr. Steve McKinion
 Associate Professor of
 Church History
 SEBTS

Tapes of chapel sermons may be purchased from the Audio/Visual department in the Library. Also, all chapel sermons can be downloaded from www.sebts.edu.

NEWSLINE SUBMISSIONS

Submissions for the next *Newsline* will be due by February 10. *Newsline* submissions may be sent to newsline@sebts.edu, or dropped off at the Student Life Office. All submissions should be in **electronic format**, either on disk or sent via e-mail, and should be submitted as **they are to appear** in the *Newsline*. The Student Life Office reserves the right to edit any announcement. Thank you.

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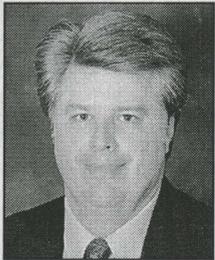
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Scholarship Applications Available

Scholarship applications for the Keesee, Georgia Baptist, Hollinger, and Etheridge scholarships are available in the Student Life Office.

Women's certificate offered



The Women's Certificate Program at Southeastern offers women an introduction to theological education at an affordable price.

An often forgotten aspect of seminary communities is the wife who accompanies her husband while he pursues his education. When the husbands return home from class, many wives are subjected to conversations concerning dispensationalism, existentialism, and Apollinarianism without ever having been exposed to such terminology.

At Southeastern, seminary wives and any other women who desire to study subjects similar to those taught in the seminary can participate in the Women's Certificate Program.

The program offers women the opportunity to complete a short course of study including theology, history, and ministry in the local church. In order to earn the certificate, women must complete eight required courses and four electives. The required courses include Old Testament, New Testament, Wife of the Equipping Minister, Christian Doctrine, Church History, Baptist History, Counseling Skills for Women, and Ministering to Women in the Local Church.

Joy White, Ph.D. candidate and Women's Studies Program Coor-

ordinator, directs the program of approximately fifty students. The classes are taught by individuals who have degrees and experience in their field of teaching.

Classes are taught on Tuesday and Thursday evenings for two hours, and most classes last for six weeks. There are also some classes offered on Saturdays.

White said, "The goal of the Women's Certificate Program is to give women an introduction to theological education."

The two types of students in the certificate program are student spouses and laywomen. For student spouses, the program introduces them to the education their husbands are receiving while giving them guidance to help teach their children and to serve in the local church. For laywomen, the program strengthens their background in theology and the practice of women's ministry in the church.

The certificate program offers an affordable alternative to enrolling in a degree program. The cost is \$10 per class for student wives \$20 per class for others. Childcare is also provided for a small fee.

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Copy center joins mailroom

After spending nearly two years in the room in the northeast corner of the Ledford Center, the copy center has a new home in the mailroom. The move was initiated by an expansion to the mailroom in order to handle all UPS and FedEx deliveries.



The former location for the copy center provided only 320 square feet of workspace while the new location boasts nearly 940 square feet. Even though the workspace is shared by both the copy center and the mailroom, the move should make for better efficiency for both departments.

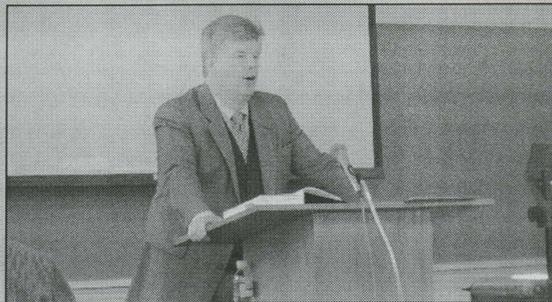
Along with sharing space, the two departments will also share in some limited duties. Copy center workers will now assist the mailroom in stuffing student boxes with flyers, many of which are printed by the copy center.

The central window of the mailroom now serves as the contact point for both the mailroom and the copy center.

Christina Ainley, a copy center worker, is pleased with the added space and camaraderie of having other employees in the office.

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Faculty Spotlight: Steve Ladd



Family: My wife of 27 years is Debbie. We were high school sweethearts. Our children are Simon, Elizabeth, and Aaron.

Seminary/College position: Assistant Professor of Theology and Bible, teaching in the College

Hometown: Griffin, GA

How you became a Christian: I grew up in a Christian home, so I knew all the correct facts about being a Christian. However, it was not until I met a classmate at Georgia State University who was open and enthusiastic about his relationship with Jesus Christ that there was in me any desire to surrender my life to Christ.

Current church: Faith Baptist, Youngsville

Current local church ministry: I have had the privilege of supply preaching in this area for several years; my last interim pastorate was at Olive Branch Baptist Church in Durham.

Most influential person in your life: My mother has influenced my understanding of what it means to rely on God's strength in a time of weakness. She cared for my Dad during seven long and difficult years of his battle with multiple sclerosis, so I saw firsthand the difference that Christ made in her life during that very trying time. She endured without bitterness or despair, and is one of the most remarkable Christians I have ever known.

Something surprising about you: During the 1970's, my teen years, I was considered one of the town hippies.

Education: B.A., Georgia State University; M.A., Georgia State University; M.Div., New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary; Ph.D., Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary

Classes currently teaching: Rhetoric, History of Ideas

Recent or upcoming publications: In process are two works: one is a review of William Lane Craig's *Time and Eternity for Faith & Mission*, and the other is a unified index for Carl F. H. Henry's six-volume *God, Revelation and Authority*.

Hobbies: I enjoy photography, playing guitar, and cooking. I also have great fun playing video games with my youngest son Aaron.

What influenced you to come to Southeastern: We were very active at First Baptist Atlanta, and our pastor Charles Stanley insisted that Southeastern was *the* school to consider.

A word of wisdom for the readers: Like many others who have come to Southeastern, we faced a real test of faith to leave behind a business, our church home, and our family and friends. I could have used a "sign" from the Lord that we were doing the right thing, but God reassured me that I could expect the same sign that he gave to Moses when calling him to do a seemingly impossible task (see Exodus 3:12). And so we came here not knowing how we would make ends meet, simply following through with what God placed in our hearts to do. Now we "serve God on this mountain" and realize that he who called us provided for us every step of the way—yet we only realize it when looking back. What a sign.

President's intern

Male students, preferably single, who are interested in serving as Dr. Patterson's intern may submit a résumé to the Employment Office in the Ledford Center. The position provides free tuition and housing as well as salary. Applicants should love dogs, especially ones named, Noché.

Etheridge scholarship

All female students who are residents of Georgia and have completed at least one year of seminary education may apply for this scholarship. Applications are available in the Student Life Office. The deadline is March 15.

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Church planting banquet

The North American Church Planting Banquet will be February 24 at 6:00 p.m. in the Multi-Purpose Room of the Ledford Center. The speaker will be Charles Lyons of Armitage Baptist Church, Chicago, IL. Please call 761-2160 for reservations.

Manna Ministry coordinator needed

The Manna Ministry is in need of a coordinator to organize volunteers to do bread pick ups and to work as needed. If you are interested in getting involved in this important ministry, please contact Kim McManamey at 556-2616 or Amy Adams at 554-4127.

Hollinger scholarship

All students who are residents of Florida can come to the Student Life Office to fill out an application for the Hollinger scholarship. The deadline is February 18.

SWF meeting

The Southeastern Women's Fellowship invites you to its February fellowship. We will have a hands-on cooking night Monday, February 24 in Our Daily Bread Cafe. Childcare is provided free if you register your child by Friday, February 21. Call Sandy Poppell to sign up for free childcare or to sign up to help with childcare.

CBMW writing contest

To promote further biblical and theological reflection regarding the biblical teachings on gender, The Council on Biblical Manhood and Womanhood (CBMW) is sponsoring a writing contest among students at several evangelical seminaries, including Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary, during the Spring 2003 academic semester. The winner will receive a \$400 scholarship. Interested students are to submit an exegetical or theological paper of 5000 words from a complementarian perspective. For more information, please contact the Student Life Office.

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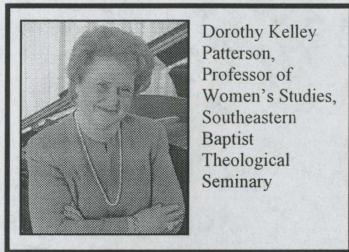
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Theological Thoughts

Be all that you are *meant* to be: The life of a Christian woman

By Dr. Dorothy Kelley Patterson

My life and goals and perspective were forever changed. In every single book of the Bible, I found that God had a word for me. That word was not always comforting; in fact, sometimes it was like a sword to my heart; but always I knew that it was authoritative and, if authoritative, true, regardless of culture, circumstances, or perceived relevance. I came to realize that God did not



Dorothy Kelley Patterson, Professor of Women's Studies, Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary

expect me to determine how to adapt His Word to my situation. Instead, He expected me to adapt myself to the consistent and clear principles found in His Word. God did not expect me to interpret His principles in light of my gifts and intellect, but He admonished me, including my gifts and intellect and creativity, "to be conformed to the image of his Son" (Rom. 8:29). Even at this juncture as I enter my senior years, God is not waiting for me to determine what directives are relevant for me as a twenty-first century American woman, but He is making clear throughout Scrip-

ture His demand for my absolute obedience, even willing submission in the Spirit of Christ Himself, who said, "I delight to do your will, O my God" (Ps. 40:8).

Consequently, even in those early years of motherhood, my chosen role of wife and mother took on new significance; I viewed my extensive academic preparation and professional experience in a new light; my commitment to marriage and home gained an added dimension—a divine covenant relationship reaching beyond a contractual agreement between my husband and me to include the Creator God Himself, who said "What therefore God has joined together, let not man separate" (Matt. 19:6). Bearing a new liberated identity, many women—even those who are committed evangelicals—have devoted themselves to ambitious busyness everywhere but in the home. They are enmeshed in overwhelming volunteerism, either consciously or subconsciously working to achieve accolades and recognition in the community; or they are surrogate wives and mothers dedicated to hatching professional pursuits that promise power and pocketbook. The biblical model that honors the keeping of the home, the helping of your husband, and the nurturing of your children is considered obsolete. Instead of encouraging adolescents to cut the apron strings from

mother and venture out into society, now mothers are being begged not to cut the apron strings on their babies and catapult them prematurely into a menacing world! Mom and hot apple pie have been replaced by day care in institutional centers and cold apple turnovers at McDonald's!

"In the quest to be *all* you are meant to be, you must not forget what you are *meant* to be."

Women have been liberated right out of the genuine freedom they have enjoyed to oversee the home, rear their children, and pursue personal creativity throughout the generations; they have been brainwashed to believe that the absence of a titled, payroll occupation enslaves a woman to failure, boredom, and imprisonment within the confines of the home. Although feminism speaks of liberation, self-fulfillment, personal rights, and breaking down barriers, these phrases inevitably mean the opposite. In fact, the opposite is true because a salaried job and titled position can inhibit a woman's natural nesting instinct

and maternity by inverting her priorities so that failures almost inevitably come in the rearing of her own children and the fashioning of an earthly shelter for those whom she loves most. The mundane accompanies every task, however high paying or prestigious the job, so that escape from boredom is not inevitable just because your workplace is not at home. And where is the time for personal creativity when you are in essence working two jobs—one at home and one away?

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Women's certificate

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The minimum time required to complete the program is one and a half years; however, most women take three years to finish. The first graduates of the program will be recognized this spring at the Awards Chapel on May 15, 2003.

Registration is still available for two courses this semester. Foundations of Christian Education for Women is designed to give women in ministry an overview of education in the local church, school, and home. Introduction to World Religions will cover the major religions of the world and how to better reach their adherents for Christ.

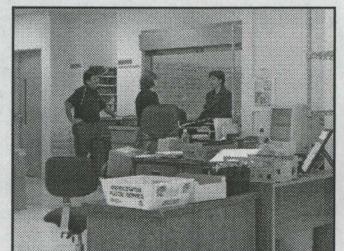
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James Hilton, mailroom manager, said, "The combination of the mailroom and copy center has created an institutional communication center that will be helpful to both students and staff."

Jaime Crouse, mailroom employee, said, "If the situation arises that we have to be out of

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El Salvador mission trip

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Part-Time/Bi-Vocational Ministry Opportunities

- New Hope Missionary Baptist Church, Wilson, NC, Pianist
- Southside Baptist Church, Rocky Mount, NC, Pianist

Full-Time Ministry Opportunities

- Spanish Baptist Church of Washington, Washington, D.C., Senior Pastor
- Faith Baptist Church, Kaiserslautern, Germany, Senior Pastor
- Foothills Community Church, Marble Hill, GA, Minister of Music and Youth

Summer Opportunities

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Nehemiah Project

Dr. Ed Handkins will be on campus February 18 and 19 to interview those who would like more information on working with the Nehemiah Project, specifically in

Illinois. Please contact the Ministry Referral Office to schedule an interview.

Florida church planting

Dr. Mike Hoffman from the Florida Baptist Convention will be here on March 4 and 5 to interview those interested in church planting in the state of Florida. Please contact the Ministry Referral Office if you would like to schedule an interview.

International World Changers

IWC has been asked to make a three-year commitment to reach one community in Beirut, Lebanon, with the message of Jesus. A trip will take place July 5-19, and the cost is \$800 plus airfare. One hundred students (high school/college) have been requested to prayer walk, distribute Bibles, and visit in homes. If you want to be on the front lines of this new work, then contact Kathy Bryan at 274-2962 or dreamer320@bigfoot.com. As well, information is available at the CGCS.

Outreach and assimilation

The Summit Church, in Durham, is looking for a part-time minister of outreach and assimilation. The Summit Church is a Southern Baptist congregation of about 700, located 35 minutes from SEBTS and 3 miles from Duke University. Those interested in serving should contact J. D. Greear at 477-3859 or JGreear@SummitChurch.cc.

Chapel Schedule

February 18

Evangelist Tim Lee
 Tim Lee Ministries
 Garland, TX

February 19

Dr. James Porowski
 Associate Professor of Child and Family Development
 SEBTS

February 20

Dr. Josef Solc
 Associate Professor of Evangelism and Missions
 SEBTS

February 25

Rev. Charles Lyons
 Armitage Baptist Church
 Chicago, IL

February 26

Dr. Keith Thomas
 First Baptist Church
 West Palm Beach, FL

February 27

Dr. L. Russ Bush, III
 Academic Vice President and Dean of Faculty
 SEBTS

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Is war with Iraq justified?

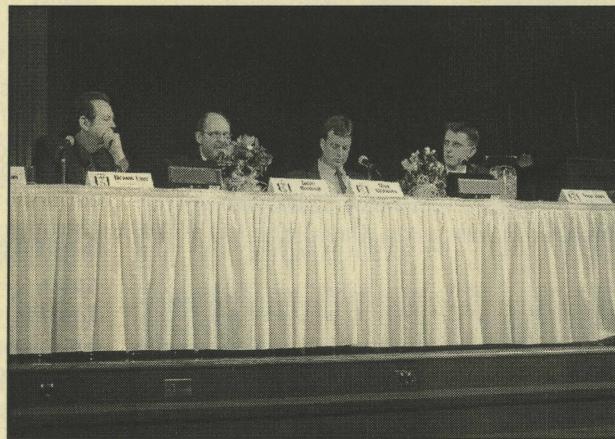
Heimbach, Land, Patterson lead panel discussion on just war theory

"We must ask, 'When is it moral to go to war?' and 'How do you use force in a moral way?'" said Dr. Daniel Heimbach, Professor of Ethics at Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary in Wake Forest, NC.

Southeastern hosted the forum "Just War Doctrine: When is War Really Justified?" on February 26. Attended by over 650 students, staff, and visitors, the panelists discussed issues related to just war theory and fielded questions from seminary President Paige Patterson and audience members.

The panel represented leading Southern Baptist ethicists including: Heimbach; Dr. Richard Land, President of the Ethics and Religious Liberty Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention; Dr. Mark Liederbach, Assistant Professor of Ethics at Southeastern; and Dr. David Jones, Assistant Professor of Ethics at Southeastern.

Heimbach, who served on staff



Southern Baptist ethicists Richard Land, Daniel Heimbach, Mark Liederbach, and David Jones discuss just war theory as it relates to a possible war in Iraq.

for President George H. W. Bush and wrote a memo to the President delineating just war theory before the Gulf War, made the first presentation. He noted that even though it is not easy to find just cause for a new war, "enforcing terms of the [Iraq's] surrender of 1991 is unquestionably justified." Thus, Heimbach suggested linking future military action in Iraq to the Gulf War of 1991.

Land and Heimbach agreed on every point concerning just cause except the cause of regime change. Land said, "I believe regime

change can be a legitimate aim for war if the regime is evil enough." Heimbach disagreed, citing regime change as a category of conquering.

Land said, "The legitimate authority for committing American soldiers, sailors, and airmen to war is the Congress of the United States, not the United Nations General Assembly and not the United Nations Security Council,

period."

In handouts given to the audience, Heimbach set forth the just war doctrine from biblical, classical, and modern perspectives. The principles of just war are divided into two categories: principles for engaging in war and principles for conducting war.

According to Heimbach, the principles for engaging in war are just cause, competent authority, comparative justice, right intention, last resort, probability of success, proportionality of projected results, and right spirit.

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"Man shall not live by bread alone"



Steve Yoder and Nate Harvey receive bread from the Manna Ministry

As one walks into the duplex at 245 N. Wingate St. in Wake Forest, one is greeted by a sign reading, "This ministry is for you, by you." The ministry is Southeastern's Manna Ministry.

The Manna Ministry provides bread at no

charge for Southeastern students and their families. The ministry comes under the leadership of Southeastern Women's Fellowship.

Currently, over 100 volunteers serve with the ministry that provides loaf bread, bagels, Eng-

lish muffins, coffee cakes, rolls, and other items.

"With two kids, every little bit of saving helps," said Beth Brown, a volunteer and recipient of the ministry.

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Faculty Spotlight: Keith Harper



Family: Wife, Johnnie, married 25 years; son, David, age 15

Seminary/College position: Associate Professor of Church History

Hometown: Jeffersonville, IN

How you became a Christian: I heard the gospel through an individual who, I believe, was affiliated with Campus Crusade for Christ.

Current church: Wake Cross Roads Baptist

Current local church ministry: Sunday School Teacher

Most influential person in your life: My dad

Something surprising about you: I did not attend seminary.

Education: B.A., Lexington Baptist College; M.A., Murray State University; Ph.D., University of Kentucky

Classes currently teaching: Baptist history and Ph.D. seminar in Baptist history

Favorite class ever taught: His 109 (U.S. history since 1865) my last semester at University of Kentucky. Great Group!

Recent or upcoming publications: *Send the Light: Lottie Moon's Letters and Other Writings* – Summer 2002; *Rescue the Perishing: The Correspondence of Annie Armstrong* – Easter 2004; *Esteemed Reproach: The Lives of the Rev. James Ireland and Rev. Joseph Craig* – Fall 2004

Favorite author: Edmund S. Morgan (history); Robert Burns (poetry)

Favorite musician: Jimmy Arnold

Hobbies: Guns

What influenced you to come to Southeastern: Dr. Patterson

Risden Reece scholarship

Applications are currently available for the Risden Reece scholarship in the Student Life Office. All college and seminary students are eligible to apply. The deadline is March 7.

International pot-luck

The Student Life Office will be hosting an international pot-luck dinner on March 17 at 6:00 p.m. in the Multi-Purpose Room of the Ledford Center. Cuisine from the countries of our international students will be available. If you are interested in attending, please sign-up at the Student Life Office.

Footsteps of Paul study tour

Join Dr. Cowen, Dr. Harris, and Dr. Lanier on a study tour to Turkey and Greece. Ephesus, Colossae, Pergamum, Thessaloniki, Philippi, Corinth, and Athens are some of the cities which will be visited. The trip will take place October 3-13, 2003, and the cost is \$2,449. Please see Carolyn in Dr. Cowen's office for more information.

CBMW writing contest

To promote further biblical and theological reflection regarding the biblical teachings on gender, The Council on Biblical Manhood and Womanhood (CBMW) is sponsoring a writing contest among students at several evangelical seminaries, including Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary, during the Spring 2003 academic semester. The winner will receive a \$400 scholarship. For more information, please contact the Student Life Office.

Dessert cook-off

The annual dessert cook-off will take place on March 18 at 6:30 p.m. in the Ledford Center. Anyone wishing to enter a dessert into the competition should sign-up in the Student Life Office. Anyone interested in eating can pick up a ticket at the front desk of the Ledford Center.

Counterfeits and Counterculture workshop

Dean Bush, in association with the Interfaith Evangelism Team of the North American Mission Board, is offering Masters Workshop credit (2 hrs.) for the workshop "Counterfeits and Countercultures: The Continuing Challenge of Cults in the Twenty-first Century." The workshop will be held at the Tempe Mission Palms in Phoenix, AZ, June 11-14. Full details and application forms are available from Dean Bush's office. Subsidy for hotel costs may be available. Off-campus students should call (919) 761-2225 for details.

Women's certificate classes

Registration is still available for two women's certificate classes this semester. Foundations of Christian Education for Women and Introduction to World Religions still have spaces available. Please contact the Registrar for more information.

Manna Ministry coordinator needed

The Manna Ministry is in need of a coordinator to organize volunteers to do bread pick ups and to work as needed. If you are interested in getting involved in this important ministry, please contact Kim McManamey at 556-2616 or Amy Adams at 554-4127.

Etheridge scholarship

All female students who are residents of Georgia and have completed at least one year of seminary education may apply for this scholarship. Applications are available in the Student Life Office. The deadline is March 15.

Keesee scholarship

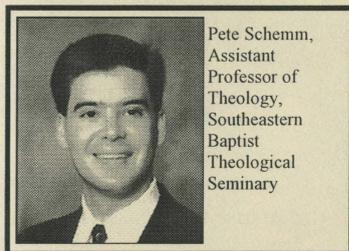
Residents of North Carolina and Virginia may come to the Student Life Office to pick up an application for the Keesee Scholarship. Applications are due to the Keesee Foundation by April 1.

Theological Thoughts

A call to clarity: Understanding gender role views

By Dr. Pete Schemm

One of the most debated topics among evangelicals today is that of gender roles. There are two basic gender role views among evangelicals: the *egalitarian* view and the *complementarian* view. The purpose of this brief article is to point out the clear differences between these two views.



Pete Schemm, Assistant Professor of Theology, Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary

Egalitarian

The term *egalitarian* describes those who have as their goal the removal of all perceived inequities among men and women in both the home and the church. According to its own adherents, this view has also been identified as “biblical feminism” or “evangelical feminism.” It is a distinct form of feminism since no other form seeks to harmonize the authentic meaning of Scripture with its view. In short, an egalitarian is one who acknowledges the authority and truthfulness of Scripture and yet denies the God-ordained role distinctions of manhood and womanhood. Several examples illustrate the egalitarian denial of God’s unique design for men and women.

First, egalitarians rightly argue that both Adam and Eve were created equally in God’s image but they wrongly argue that Adam’s role as head (or leader) of the home is nothing more than the result of the Fall (Gen 2-3). Second, egalitarians are right to promote the loving ideal of mutual reciprocity and partnership (humbly serving one another) between husband and wife, but they err in saying that this cannot be attained in an ordered relationship wherein the wife graciously submits herself to her husband’s servant leadership, care and protection (Eph 5:21-33; Col 3:18-19; 1 Peter 3:1-7). Finally, egalitarians do well to emphasize that women, just like men, are gifted and empowered by God to minister, to teach, and to build up the body of Christ. However, their mistake is that they see no limitations given on a woman’s “calling”—limitations which are clearly given in Scripture (1 Tim 2:11-15). Ultimately then, this view must be rejected because it elevates a woman’s experience above the authority of the Word of God. Probably the organization that best represents the position of egalitarianism (or evangelical feminism) is Christians for Biblical Equality (CBE), formed in 1987.

Complementarian

The term *complementarian* describes those who understand

manhood and womanhood as distinct and yet complementary roles that have been divinely appointed by God for both the home and the church. This view has also been identified as “traditionalist” or “hierarchicalist.” Even though the majority has held this view throughout church history, still the label “traditional” may not be

“Both men and women equally bear God’s image, yet they have complementary roles.”

the best choice since it communicates an unnecessary rigidity. Complementarian seems to be the better choice since “it suggests both equality and beneficial differences between men and women” (John Piper and Wayne Grudem, *Recovering Biblical Manhood and Womanhood*, p. xiv). In short, both men and women equally bear God’s image, yet they have complementary roles. Several examples illustrate the complementarian affirmation of God’s good design for men and women.

First, complementarians argue that not only were both Adam and

Eve created equally in God’s image but Adam’s role as head (or leader) of the home was established by God before the Fall, and was not a result of sin (Gen 2-3). Second, complementarians heartily affirm mutual reciprocity and partnership (humbly serving one another) between husband and wife, but, unlike egalitarians, they claim that this partnership works best when it accords with God’s design for an ordered relationship wherein the wife graciously submits herself to her husband’s servant leadership, care and protection (Eph 5:21-33; Col 3:18-19; 1 Peter 3:1-7). Finally, complementarians affirm that women, just like men, are gifted and empowered by God to minister, to teach, and to build up the body of Christ. However, complementarians take the biblical instruction regarding women in ministry at face value (1 Cor 11:1-16; 1 Tim 2:11-15). Even though there are some qualifications for women in ministry, the many valuable ministries of women far outweigh the few limitations Scripture imposes. The organization that best represents the complementarian view is the Council on Biblical Manhood and Womanhood (CBMW), also formed in 1987.

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Just war theory

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The principles for conducting war are proportionality in the use of force, discrimination, avoidance of evil means, and good faith.

While some may believe that just war theory is a rather modern development, Heimbach pointed out that the first princi-

ples of just war originated as a part of Greek and Roman thought as articulated by Plato, Aristotle, and Cicero.

While the possibility of war in Iraq was the focus of the forum, Liederbach brought the discussion into a Christian perspective by noting the gospel implications of just war in relation to “neighbor love.”

Manna ministry

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Volunteers pick up bread from four different Kroger stores and Arnolds twice a week. The bread is then distributed on Sunday afternoons and Tuesday evenings.

Those who volunteer in the ministry may come to pick up bread on Sunday afternoons from

2:00 to 3:00 p.m. All other students may come on Tuesdays from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m.

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Ministry Referral Office:

Church Organist

- First Baptist Church, Oxford, NC
- Pearce Baptist Church, Zebulon, NC

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- Beulah Hill Baptist Church, West End, NC, Youth Intern
- Eastern Hills Baptist Church, Charlotte, NC, Youth Intern
- First Baptist Nags Head, Nags Head, NC, Summer Missionary
- Great Fork Baptist Church, Suffolk, VA, Minister to Students
- Salem First Baptist Church, Salem, IL, Youth Intern

Florida church planting

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Spanish-speaking interpreters needed

Spanish-speaking interpreters needed for church mission trip to Honduras, July 8-16. Please contact Pastor Tim Rogers of Victory Baptist Church, Seagrove, NC, for details: (336) 873-7900.

Evangelism opportunity

Take advantage of the opportunity to share Christ with university students every Friday afternoon. Call Edward Buchanan at 562-7227 for meeting time and place.

NAMB

Out of 704 available positions through NAMB last summer, 143 went unfilled. The need for students to serve in North America is critical. For more information on how you can answer the call to North American Missions, please visit www.answerthecall.net.

Weekend ministry in Delaware

Take advantage of the opportunity to get experience in leading worship, youth, education, and outreach. There is also employment potential upon graduation. Host churches will provide lodging plus reimbursement for gas and meals. Contact Rev. Jim McBride, DOM for Delaware Baptist Association, for more information: (302) 741-2488 or jmcbride@lwol.com.

Summer volunteers

Kyle Henry, a 2001 graduate of SEBTS, is currently working in Limuru, Kenya, for Brackenhurst International Centre. He is looking to recruit summer volunteers to help run a summer camp program for MK's and expatriate families in Africa. Please contact Kyle Henry at Kyle@brackenhurstadventures.org.

Chapel Schedule

March 4

Dr. Joe Jordan
 Executive Director, Word of Life Fellowship
 Schroon Lake, NY

March 5

Dr. Bill Merrell
 VP for Convention Relations
 Executive Committee, SBC
 Nashville, TN

March 6

Dr. Wade Akins
 International Mission Board

March 11

Spring Break

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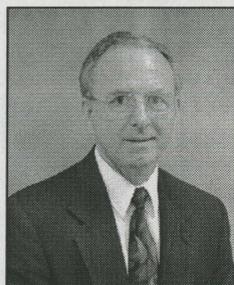
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The Gospel and War

Dr. Mark Liederbach discusses the implications of war as it relates to the spiritual war Christians face as they attempt to spread the Gospel.

General Scholarship Applications

Applications for the General Scholarship are now available in the Student Life Office.

Greek Exposition Award

The Phillips Greek Exposition Award will be presented to the student who writes the best paper on Matthew 1:20-23.

Ledford facilities receive facelift

The Ledford Center at Southeastern serves as the central social and sports facility for both Southeastern Seminary and Southeastern College at Wake Forest. These facilities include the racquetball courts in the basement and the historic Cannon Gymnasium on the second floor.



Employees from J & J Floors, Inc., work on resurfacing the basketball court of historic Cannon Gymnasium.

While the facilities continue to serve students and staff on a daily basis, constant use has left them in need of repair.

During spring break, work began on renovations for the basketball court and the racquetball courts.

The school contracted J & J Floors, Inc., to refinish the racquetball courts and to repair, paint, and finish the basketball court. J & J Floors is the largest flooring company in North Carolina and maintains the basketball courts at Duke University, North Carolina State University, and Virginia Tech University, as well as numerous other colleges and high schools in the region.

The old Cannon Gymnasium, which has seen the likes of Arnold

Palmer walk across its floor during his days at Wake Forest College, has suffered from water damage and the lack of upkeep over the years. Now it is receiving a facelift.

The work on the basketball court will provide a brand new look for Cannon Gymnasium. The old multi-colored lines will be replaced by professional painting and striping to create a college court look.

The dead spots on the floor created by loose boards will also be repaired allowing for more consistent play across the entire court.

J & J Floors also completed work on the racquetball courts during spring break. They stripped the top layer of the courts and refinished them.

In addition to receiving upgrades to the basketball and racquetball courts, the main floor of Ledford also saw improvements over spring break. Workers from the physical plant finished installing new light fixtures, which dramatically increased the brightness of the room and will cut electricity costs. School officials predict that the new light fixtures will pay for

themselves in two to four years by keeping energy costs down.

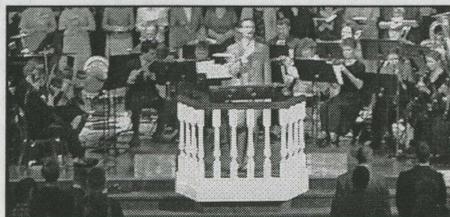
While there was a slight inconvenience to students wishing to use the facilities over spring break, the benefit of having the work done at this time is great. The school saved nearly fifty percent on the cost of renovating the basketball court due to early spring being a slow time for J & J Floors. Also, the intramural department will be able to hold its basketball championship tournament on a new floor.

With so much history on the basketball court in Cannon Gymnasium already, school officials are excited to restore and preserve it for many years to come at Southeastern.

Southeastern orchestra continues to grow

"I am deeply appreciative to Dr. Patterson," said Dr. Larry Mayo, Associate Professor of Music. "It is his vision to have an orchestra that gives the model of what should happen in our churches."

The orchestra at Southeastern is com-



The orchestra plays with Dr. David Nelson in Binkley Chapel.

posed of twenty-seven members, the largest group to date according

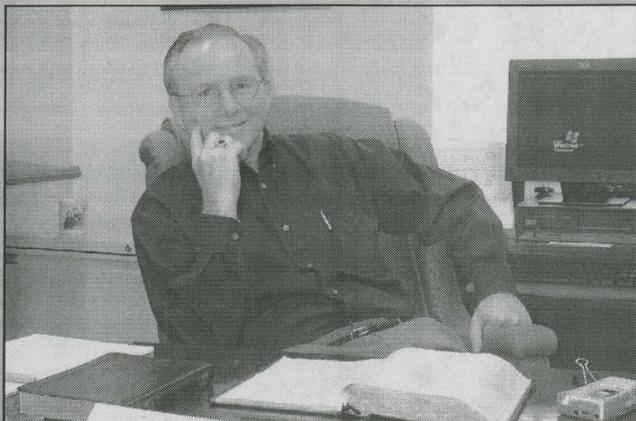
to Mayo. Most of the members are not music majors but played instru-

ments in high school or college. These instrumentalists play regularly in chapel and bless the students with live music for worship.

They practice every Friday 9:00-10:30 a.m. in Binkley Chapel.

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Faculty Spotlight: Bruce Little



Family: Wife, Nancy and one daughter, Ann, who is married with two children (one boy, Michael, and one girl, Mikaela). That makes me a grandparent.

Seminary/College position: Associate Professor of Philosophy of Religion

Hometown: Waldoboro, Maine

How you became a Christian: At the age of 20, I came to know that Lord at a Baptist church in my home area during an evening service in May, 1965.

Current church: Open Door Baptist

Current local church ministry: I presently teach a discipleship class on Wednesday evenings. This term I am teaching on making bioethical decisions as a Christian.

Most influential person in your life: It is hard to say as there have been so many, but two are Francis Schaeffer and Gary Habermas.

Something surprising about you: I am a poet at heart.

Education: B.R.E., Baptist Bible College of Pennsylvania; M.A., Liberty University; M.R.E., Liberty University; D.Min., Columbia Biblical Seminary; Ph.D., SEBTS.

Classes currently teaching: Christian Philosophy, The Problem of Evil, and a Ph D. Seminar in Apologetics

Favorite class ever taught: This is impossible. Since coming to SEBTS, every class I have taught I thought was my favorite class.

Recent or upcoming publications: This summer (late) a book entitled "Religion [read that Christianity] for Life" and it is authored with Anatoliy Filatov, head of the Center of Ethnic-Social Research attached to the Chair of Political Science and Sociology of the Tavricheskiy National University, Simferopol, Crimea, Ukraine. Obviously it is in Russian.

Favorite author: George Marsden and William Lane Craig

Favorite musician: Anton Dvorak and Strauss

Hobbies: Painting

What influenced you to come to Southeastern: Among other things, a proper balance between a passion for serving our Lord and a commitment to academic excellence. I found this exhibited in Dr. Patterson in particular and the faculty in general.

A word of wisdom for the readers: Take every precaution that the ministry does not become an end in itself and that in striving to accomplish an end, the means (how we do it) do not become unimportant to us. It seems to be an ever present danger amongst morals that without this vigilance we risk being "drawn away from love of the thing he [we] tells, to love of the telling. . ." (C. S. Lewis. *The Great Divorce*).

General scholarship

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CBMW writing contest

To promote further biblical and theological reflection regarding the biblical teachings on gender, The Council on Biblical Manhood and Womanhood (CBMW) is sponsoring a writing contest among students at several evangelical seminaries, including Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary, during the Spring 2003 academic semester. The winner will receive a \$400 scholarship. For more information, please contact the Student Life Office.

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Feminist theology class

Mary Kassian will be teaching Feminist Theology during the J-term of 2004.

Keesee scholarship

Master's level students who are residents of North Carolina or Virginia may come to the Student Life Office to pick up an application for the Keesee Scholarship. Applications are due to the Keesee Foundation by April 1.

Global missions week

March 24-28 marks the dates for our IMB Global Missions Week at SEBTS. Missionaries from around the world will be on the main floor of the Ledford Center each day. On Monday evening, the IMB will be hosting a pizza party and missions conferences in Adams. The evening will begin with a pizza party for you and your family at 6:00 p.m. The conferences will be 7:00-8:30 p.m. Childcare will be available during the conferences. You must call the Dean of Students Office at 761-2306 to RSVP for this evening of fun. Deadline for RSVP will be March 18.

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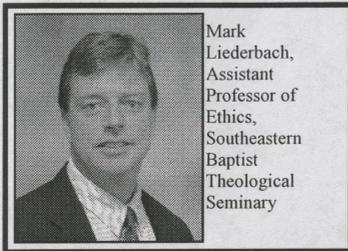
No student parking is allowed in the Broyhill Lot or the Stephens-Mackie Lot, effective immediately. This includes nights and

Theological Thoughts

The Gospel and war: Implications for Christians

By Dr. Mark Liederbach

The Gospel and War. Such a strange juxtaposition of words. "Gospel" calls to mind visions of love and life whereas "war" conjures up pictures of destruction and death. And yet . . . and yet, somehow there seems to be a connection in the Scriptures we cannot ignore. Ephesians 6:10-20



Mark Liederbach, Assistant Professor of Ethics, Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary

clearly indicates a connection between the spread of the Gospel and the only war that ultimately matters: the spiritual one. According to Paul the real struggle is "not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the powers, against the world forces of this darkness, against the spiritual forces of wickedness in the heavenly places." The apostle then goes on to ask for prayer on his behalf "that utterance may be given to me in the opening of my mouth, to make known with boldness the mystery of the gospel. . . ."

What, in light of Paul's instructions, are the implications for Christians as the prospect of war with Iraq grows stronger each

day? How should Christians think and act when the spiritual battle incarnates itself in the experience of this world in flesh and blood battles? How should the Gospel control our thinking and direct the intentions and affections of our heart in such a terrible time?

On the level of moral justice, a simple metaphor helps make the point. Suppose a father comes home from work one day and discovers that his son has tied the neighbor child to a tree and is in the process of drenching the child with water in the middle of winter. What would be the appropriate response of the father?

Certainly the neighbor child would need to be released and returned to safety. The son, of course, would need to be disciplined (perhaps through removal of privileges and the limitation of unsupervised play with other children). In addition, some conditions for the son's future compliance must be set. If several months into the future the father returns home only to discover that his boy is not only harassing the neighbor again but has also enlisted friends to help him, the father would be wise to extend and perhaps elevate the level of discipline. The problem is not a new or separate one but the continuation of an ongoing moral situation.

This story, however, also highlights an even more important lesson related to how the Gospel must drive a Christian's thinking even in times of war. In the father/son scenario, if the ultimate hope of the father is the simple compliance of the child, then I would argue that he is a bad father. Rather, the heart of the fa-

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ther must be to discipline his son so as to (1) protect the innocent neighbor and (2) set the son in a place where he has maximum opportunity to amend the error of his ways by repenting of his actions and asking forgiveness.

While the matter of moral justice is of immediate urgency, it is the change of heart that is of ultimate importance and what should be the father's deepest longing.

Such change of heart cannot be achieved through physical force nor is it an appropriate goal of using force. It can only be hoped that the use of force sets up maximum opportunity for conversion.

Obviously the use of a father/son metaphor has severe limitations in regard to war with Iraq. The point is not to see the U.S. as "the father" and Iraq as "the son" so much as it is to point out the motivations that must drive the thinking of Biblical Christians.

Christian "just warriors" seek moral justice but are driven by a longing that the achievement of moral justice will lead the guilty party to consider the far more eternal consequences at stake. Scripture prohibits the use of force with the intent to compel a conversion. But like discipline with a child, Christians who support the use of force to achieve moral justice should never settle for the idea that compliance is the ultimate goal. Like Paul we must remember that the real struggle is fought on the spiritual level, and the ultimate goal is that the Gospel may be uttered with boldness and without hindrance and that many would hear, respond, and join the people from every tribe, tongue, people, and nation who will one day worship together before the throne of God. Only when hearts change is there real hope for lasting peace.

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Orchestra

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"I want people whose passion it is to play their instruments for the Lord," said Mayo, who is still looking for more instrumentalists to add to the group, especially in the lower brass section.

Scholarships are available for non-music majors who wish to play in the orchestra. They can register for M5206A Seminary Orchestra and receive one hour of

credit without having to pay for it.

In addition, the music department has been granted a sizable amount of percussion and large instruments in order to supply instruments to those who do not have them.

The entire music department, including the orchestra, will be hosting a concert on May 9 at 8:00 p.m. in Binkley Chapel. It will be an evening of worship and praise.

Mission Opportunities

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Czech Republic: June 10-21

New Hampshire: August 1-9

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Melody Luther or Betsy Durand
at CGCS@pobox.com or 761-2230.

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- First Baptist Church, West Carrolton, OH, Minister of Worship and Minister of Education & Evangelism

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Michigan ministry

Mr. Larry Allen from the Baptist State Convention of Michigan will be on campus March 25-26 to interview anyone interested in various types of ministry in the state of Michigan. Please contact the Ministry Referral Office if you would like to schedule an interview.

Spanish-speaking interpreters needed

Spanish-speaking interpreters needed for church mission trip to Honduras, July 8-16. Please contact Pastor Tim Rogers of Victory Baptist Church, Seagrove, NC, for details: (336) 873-7900.

Evangelism opportunity

Take advantage of the opportunity to share Christ with university students every Friday afternoon. Call Edward Buchanan at 562-7227 for meeting time and place.

NAMB

Out of 704 available positions through NAMB last summer, 143 went unfilled. The need for students to serve in North America is critical. For more information on how you can answer the call to North American Missions, please visit www.answerthecall.net.

Weekend ministry in Delaware

Take advantage of the opportunity to get experience in leading worship, youth, education, and outreach. There is also employment potential upon graduation. Host churches will provide lodging plus reimbursement for gas and meals. Contact Rev. Jim McBride, DOM for Delaware Baptist Association, for more information: (302) 741-2488 or jmcbride@lwol.com.

Missions in North Africa

Dr. Dave Mills, IMB Strategy Associate for North Africa, is on campus until the end of May. He is available to talk to you about opportunities to serve among Muslims in Mauritania, Morocco, Algeria, Tunisia, and also France. You can reach him at 556-7340 or at davemil@pobox.com.

Intramurals

The basketball season is off and running at a furious pace. With twelve teams, this year's SEBTS basketball league is bigger than ever. For the first time in SEBTS history we have an all girls league which is generating a tremendous amount of fan support and excitement every Thursday night. League games are on Tuesday and Thursday nights from 7:00 - 10:00. Fans are welcome!

Chapel Schedule

March 18

Rev. Bob Sheffield
Pastoral Ministry Specialist
LifeWay Christian Resources
Nashville, TN

March 19

Rev. Jim Smyrl
Couples' Education Director
First Baptist Church
Jacksonville, FL

March 20

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First Baptist Church
Jacksonville, FL

March 25

Dr. Cal Guy
Distinguished Professor
Emeritus of Missions
Burlen, TX

March 26

Dr. Keith Eitel
Professor of Christian Missions
SEBTS

March 27

Dr. Jerry Rankin
President
International Mission Board
Richmond, VA

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Karate

Karate is offered in the martial arts room of the Ledford Center on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 4:15 p.m. For more information, contact the Student Life Office.



Dr. Jerry Rankin invites students to commit to missions during Thursday's chapel at Southeastern.

To every tribe, people, tongue, and nation

With the nation at war, some may think it strange for a school to be talking about sending its graduates overseas. However, that is exactly the focus of Global Missions Week at Southeastern.

David Miller, Event Manager of the Event Coordination Department for the International Mission Board, organized the missions emphasis for the seminary this year.

IMB personnel converged on the seminary campus to inform students and to answer questions concerning the current state of missions in the Southern Baptist Convention. These missionaries set up information tables in the Ledford Center, in front of Binkley Chapel, and outside the Library.

Global Missions Weeks take place once every three years at each SBC seminary campus. During the off years, the IMB spon-

sors a Global Missions Day.

The purpose of Global Missions Week is twofold. First, it allows seminary and college students to have personal contact with regional missionaries to help them examine their call to Christian ministry. Second, it provides seminary and college students an understanding of what God is doing throughout the globe in bringing individuals from all peoples to faith in Christ.

Miller pointed out that the purpose of this event is not to recruit missionaries but to expose students to the possibilities. In addition, it teaches future pastors how to mobilize their people to do short-term and long-term missions work.

Sixteen representatives from the IMB shared with students in the Ledford Center and in classrooms.

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Cal Guy: A legend in SBC missions



Dr. Cal Guy speaks with Bob Walker, manager of the LifeWay Campus Store, in the Ledford Center at Southeastern Seminary.

"I'm 86 years old. I don't buy more than two bananas at a time," said Dr. Cal Guy, Distinguished Professor Emeritus of Missions, in response to what he was going to do for the rest of his life.

Guy, a living legend in the field of missions in the Southern Baptist Convention, began teaching in 1946 at Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary. After spending 36 years at Southwestern, he taught missions at The Criswell College for five years and at Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary for seven.

Born in 1917, Guy was reared in Jackson, TN, where he attended Union University and eventually moved to Fort Worth, TX, to attend Southwestern. Believing that he and his wife would be appointed by the then Foreign Mission Board to Russia, their appointment was rejected due to his wife's lack of education. "We thought we were going to the mission field, but we wound up in the classroom," said Guy. That change of direction led to over five decades of impacting the lives of Southern Baptist leaders in the classroom. (Continued on page 3)

Faculty Spotlight: Robert Cole



Family: Pati, married 12 years; daughter Rachel, age 11; and son Nathan, age 9

Seminary/College position: Assistant Professor of Old Testament and Semitic Languages

Hometown: Tovar, Mérida, Venezuela

How you became a Christian: I was converted as a college student while reading a missionary biography.

Current church: Iglesia Bautista Ebenezer, Wake Forest

Current local church ministry: Music and teaching

Most influential person in your life: My father

Something surprising about you: I hold citizenship in three countries.

Education: B.A., Western Michigan University, Latin American Studies; M.Div., TEDS; Th.M.; TEDS, Old Testament; M.A., UCLA, Semitic Languages; Ph.D., UCLA, Semitic Languages

Classes currently teaching: Old Testament Introduction and Hebrew

Favorite class ever taught: An Old Testament Introduction class at Saddleback Community Church

Recent or upcoming publications: "An Integrated Reading of Psalms 1 and 2" *JSOT* 98 Vol. 26.4 (2002) 75-88

Favorite author: J. P. Fokkelman

Favorite musician: Juan Romero

Hobbies: I am a newshound, soccer aficionado and like to dabble in historical linguistics.

What influenced you to come to Southeastern: Although it was difficult to pick up and move across the entire continent, we could not in the end deny God's leading in the matter. The decision was made easier by the gracious and warm reception extended by the administration, faculty and students on the first visit.

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Footsteps of Paul tour

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Blood drive

There will be a blood drive in the Ledford Center on Thursday, April 3, 11:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m. Call 761-2305 to sign up.

Theological Thoughts

The cost of reaching our world

By Dr. Jerry Rankin

Today's postmodern society finds it hard to acknowledge a truth worth living and dying for. And, in these days of war and terror, comfort and security have risen to the highest priorities for many in our world.



Jerry Rankin,
President,
International
Mission Board,
Southern Baptist
Convention

Yet, while many Americans are staying close to home, the International Mission Board on March 15 appointed 98 new workers—the second-largest group ever—to serve around the world. Why do these missionaries and thousands of others choose to leave home and go to dangerous

places?

The answer is simple. God has given them a purpose worth dying for: the salvation of those for whom Christ died. Nothing is more important than introducing hope to those in despair, bringing light to those in darkness, and the message of salvation to those in bondage to sin. They know that living out the love of God in an incarnational witness and ministry is the only way people will see the reality and truth of our faith.

When Jesus first sent out His disciples—and now commissions us—to disciple the nations, He said that His followers would be hated and killed for His sake. He sends us—just as He sent them—into a hostile world, demanding obedience with no guarantee of safety and security.

Tertullian said, centuries ago, “The blood of martyrs is the seed of the church.”

Global missions

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Not only did IMB personnel share on campus and in classrooms, but the week's chapel services were dedicated to missions. On Tuesday, Dr. Cal Guy, Distinguished Professor Emeritus of Missions, challenged students to acknowledge Jesus as Lord and to follow Him wherever He leads.

Dr. Keith Eitel, Professor of Christian Missions and Director of the Center for Great Commission Studies, spoke about the vital link of Barnabas in the mission of the early church on Wednesday.

Dr. Jerry Rankin, President of the International Mission Board, was the special guest speaker in Thursday's chapel.

During chapel, Rankin addressed the call of missionaries to serve God from Romans 15:18-24. He said that the call is

consistent with God's purpose, characterized by God's power, and compelled by God's passion.

As well as proclaiming the urgent need for missionaries on the field, Rankin stated, “The calling of a pastor is not exempt from God's purpose to spread the gospel.”

At the end of the service Rankin extended an invitation for all those called to serve in international missions. First, he invited all those who had already surrendered to serve overseas to join him on stage. Then he asked those who needed to surrender to God's call to come to the front and pray with professors and IMB personnel.

The International Mission Board is the missionary-sending agency of the Southern Baptist Convention. As of March 15, 5,500 personnel were on the field under the appointment of the IMB.

Sometimes the lives of believers are simply preparation for what God will do through their deaths. Such may have been the case with Bill Koehn, Martha

tongue and nation represented around the throne of God. And among them, there will be those from the tribes of Yemen and the Philippines because of the witness of these four and others who, though they were not killed, also gave their lives and were faithful.

Reaching all peoples for Christ will require the blood of martyrs. That is not our strategy, and it is never intentional.

But Jesus did not say we should share the gospel only where we are welcome and it is safe to do so. He sent us to make disciples of all peoples. He demonstrated the cost by giving His own life on the cross. We must not think the call to take up our cross and die was only for those living in the first century. It will always be the cost of reaching our world for Christ.

“Today's postmodern society finds it hard to acknowledge a truth worth living and dying for.”

Myers, Kathy Gariety and Bill Hyde—the four Southern Baptist workers slain in the last few months.

One day there will be a multitude from every tribe, people,

Living legend

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With decades of teaching experience, Guy is considered to be one of the leading experts in evangelical missions.

Guy cited two major developments in Southern Baptist missions under the leadership of Jerry Rankin, President of the International Mission Board.

First, Southern Baptists have “joined the whole evangelical world to help the mission effort.” By partnering with other evangelical mission organizations, such as Wycliffe and New Tribes Mission, Southern Baptists have increased their effectiveness across the world.

Second, Southern Baptists have “opened the door for the participation of non-professionals.” Volunteers for short-term mission trips are now warmly welcomed to assist the

IMB in mission efforts around the world.

During chapel on Tuesday, Guy challenged the students about mission work. He said, “The basic question is not ‘Should I be a missionary?’ It is ‘Is Jesus Lord?’”

With the current difficulties in the Muslim part of the world, Guy offered his advice. “We have grace and love to offer to Muslims,” he said. “We need to learn to love the unlovable. However,” he admonished, “love can get you killed.”

Even though doctors recently diagnosed Guy with congestive heart failure, he still wanted to make the trip to Southeastern. Perhaps the greatest testimony of the impact he has had over the years is the number of students who lined up to have their picture taken with this cowboy hat-clad legend.

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Sports evangelism

Would you like to participate in sports clinics in New Hampshire June 12-21? Students are needed who can teach different sports. This is the best way to make friends with the people of New Hampshire and tell them about our Savior Jesus Christ. There will be two informational meetings May 8 and 15 at 3:30 p.m. in Jacumin-Simpson Conference Room on the second floor. If you need more information, call Dr. Josef Solc at 761-2162.

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- Kite First Baptist Church, Kite, GA, Bi-Vocational Pastor
- Hope Baptist Fellowship, Youngsville, NC, Part Time Music Leader
- Universal Health Care of Raleigh, NC, Volunteer Preacher/Bible Study Leader

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- Ca-Vel Baptist Church, Roxboro, NC, Youth Minister
- Great Neck Baptist Church, VA Beach, VA, Music Minister
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Cinco de Mayo picnic

Workers needed (preferably Spanish speaking) for an evangelistic event in Kinston on Saturday, May 3. Contact Dr. Brown at 761-2167. The last time a Cinco de Mayo picnic was held 800 people attended and 13 accepted Christ form one on one encounters.

Construction help needed

Dr. Black is completing the new house and guest rooms at his 123-acre Virginia farm/retreat center, to open this fall to students and their families free of charge as a place to "come away to a quiet place . . . and rest a while" (Mark 6:31). He currently needs volunteers with skills in logging, planning, finish carpentry, cabinetry, painting, or (like Dr. Black) with no skills at all. Free lunch, plus first dibs on the guest list! Farm is just one hour from the seminary. You can contact Dr. Black at 761-2455 or dblack@sebts.edu.

Chapel Schedule

April 1

Dr. Fred Luter, Jr.
 Franklin Avenue
 Baptist Church
 New Orleans, LA

April 2

Dr. Jerry Pereira
 President
 Baptist State Convention
 of NC

April 3

Dr. Sam Williams
 Assistant Professor of
 Pastoral Care
 SEBTS

April 8

Dr. Edward Johnson
 First Baptist Church
 Ocala, FL

April 9

Rev. Jeff Pratt
 InQuest Ministries
 Wake Forest, NC

April 10

Dr. Steven Ladd
 Assistant Professor of
 Theology and Bible
 SEBTS

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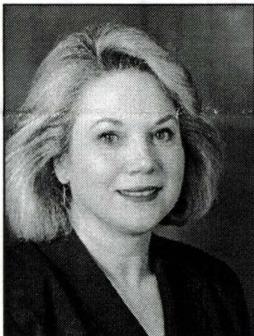
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General Scholarship Deadline

Applications for the General Scholarship are due to the Student Life Office on Tuesday, April 15.

Messiah in the Passover

The Messianic Student Fellowship will be presenting "Messiah in the Passover" on Good Friday, April 18.

Ph.D. program makes impact

As the reputation of Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary continues to grow in academic circles, a lesser known aspect of the academic program is making its mark. The Doctor of Philosophy program at Southeastern is producing well-rounded scholars for ministry in academic and church settings.

The Ph.D. degree is an advanced academic research degree in the major fields of Biblical Studies, Theological Studies, and Applied Theology. Under these broad areas are ten specific areas of concentration.

Under the leadership of Dr. An-



Southeastern Ph.D. students in the History of Biblical Interpretation seminar study under the tutelage of Dr. Andreas Köstenberger.

dreas Köstenberger, Director of Ph.D. / Th.M. Studies and Professor of New Testament, the program has sought accreditation from the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools and the As-

sociation of Theological Schools.

"Recently, we received unfettered accreditation from ATS," said Köstenberger. "For the first time in eight years, we are fully in charge of our own program."

One of the largest immediate impacts that the doctoral program has had on the school is the production of high-quality professors for both the Seminary and the Col-

lege. In the last few years, Bill Brown, Bruce Little, David Nelson, and Pete Schemm have joined the elected faculty of Southeastern after receiving their doctorate degrees from the school.

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"I once was lost, but now I'm found"

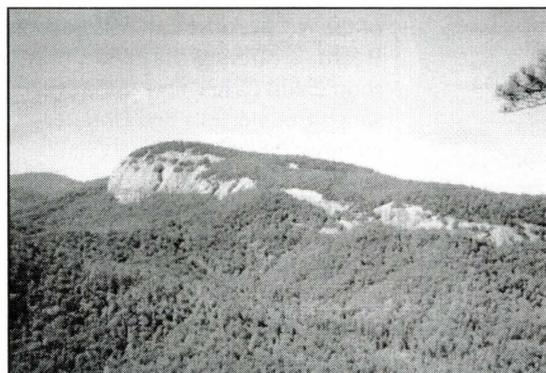


Table Rock Mountain in northwest South Carolina, overlooking the Linville Gorge.

"We prayed that God would get us down the path we had just crossed the river to find," said Martin Pinnell, a senior at Southeastern College at Wake Forest.

Pinnell, his wife, and

three others spent a night stranded in the wilderness of South Carolina over the weekend of April 5-6. What was meant to be a daylong hike turned into an overnight adventure with no tents or sleeping

bags and little water and food.

The five Southeastern students had planned to hike for the day at the Linville Gorge near the North Carolina border in extreme northwest South Carolina. Beginning on a trail at Table Rock Mountain, the hikers found their plans to be a little ambitious in the face of such strenuous trails.

After coming to the end of their trail, they cut across country to connect with another trail that would lead them back to their car. Unfortunately, they never found the second trail that day. Facing

darkness and injuries, they decided to spend the night on the banks of the Linville River without tents or sleeping bags and shivering in wet clothes.

"At the time it was easy to overlook God's grace, but it is evident to look back on it now," said Pinnell. "We were kept warm by a fire that the Lord gave us sufficient wood to keep it roaring all night long."

On Sunday morning, they encountered some hikers planning on doing some rock climbing. These hikers provided them with some water and

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Faculty Spotlight: Phyllis McCraw



Family: Roger McCraw, married almost 34 years; Jonathan, 23, student at Campbell; Jennifer, 21, student at NC State

Seminary/College position: Instructor of Freshman Composition

Hometown: I was born near Galax, Virginia, and I lived there until I was about eleven. At that time, we moved near Mt. Airy, NC, where I grew up. My extended family still lives there.

How you became a Christian: I accepted Christ publicly during a revival service in 1964.

Current church: Wakeminstor Baptist Church

Current local church ministry: singing

Most influential person in your life: Besides my parents, Francis Schaeffer and Arthur Custance have influenced my thinking more than anyone.

Something surprising about you: I studied Greek for four semesters and Hebrew for three semesters.

Education: B.S., Radford University, English/Education; M.A., University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Linguistics

Classes currently teaching: English 102, English 099

Favorite class ever taught: English 101

Recent or upcoming publications: "He Wants You," a song published by Centergy music; "Lost in Him" and "Rest Your Feet at the Foot of the Cross," songs published by Nix-It Music

Favorite author: Arthur Custance

Favorite musician: Dottie Rambo (songwriter)

Hobbies: painting, sewing, singing, and writing gospel songs

What influenced you to come to Southeastern: The Seminary's strong stand on the Word of God

A word of wisdom for the readers: Do not base your self worth on your accomplishments, money, or position in this world. Rather, base your self-esteem on the infinite price Jesus paid for you. On this fact alone rests your dignity and self respect.

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Korean-American scholarship

Scholarships are available for Korean-American seminary students. For more information visit www.gmcusa.org or come by the Student Life Office.

NAMB scholarship

The North American Mission Board is offering a scholarship for the 2003-2004 school year. Applicants must be African-American, ethnic, and/or deaf; preparing for full-time church planting; and full-time students. Applications are available in the Student Life Office and must be returned by April 30.

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Greek exposition award

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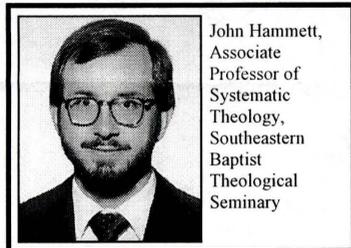
The annual Wake Forest "Meet in the Street" festival will be Saturday, May 3. Volunteers are needed to work two-hour shifts at the festival. Volunteers will receive a free t-shirt. Contact the Student Life Office if interested.

Theological Thoughts

Baptists and church membership

By Dr. John Hammett

Historically, Baptists have been distinctive in supporting the principle of regenerate church membership, the belief that the church should be composed of believers only. This belief was foundational to our practice of believer's



John Hammett, Associate Professor of Systematic Theology, Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary

baptism and congregational polity, and produced a strong corporate witness among our churches. But contemporary Baptist life clearly reflects the loss of this distinctive in practice, if not in theory. Recent statistics reveal what every Baptist pastor already knows; namely, that only 35% of Southern Baptist church members attend worship on any

given Sunday morning. Many of those absent have been absent for years, and give little if any evidence of regeneration in their lives.

It wasn't always this way. To join a Baptist church, well into the 19th century, was a serious step of commitment. Even today, in most other countries, baptism and church membership among Baptists is not taken lightly. Meaningful membership can be reclaimed in our churches today, if we will give serious attention to three areas.

First, we must renew our commitment to genuine believer's baptism. In earlier Baptist life, a candidate for baptism and church membership was expected to manifest visible evidence of regeneration and show understanding of basic doctrine prior to the church's decision to accept them for baptism and membership. Being serious about believer's baptism should lead us to exercise

caution in the baptism of children, especially very young children who can be easily swayed to seek baptism out of a desire to please parents or teachers.

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Second, we must give careful and sensitive attention to the issue of church discipline. It was the consistent practice of early Baptists and clearly taught in Scripture. But today, a variety of pressures has led to its widespread disappearance. It should be emphasized that the motive for discipline is not punitive but restora-

tive for the member and protective for the church. It is not for the weak brother who falls and repents, but for the strong member who sins defiantly.

Third, I think we need to spell out what meaningful church membership means by way of a church covenant that we require all members to sign annually. Signing such a document has a biblical precedent (Neh. 9:38-10:39) and is being utilized today by churches such as Saddleback Community Church in California, Capitol Hill Baptist Church in Washington, DC and others (see my article in the Spring 2000 *Faith and Mission* for further discussion of this idea and copies of the covenant used by the two churches mentioned above).

These suggestions are simply beginning points that I pray will be used by God to move our churches in a healthy, authentically Baptist direction.

Ph.D.

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In addition to these, David Jones, Derry Hodge, Scott Kellum, and Steven Ladd are a part of the appointed faculty after having graduated from Southeastern's program.

Other Ph.D. candidates also serve on the appointed faculty, especially in the College, while still working on their degrees.

Southeastern is also beginning to attract students outside of its immediate sphere of influence. According to Köstenberger, 50% of the applicants and accepted students for 2003 came from institutions other than Southeast-

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class mentoring, academic excellence, and practical application.

Even though accreditation has been reached, the program continues to undergo changes. Two new areas of concentration are under consideration: Christian Education and Counseling. Also, the mandatory Integrative Seminar has been revamped, seeking to bring discussion from various viewpoints in Christian thought.

“If anybody wants either to teach or wants to be involved in significant denominational, parachurch, or local church ministry, this is a good program,” said Köstenberger.

The Graduate Studies Office is currently accepting applications for the Fall 2004 semester. Anyone interested in pursuing a Ph.D. at Southeastern may contact Janet Hellard at jhellard@sebts.edu.

Hikers found

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pointed the group in the direction of a trail.

While still lost, the students used a cell phone to contact the ranger station at Table Rock.

Using information from the ranger, the students found their way back into the gorge and crossed the Linville River to discover a trail that would eventually lead them out of the wilderness.

“Safety was again a provision of God for the whole next day because we were all weak and extremely tired,” said Pinnell.

“After talking to the rangers, we realized we could not make it to our cars on foot before dark. We needed a plan. We thanked God for letting us find the trail, and we then prayed that God would give us a ‘Good Samari-

tan’ that would give us a ride to our cars from the place where we would leave the gorge,” said Pinnell.

God answered their prayers and provided a group of campers from Raleigh, NC, who gave the students food and loaned them their pickup truck to drive up to their cars.

“It was so awesome how God was working. He worked through those guys so greatly. One of the guys reached in his pocket and pulled out the keys to his truck and instructed us just to take it over to our cars. He didn't know us more than our five minutes together had allowed. The Lord answered this prayer for us,” said Pinnell.

“Our main lessons were trust God's provision, be more giving, and get a good map and compass,” said Pinnell.

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New Hampshire mission trip

Dr. Brown will be leading a mission trip to Lebanon, NH, August 1-9, to work with a Southeastern church planter. Three hours of credit are available. For more information, contact Alana Adams at 761-2160.

Ministry Opportunities

Students and graduates may receive assistance through the Ministry Referral Office in finding positions in churches and are encouraged to set up a file in this office. The office is located on the first floor of Broyhill Hall. If you would like information on any of the following Ministry Opportunities, please contact the Ministry Referral Office:

Full-Time Opportunities

- First Baptist Church, Jasper, IN, Minister of Youth and Children
- Pilot Baptist Church, Zebulon, NC, Youth / Children's / Worship Leader

Part-Time / Bi-vocational Opportunities

- First Baptist Church, Valentine, NE, Associate Pastor
- Hocutt Memorial Baptist Church, Clayton, NC, Children's Ministry (summer intern)
- North Graham Baptist Church, Graham, NC, Music Minister

Summer Opportunities

The Ministry Referral Office has been receiving several requests for summer workers in various types of ministry. If you are interested in a summer position, please come by the Ministry Referral Office for details on these opportunities. The following are a few of several available summer opportunities:

- Beulah Hill Baptist Church, West End, NC, Youth Intern
- Eastern Hills Baptist Church, Charlotte, NC, Youth Intern
- First Baptist Nags Head, Nags Head, NC, Summer

Missionary

- Great Fork Baptist Church, Suffolk, VA, Minister to Students
- Salem First Baptist Church, Salem, IL, Youth Intern

Cinco de Mayo picnic

Workers needed (preferably Spanish speaking) for an evangelistic event in Kinston on Saturday, May 3. Contact Dr. Brown at 761-2167. The last time a Cinco de Mayo picnic was held 800 people attended and 13 accepted Christ from one on one encounters.

Alabama ministry

Mr. Dale Huff, from the Alabama Baptist Convention, will be on campus April 16-17 to interview any candidates who are interested in various forms of ministry in Alabama. If you are interested, please contact the Ministry Referral office to schedule an interview.

Beach ministry

Nags Head Baptist Church is seeking interns that will share the Gospel of Jesus Christ to more than 350,000 visitors to this coastal town. Pastor Rick Lawrence prefers the interns to be fluent in a foreign language. For further details contact 761-2221 or ext. 221 on campus.

Scotland ministry

An IMB Career Missionary is seeking a team of 2-4 students to serve alongside her in two urban priority areas of Glasgow, Scotland to help facilitate a rapid reproduction of small groups of disciples among youth. For more information, contact Gena Wilson at ImpactGlasgow@aol.com.

Chapel Schedule

April 15

Dr. Charles D. Page
First Baptist Church
Charlotte, NC

April 16

Dr. Paige Patterson
President
SEBTS

April 17

Dr. Stephen Rummage
Associate Professor
of Preaching
SEBTS

April 22

Easter Break

April 23

Easter Break

April 24

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Tapes of chapel sermons may be purchased from the Audio/Visual department in the Library. Also, all chapel sermons can be downloaded from www.sebts.edu.

NEWSLINE SUBMISSIONS

Submissions for the next *Newsline* will be due by April 21. *Newsline* submissions may be sent to newsline@sebts.edu, or dropped off at the Student Life Office. **All submissions** should be in **electronic format**, either on disk or sent via e-mail, and should be submitted as **they are to appear** in the *Newsline*. The Student Life Office reserves the right to edit any announcement. Thank you.

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Registration for the summer term begins this week, and registration for the fall semester begins next week. College registration begins this week as well.

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The Charles Page Chair of Biblical Theology was established in honor of Dr. Charles Page, long-time pastor of First Baptist Church, Charlotte, NC.

A Letter from the President

Dr. Paige Patterson issues an open letter to the students of Southeastern Seminary and College.



Dr. Adrio König, professor at the University of South Africa, has spent this semester teaching theology at Southeastern.

South African scholar teaches at SEBTS

With his thick accent and an occasional word in Afrikaans, Dr. Adrio König has taught Southeastern students this semester.

Currently on the faculty at the University of South Africa, König has joined the faculty at Southeastern for the Spring of 2003. He is teaching three courses this semester: Christology and Christian Theology in Africa on the Master's level and Contemporary Theological Issues on the Ph.D. level.

Even though he comes from half a world away, König has strong ties to the Southeastern family. Both Dr. Dorothy Patterson and Dr. Ned Mathews received Ph.D. degrees under König. He served as their "promoter," or mentor in the program at the University of South Africa.

König received his doctorate in eschatology from the University

of Pretoria and began teaching in 1966. He has taught exclusively in the discipline of theology but has covered a wide range of topics within that discipline.

"I enjoy teaching every area of theology," said König, "because theology and faith are so closely related. You are always dealing with what you believe."

Trips to North America have a larger purpose than just teaching at another school. König uses these opportunities to meet with his students from the University of South Africa, to administer examinations, and to evaluate candidates applying to the Ph.D. program. Since the early 1980's, he has been coming to North America every four to five years. Usually, he visits six or seven schools during his trip, but he occasionally teaches at a single school.

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Trustees approve rent increase

During the spring meeting of the Board of Trustees for Southeastern, the trustees voted to approve a 2% increase in rent for housing. The increase will take effect in June for all tenants of Southeastern housing units.

According to a Triangle Apartment Association news release in October 2002, the average rent per square foot is \$.82. This equates to an average rent in the Triangle area of an apartment similar to a two-bedroom apartment in Fletcher Village of \$902 per month. Even with the 2% rate increase bringing the rent of a two-



bedroom unit in Fletcher Village to \$563/month, such an apartment only equals 62% of the market value.

Ryan Hutchinson, Vice President for Administration, said, "There are times that apartment complexes in the area will offer special deals. The important thing to keep in mind is that the special deals offered are only temporary. As occupancy rates in the Triangle improve, those complexes will be doing all they can to increase the rents of those with special deals to match what newer renters are paying."

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A Letter from the President

My Sweet Children:

The overwhelming majority of you show such sensitivity to a watching lost world. I am proud of you. Most of our young ladies do not dress provocatively, indeed they seem determined to please God in that if they err, they err on the side of caution. Most of our men have such respect for our Lord, for their professors, and for their fellow students that they would always remove caps and hats in the chapel or in class. And knowing that the seminary requests that no shorts would be worn in class or chapel, most cooperate fully with the simple dress code requested. Thank you to all who so act.

The few who do not cooperate do so for one of three reasons:

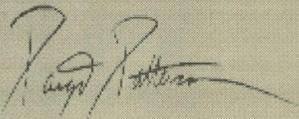
1. Ignorance of the policy requests of the school.
2. Ignorance of polite and thoughtful society.
3. Valuing personal rights and liberty over love, grace, responsibility, and cooperation. These need to hear Paul say, "For you, brethren, have been called to liberty; only do not *use* liberty as an opportunity for the flesh, but through love serve one another."

This reminder will, of course, be sufficient for those in categories one and two. Thank you for helping us keep the campus beautiful.

For those in category three, some of whom I have heard (but of course find it almost impossible to believe) even use alcohol, please know that the President is totally serious about these matters. I have asked security to assist with this and the Dean of Students to help us do as we ought. Please understand these matters are **not** optional!

Thank you for helping keep SEBTS a campus witness to the transforming Christ.

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Dr. Paige Patterson presents Dr. and Mrs. Charles Page with a plaque commemorating the establishment of the Charles Page Chair of Biblical Theology.

The Board of Trustees of Southeastern Seminary has determined that it takes \$1 million to fully fund an academic chair. At this time the Charles Page Chair has been partially funded through gifts and commitments from friends of Dr. and Mrs. Page and Southeastern Seminary.

Rent

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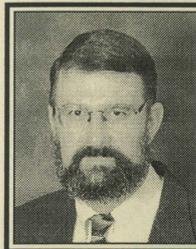
The Housing Office at Southeastern is also working diligently to provide nicer facilities for the students in housing. Currently, carpet is being replaced with laminate wood flooring to increase durability and to give a better appearance to the housing units. The increase in rent will be used for these and other improvements.

Theological Thoughts

Humility: The missing link

By Dr. David Lanier

My mother loved to work puzzles. My sister and I did too, but we did not have the patience for it. So, we would take a handful of pieces and hide them. Then, after Mother had worked on a



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puzzle all week and was frantically scouring the house for the missing pieces, my sister and I would sneak in and finish the puzzle. Sometimes my sister would hold a piece out on me, just so she could have the dubious honor of placing the last piece. I will not record what Mother thought about it.

One of the more subtle spiritual traps that befall seminarians is to go through Scripture and pick out the verses that fit with our lives and ministries. The problem with this approach is that the verses we discard are equally inspired. We become frustrated and wonder why so many of the pieces of our lives do not fit. Often, it is be-

cause of these missing verses.

Toward the end of his life, Peter tells us to “gird ourselves about with humility toward one another” (1 Pet. 5:5). He warns us from Prov. 3:34 that “God opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble.” That was a lesson Peter learned the hard way. Here was the same disciple who had boasted, “Even though all may fall away because of You, I will never fall away” (NASB, Matt. 26:33). Before the night of Gethsemane had ended, he went out “and wept bitterly” (Matt. 26:75; Luke 22:62) because of his cowardice and lack of self-control. He had denied Jesus not once, but three times on the night “when all forsook Him and fled” (Matt. 26:56; Mark 14:50).

Paul warns us against comparing ourselves with others in the flesh in 2 Cor. 10:12: “For we dare not make ourselves of the number, or compare ourselves with some that commend themselves: *but they measuring themselves by themselves, and comparing themselves among themselves, are not wise*” (KJV, italics added). In another context, he warns, “Do nothing from selfishness or empty conceit, but with humility of mind regard one an-

other as more important than yourselves” (NASB, Phil. 2:3; cf. Prov. 16:19). The question that arises at this point is, *how many of us sincerely do this?* When we begin comparing ourselves to others, we either get depressed (because they are better than we are) or puffed up (because we are better than they). But if we would compare ourselves with Christ (Phil. 2:1-18), we would be humble enough to be useful. Remember that Jesus said, “Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is

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the kingdom of heaven” (NASB, Matt. 5:3). The only thing that Scripture says to the proud in spirit is that God resists them, “but gives grace to the humble” (James 4:6; 1 Pet. 5:5). The choice is ours, just as it was Peter’s.

Do you know why the Southern Baptists in Nashville never minted humility pins? They did

not because the ones who would deserve them would not wear them, and the ones who would wear them would not deserve them. So they saved both the metal and the ribbons! I have met folks both in Wake Forest and out in Fort Worth who were so proud of themselves, they could strut sitting down. God is not only able to exalt the humble, He is also able to abase the proud. Some He is able to teach on top of the donkey, and some have to be taught beneath the donkey (as was Saul).

Perhaps that is why Christ is not visible in some of our lives: the pieces of the puzzle that have to do with humbling ourselves, esteeming others as better than ourselves, and serving the servants are missing. All pieces of His puzzle are significant, even those which say: “Whoever exalts himself shall be humbled; and whoever humbles himself shall be exalted” (Matt. 23:12; cf. Prov. 11:2). “Be of the same mind toward one another; do not be haughty in mind, but associate with the lowly. Do not be wise in your own estimation” (NASB, Rom. 12:16). Some verses need no commentary.

König

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While noting that students in South Africa and America are very similar, König recognized a few differences. “American students are better educated and have better backgrounds,” said König. “We have a much higher failure percentage in South Africa because of bad educational and social backgrounds.”

There are several reasons that König came to Southeastern for this semester. First, his relationship with the Pattersons, Dr. Mathews, and Dr. Eitel influenced his decision to come.

Next, coming to Southeastern allowed him to be closer to his North American Ph.D. students. He noted that it is much easier for him to come to the United States and meet with his students than for them to travel to South Africa

individually.

Finally, König said, “I highly appreciate the strong mission thrust at this school.”

Developing relationships with students has been a significant part of König’s experience at Southeastern. Since the University of South Africa is a distance-learning institution, he does not have a classroom of students on a regular basis. Thus, weekly interaction with students in his classes

is a benefit of teaching here.

Building relationships with König can also be beneficial for students and faculty. König and his wife, Hermien, own a farm two hours north of Pretoria where they will be happy to accommodate students and faculty on mission trips and help to arrange tours in the surrounding area.

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Full-Time Opportunities

- First Baptist Church, Jasper, IN, Minister of Youth & Children
- Grace Baptist Church, Brooklyn, NY, Associate Pastor for Hispanic Ministries
- Pilot Baptist Church, Zebulon, NC, Youth/Children's/Worship Leader

Part-Time / Bi-vocational Opportunities

- Faith Alliance Church, Garner, NC, Minister of Music
- First Baptist Church, Valentine, NE, Associate Pastor
- North Graham Baptist Church, Graham, NC, Music Minister
- Spring Branch Baptist Church, Nichols, SC, Minister of Music
- Tuscaloosa's Eastview Church, Tuscaloosa, AL, Bi-Vocational Pastor

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- Jackson Memorial Baptist Church, Chesapeake, VA, Children's Minister
- Mintz Baptist Church, Roseboro, NC, Youth Minister
- Spring Garden Baptist Church, New Bern, NC, Youth Corps Worker

Cinco de Mayo picnic

Workers needed (preferably Spanish speaking) for an evangelistic event in Kinston on Saturday, May 3. Contact Dr. Brown at 761-2167. The last time a Cinco de Mayo picnic was held 800 people attended and 13 accepted Christ from one on one encounters.

Scotland ministry

An IMB Career Missionary is seeking a team of 2-4 SEBTS students to serve alongside her in two closely geographical urban priority areas of Glasgow, Scotland, to help facilitate a rapid reproduction of small groups of disciples among youth. For more information, please contact Gena Wilson at ImpactGlasgow@aol.com.

Volunteers for worship

Universal Health Care of Raleigh is requesting volunteers to lead small worship services or Bible studies at their Long-Term/Rehabilitation Center on Sunday afternoons at 2:00. Please contact Cinnamon Davis at 872-7033.

Chapel Schedule

April 29

Mr. Mike Steiner
 NC President of Gideons International

April 30

Dr. Richard Land
 President
 Ethics & Religious
 Liberty Commission
 Nashville, TN

May 1

Dr. Paige Patterson
 President
 SEBTS

May 6

Josh Smith
Student Preaching Week

May 7

Mike Kwiatkowski
Student Preaching Week

May 8

Shane Arnold
Student Preaching Week

Reading Scripture during Student Preaching Week will be Steve Laughman, Jim Perdue, and Timothy Bridges

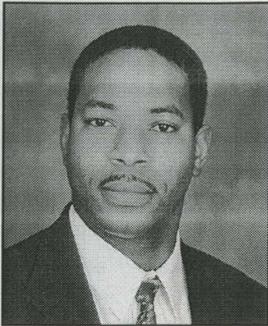
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A Look Inside

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New Greek Study Tool

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Counterfeits and Countercultures Workshop

Dr. Russ Bush will be teaching a class on cults prior to the Southern Baptist Convention in Phoenix, AZ, on June 11-14.

Footsteps of Paul

The Footsteps of Paul study tour will visit Turkey and Greece October 3-13, 2003.

New payment options for fall

As final exams quickly approach, most students are probably not thinking about how they will pay for their classes in the fall. However, the Business Office at Southeastern is making preparations to simplify that aspect of education.

In the past, students faced a decision about paying for classes that involved two options: paying the entire balance up front or registering for a monthly withdrawal from their bank accounts. Now students at Southeastern will have new payment options.

The Business Office has partnered with Tuition Management Systems in order to offer new interest free plans for tuition and rent payments.

Students will still have the op-

tion to pay all costs up front, but the new partnership with TMS will

“Students can receive half of their housing security deposit back if they use TMS to pay their rent for at least six months.”

allow for more options on a monthly basis.

David Armstrong, Southeastern’s Comptroller, said, “Our for-

mer payment plan did not allow students to include housing costs and only offered one method of payment—a fixed account draft on the fifth of each month. The TMS plan will allow students to make flexible tuition and housing payments anytime until the tenth of the month. Students will also receive monthly statements from TMS which will indicate their remaining balance.”

For a \$25 fee, students may sign up with TMS and pay both their tuition and rent on a monthly basis through a direct withdrawal from a bank account, by check, over the telephone, or on-line. Installments must be paid by the tenth of each month.

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Student Leadership holds elections

Each year the student body has the opportunity to elect new members to the Student Leadership Team. This year, elections were held April 29-30 and May 1.

The officers for the 2003-2004 Student Leadership Team are Ben Brammer, President; Jason DeFoor, Vice President of Seminary Students; Aaron Miller, Vice President of College Students; Greg Hames, Secretary/Treasurer.

Brammer, the president-elect, said, “We hope to be an example of servant

leadership as we work with students and the administration. We plan to broaden the scope of Student Leadership through more awareness of student organizations and providing more outlets for personalized ministry.”



Ben Brammer



Jason DeFoor



Aaron Miller



Greg Hames



Students and their families enjoy the inflatable games, which had to be moved to the gym of the Ledford Center due to rain.

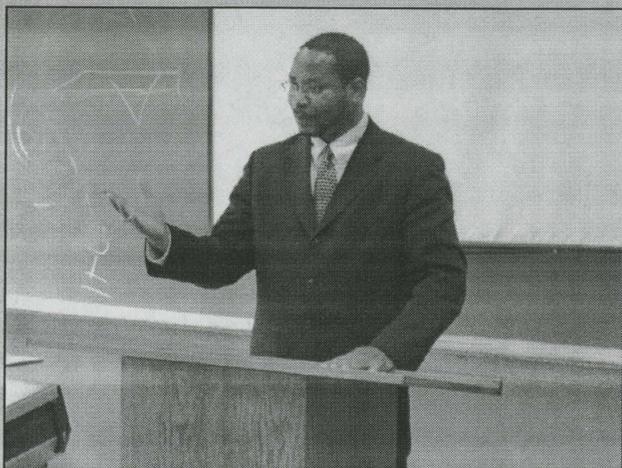
Cookout moves indoors

With the threat of inclement weather looming over Wake Forest, the spring cookout moved inside this year to the Ledford Center.

Approximately 600

students, faculty, staff, and families attended this event sponsored by the Student Life Office and the Student Leadership Team and traditionally held on the intramural field.

Faculty Spotlight: Derry Hodge



Seminary/College position: Assistant Professor of Preaching and Speech

Hometown: West End, Tortola, British Virgin Islands

How you became a Christian: I made a "profession" of faith as a little boy; however, I did receive a genuine "possession" of faith until age 21. I came to Christ through the faithful preaching of a local pastor.

Current church: Church on the Rock, Raleigh NC

Current local church ministry: I am currently involved in an itinerate preaching ministry.

Most influential person in your life: Without question, my godly mother has been the most influential person in my life.

Something surprising about you: I enjoy greatly power boat racing and follow closely the APBA racing season.

Education: B.A., Florida International University, Finance and International Business; M.Div., Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary; Ph.D., Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary, Applied Theology, emphasis in Homiletics

Classes currently teaching: Sermon Delivery; Voice and Diction

Favorite class ever taught: The Sermon Delivery classes are my favorite. Working with student preachers is very rewarding.

Recent or upcoming publications: Currently working on the publication of my Dissertation

Favorite author: The Apostle Paul

Hobbies: Water-sports, especially power boating and snorkeling

What influenced you to come to Southeastern: The opportunity to colleague with homileticians Wayne McDill and Stephen Rummage was too good to pass up.

Footsteps of Paul tour

The Footsteps of Paul study tour will visit Turkey and Greece October 3-13, 2003. The cost is \$2,449. 3 hours Seminary or College credit is included in the price. A \$100 deposit will reserve your space. Hurry, space is limited! For more information see Carolyn in Dr. Cowen's office.

Counterfeits and Counterculture workshop

Dean Bush, in association with the Interfaith Evangelism Team of the North American Mission Board, is offering Masters Workshop credit (2 hrs.) for the workshop "Counterfeits and Countercultures: The Continuing Challenge of Cults in the Twenty-first Century." The workshop will be held at the Tempe Mission Palms in Phoenix, AZ, June 11-14. Full details and application forms are available from Dean Bush's office. Subsidy for hotel costs may be available. Off-campus students should call (919) 761-2225 for details.

Korean-American scholarship

Scholarships are available for Korean-American seminary students. For more information visit www.gmcusa.org or come by the Student Life Office.

Frasier scholarship

Residents of North Carolina, who are students in the Seminary or College, may apply for the Frasier Scholarship. Applications are available in the Student Life Office. The deadline for application is June 30.

Turabian proofreader needed

If you have an eye for detail, are experienced in proofreading, have patience and a thorough knowledge of the Turabian book and Turabian Supplement, we need you! Please contact Janet Hellard at (919) 761-2491 or ext. 491 to set up an interview.

National alumni lunch

The national SEBTS alumni lunch will be held on Wednesday, June 18 at the close of the morning session of the Southern Baptist Convention (approximately 12:00 noon). The location for the luncheon is the Hyatt Regency Hotel, Phoenix Ballroom East/West - Level Two. The price is \$12.00 per ticket, which can be purchased in the Alumni Office by May 30.

OneDay 03

OneDay 03 is a solemn assembly gathering college aged people to pray and fast for God to move. If you are interested, Providence Baptist Church is taking a bus to Sherman, Texas. We will leave Saturday, May 24 and return Tuesday night, May 27. The cost is \$175, which includes registration, camping, and travel expenses. A \$75 deposit is due to hold your spot on the bus. You do not need to register with Passion. Call or email Chip Bugnar at (919) 326-3000 ext 298 or chip@pray.org for more information. You can access the form to send in with your deposit at www.pray.org/college/onedayform.pdf.

Women's Certificate course offerings

The Women's Certificate Program has finalized the course offerings for the fall semester. The courses for early fall are Wife of the Equipping Minister, 1 and 2 Peter, and Preparing and Leading Bible Studies. The courses for late fall are Baptist History and Identity, Theology of Womanhood, and Holiday Decorating. All courses are offered on Thursday nights except Holiday Decorating. Childcare will be offered for all courses except Holiday Decorating. Registration forms are available at the Registrar's Office. Applications for the Women's Certificate Program are available through the Admissions Office.

Theological Thoughts

The Book Study Concordance of the Greek New Testament

The first epistle of John contains 234 different Greek words. Of these words, 41 occur at least ten times, and 88 occur only once. In fact, there are four words for

ars with information similar to the preceding facts concerning 1 John in a form that was not easily accessible before this publication.

Using computer technology made available by the GRAMCORD Institute, Köstenberger and Bouchoc have compiled a concordance of the Greek New Testament based upon the canonical order of the books. This 1500-page volume allows someone to study a given word or group of words by author, by author in chronological order of writing, or compare similar works.

Used in conjunction with other tools, this work can be a valuable tool for exegesis and word study within books of the New Testament. The authors write, "The present concordance is not designed to replace traditional concordances. Rather, we envision it being used in conjunction with these traditional tools."

Not only does this concordance provide the words of each New Testament book in alphabetical order with English glosses, but it

also provides more information. Basic statistics, including total word count, number of words occurring at least ten times or only once, and words with at least 25% frequency compared to the

addressed briefly in this volume. The pericope of the adulterous woman, John 7:53-8:11, and the longer ending of Mark, Mark 16:9-20, are included in the work, but they are listed in brackets. The listings from both of these passages are noted with square brackets, and the statistics of these two books list frequency with and without these passages.

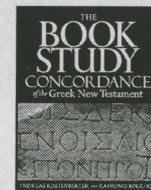
The usefulness of *The Book Study Concordance of the Greek New Testament* is beyond measure. As students and scholars alike begin to utilize this tool, it should prove to be a standard resource for Greek book and word studies. The authors write, "It is our hope that the present tool will serve to facilitate deeper study of the Greek New Testament, not merely academically, but resulting in greater obedience and godliness."

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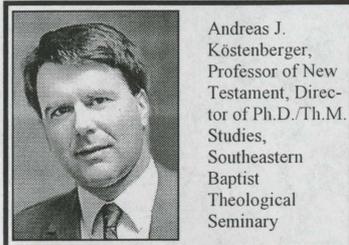
entire New Testament, are listed at the beginning of each book. Also, frequency lists in both alphabetical order and order of frequency are included at the end of each book.

The concordance is based on the electronic version of the 27th edition of the Nestle-Aland *Novum Testamentum Graece*.

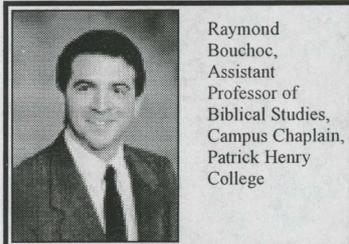
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Andreas J. Köstenberger, Professor of New Testament, Director of Ph.D./Th.M. Studies, Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary



Raymond Bouchoc, Assistant Professor of Biblical Studies, Campus Chaplain, Patrick Henry College

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Payment plan

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If payments are late, a service charge will be applied by TMS to the student's account. There is no grace period for late payments. All payments are posted to a student's account on the same day they are received by TMS.

Students who register with TMS will begin payments in July and will finish their payments in November.

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For more information or to enroll, students may visit Tuition Management Systems' website at www.afford.com or call the Business Office at 761-2207.

Basketball champs crowned



Men's champion Barney's Playhouse. Pictured (l to r) are (1st row) Jason Johnson, Travis Williams, (2nd row) Maurice Ahern, Seth Bible, Jonathan Brooks, Anthony Brogan.



Women's champion Green Giants. Pictured (l to r) are (1st row) Kristen Abbamonte, Sara Williams, Amber Dillard, Lindsay Prosser, (2nd row) Melanie Thurber, Kristy Shumate, Kristi English, Nicole Carrazza

The intramural basketball season concluded with two championship tournaments, including the first ever women's tournament.

The men's tournament was a single elimination tournament

including all ten teams. The winning team was Barney's Playhouse.

The women's tournament was a best of three series. The winning team was the Green Giants.

Mission Opportunities

SUMMER

Czech Republic: June 10-21
New Hampshire: June 12-21
New Hampshire: August 1-9

Czech Republic mission trip

Do you want to lead former Communists to the saving knowledge of Jesus Christ? Then participate in the mission trip to the Czech Republic. The team will spend one day in Zurich, Switzerland, to see the places where the Anabaptist movement began. The rest of the days will be filled with ministry in several locations among the Czech people. If you are interested, contact Denise Quinn at 761-2140 for more information.

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- Great Neck Baptist Church, Virginia Beach, VA, Music Minister
- Hope Baptist Fellowship, Youngsville, NC, Music Minister
- Kite First Baptist Church, Kite, GA, Bi-Vocational Pastor
- Raleigh Road Baptist Church, Wilson, NC, Children's Minister

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- Ephesus Baptist Church, Ra-

leigh, NC, Youth Intern

- First Baptist Church, Chiefland, FL, Youth Intern
- Gateway Baptist Church Baptist, Quincy, MA, Drummer for Praise Band
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Intern needed

Either a married couple or single student with Spanish-speaking skills is needed to lead Bible studies for all age groups at a Kinston, NC, church. Please contact Dr. Bill Brown if you are interested: 761-2167.

IMB candidate consultant

Jerry DeOliveira, IMB Candidate Consultant, will make his final trip to campus this school year on May 19-21. He is here to answer any questions you might have in regard to serving with the IMB, as well as to interview those enrolled in the MDIV- International Church Planting program.

Chapel Schedule

May 13

Todd Wyrick
College/A.Div. Preaching Day

May 14

Dr. Bill Bennett
 Campus Chaplain
 SEBTS

May 15

Awards Chapel
 Dr. Paige Patterson
 President
 SEBTS

May 20

Exam Week

May 21

Exam Week

May 22

Exam Week

Tapes of chapel sermons may be purchased from the Audio/Visual department in the Library. Also, all chapel sermons can be downloaded from www.sebts.edu.

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Studies in Hebrew

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Applications for several scholarships are available in the Student Life Office.

Mandate to preach expositionally

MacArthur warns of the unintended consequences of failing to preach Scripture

By Evan Lenow

"The meaning of the Scripture is the Scripture. You have an obligation to God to get it right," said Dr. John MacArthur, pastor of Grace Community Church in Sun Valley, CA, during a chapel address at Southeastern.

MacArthur, who also serves as President of Master's College and Seminary, spent September 2-4 as the guest speaker in chapel. During his time on campus, he also participated in question and answer forums with students and faculty.

The thrust of his messages was to relay the "unintended consequences of a failure to proclaim Scripture." The three-part message addressed fifteen different consequences that come as a result of preachers not preaching expositionally from the pulpits of their churches.

MacArthur said, "We have one duty in Christian ministry—to bring people the



Dr. John MacArthur encouraged students to preach expositionally in chapel on September 2-4.

truth of God by explaining the meaning of the Bible."

In one of his points, MacArthur noted that a failure to preach expositionally "removes spiritual depth and transcendence from the souls of people so that it hinders worship." He then made a direct correlation

between the depth of a congregation's worship to the depth of its pastor's preaching. He said, "Churches with shallow preaching have shallow worship. . . . Profundity in preaching produces transcendence in worship."

The correlation between preaching and worship also extends to the types of music used in churches. According to MacArthur, congregations that do not understand the great doctrines of Scripture cannot handle many of the great hymns because they do not understand them. As a result, shallow churches use only superficial choruses that merely stir up emotions.

One of the results of a church with Scriptural preaching is that it resembles heaven. MacArthur said, "The church should be heaven come down to earth." Such a church should exhibit three characteristics: God is being worshiped, Christ is being exalted, and the environment is holy. (Continued on page 3)

Sandy Creek's impact continues at Southeastern

By Evan Lenow

On November 22, 1755, Shubal Stearns, along with fifteen other believers, established the Sandy Creek Baptist Church in North Carolina. With a zeal to win the lost of the western frontier, the Sandy Creek tradition began.

The Separate Baptist congregation aggressively reached out to the surrounding area, and the membership of the church ballooned from 16 to 606.

In 17 years, the Sandy Creek Baptist Church had planted 42 churches and commissioned 125 ministers to spread the gospel throughout the South.

The Sandy Creek Baptist Church has even been called the mother of all Separate Baptist churches and the mother of

Southern Baptist churches.

Many Baptist history scholars recognize the Sandy Creek tradition, which arose from this church, to be one of the two

major traditions of worship and outreach in Southern Baptist life. The Sandy Creek tradition represents revivalistic worship, charismatic ministry, independ-

ent ecclesiology, and Biblicist theology. From this piece of Baptist history springs the tradition of the Sandy Creek Week Revival

"The word went forth . . . her converts were as drops of morning dew."

**Shubal Stearns, Pastor
Sandy Creek Baptist Church
A.D. 1755**

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September 23-25.

Dr. John Avant, pastor of New Hope Baptist Church in Fayetteville, GA, will be the guest speaker. He is a graduate of Baylor University and Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary with a Ph.D. in evangelism.

Dr. Alvin Reid said, "When I think of a man I can stand before students as an example of a man of God, who gives himself both to the serious study of His Word and the living out of its precepts, I think of John Avant. He has been an effective pastor for 25 years. He has visited 31 countries on mission trips. I consider him not only to be one of my closest friends, but one who pushes me to be more like Jesus." (Continued on page 3)

Faculty Spotlight: Russell Woodbridge



Family: Ingrid, married 8 years; Evelyn, 6; Sabrina, 5; Lukas, 2; Markus, 1

Seminary/College position: Instructor of Theology and Church History

Hometown: Clinton, CT

How you became a Christian: Accepted Christ at a backyard Bible study for children

Current church: Still looking

Current local church ministry: Interim pastor

Most influential person in your life: Parents

Something surprising about you: Certified scuba diver and have explored the Great Barrier Reef in Australia

Education: B.S., Management Information Systems, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute; M. Div., SEBTS; Ph.D. Candidate, Systematic Theology, SEBTS.

Classes currently teaching: History of Ideas, Personal Finance

Recent or upcoming publications: *Gerhard Westerborg in the Biographisch-Bibliographisches Kirchenlexikon* (2003); *Gerhard Westerborg: His Life and Thought* (forthcoming dissertation)

A favorite author: Erwin Lutzer

A favorite musician: Mozart

Hobbies: With a family and a dissertation in progress, who has time?

What influenced you to come to Southeastern: The school's commitment to academics combined with its commitment to glorify God

A word of wisdom for the readers: Truth is Immortal (Balthasar Hubmaier)

Georgia Baptist scholarship

Applications for the Georgia Baptist Foundation scholarship are available in the Student Life Office. Applicants must have been a Georgia resident for at least one year prior to attending Southeastern and must be enrolled in the Seminary with at least nine hours. The deadline is **September 9**. These funds will be applicable for the fall semester.

Hollinger scholarship

Applications for the Hollinger scholarship are available in the Student Life Office. Applicants must have been a Florida resident for at least one year prior to attending Southeastern and must be enrolled in the Seminary with at least nine hours. The deadline is **September 9**. These funds will be applicable for the fall semester.

Diane Ray Memorial scholarship

This scholarship is available for first year M.Div. church planting students who are willing to be active in Pearce Baptist Church, Zebulon, NC, missions ministries. Applications are available in the Student Life Office. The deadline is September 15.

M.Div. counseling scholarship

This scholarship is available for a single female counseling student in her third year planning to do nouthetic-based counseling upon graduation. Applications are available in the Student Life Office. The deadline is September 30.

Sunshine Seniors food ministry

The Sunshine Seniors provide free groceries twice a month to Southeastern students who qualify for the ministry. Applications are available in the Student Life Office.

Male chorale

Come sing with the Male Chorale as we lift up and praise our Lord by providing chapel music selections and in a Christmas joint concert with other SEBTS music ensembles. No audition is required, just whosoever will may come. Rehearsals are Thursdays 3:00-4:30 p.m., every week. Non-music students can receive credit for the class and a tuition waiver scholarship. For more information, contact Pam Young at 761-2316 or pyoung@sebts.edu.

Paid childcare opportunities

Throughout the semester, the Dean of Students Office will need childcare workers during campus events. These are paid positions. Please plan to help for:

- Sandy Creek Revival, September 23-25, 6:00-10:00 p.m.
- Women's Fellowship Day, October 23, 8:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.
- Regeneration Retreat Ministry, November 14-15

Sandy Creek Revival

Our annual Sandy Creek Revival is scheduled for September 23-25. All information and reservations can be obtained in the Dean of Students Office at 761-2306 or ctodd@sebts.edu. Reservations for youth night are very important so we can order enough pizza.

Utilities seminar

Learn how to read and calculate your own utility bill at the utilities seminar sponsored by the Town of Wake Forest. The seminar will take place on September 16, 7:00-8:30 p.m. in the Ledford Center. For more information, contact the Housing Office at 761-2401.

Update student ID

All returning students need to update their ID's in the Student Life Office. The library and health center require that your student ID be updated in order to receive services.

Military Chaplains

Would you be willing to fulfill your call, serve Christ, and serve your country all at the same time? Maybe you were formerly in the military or never in the military but are considering ministry as a military chaplain. The Military Chaplaincy Fellowship is here for you! We are here to answer your questions, pray with you, and support you during your journey at SEBTS while considering this unique and challenging ministry. The MCF will have its first meeting on Tuesday, September 9 at 5:30 p.m. in the Multi-purpose room in the Ledford Center. For more information, contact Rich Lee or Mike Smith.

Building help

Dr. David Black is still looking for some assistance in finishing the house on his farm. Workers get the first opportunity to stay at the house.

German practice

Dr. David Black is offering the opportunity for any graduate student to practice German on a weekly basis. If interested, please sign-up at his office.

Church planting banquet

The Fall Church Planting Banquet is open to any M.Div. student interested in North American church planting and missions. It will take place on Monday, September 15, 6:00-8:30 p.m. in the Ledford Center. Please call 761-2160 for reservations.

Campus-wide yard sale

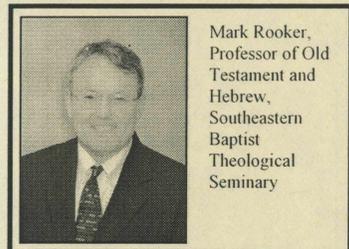
A campus-wide yard sale is planned for Saturday, September 27 and will be held in all the housing areas except for Bostwick, Lolley and Goldston Halls. If you are interested in participating, please call Tracy in the Housing Office at 761-2400 to sign up.

Theological Thoughts

Studies in Hebrew Language, Intertextuality and Theology

By Dr. Mark Rooker

In this article the four primary features of the precreation chaos theory were examined. It was concluded that these four precepts pose philological as well as theological difficulties. The conclusion should



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be drawn, therefore, that the traditional view, defended in the previous article in this two-part series, is the most satisfactory position regarding the interpretation of Gen 1:1-3. According to this position, the Bible speaks with one voice about the creation of the universe. Genesis 1:1-3 describes the same events as other passages such as Ps 33:6, 9; Rom 4:17; and Heb 11:3, and they describe *creatio ex nihilo*. This understanding of Gen 1:1-3 prevailed among the early Jewish and Christian interpreters. Genesis 1:2 describes the initial stage of what God created, the state He then transformed (vv. 3-31) to make the earth into a place that could be inhabited by man.

The question asked by both ancient and modern man—the question of the origin of life and the universe—is answered adequately from the revelation of Scripture. God created all that exists and He created out of nothing.

The Bible is unified on this issue. God

is the Creator who existed before all His creation and who brought forth from nothing all that exists. The only biblical event that might rightly be called a re-creation begins with the experience of the new birth and is consummated in the realization of the new heavens and the new hearth (Rev 21:1-2). This work from beginning to end is brought about by the One who was there “in the beginning,” who creates and brings light and life through the redemption victoriously proclaimed on the first day of the week. (Conclusion on chapter 10, pages 170-171)

The Flood: The Undoing of Creation

The profound significance of the Flood may be indicated from the fact that there are numerous allusions in the Flood narrative to the Creation account. Various elements in the account of the Flood echo terms and concepts from the Creation narrative. The two primary verbs used in the Creation account (>*sh* and *bārā*<) (Gen 1:26-27) are employed in the announcement of the decision to wipe out the human race, but in reverse order (Gen 6:7). This may be an early hint in the narrative that what is taking place in the Flood is a reversal of the process of Creation, or Creation’s undoing. Whereas Creation in Genesis 1 had largely been a matter of separation and distinction, the Flood reversed this order. Based on similar observations, Kruger well stated: “The flood replays the creation account in reverse.”

The reference to the animals which were to be taken into the ark (Gen 6:20; 7:14) is a clear allusion to the organizational categories which had been delineated in the Creation week (Gen 1: 21, 24-25). The

destruction caused by the waters of the Flood followed the same sequence of the Creation: the water first covers the earth and its high mountains, then birds, cattle, beasts, all swarming creatures and finally man (Gen 7:13-22). The provision of food Noah was to take in the ark (Gen 6:21)

8:22, the blessing of Gen 9:7 which repeats Gen 1:28, and the fact that both narrative accounts are followed by a genealogical list of the Table of Nations (4:17-26; 5:1-32; 10). (From Chapter 10: The Genesis Flood, pages 194-95)

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depends on the earlier reference to what God had provided for man to eat (Gen 1:29-30).

For several reasons Noah should be considered a second Adam. First of all, he was apparently the first man born after the death of Adam (5:28-29), an indication that he will be the second father of humanity. Like Adam, Noah had three sons, one of whom rebelled against the law of God. Additional connections to the Creation account include the role of the wind in Gen 8:1 in sweeping back the flood waters with Gen 1:2, the rhythm of life established in Gen 1:14 being resumed in Gen

God is Sovereign Over Creation and Has Control of the Forces of Nature

Perhaps no other narrative in Scripture, outside the Creation event itself, illustrates this truth more forcefully. As with no other event in world history, the earth stood at the brink of annihilation, sovereignly determined by God in response to human wickedness. Yet, there was never a time when conditions were outside of God’s control. He not only brought Noah’s rudderless ship amid the annihilation.

God shut the ark’s door on the very same day the Flood began (Gen 7:13-16). He is not only sovereign over matter but over time as well. The Flood illustrates God’s complete control of nature and all the circumstances of life. Now He preserves and sustains His Creation (Gen 8:21-22; Matt 5:45); but the wind and the sea still obey Him (Mark 4:41). God knows how to deliver the godly out of temptations and reserve the unjust under punishment for the day of judgment (2 Pet 2:9). (From Chapter 10: The Genesis Flood, pages 201-202)

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Sandy Creek

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Dr. John Avant will be the guest speaker for Sandy Creek Week.

The revival services offer something different each evening. Tuesday night will have a youth emphasis, including a pizza party for local youth groups at 6:00 p.m., followed by the service at 7:00. Wednesday night will have a college emphasis with a coffee house and question and answer time with Dr. Avant in

the Ledford Center following the service. Thursday evening will feature a mass choir made up of choirs from several area churches. While each night may offer a special emphasis, all are invited to attend each service.

In addition to the revival services in the evenings, Dr. Avant will also preach in chapel each morning at 10:00.

Dr. Allan Moseley said, “Through Sandy Creek Week we are aiming at two objectives, each of which arises from God’s commands to His people – the evangelization of the lost and the equipping of the saints. The former is accomplished through Youth Night, and the balance of our revival services seek to accomplish the latter through calling Christians to a renewed love for Christ and a holy lifestyle.”

All services for Sandy Creek Week will be held in Binkley Chapel on Southeastern’s campus. Evening services will begin at 7:00 p.m., and morning services will begin at 10:00 a.m.

MacArthur

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Binkley Chapel was filled to capacity for all three services. Overflow seating with

closed-circuit television was also provided in two classrooms in the basement of Binkley. Tapes of Dr. MacArthur’s chapel messages may be obtained from the Audio/Visual department in the library, or downloaded from www.sebts.edu.

15 Unintended Consequences of a Failure to Proclaim Scripture

1. Usurps the authority of God over the mind and soul of the hearer
2. Usurps the Lordship of Christ over His church
3. Hinders the work of the Holy Spirit
4. Shows a lack of submission to Scripture
5. Severs the preacher personally from the regular sanctifying grace of Scripture
6. Removes spiritual depth and transcendence from the souls of people so that it hinders worship
7. Limits the preacher from fully speaking the mind of Christ
8. Depreciates by example the spiritual duty and benefit of studying the Scripture intensely
9. Breeds a congregation weak and indifferent to the glory of God and Christ
10. Robs people of their only true source of help
11. Creates a destructive disconnect between sound doctrine and life
12. Denigrates God by omitting those truths that trouble, offend, and terrify the soul
13. Disconnects people from the legacy of the past
14. Removes protection from errors so deadly to the church
15. Deceives people into believing they have heard from God when they have not

Mission Opportunities

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Mexico: January 10-17

Uruguay mission trip

Would you like to evangelize the most secular nation in South America? You will be able to do it, if you join the team going to Uruguay January 5-15, 2004. Dr. Solc is looking for people who know some Spanish and who can play baseball. The group will reach many people by offering baseball clinics and sharing the Good News with them after each clinic. If you are interested, call Dr. Josef Solc at 761-2162. The first informational meeting will be September 11 at 4:00 p.m. in the Jacumin-Simpson Building.

Mexico mission trip

The mission trip to Mexico will be January 10-17, 2004. The cost of the trip will be approximately \$600. For more information, see Carolyn in Dr. Cowen's office.

India mission trip

The Center for Great Commission Studies is taking a group of 24 students to India December 31, 2003-January 17, 2004. Course credit and scholarships are available. The cost is \$2480 (\$200 deposit required). Deadline to sign up is September 19. Please contact Melody Luther at cgcs@pobox.com if you are interested.

Switzerland mission trip

Dr. David Black is in the planning stages of a mission trip to Switzerland. Any student interested should contact him at 761-2455.

Ministry Opportunities

Students and graduates may receive assistance through the Ministry Referral Office in finding positions in churches and are encouraged to set up a file in this office. The office is located on the first floor of Broyhill Hall. If you would like information on any of the following Ministry Opportunities, please contact the Ministry Referral Office:

Full-Time Opportunities

- First Baptist Church, Madisonville, KY, Minister to Children

Part-Time / Bi-vocational Opportunities

- Faith Baptist Church, Fairburn, GA, Bi-Vocational Pastor
- First Baptist Church, Campbell, OH, Bi-Vocational Spanish Pastor
- Charlotte's First Baptist Church, Charlotte, NC, Part-Time Youth Choir Leader
- Victory Baptist Church, Seagrove, NC, Part-Time Music Minister

Josh McDowell internship

There is an opportunity available to travel with Josh McDowell, assisting him on the road and at home, and learning to minister to youth and their parents. Whether you desire a career as a speaker, a youth minister, or a multimedia presentation specialist, this year-long internship will help to equip you for future ministry. Please contact Tom Miller at the Josh McDowell Ministry office at (972) 907-1000 x 1322 for more information.

Military chaplaincy

Chaplain Jerry Reynolds from NAMB will be on campus October 28-30 to interview anyone interested in military chaplaincy. Southern Baptist Military Chaplain Candidates are expected to schedule an appointment to meet with Chaplain Reynolds at this time. Please contact the Ministry Referral Office at 761-2317 to schedule an interview.

Fuge interviews

Mark Robbins will be at SEBTS on Friday, October 31 to interview students that are interested in working at Fuge camps during Summer 2004. Please contact the Ministry Referral Office in order to schedule an appointment.

Pastoral training

Six Forks Baptist Church in North Raleigh is looking for men with little or no church staff experience who want to learn about pastoral ministry. There is space available for only two men who desire a practical pastoral training program. If interested, please send your resume as soon as possible by mail to Six Forks Baptist Church, 9130 Baileywick Rd, Raleigh, NC 27615; or by fax to (919) 847-1934; or by e-mail to brian@sixforksbaptistchurch.org.

Bill Glass prison ministry

Bill Glass' "Champions for Life" prison ministry will be in the Rocky Mount area October 10-12. Applications to participate are due by September 17. Information and application forms are available on their website: www.lifechampions.org.

NANC conference

The National Association of Nouthetic Counselors (NANC), a biblical counseling training program is returning to Southeastern this fall offering Track 1 and Track 2 of its "On the Road" biblical counseling training program. Dates for the seminars are September 12-13, October 17-18, and November 21-22. Students may work toward NANC certification by attending the Track 1 program. Two hours of Master's Workshop credit is also available for each track. The cost of each program is \$325. Discounts are offered to students and spouses. All three weekends must be attended to receive certification. Registration deadline is September 2. For more information go to www.nanc.org or contact Becky Link at (919) 562-9214 or beckylink@cs.com.

North Carolina state fair

The Sunshine Seniors yearly fundraiser is the NC State Fair. If you would like to help in their concession stand, please come to the Student Life Office and sign up for a time slot. The fair will be October 17-26, so sign up early to show your appreciation for all the Sunshine Seniors do for our students. Your entrance to the fair will be free and you will receive a free meal while working in the booth.

Camp Willow Run

Camp Willow Run on Lake Gaston is hosting a Super High Retreat November 7-9 for 9th-12th grade youth groups. The camp will provide lodging, meals, and the program. Cost for two nights, five meals, and the program is \$78 per person. One adult chaperone is required per ten youth campers. Camp Willow Run offers sound biblical programming and good food and facilities on the lake. Contact CWR for more information at (252) 586-4665 or info@campwillowrun.org or on-line at www.campwillowrun.org.

Blood drive

Southeastern will be hosting a blood drive on September 9 from 11:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Appointments can be made through the Student Life Office at 761-2305.

Chapel Schedule

September 9

Dr. John Hammett
Associate Professor of
Systematic Theology
SEBTS

September 10

Rev. Shannon Scott
Mt. Vernon Baptist Church
Raleigh, NC

September 11

Dr. Bruce Little
Associate Professor of
Philosophy
SEBTS

September 16

Dr. Roy Hargrave
Riverbend Community Church
Ormond Beach, FL

September 17

Rev. Ronnie Rodgers
Trinity Baptist Church
Norman, OK

September 18

Dr. Keith Harper
Associate Professor of
Church History
SEBTS

Tapes of chapel sermons may be purchased from the Audio/Visual department in the Library. Also, all chapel sermons can be downloaded from www.sebts.edu.

Newsline Submissions

Submissions for the next *Newsline* will be due by September 15. *Newsline* submissions may be sent to newsline@sebts.edu, or dropped off at the Student Life Office. **All submissions** should be in **electronic format**, either on disk or sent via e-mail, and should be submitted as they are to appear in the *Newsline*. The Student Life Office reserves the right to edit any announcement. Thank you.



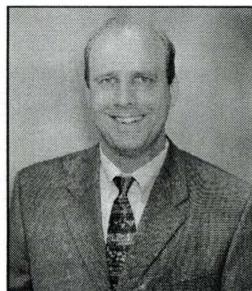
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Sandy Creek Week

The annual Sandy Creek Week Revival will be September 23-25. Services will be held in Binkley Chapel at 10:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. each day. Look inside for more details.

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Free student email is now available for all students currently enrolled in classes at Southeastern. Look inside for more details.

LifeWay offers software to students

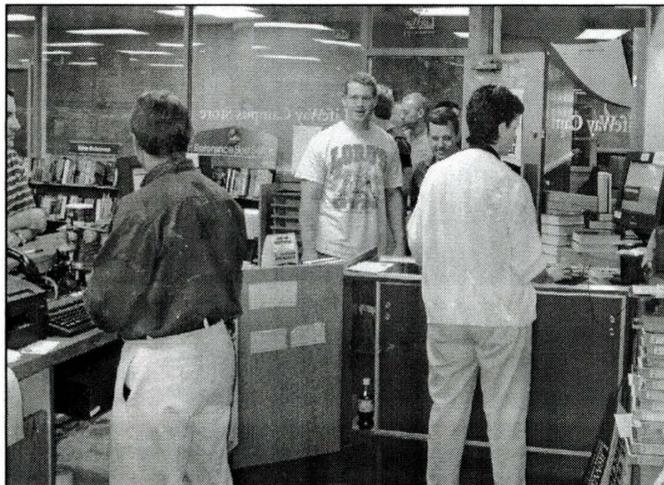
By Evan Lenow

LifeWay Campus Store is giving away nearly \$250 worth of computer software to every Southeastern student. From now until October 11, students can receive a free copy of the *Bible Navigator Software, Academic Edition*.

This software contains seven different Bible translations, several commentaries, Bible dictionaries and encyclopedias, literature, topical guides, and word study tools.

According to Bob Walker, the manager of Southeastern's LifeWay Campus Store, the offer of free software comes as a result of a survey conducted by LifeWay last spring. The survey sought to identify the needs of seminary students and how LifeWay could meet those needs and establish a lifelong relationship with students.

Walker said, "LifeWay believes we are and should be a great benefit to the students now and for the rest of their lives."



Students line up out the door of LifeWay Campus Store in the Ledford Center to receive their free copies of the *Bible Navigator Software*.

Currently, LifeWay is focusing on main campus students, but extension center students may contact Dr. Edward Buchanan, Southeastern's LifeWay liaison, to inquire about receiving the software as well.

The campus store, located in the Ledford Center, ordered approximately

2,000 copies of the software to meet the needs of Southeastern students.

In order to receive the free software, students must bring an updated student ID and fill out a form with basic personal information.

In comparison to other Bible study software, *Bible Navigator* has good resources for its value. In addition, the format is simple to use, allowing the user to see all the titles available in its library and to keep multiple windows open on one screen.

Bible Navigator also includes a Bible reading calendar that guides the user to read through the Bible at various rates.

The free software comes in addition to an increased discount on textbooks for seminary students. The discount rose from 15 to 20% this semester. Walker said, "We wanted to do something beneficial, something tangible."

Isabel makes her mark



By Evan Lenow

Hurricane Isabel struck the campus of Southeastern mid-day on September 18.

While the eye of the storm veered east of Wake Forest, destructive wind gusts and rain

pelleted the tree-lined campus. In the wake of the storm, many trees that had survived hurricanes Fran and Floyd toppled under the force of Isabel.

Little other damage to the campus has been reported.

Student email access

@sebts.edu

By Evan Lenow

With a growing student population and the prevalence of electronic communication, Southeastern is now offering free email access to all currently enrolled students.

All accounts will end with the @sebts.edu suffix, creating a campus-wide network for electronic communication.

Students may set up their email accounts by going to <http://webmail.sebts.edu> and clicking on the link "Create E-mail Account."

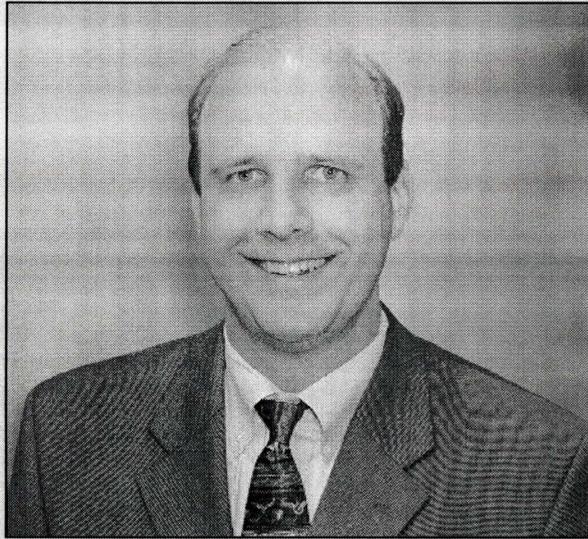
In order to register for an email account, students must enter some information that will identify themselves to the sys-

tem. Then an account will be created for each student. There is approximately a one day delay between registering and being able to access the account.

Professors will also be able to take advantage of the new student email network because they will have easy access to class email listings in order to send out class announcements and assignments. The Information Technologies Department will create distribution lists for every class based on the registration information from the Registrar.

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Faculty Spotlight: Brad Reynolds



Family: April, married for 1 year; no children yet

Seminary/College position: Assistant Professor of Christian Education

Hometown: Tom Bean, Texas

How you became a Christian: My mom led me to Christ in our car on the way to church one Sunday when I was 7 years old.

Current church: Member at Waverly Baptist Church where I pastored until August 3. Currently looking for a church in Wake Forest area.

Most influential person in your life: Paige Patterson

Something surprising about you: I love riding my horse.

Education: B.A. in Biblical studies with languages, Criswell Bible College; M.Div. with languages, SEBTS; Ph.D. in education with an emphasis in educational planning, policy, and leadership, College of William and Mary. My dissertation was on the current status of the Creation/Evolution debate in public schools.

Classes currently teaching: College – Exodus and two History of Ideas classes; Seminary – Christian Education and Youth Ministry

Favorite author: Phillip Johnson

Favorite musician: Gold City

Hobbies: Fishing, reading, riding horses

What influenced you to come to Southeastern: The atmosphere

A word of wisdom: When it seems like living for Christ is not worth it or you feel you can't grow any further remember that the present sufferings are not worthy to be compared to the glory that awaits us and press on!

Sandy Creek Revival

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Sunshine Seniors food ministry

The Sunshine Seniors provide free groceries twice a month to Southeastern students who qualify for the ministry. Applications are available in the Student Life Office.

Paid childcare opportunities

Throughout the semester, the Dean of Students Office will need childcare workers during campus events. These are paid positions. Please plan to help for:

- Women's Fellowship Day, October 23, 8:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.
- Regeneration Retreat Ministry, November 14-15

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Student email accounts

Southeastern now offers free email for all Seminary and College students currently enrolled in classes. You are provided with 5 MB of email space that you can securely access from any Internet browser. If you have not signed up for your email account, please do so today. Sign-up for your student email account on-line at <http://webmail.sebts.edu>. You can also contact the IT Email Help Desk at 761-2117 or email.support@sebts.edu.

North Carolina state fair

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Intramural volleyball

Intramural volleyball sign-up will start September 22. Stop by the Ledford Center to sign-up.

Intramural Frisbee golf

The Frisbee golf tournament will be September 29-October 3. Stop by the Ledford Center to sign-up.

Ultimate Frisbee

The EDGE invites you to participate in Ultimate Frisbee every Friday at 3:00 p.m. on the intramural field. Everyone is invited.

EDGE outings

The EDGE is planning a group mountain bike ride for September 27 at 9:00 a.m. A sturdy, well-maintained bike and a helmet are required. The EDGE is also planning a camping/hiking/biking trip for the week-end of October 10-12. Contact Brian Conyers at thesebtsedge@yahoo.com for more information.

Fall graduation

Anyone planning on graduating on December 13 needs to check the list in the Ledford Center to insure that all information is correct. If your name is not on the list or if some of the information is incorrect, check with the Registrar's Office by September 26 at 4:00 p.m. Diplomas will be ordered at that time.

German practice

Dr. David Black is offering the opportunity for any graduate student to practice German on a weekly basis. If interested, please sign-up at his office.

Male chorale

Come sing with the male chorale and lift up and praise our Lord by providing chapel music selections and in a Christmas joint concert with other SEBTS music ensembles. No audition is required, just whosoever will may come. Rehearsals are Thursdays 3:00-4:30 p.m., every week. Non-music students can receive credit for the class and a tuition waiver scholarship. For more information, contact Pam Young at 761-2316 or pyoung@sebts.edu.

Update student ID

All returning students need to update their ID's in the Student Life Office. The library and health center require that your student ID be updated in order to receive services.

Women's Fellowship Day

Women's Fellowship Day will be Thursday, October 23. Elisabeth Elliot will be speaking in chapel, and all are invited to attend. There will also be a luncheon in the gym of the Ledford Center for all female students and student wives. Reservations are required for the luncheon. Reservations can be made in the Dean of Students Office at 761-2306. Childcare is also available by reservation only.

Free software

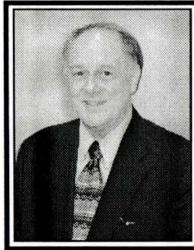
LifeWay Campus Store is giving away copies of *Bible Navigator Software*. Students must have a valid student ID in order to receive the software. If your ID has not been updated for this year, please go to the Student Life Office to update it.

Theological Thoughts

The Advancement: Is Postmodernism really postmodern?

By Dr. L. Russ Bush

God rules over human history, and he alone determines its final result. His ways are not our ways, and his thoughts are not our thoughts, but we are made in his image. Thus, we are rational and spiritual



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beings, capable of moral discernment, able to communicate and able to understand those of his ways and thoughts that God chooses to reveal to us.

A late twentieth-century shift, an attempt to move beyond the "modern" era, has been dubbed by philosophers and literary scholars as the Postmodern era. While this classification is not wrong as such, it has led to many that we cannot be in a modern world without playing word games, since most people think of "now" or "that which is current" as being the normal meaning of *modern*. The usage, however, is philosophical and refers to a new consciousness, an emphasis on fragmentation, strict relativism, and the loss of standard comprehensive worldviews that seems to be replacing the dominant naturalistic, scientific mind-set often associated with modernity. This change may be

inevitable, but its value status is debatable. Meaningful discourse is struggling to survive. Relativism (irrationally) rules! Tolerance overwhelms significance. Naturalism still dominates in the scientific intellectual community, while Theism is disenfranchised.

Our civilization clearly is continuing to advance, however, in many important ways. Science and technology seem to be progressing faster than ever before. Our collective intelligent feeling is that we are on the verge of unprecedented breakthroughs in communications, space science, medical technology, materials science, and agriculture.

The twenty-first century era begs for a descriptive name. *Modern* seems strangely old-fashioned, and *Postmodern* is surely a temporary name. Perhaps the era through which we are passing could be dubbed the "Advancement." Modernism's tenants have not been thoroughly replaced in the popular culture, nor have even the intellectually elite fully abandoned them. Modernity still rules in many ways, but change is apparent. A sense of chaos seems to be creeping in, a sense of indeterminacy. Traditions are set aside; cultural roots are forgotten and ignored. In more ways than one, this is a new age, but the "new" is really "old." Nevertheless, the obvious technological progress must be recognized.

The challenge to divine authority is growing, and yet among Christians, a spirit of renewal is also growing. It is as if the wheat and the tares are nearing that anticipated final ripening stage, and a

divine harvest is near. Intellectual leaders who guide the Christian community through these final days before the harvest must be able to discern the dangers of intellectual compromise. The church has greater spiritual power than all of her enemies combined, but compromise is her Achilles' heel.

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We Christians living through the era of the Advancement no longer have the luxury of a majority consensus in Western society. We can no longer rely upon civil authority to defend us or to protect our religious rights (so hard to come by, so easy to lose). Yet our destiny as a people is, as it has always been, in the providence of God.

Advancement thought is like bait, attractive to the hungry fish but with a hook in it. It captures the mind but leads to de-

spair. Eventually it undermines the technology that makes it at first appear to be the truth.

Christianity has passion and experience, but it also has superior intellectual content. This content focuses on Jesus, not on the various Christians who for good or ill make up Christian history.

Science gained from biblical faith a demythologized world, a world operated not by unpredictable gods and goddesses but by unchanging, understandable divine laws. Science, to its credit, demonstrates the complexity and the simplicity of the mind of the Creator. God is the personal, purposive source of the underlying order of nature.

History rides on time, and the past is God's reality, as is the future. The Bible warns that support for truth will decline as we near the final judgment, but God's faithful, the elect, will always be able to recognize the essential truth as God has revealed it.

May there be many others who are not ashamed to proclaim allegiance to the name above every name, Jesus of Nazareth, the Christ, our Savior. He alone deserves the title, Sovereign Lord.



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Student email

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Tim Shidal, Director of Information Technologies, said, "Student email gives us improved communication among faculty, staff, and students. It allows us to reach all students, including the ones at extension centers and those who are only on campus one day a week."

Dr. Waylan Owens, Vice President for Institutional Effectiveness and Assessment, said, "Email is ubiquitous. For some people, to do without email today would be akin to trying to live without a telephone. Recognizing this fact of today's life, we have decided to take advantage of the many opportunities related to email."

Traditionally, most campus communication has taken place through the use of campus post office boxes, handouts in chapel, and announcements in chapel. However, much of the paper used to print these announcements is wasted when students throw them away.

James Hilton, mailroom manager, said, "We need to be good stewards of the

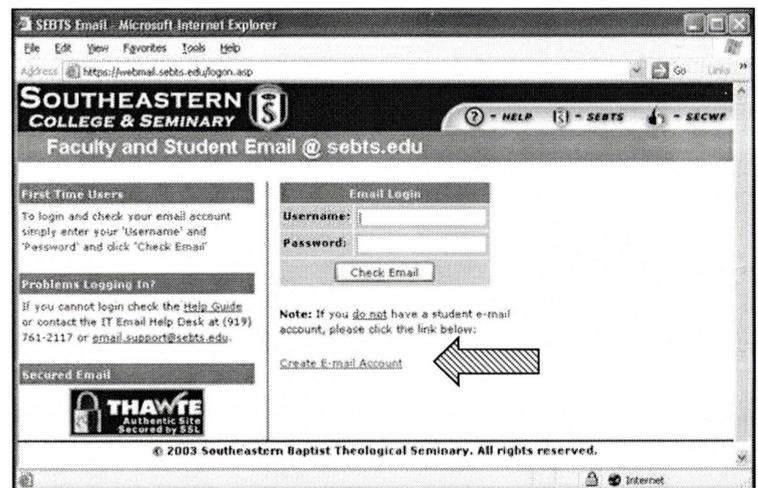
resources God has provided for our school. We can save time, money, and resources and become more efficient by communicating with students via email rather than through printed announcements."

The ability to send campus announcements over email will decrease the necessity for these boxes. In addition, it will cut down on the wasted paper as students throw away the announcements placed in their boxes.

Even in its first semester of existence, student email has found a very important use. In the wake of Hurricane Isabel heading for the coast of North Carolina, the administration used student email to disseminate information concerning safety, shelter, and classes.

According to Shidal, approximately 500 students have activated their email accounts. Many of these were activated during matriculation for the new students who entered this semester.

This free email service provides each student with 5 MB of storage space and a filter service to remove obscene emails. The one service that is not included is



Students may register for a campus email account on-line at <http://webmail.sebts.edu> by clicking on the "Create E-mail Account" link below the login box highlighted by the arrow.

virus scanning. Shidal encourages students to have virus scanning software on their personal computers while using the email service.

The IT Department also provides a

limited amount of technical support for student email. Support is available over email at email.support@sebts.edu or by phone at (919) 761-2117.

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Atlanta mission trip

The North American mission trip to Atlanta will be October 5-10. It is open to all students. Participants will help a new church plant with door-to-door surveys, servanthood evangelism, and block parties. Academic credit is available. Contact Mrs. Adams on the second floor Jacumin-Simpson at 761-2160.

Uruguay mission trip

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Meals on Wheels

Volunteers are needed for Meals on Wheels in Wake Forest. Participants only need to work once a month 10:30-11:30 a.m. The first Monday, second Wednesday, second Thursday, and third Thursday are available. For more information, see Skip Midkiff in the Employment Office.

Building help

Dr. David Black is still looking for some assistance in finishing the house on his farm. Workers get the first opportunity to stay at the house.

Chapel Schedule

September 23

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Abilene Baptist Church
Martinez, GA

October 1

Dr. Tim Piland

Nansemond River
Baptist Church
Suffolk, VA

October 2

Dr. Tommy Green
First Baptist Church
Brandon, FL

Tapes of chapel sermons may be purchased from the Audio/Visual department in the Library. Also, all chapel sermons can be downloaded from www.sebts.edu.

Newsline Submissions

Submissions for the next *Newsline* will be due by September 29. *Newsline* submissions may be sent to newsline@sebts.edu, dropped off at the Student Life Office. All submissions should be in **electronic format**, either on disk or sent via e-mail, and should be submitted as they are to appear in the *Newsline*. The Student Life Office reserves the right to edit any announcement. Thank you.



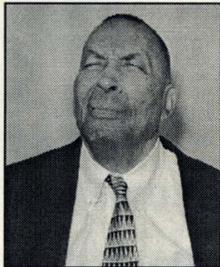
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A Look Inside

Faculty Spotlight



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Reading the Psalms

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State Fair

The Sunshine Seniors need help in their booth at the North Carolina state fair. This is the largest fund-raiser for the Sunshine Seniors, who provide groceries for many Southeastern families.

Library acquires copy of Vaticanus

By Evan Lenow

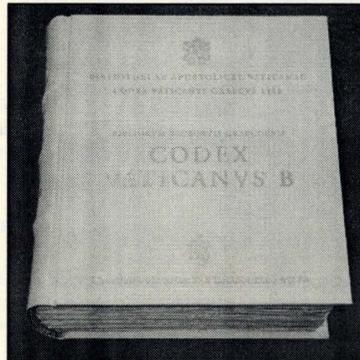
The library at Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary is now one of thirteen libraries in the world to own a reproduction of Codex Vaticanus, placing the seminary among the likes of Stanford, Harvard, Princeton, and Brandeis.

Codex Vaticanus, also known by its textual apparatus symbol "B," is considered to be one of the oldest surviving Greek manuscripts of the Bible available. Scholars date the writing of this manuscript to the fourth century.

The original, located at the Vatican in Rome, has been reproduced by the Vatican into 450 copies. Each copy is numbered and signed by Pope John Paul II. These copies are the only print copies currently available.

The photostatic reproduction attempts to maintain the look and feel of the original text. Dr. Shawn Madden, Director of Library Services and Assistant Professor of Old Testament and Hebrew, said, "I run my finger across the copy expecting to feel the text."

The faithful reproduction allows one to see the wrinkles and folds of the manuscript as if they were present in the copy.



A photostatic reproduction of the 4th century manuscript Codex Vaticanus was recently acquired by Southeastern's library.

The original also contains holes in the parchment that have been reproduced in the copy as well.

Madden reports that the acquisition of Vaticanus completes Southeastern's effort to own reproductions of all three of the great Greek manuscripts. These manuscripts are Codex Alexandrinus (A), Codex Sinaiticus (Σ), and Codex Vaticanus (B). "These are the triumvirate of Greek manuscripts," said Madden.

Vaticanus is one of the few manuscripts that contains all of the Greek Bible. Missing from the original text are parts of Genesis, 2 Kings, Psalms, and Hebrews, as well as the entirety of the Pastoral Epistles, Philemon, and Revelation. The missing sections were replaced by cursive script centuries later.

Experts in the field of textual criticism place Vaticanus as one of the most significant uncial manuscripts among the Alexandrian text type. Being an uncial manuscript, Vaticanus is written in capital letters with no breaks between words.

Dr. Scott Kellum, Assistant Professor of New Testament and Greek, said, "Whether or not one believes it is one of the 'oldest and best manuscripts,' the library's purchase of a photo-reproduction of Codex Vaticanus is a very valuable acquisition."

Kellum offered three benefits of having a copy of Vaticanus. "First, it is a fine resource for an example of how books were made in antiquity," said Kellum. "Second, it makes it possible for SEBTS students to do more detailed studies of text-critical problems. For example, our students are now able to verify the

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Avant calls students to 'God-sized passion'

By Kyle Smith

Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary's annual Sandy Creek Revival Week took place September 23-25, as Dr. John Avant challenged listeners to have a God-sized passion, Christ-centered lives, and Spirit-led leadership.



Dr. John Avant preached for the Sandy Creek Revival Week.

Avant, who is pastor of New Hope Baptist Church in Fayetteville, GA, preached both

morning Binkley Chapel services and special evening revival services targeted specifically to area youth, college students, and the community.

In his initial message, Avant said that today's church can experience the same kind of genuine revival of which Sandy Creek was a part.

"We need a God-sized passion, Christ-centered lives, and Spirit-led leadership," Avant said in what would be his theme throughout the week. "We want God to blow the wind of His Spirit in ways we've never seen."

"I don't want what I can do. I want what God can do," he continued, reminding listeners that, as Ephesians 3:20 says, God is able to do "immeasurably more than we ask or imagine."

Avant noted that this desire

to be part of the great things God had planned was the very thing that spawned the original Sandy Creek revival movement.

In his address to the youth, Avant pointed to another example of a powerful revival movement that began in Wales because of the testimony of one teenage girl who stood up for Christ.

Avant's advice to the youth was straightforward and evangelistic.

"Realize God knows who you are, that He won't accept your excuses and that He wants to do something great with you," Avant told them. "Tonight can be the most important night of your life because you can meet Jesus personally."

Six students were saved and two others dedicated their lives

to Christian ministry during the Tuesday night service.

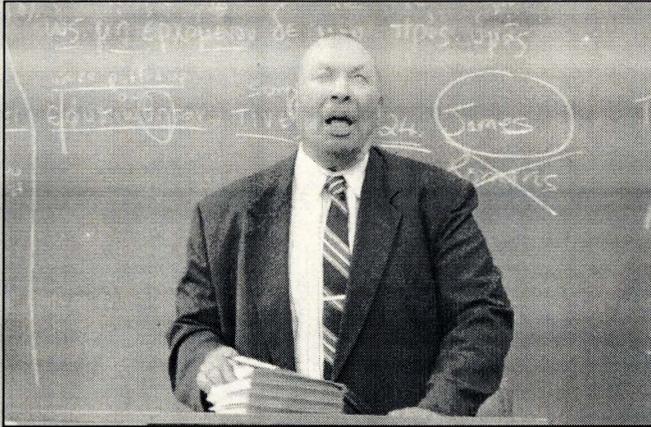
Avant brought along a special guest for his Wednesday morning chapel service, Dan Cathy, the President and Chief Operating Officer of Chick-Fil-A, Inc. For the many local businessmen who were on hand to hear the accomplished corporate leader speak, Cathy was happy to share the source of his success: living by the unchanging principles of God's Word.

"Many things have not changed," Cathy said. "They will never change. We find that biblical principles work in the marketplace."

In his message, Avant agreed, exhorting all those in attendance to correct the character deficit that exists in America by living godly lives.

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Faculty Spotlight: R. Logan "The Wheel" Carson



Family: Glenwood J. (Pep), married 43 years; Aaron, 42; Tricia Myers, 35

Seminary/College position: Senior Professor of Christian Theology

Hometown: Marion, NC

How you became a Christian: Having started to read the Bible at the age of 9, I knew the Scriptures, believed in what they told me, and was led to the Lord by the late Pastor D. Leon McGuire in 1948 - when I was 15.

Current church: Olive Branch Baptist Church

Current local church ministry: Pastor-In-Charge

Most influential person in your life: Pastor D. Leon McGuire

Something surprising about you: I have chatted with Rudolph Bultmann.

Education: B.A., Bible and Social Studies, Shaw University; B.D., Hebrew and Old Testament Studies, Hartford Seminary Foundation; Th.M., Advanced Old Testament Studies, Louisville Presbyterian; Ph.D., Theology and Culture, Drew University Graduate School

Classes currently teaching: Old Testament Survey, Pastoral Theology, and Christian Doctrine

Favorite class ever taught: Christian Doctrine II, Spring 2003

Recent or upcoming publications: *From the Heart of a Pastor: Messages from a Servant of the Lord Christ*, 2002; *Messages to the Christian Family in These Last Days*, to be published November 2003

Favorite author: Charles R. Swindoll

Favorite musician: Virgil Fox (organ); Bill Clinton (alto sax)

Hobbies: Reading, playing dominoes, baseball, basketball, and telling stories to kiddos

What influenced you to come to Southeastern: A young lady named Jeanna Anthony, a former student secretary at Garner-Webb who came here with her husband in 1990, thought I would be an asset to the seminary.

A word of wisdom for the readers: In Christ strive for excellence!

General Scholarship applications available October 15

Applications for the General Scholarship will be available in the Student Life Office beginning October 15. The deadline for submitting applications is November 15. The General Scholarship is a need-based scholarship available for all full-time students in both the seminary and college. For more information, please contact the Student Life Office at 761-2305.

North Carolina state fair

The Sunshine Seniors' yearly fundraiser is the NC state fair. If you would like to help in their concession stand, please come to the Student Life Office and sign-up for a time slot. The fair will be October 17-26, so sign-up early to show your appreciation for all the Sunshine Seniors do for our students. Your entrance to the fair will be free and you will receive a free meal while working in the booth.

Sunshine Seniors food ministry

The Sunshine Seniors provide free groceries twice a month to Southeastern students who qualify for the ministry. Applications are available in the Student Life Office.

Paid childcare opportunities

Throughout the semester, the Dean of Students Office will need childcare workers during campus events. These are paid positions. Please plan to help for:

- Women's Fellowship Day, October 23, 8:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.
- Regeneration Retreat Ministry, November 14-15

Student email accounts

Southeastern now offers free email for all Seminary and College students currently enrolled in classes. You are provided with 5 MB of email space that you can securely access from any Internet browser. If you have not signed up for your email account, please do so today. Sign-up for your student email account on-line at <http://webmail.sebts.edu>. You can also contact the IT Email Help Desk at 761-2117 or email.support@sebts.edu.

Ph.D. application deadline

The deadline for submitting an application for admission to the Ph.D. program for Fall 2004 is December 1. For more information, contact Janet Hellard in the Ph.D./Th.M. Office at 761-2491.

Regeneration Retreat Ministry

The Regeneration Retreat (formerly known as Great Hills Retreat) will take place November 14-15 at Southeastern. All ladies are invited to attend. A discount on the registration fee is available for seminary students and wives of seminary students. The fee for these women is \$20 for early registration (postmarked by October 24) and \$27 for late registration (postmarked after October 24). For more information, contact the Dean of Students Office at 761-2306.

Women's Fellowship Day

Women's Fellowship Day will be held on Friday, October 23. Elisabeth Elliot will be speaking in chapel, and all are invited to attend. There will also be a luncheon in the gym of the Ledford Center for all female students and student wives. Reservations are required for the luncheon. Reservations can be made in the Dean of Students Office at 761-2306. Childcare is also available by reservation only.

Free software

LifeWay Campus Store is giving away copies of *Bible Navigator Software*. All students must have a valid student ID in order to receive the software. The last day to receive the free software is October 11.

Bay Leaf Toy Chest

Bay Leaf Baptist Church invites all full-time, married (with children) students, to the 10th Annual Toy Chest. The Toy Chest will be held Saturday, November 15, from 10:00 a.m. until 11:15 a.m. in the church's Family Life Center. This is a ministry of Bay Leaf Baptist Church that provides Christmas gifts at a minimal fee for the children of seminary students. All proceeds go the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering. You will receive an invitation in your campus mailbox the first week of November.

Artwork wanted for display

The library staff would like to display students' original art over the next three months. If you are interested in participating, contact Ms. Whisnant in the Director's Office at 761-2250 for information.

Operation Christmas Child

Brochures concerning Operation Christmas Child are available in the Student Life Office and at each Southeastern Women's Fellowship meeting. Please follow the important instructions on the brochure. The boxes can be dropped off at the Student Life Office until November 14.

SWF craft and bake sale

The Southeastern Women's Fellowship craft and bake sale will take place Friday, December 5, 12:00-6:30 p.m., and Saturday, December 6, 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. The fee is \$6 for a table and \$10 for a table with electricity. Registration forms are available at each SWF meeting, or you may call Elizabeth Hilliard at 569-0623. The registration deadline is November 14. You may drop off your registration form with payment in the Student Life Office.

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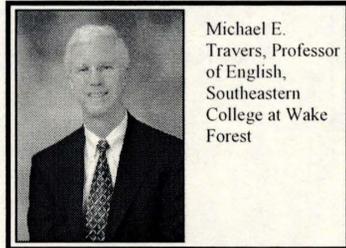
All returning students need to update their ID's in the Student Life Office. The library and health center require that your student ID be updated in order to receive services.

●eological Thoughts

A four-fold approach to reading the Psalms

By Dr. Michael E. Travers

When we read a psalm, we should approach it with four questions in mind. I prefer to frame this approach to reading the psalms in the form of questions, not as rules for interpretation. As we have al-



Michael E. Travers, Professor of English, Southeastern College at Wake Forest

ready seen, the psalms require active, participatory reading. Asking questions of the psalms as we interpret them will keep us dynamically (or actively) involved in the reading process, which is the way they were meant to be read. There is no magic formula for reading the psalms, no "how-to" method that will yield automatic results every time. If we take these four questions together, however, we will be going in the right direction.

The Questions

1) What is the overall effect of the psalm? With the first question, we are asking what experience or experiences the psalm expresses. We are looking for the impression that the psalm gives. Is it joyous and full of praise? Are we drawn upward to contemplate the glories of Yahweh or to worship him? In some psalms, the writers are overwhelmed with the glory and maj-

esty of God; they simply stand in awe of God. In other psalms, we see the opposite emotions. Are we cast down at what appears to be the silence of God as in the psalms that ask, "How Long O God?" Are we admonished to examine ourselves? Do we see the wicked prospering and have to curb our jealousy at the sight? Our first question then is "What is the overall impression or effect of the psalm?" To answer this question we should look at the type of subject matter in the psalm and the tone (or attitude) the psalm conveys. You will notice how asking a question encourages us to become active readers.

2) What is the structure of the psalm? This question directs our attention to the "macrostructure" of the poem and to its parts. We find an answer to this question in the type, or genre, of psalm. Is it a Hymn or a Lament? Is it a Royal or Messianic Psalm? Is it a Wisdom Psalm? While these five types of psalms are not the only genres that scholars have found, they are the primary genres and will help us understand most of the psalms. As we have seen in the last chapter, genre governs the structure of the poem, though structure is by no means absolute in all examples of any one genre. Knowing the structure of the psalm will help us follow the psalmist's thoughts, aiding us in determining transitions and indicating the steps in the psalmist's thought process. Once we know the genre and structure of a psalm, we will have a good idea of what to expect in the psalm. Knowing structure will free us to pay attention to details we might otherwise miss.

3) What are the figures of speech in the psalm and what effects do they have?

Figures of speech often carry the burden of theology in the psalms. Some psalms rely on figures of speech more than others do, but most psalms contain some figurative language. Knowing how to read figures of speech is not a matter of guess-

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work. Rather, knowing the figures of speech in a psalm is a necessary part of understanding what the psalm is saying. The more fully we can interact with the figurative language in a psalm, the more we will understand and experience what the psalmist—and God—intended.

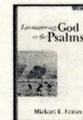
It might be best to include parallelism under this question. We considered the types of parallelism in chapter one, and here we wish to suggest the best way to analyze psalms for parallelism. It is best to consider parallelism under this question

about figures of speech. Parallelism is so closely involved with the particular details of the poem that we should think about it when we are reading the psalm carefully and closely for its figures of speech.

4) What are the themes and theology in the psalm?

Once we have considered overall effect, structure, figures of speech, and parallelism, we need to ask about themes and theology. All of the psalms show us something about God and ourselves; they teach us spiritual truths. The time to ask questions about theme and theology is after we have answered the other three questions. This way we will be less likely to jump to conclusions that may not be warranted in the psalm. In asking questions about theme and theology, we need to pay attention to the experiences expressed in the psalm (overall effect), the development of thought in the psalm (structure), and the details within the psalm (figures of speech and parallelism). The theology of a psalm is expressed in its details and pattern, and we will be wise to take these factors into consideration when we are interpreting a psalm thematically or theologically.

When we read the psalms as poetry, we will have taken the first step toward understanding and experiencing what the psalmists intended, for the psalms are written in poetry and they are inspired in poetic form.



Excerpted from chapter 3 of *Encountering God in the Psalms* by Michael E. Travers. © 2003 by Michael E. Travers. Grand Rapids: Kregel.

Avant

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"(The character deficit) is destroying our churches. It's destroying our business world," Avant said. "You are the defenders of America. Every time you choose to walk away from the things that will destroy your character, you are becoming a defender of America."

He added that the kind of courageous character God desires from Christians is defined by three characteristics.

"Courageous character," Avant said, "chooses lonely integrity, is built through humility and always makes a difference."

Finally, in his Thursday Binkley Chapel message, Avant cautioned students about a sure way to cut short God-sized passion:

...moral impurity.

"Passion outside of God's control leads to disaster," Avant said. "Tune your spiritual ears to the voice of God in the area of your passions."

Preaching from Genesis 39, in which Joseph flees the temptation of Potiphar's wife, Avant reminded listeners that a Christian's moral purity will not go un-

challenged.

"Satan knows that we are all only one step away from stupidity," he said, "and he knows that the effect of that sin is serious."

Avant encouraged students that by establishing a biblically based personal game plan for their lives, they could avoid becoming numbered among those who lose their families and ministries because of sexual sin. He also encouraged students to make an emergency game plan in advance to implement when the enemy attacks.

His advice to students was to make a "life love" decision for Jesus, just as Joseph did, and never let any sin get in the way of their relationship with their Savior.

"The key to spiritual power and a life of success was when Joseph said, 'Lord, I love you more than I love sin,'" Avant said.

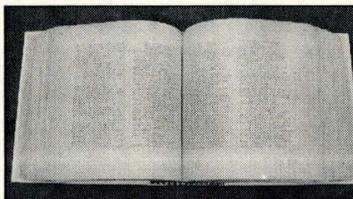
This kind of commitment exemplifies passion for God, he added, sharing in closing his own personal commitment to God.

"I'm going to love Him for the rest of my life, and nothing is ever going to come between Him and me," Avant declared.

Vaticanus

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citations given in their textual apparatus if there is a question. Finally, data on textual problems come from more than just the words of the text. Scribes often marked the texts with obelisks and other



The Greek text of Codex Vaticanus is one of the oldest surviving manuscripts of the Bible.

ornamental marks to show disputed readings. Such ornamental devices will be helpful in establishing of what variants the scribe of Codex Vaticanus was aware."

While a few sections of the reproduction are difficult to decipher, the vast majority of the piece is extremely clear.

The reproduction came with a compan-

ion book that gives the history and significance of Codex Vaticanus in both English and French.

Dr. David Alan Black, Professor of New Testament and Greek, said, "Codex Vaticanus is one of the two most famous uncial manuscripts we have of the Greek New Testament. Many textual scholars believe that it most closely represents the original text, while others, myself included, would question the almost sacred status it has achieved in the world of New Testament scholarship. This being said, the manuscript remains of inestimable value to research, and it is a great blessing to have a photostatic reproduction of it here at our seminary."

Southeastern's copy of Codex Vaticanus is stored in the archives of the library and is available for both students and faculty to use. Anyone may make an appointment to view the volume by contacting Bill Youngmark in the library.

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West Virginia church planting

Norman Cannada, church planter strategist with NAMB and the Pioneer Baptist Association in Charleston, WV, will be meeting with students on Wednesday, October 15 to discuss opportunities in church planting in inner city Charleston and other areas of West Virginia. To schedule an interview, please contact the Ministry Referral Office at 761-2317.

Part-time pianist needed

Cumnock Baptist Church in Sanford, NC, is needing a part-time pianist to play every Sunday morning and evening. Choir practice is also on Sunday. Contact Ben Brammer at (919) 554-3142 for more information.

Chapel Schedule

October 7

Fall Break

October 8

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October 9

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October 14

Dr. Wendell Estep
 First Baptist Church
 Columbia, SC

October 15

Rev. Timothy Lewis
 Bethel Baptist Church
 Troy, IL

October 16

Dr. Chip Roberson
 Bethel Baptist Church
 Chesapeake, VA

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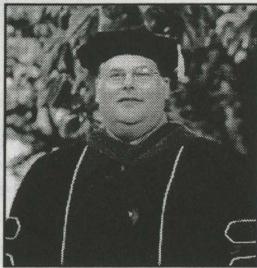
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A Look Inside

Faculty Spotlight



Dr. Ky Carrigan serves a dual role as a missionary for the North American Mission Board and as a professor in the Seminary and College.

Congregational Leadership

Dr. Gerald Cowen, Dean of the College and Professor of New Testament and Greek, recently released his latest book, *Who Rules the Church?*

General Scholarship Applications

Applications for the General Scholarship are available in the Student Life Office. The deadline for submitting an application is November 15.

Women's Fellowship Day

Elisabeth Elliot will be speaking in chapel on October 23 for Women's Fellowship Day.



The Board of Trustees met in the Hall of Presidents on October 13 and 14. One of the major points of discussion was the search for a new President.

Presidential search continues

By Staff

Since the formation of the Presidential Search Committee in July, the Board of Trustees has continued its search for a new president of Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary.

The Board of Trustees and Board of Visitors arrived on campus for their scheduled bi-annual meeting on October 13 and 14. Despite judiciously conducting business as usual, everyone wanted to hear the status of the search for the new president of Southeastern.

Tim Lewis, Chairman of the Board of Trustees and Chairman of the Presidential Search Committee, addressed the progress of the search to the Board of Visitors on Monday and to the trustees on Tuesday.

His comments to both groups stressed the integrity of the process, noting that each member of the search committee signed a covenant. Commenting on that covenant, Lewis said, "This is basically a commitment to keeping the process a process of integrity. That means praying for each other, praying for the staff, the interim staff, and the faculty. When we speak, we speak as one voice. The chairman speaks for the committee."

He continued, "We covenant not to talk about any candidates or decisions that the committee makes. We covenant to keep one another accountable. Every one of the committee members signed it."

In addition to discussing the covenant, Lewis pointed out and addressed the "Core Values for Potential Candidates." These core values include: 1) godly character (1 Tim. 3:1-7; Titus 1:5-9); 2) agreement with and an advocate of the Baptist Faith and Message 2000; 3) strong, courageous leader; 4) advocates and practices expository preaching; 5) strong in missions and evangelism; 6) academically qualified and credentialed (Ph.D. or equivalent academic achievement); 7) can draw funding and students; 8) committed to wife and family, and wife is committed to be a partner in her husband's ministry; 9) strong interpersonal skills, loves people; 10) involved in and understands the dynamics of the local church, which may include pastoral experience; and 11) has a thorough understanding of the seminary's purpose.

The search committee has met with the faculty and vice presidents of Southeastern and denominational leaders concerning the search. "There is no shortage of opinion about who it should be," mused Lewis.

Up to this point, the search committee has received a list of around forty names and has begun to narrow the list.

"We believe God is going to lead us to the right person," said Lewis. "We don't know who that is yet."

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Trustees make fall visit

By Evan Lenow

During their bi-annual visit, the Board of Trustees conducted other business in addition to the search for a new president of Southeastern.

The new business included a vote to promote four professors. They promoted John Hammett from Associate Professor of Systematic Theology to Professor of Systematic Theology, Emir Caner from Assistant Professor of Church History to Associate Professor of Church History, Mark Liederbach from Assistant Professor of Christian Ethics to Associate Professor of Christian Ethics, and Sam Williams from Assistant Professor of Pastoral Care to Associate Professor of Pastoral Care.

The Trustees also approved two



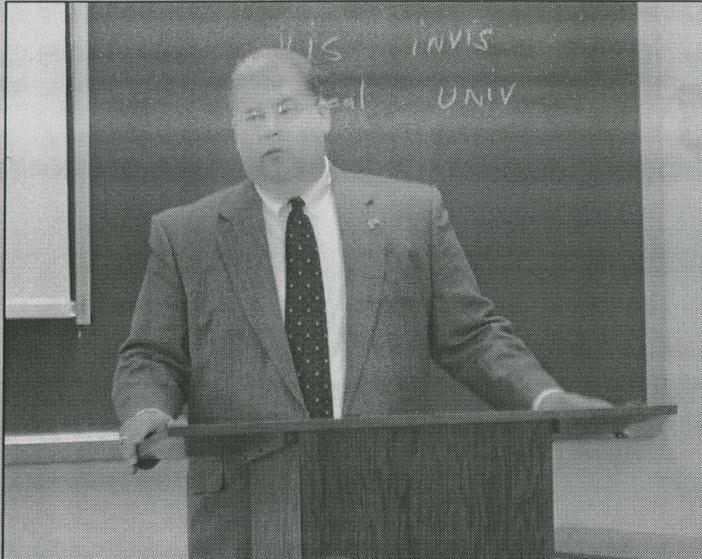
Rev. Tim Lewis, Chairman of the Board of Trustees and pastor of Bethel Baptist Church in Troy, IL, preached in chapel on October 15.

new classes: State Baptist Conventions: History and Polity (Seminary/College), and Contemporary Issues in Women's Studies (Doctoral).

On Tuesday, October 14, Dr. Wendell Estep, member of the Board of Trustees and pastor of First Baptist Church of Columbia, SC, preached in chapel. Preaching from Joshua 1:1-11, Estep compared the transition of leadership from Moses to Joshua to the current situation at Southeastern Seminary.

Rev. Tim Lewis, Chairman of the Board of Trustees and pastor of Bethel Baptist Church in Troy, IL, preached in chapel on Wednesday, October 15. He addressed the necessity of following God's will from Jonah 1:1-16.

Faculty Spotlight: Cky Carrigan



Family: Janna, married 25 years; Apryl, 23; Bonnie, 20; and Adam, 13
Seminary/College position: Adjunctive Professor of Missions in the College and Fletcher Visiting Professor of Home Missions in the Seminary
Hometown: Shreveport, LA
How you became a Christian: Third grade public school teacher used the "Wordless Book" to introduce me to Christ. See the details of my God-Story at <http://life.ontruth.com/mystory.html>.
Current church: Wake Cross Roads Baptist Church, Raleigh, NC
Current local church ministry: Missionary in Residence at Wake Cross Roads Baptist Church, Adult Sunday School Teacher, AWANA worker
Most influential person in your life: Carl Carrigan (my father)
Something surprising about you: Ministry is my second career. I was in the petrochemical and construction industries until I was thirty.
Education: B.A. in Biblical Studies, Criswell College; M.Div. with languages, Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary; Ph.D. in Theology, Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary, dissertation on Mormon Christology
Classes currently teaching: Christian Faith and World Religions (SCWF), Topics in North American Missions: Understanding and Evangelizing Roman Catholics (SCWF and SEBTS).
Favorite class ever taught: Christian Growth and Discipleship (SCWF 1995-97)
Recent or upcoming publications: "The Mormon Mirage," *Southwestern Journal of Theology* (forthcoming); nine articles for the forthcoming *Baker Dictionary of Cults and World Religions*; review of *Unveiling Islam*, by Caner and Caner, *Criswell Theological Review*, 1:1 (Fall 2002), 124-125; "Who Do Men Say that I Am? The Sublime Christology of Colossians 1:15-20" in *Here I Stand: Essays in Honor of Dr. Paige Patterson*, edited by David Alan Black, N. Allan Moseley and Stephen R. Prescott, Davidson Press, 2000; "The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, Parts 1 & 2," and "The Unitarian-Universalist Association of Churches," in *FAITH Reaching Out to Cults*, Lifeway Press, 2000; "The Baha'i Faith," in *FAITH Reaching Out to World Religions*, Lifeway Press, 2000
Favorite author: Norman Geisler
Favorite musician: Michael Card
Hobbies: Guns and golf
What influenced you to come to Southeastern: A double-dog-dare from Paige Patterson
A word of wisdom for the readers: One strategy for finding joy in the journey is to keep the Great Commission in focus as you struggle with difficult assignments.

General Scholarship applications available

Applications for the General Scholarship are available in the Student Life Office. The deadline for submitting an application is November 15. The General Scholarship is a need-based scholarship available for all full-time students in both the seminary and college. For more information, please contact the Student Life Office at 761-2305.

Women's Fellowship Day

Women's Fellowship Day will be Thursday, October 23. Elisabeth Elliot will be speaking in chapel, and all are invited to attend the service. As a part of Women's Fellowship Day, wives of students are encouraged to attend class with their husbands.

Paid childcare opportunity

The Dean of Students Office will need childcare workers during the Regeneration Retreat, November 14-15. These are paid positions. Please contact the Dean of Students Office at 761-2306 for more information.

Student email accounts

Southeastern now offers free email for all Seminary and College students currently enrolled in classes. You are provided with 5 MB of email space that you can securely access from any Internet browser. If you have not signed up for your email account, please do so today. Sign-up for your student email account on-line at <http://webmail.sebts.edu>. You can also contact the IT Email Help Desk at 761-2117 or email.support@sebts.edu.

Ph.D. application deadline

The deadline for submitting an application for admission to the Ph.D. program for Fall 2004 is December 1. For more information, contact Janet Hellard in the Ph.D./Th.M. Office at 761-2491.

Regeneration Retreat Ministry

The Regeneration Retreat (formerly known as Great Hills Retreat) will take place November 14-15 at Southeastern. All ladies are invited to attend. A discount on the registration fee is available for seminary students and wives of seminary students. The fee for these women is \$20 for early registration (postmarked by October 24) and \$27 for late registration (postmarked after October 24). For more information, contact the Dean of Students Office at 761-2306.

Operation Christmas Child

Brochures concerning Operation Christmas Child are available in the Student Life Office and at each Southeastern Women's Fellowship meeting. Please follow the important instructions on the brochure. The boxes can be dropped off at the Student Life Office until November 14.

SWF craft and bake sale

The Southeastern Women's Fellowship craft and bake sale will take place Friday, December 5, 12:00-6:30 p.m., and Saturday, December 6, 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. The fee is \$6 for a table and \$10 for a table with electricity. Registration forms are available at each SWF meeting, or you may call Elizabeth Hilliard at 569-0623. The registration deadline is November 14. You may drop off your registration form with payment in the Student Life Office.

Referees for spring

Referees are needed for spring intramural sports. Anyone interested in being a referee should call Nathan Rush at 569-0386.

Chiropractic care

Dr. Barry Swindler will be providing free chiropractic care for students every Tuesday from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. in the study room of the Ledford Center. Appointments are necessary. Please call the Student Life Office at 761-2305 to make an appointment.

Women's Certificate classes

Winter term classes for the Women's Certificate will begin October 23 and 25. Baptist History and Identity will be taught by Thomas White and Theology of Womanhood will be taught by Betsy Durand. You may sign up for these classes in the Registrar's Office. Childcare is offered for a small fee, and you must sign up on the first night. Students planning on graduating with a certificate should contact Joy White at 261-9934 or whitej@sebts.edu by November 15.

Bay Leaf Toy Chest

Bay Leaf Baptist Church invites all full-time, married (with children) students, to the 10th Annual Toy Chest. The Toy Chest will be held Saturday, November 15, from 10:00 until 11:15 a.m. in the church's Family Life Center. This is a ministry of Bay Leaf Baptist Church that provides Christmas gifts at a minimal fee for the children of seminary students. All proceeds go the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering. You will receive an invitation in your campus mailbox the first week of November.

Artwork wanted for display

The library staff would like to display students' original art over the next three months. If you are interested in participating, contact Ms. Whisnant in the Director's Office at 761-2250 for information.

State Baptist conventions class

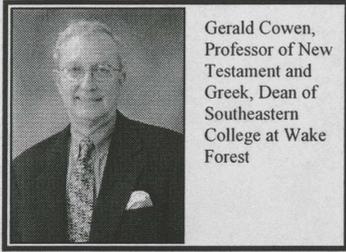
A new class, Baptist State Conventions: History and Polity, is being offered this semester. The class is being led by Dr. Stephen Prescott and Dr. Emir Caner. The class will meet on November 3, and then all students will be required to attend the state convention of North Carolina, South Carolina, or Virginia. Contact the Registrar's Office for more information.

Theological Thoughts

Who Rules the Church?: Congregational leadership

By Dr. Gerald Cowen

In today's church are many voices trying to tell pastors and churches how to succeed in their ministry. Some say that in order to have a growing church, strong leadership is required. Most writers on



Gerald Cowen, Professor of New Testament and Greek, Dean of Southeastern College at Wake Forest

pastoral leadership insist that a CEO style of leadership is anathema to successful pastoral leadership. However, when one considers what is being said, some seem to take the CEO position. Peter Wagner, in his book *Leading Your Church to Growth*, advocates a strong managerial stance on the part of the pastor who wants his church to be more mission-oriented. He quotes W. R. Douglas as saying, "The pastor at a growing church needs to be high on task orientation and low on relationship orientation." He seems to support a controlling type of leadership. Bob Dale lists the "commander" style as an efficient style of church leadership. Although he favors what he calls the "catalyst" style, he does not dismiss the commander style as inappropriate to the needs of the church.

Many other books discuss this type of approach. The *Issachar Factor*, by Martin and McIntosh, advocates strong authoritative leadership from the pastoral staff, especially the senior pastor. Pastors are to lead the church, generate the vision, and mobilize the congregation. Pastoral care is relegated to small groups. This ministry should be delegated to well-trained lay-

people. The pastor is then free to dream, develop strategies, and organize. These strategies are based on his research into the current trends of church growth. Norman Sawchuck supports the same conclusions. He observes that a "task-oriented" leader is not going to be a strong shepherd but will be a strong CEO.

It is true that the larger a congregation becomes, the more organizational skill will be needed to keep it on track. The question must be asked, however, "Is it proper to refer to a pastor-elder as a chief operating officer? Or is that term a business term that is out of place in the church?" When the church in Jerusalem began to grow rapidly after Pentecost, more leaders were needed to minister to the church. But apostles did not spend more of their time studying business and marketing strategies; they gave themselves "to prayer and the ministry of the Word" (Acts 6:4). This is not to say that everything that is taught under the heading of church growth is wrong but that it must be measured by the Word. The question must be asked, "Are we following the dictates of Scripture or being pragmatic—doing whatever seems to work for the moment?" Pragmatism is like some medicines. It may make you feel better temporarily, but it could have disastrous side effects down the line. A case in point is the Willow Creek seeker-service movement. Some of the long-range problems that have resulted from this way of "doing church" are now becoming apparent.

Just because something is successful in bringing numbers of people to church does not mean it will succeed in making them committed disciples of Jesus. If it does not teach the Word of God systematically and in depth, it will ultimately fail because it does not fulfill the second half of the Great Commission (Matt. 28:20). The only way a Christian can grow spiritually is consuming the "milk of God's Word" (1

Pet. 2:2). Jesus said that the church is to teach all that he commanded, not just the part that is popular. Otherwise, the result will be a shallow, immature church that does not understand its own mission.

At the other end of the spectrum are those who talk about the servant-leader concept to describe what a pastor should

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be. This is a good description, if it is followed. Practically speaking, this balance is difficult to maintain. Especially in the smaller church setting, the pastor's job is to serve the congregation. He serves as a chaplain to the group but is not expected, or in many cases allowed, to be the leader of the church. Pastors tend to stay only a short time, eighteen months to two years in smaller churches; therefore, the pastor leaves before he assumes any real position of leadership in the group. Often he is forced to leave by the leadership because he is beginning to take the place of the leader of the church. Because of low pay and high service demands (visiting the sick, etc.), little time is spent in the main

business of growing disciples in the church—prayer and the ministry of the Word. Because of this, members either seek Bible teaching elsewhere, or they do not grow at all.

What is the solution to the problem? The solution is to get back to the pattern found in the New Testament. Pastors need to understand that their first task is to teach people the right ways of the Lord, both by word and by example. Congregations need to understand that the pastor serves them first by feeding them with the Word of the Lord. This does not exclude other kinds of ministry, but without this one the other ministries have no content.

Of the different approaches to church government, the congregational form has the most support in Scripture. Under this type of government, the pastor-elder is the leader of the church, but ultimate authority to determine the direction of the church is given by Christ to the congregation as a whole. This is demonstrated by the choosing of leaders and representatives by the church and by the disciplining of members. Equality of members of the body also supports this conclusion. Equality is demonstrated by the giving of the Holy Spirit and spiritual gifts to all believers and by the priesthood of all believers.

The pastor-elder's authority comes not because of his superiority in any way, but because he is called by God and given the responsibility by the Lord to take care of God's flock. He has the authority of one commissioned by God to deliver His message. He leads by virtue of his call, his message, and his righteous example. He is the shepherd of a flock of sheep, but they are not ordinary sheep. They are believer-priest sheep.



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Search

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When questioned about the timeframe for naming a new president, Lewis reluctantly stated that January/February is a "realistic timeline." Of course, any unforeseen complications in the selection process could result in a delay of naming a new president.

Lewis encouraged the trustees by stating that Southeastern already has world-class faculty, staff, and students.

Speaking of the future with a new president, Dr. Bart Neal, Interim President, said, "Southeastern's brightest days are ahead."

Three honored for service to SEBTS

By Evan Lenow

"These three individuals represent 99 years of service to Southeastern Seminary," said Dr. Bart Neal, Interim President of Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary.

During the chapel service on October 15, Dr. Neal and the Southeastern community honored Evelyn Carter, Dr. George Braswell, and Mary Lou Stephens for their extended time of service to the school.

Carter has been serving Southeastern for 42 years. She is the faculty secretary in Appleby Hall.

Dr. Braswell came to Southeastern



Three members of the Southeastern family were honored for their lengthy service to the Seminary. The honorees were (1 to r) Mary Lou Stephens, 27 years; Dr. George Braswell, 30 years; and Evelyn Carter, 42 years.

in 1974 after teaching for six years at the University of Teheran. Braswell currently serves as Distinguished Professor of Missions and World Religions. He has earned degrees at Wake Forest University, Yale University, Southeastern Seminary, and the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

Stephens serves as a faculty secretary in Stephens-Mackie Hall. She has been at the Seminary for 27 years.

Each honoree was given a framed certificate of appreciation and a monetary gift.

Mission Opportunities

J-TERM

Miami: January 4-11
Uruguay: January 5-15
Romania: January 8-19
Mexico: January 10-17

SUMMER

Bangladesh/Nepal: May 24-June 11
Philippines: June 28-July 15

Informational meeting

An informational meeting for the summer mission trips to Bangladesh/Nepal and the Philippines will take place Monday, October 20 at 2:00 p.m. in the Eitel Auditorium. The Bangladesh/Nepal trip will be May 24-June 11, 2004, and will cost \$2485. The Philippines trip will be June 28-July 15, 2004, and will cost \$2199. Please contact Kimberly Thompson at cgcs@pobox.com if you have additional questions.

Uruguay mission trip

Would you like to evangelize the most secular nation in South America? You will be able to do it, if you join the team going to Uruguay January 5-15, 2004. Dr. Solc is looking for people who know some Spanish and who can play baseball. The group will reach many people by offering baseball clinics and sharing the Good News with them after each clinic. If you are interested, call Dr. Josef Solc at 761-2162.

Mexico mission trip

Help spread the good news through door-to-door evangelism and revival type meetings in the evenings. Meetings will take place on Wednesday, October 22, at 2:00 and 2:30 p.m. and Tuesday, November 18, at 2:30 p.m. All meetings will be held in Appleby Conference Room. The cost for the trip is \$600. This trip is sponsored by Dr. Cowen. See Carolyn in the college office for more information.

Romania mission trip

Dr. Emir Caner will be leading a mission trip to Romania January 8-19, 2004. The trip will cost approximately \$1,200 and will include such activities as crusades, VBS, door-to-door evangelism and much more. For further information, please contact Phyllis Jackson in Stephens-Mackie at 761-2480.

Miami mission trip

The Miami mission trip will take place January 4-10. The mission team will be helping church plants in Miami by conducting block parties, prayer walks, door-to-door surveys, and other activities. With residents from over 160 countries and 130 different language groups, it is considered to be the financial capital of Latin America and the Caribbean. Foreign language skills are desired but not required. Cost includes individual transportation to Miami and \$15 a day for food and housing. Academic credit is available. Contact Alana Adams at 761-2160 for information.

Ministry Opportunities

The Ministry Referral Office sends resumes to churches and other ministries who request the names of candidates for part-time and full-time paid positions. SEBTS students and graduates may establish files in the Referral Office if they wish their resumes to be included. Requests from churches for positions for which we have no matching resumes are posted in the office. The posted books are on display at all times for students to review.

Fuge interviews

Mark Robbins will be at SEBTS on Friday, October 31 to interview students that are interested in working at Fuge camps during Summer 2004. Please contact the Ministry Referral Office in order to schedule an appointment.

Military chaplaincy

Chaplain Jerry Reynolds from NAMB will be on campus October 28-30 to interview anyone interested in military chaplaincy. Southern Baptist Military Chaplain Candidates are expected to schedule an appointment to meet with Chaplain Reynolds at this time. Contact the Ministry Referral Office at 761-2317 to schedule an interview.

Josh McDowell internship

There is an opportunity available to travel with Josh McDowell, assisting him on the road and at home, and learning to minister to youth and their parents. Whether you desire a career as a speaker, a youth minister, or a multimedia presentation specialist, this year-long internship will help to equip you for future ministry. Please contact Tom Miller at the Josh McDowell Ministry office at (972) 907-1000 x 1322 for more information.

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New York church planting

Roger Knapton, career church planter and pastor for 55 years, will give his testimony during chapel on October 29 and will meet with students in the afternoon to discuss opportunities for ministry in New York state. He led in the starting of 28 new congregations in 2 states and helped form the SBC-NY convention. Rev. and Mrs. Knapton are vibrant Christians and effective church planters. Hear him at chapel and make reservations at the Ministry Referral Office in Broyhill to talk with them about ministry in New York state.

Central and Eastern Europe missionaries

Jeffrey Haglund, Stateside Mobilization Facilitator for Central and Eastern Europe, Mark Edworthy, Russell Kyzar, and Marc Byrd will be on campus and in some classes October 29. Marc Byrd will also be on campus on October 30 as well. They will be available to answer questions and provide information for the CEE area. Students can contact Jeffrey Haglund to set up individual meetings or for additional information at JHaglund@imb.org.

Alumni dinners

Two alumni dinners are scheduled for November. The North Carolina alumni dinner will be Monday, November 10 at 5:00 p.m. at Calvary Baptist Church in Winston-Salem. The cost is \$10, and Dr. Reid will be speaking. Contact Kim Davidson at (919) 761-2203 by November 7 for a ticket and to RSVP. The South Carolina alumni dinner will be Tuesday, November 11 at 5:15 p.m. at Westside Baptist Church in Columbia. The cost will be \$9. Call Kim at (919) 761-2203 for RSVP and tickets. Both of these banquets are in conjunction with the state conventions. If you have any questions, call the Alumni Office at (919) 761-2203.

Chapel Schedule

October 21

Dr. Roger Willmore
 First Baptist Church
 Boaz, AL

October 22

Rev. Bill Sanderson
 Hephzibah Baptist Church
 Wendell, NC

October 23

Women's Fellowship Day
 Mrs. Elisabeth Elliot
 Magnolia, MA

October 28

Dr. David Gallamore
 Rock Springs Baptist Church
 Easley, SC

October 29

Dr. David Rice
 First Baptist Church
 Pompano Beach, FL

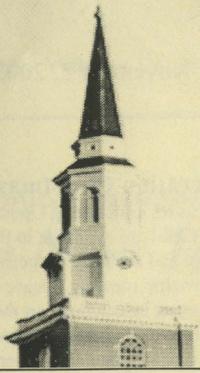
October 30

Dr. Alvin Reid
 Professor of Evangelism
 Bailey Smith Chair of
 Evangelism
 SEBTS

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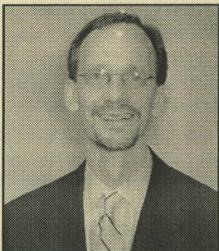


In Memory of Mrs. Glenwood Carson "Miz Pep"

Exemplary Christian, loving mother, friend of the Southeastern family, encourager to all, servant of Christ and His church, and faithful wife to Senior Professor Logan Carson. "Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of His godly ones." Psalm 116:15

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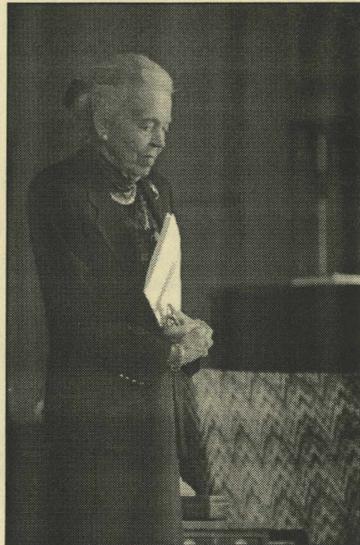


Dr. David Nelson brings formal study in both theology and music to the seminary classroom.

The New Testament: Its Background and Message

Dr. David Alan Black, Professor of New Testament and Greek, revised this version of Thomas Lea's classic introduction to the New Testament.

Elliot focuses on holiness



Elisabeth Elliot Gren spoke in chapel on October 23 for Women's Fellowship Day at Southeastern Seminary.

By Heather Lanxton

"Holiness in the 21st century means trust and obedience as it has in every other century," said Elisabeth Elliot Gren.

Elliot Gren focused on holiness in her address to the women in attendance at the Women's Fellowship Day chapel service at Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary on October 23.

In an admonition to the women gathered at Binkley Chapel, Elliot Gren said Christianity must make a difference in the way they live their lives, from home to work to family. Otherwise, it's not really Christianity.

"Holiness means loving God and doing what He says – trust and obey," she said. "God has only given you one thing to do – His will."

Elliot Gren is a well-known speaker and author. Among her many books are the well-known titles, *Passion and Purity* and *Through Gates of Splendor*. The latter, an account of five missionaries who were killed while trying to reach South American jungle tribes with the Gospel, is widely recognized as one of the most influential Christian books of the 20th century.

Many have been inspired by the story of Jim Elliot, Elliot Gren's first husband, and his comrades as they died for the sake of the Gospel. The book has led many to commit themselves to international mission work.

On Women's Fellowship Day, though, her focus was on holiness. Although the 21st century is fraught with more temptations than times past, Elliot Gren reminded her audience that Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today and tomorrow.

Elliot Gren then went on to tell the women of two actions they can take toward holiness: prayer and surrender.

She told the women that by spending time alone with God first every morning,

they would obtain a peace that would carry them throughout the day.

"Prayer cannot be neglected if you want to be holy," she said. "You will be able to bring peace to others. You cannot do that unless you have first received it."

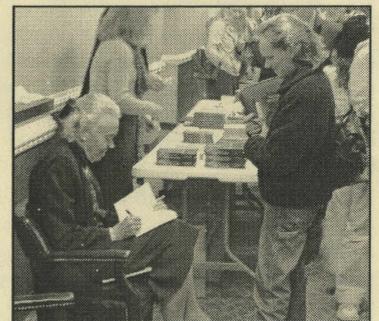
Elliot Gren gave several practical ways for women to develop their prayer lives, including using old hymns of praise and written prayers such as the Lord's Prayer.

In sharing an exposition of the Lord's Prayer, she reminded the women that God must have control of every part of their lives if holiness is their goal.

The second help toward holiness Elliot Gren offered was the idea of surrender.

Mary, the mother of Jesus, is the supreme example of surrender, she said.

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Elliot Gren signed books for students after chapel. She also participated in a luncheon for students and student wives.

Sunshine Seniors at state fair

By Evan Lenow

"Come get the best hot dog at the fair," rang out from the loud speaker attached to the Sunshine Seniors' booth during their annual fundraiser at the North Carolina State Fair.

The Sunshine Seniors are a group of retired individuals who provide assistance to students at Southeastern by operating a food ministry on campus.

The Seniors fund the ma-

ajority of their work by selling food at the state fair each year. Students participating in the food ministry help provide the manpower necessary for maintaining a booth by working in the kitchen and the dining area.

"We had a very, very successful fair, and we could not have done it without the students from the seminary," said Harold Keith, one of the Sunshine Seniors.

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Appropriate dress

By Dr. Allan Moseley, Dean of Students

Southeastern's Student Handbook states that "those who are part of Southeastern are expected to adhere to the behavioral standards that are normative for Southern Baptist ministers." This includes dressing in a way that is both modest and appropriate for Christian leaders. To this end, it is not appropriate to wear shorts or caps in class or chapel. Also,

exposed midriffs, tight pants, and short shorts are not acceptable at any time. The Student Handbook

"These are minimal requirements for those preparing for Christian leadership."

also specifies tank tops and short skirts as inappropriate.

These, I believe, are minimal requirements for those preparing for Christian leadership. Our goal is for students to live voluntarily according to an exemplary standard – for the glory of God and for our witness before those who observe our lifestyle.

Faculty Spotlight: David Nelson



Family: Kathleen, married for over 18 years; Caitlin, 14; Hannah, 12; Joshua, 2 ½

Seminary/College position: Associate Professor of Theology

Hometown: Dallas, TX

How you became a Christian: High school friends "targeted" me my senior year, loved me, prayed for me, and confronted me with the gospel. I was converted the summer I began college.

Current church: Providence Baptist Church

Current local church ministry: Interim Pastor, North Main Baptist Church, Danville, VA

Most influential person in your life: Bill Green and Bob Summers both had a profound influence on my life as a disciple of Jesus Christ when I was a young man.

Something surprising about you: I met Charles Stanley and Max Lucado in a bathroom.

Education: B.M., Church Music, Hardin-Simmons University; M.M., Conducting, Hardin-Simmons University; Ph.D., Theology, SEBTS

Classes currently teaching: Systematic Theology, Karl Barth, Ministry of Worship

Favorite class ever taught: Doctrine of God or Western Culture

Recent or upcoming publications: "Creation and Providence" in *Theology for the Church* (Broadman & Holman)

Favorite author: That's hard to decide - how about Dostoevsky, Tolkien, or Barth - I can't expend the energy to make that kind of decision.

Favorite musician: That's even harder to decide - let's go with J. S. Bach, Benjamin Britten, and Dave Brubeck - just to take care of the B's.

Hobbies: reading, traveling, whittling

What influenced you to come to Southeastern: Danny Akin and the passion for missions and evangelism in an environment of Christian scholarship

A word of wisdom: The fear of the Lord is the beginning of knowledge.

General Scholarship applications available

Applications for the General Scholarship are available in the Student Life Office. The deadline for submitting an application is November 15. The General Scholarship is a need-based scholarship available for all full-time students in both the seminary and college. For more information, please contact the Student Life Office at 761-2305.

South Carolina scholarship

An unspecified number of \$500 scholarships is available for students from South Carolina. Come to the Student Life Office as soon as possible for more information.

Chili cook-off

The annual chili cook-off will take place on Thursday, November 6, at 6:00 p.m. in the Ledford Center. Please come by the Student Life Office to enter the contest. Free tickets to attend the cook-off are available at the front desk of the Ledford Center.

Paid childcare opportunity

The Dean of Students Office will need childcare workers during the Regeneration Retreat, November 14-15. These are paid positions. Please contact the Dean of Students Office at 761-2306 for more information.

Student email accounts

Southeastern now offers free email for all Seminary and College students currently enrolled in classes. You are provided with 5 MB of email space that you can securely access from any Internet browser. If you have not signed up for your email account, please do so today. Sign-up for your student email account on-line at <http://webmail.sebts.edu>. You can also contact the IT Email Help Desk at 761-2117 or email.support@sebts.edu.

Ph.D. application deadline

The deadline for submitting an application for admission to the Ph.D. program for Fall 2004 is December 1. For more information, contact Janet Hellard in the Ph.D./Th.M. Office at 761-2491.

Regeneration Retreat Ministry

The Regeneration Retreat (formerly known as Great Hills Retreat) will take place November 14-15 at Southeastern. All ladies are invited to attend. A discount on the registration fee is available for seminary students and wives of seminary students. The fee for these women is \$20 for early registration (postmarked by October 24) and \$27 for late registration (postmarked after October 24). For more information, contact the Dean of Students Office at 761-2306.

Basketball referees needed

The intramural department needs basketball referees for the spring semester. If you are interested, please call Nathan Rush at 569-0386.

Operation Christmas Child

Brochures concerning Operation Christmas Child are available in the Student Life Office and at each Southeastern Women's Fellowship meeting. Please follow the important instructions on the brochure. The boxes can be dropped off at the Student Life Office until November 14.

SWF craft and bake sale

The Southeastern Women's Fellowship craft and bake sale will take place Friday, December 5, 12:00-6:30 p.m., and Saturday, December 6, 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. The fee is \$6 for a table and \$10 for a table with electricity. Registration forms are available at each SWF meeting, or you may call Elizabeth Hilliard at 569-0623. The registration deadline is November 14. You may drop off your registration form with payment in the Student Life Office.

Chiropractic care

Dr. Barry Swindler will be providing free chiropractic care for students every Tuesday from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. in the study room of the Ledford Center. Appointments are necessary. Please call the Student Life Office at 761-2305 to make an appointment.

Bay Leaf Toy Chest

Bay Leaf Baptist Church invites all full-time, married (with children) students, to the 10th Annual Toy Chest. The Toy Chest will be held Saturday, November 15, from 10:00 until 11:15 a.m. in the church's Family Life Center. This is a ministry of Bay Leaf Baptist Church that provides Christmas gifts at a minimal fee for the children of seminary students. All proceeds go the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering. You will receive an invitation in your campus mailbox the first week of November.

Tar River Association

Christmas toy store

Applications are now available in the Student Life Office for the Tar River Baptist Association Christmas toy store. You cannot be participating in any other toy chest to receive from this one. The deadline for applications is November 6.

Graduation informational packets

Informational packets have been mailed to the home address of those graduating in December. Tickets have been included. If you have not received your packet come by the Dean of Students Office. Signatures for the clearance form begin on November 13 with the exception of the Business Office and Library.

Frisbee golf tournament

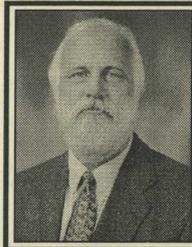
The Frisbee golf tournament will continue through November 10. The rules and scorecards are available at the front desk of the Ledford Center. For more information, please contact Seth Bible in the Student Life Office.

Theological Thoughts

The New Testament: Its Background and Message

By Dr. David Alan Black

Long before the editors at Broadman & Holman asked me if I would consider revising Thomas D. Lea's *The New Testament*, I was already a big fan of the book. Here was a systematic introduction written



David Alan Black, Professor of New Testament and Greek, Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary



Thomas D. Lea (1938-1999), former Dean of the School of Theology, Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary

in plain English and explaining the contents of the New Testament in the context of the big picture of Scripture. If Dr. Lea had been writing for professionals, he would have done a number of things differently, no doubt. For one thing, he would not have made an effort to keep the language simple and the explanations uncomplicated (professionals have no problem understanding their own jargon!). He would not have kept the footnotes to a minimum (professionals want to be sure that an author has read everything on the subject!). He would not have used practical applications (though technical books would do well to use them!). Perhaps the writer of the Gospel of Luke realized (better than we do today) that Theophilus

needed to be given *basic* instruction (Luke 1:1-4).

For these reasons (and many others besides), Lea's book was well suited to the courses I teach in New Testament introduction, and I had long been using it as a required text when I was approached by the publishers. Before his death, Dr. Lea had planned to update his book. That task having devolved upon me, I indicated to the editors that I wished to let the work stand as it is as much as possible and to make only minor changes and adjustments to the text. To this purpose they consented.

I have gone through the entire book carefully, updating the bibliographies and expanding the discussions in a number of areas (e.g., the synoptic problem and textual criticism). I added a jot here and a tittle there, mostly to round out the discussion, always asking myself, "Would a student benefit by this addition?" (For example, I felt it necessary to expand Lea's discussion of the interpretation of the number 666 in Rev. 13:18.) Otherwise, to a large degree the work retains the wording of Dr. Lea, whose writing style was nearly impeccable. This revision is intended not only for devotees of the original edition but also for a new generation of readers who, I hope, will find this book as enjoyable and profitable as I have found it to be through the years.

To know that the early labors of a great New Testament scholar and churchman will continue to be available to teachers and students is, of course, a source of deep gratification for me. It is my prayer that this revised edition will not only find a positive response among New Testament teachers and students but will help all of us, like Luke's Theophilus, to know "the certainty of the things in which we were instructed" (Luke 1:4).

(The following is excerpted from chapter 6, "The Synoptic Problem" by Thomas D.

Lea and David Alan Black)

At the end of the eighteenth century the German biblical scholar J. J. Griesbach named Matthew, Mark, and Luke the "Synoptic Gospels." The term *synoptic* comes from a Greek word meaning "a seeing together." Griesbach selected the word because the first three Gospels have

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a high degree of similarity in their discussion of Jesus' life and ministry. Several features characterize these similar presentations of Jesus' life.

1. The Synoptics have the same general historical arrangement. Starting with the baptism and temptation of Jesus, they cover with varying detail his public ministry in Galilee. All three Gospels suggest that Peter's confession at Caesarea Philippi was the turning point of Jesus' ministry. After this crucial event they narrate the final journey to Jerusalem and Jesus' arrest, trial, crucifixion, and resurrection.
2. In many section the verbal content of the Synoptics is similar. A comparison

of the verbal agreements in the healing of the leper in Matthew 8:1-4, Mark 1:40-45, and Luke 5:12-16 will show the extent of this similarity. In some instances, two of the Gospels have a similar style and wording in comparison to the third. Frequently Matthew and Luke have similar wording for material common to them but missing in Mark (see Matt. 3:7-10; Luke 3:7-9).

3. Despite the similarities between the Gospels, many differences in arrangement and vocabulary appear. For example, all three Gospels have interesting differences in the details of the story of the healing of the man with the withered hand (Matt. 12:9-14; Mark 3:1-6; Luke 6:6-11). Matthew placed the incident in a different order than Mark and Luke. Luke later (14:1-6) repeated another incident with verbal similarities to the Matthean account. The Synoptics also narrate Jesus' passion in a generally similar sequence, but they contain many variations of detail and wording.

Such similarities and differences have caused thoughtful Christians to ask, "How can these things be?" What could cause the appearance of so many similarities and, at the same time, so many differences? Why do we have more than one Gospel?

These observations and questions represent the essence of the Synoptic problem.



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Elliot

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"Very often, God comes to us with things we don't understand," Elliot Gren said.

Just as Mary could not comprehend the message brought to her by the angel, often we do not understand the situations God brings to us, she said.

"What God asks you or me to do is to be at His disposal," Elliot Gren said. "To understand is not what is asked of us, but rather the willingness to follow God."

There were over 1,200 in attendance for the chapel service. Binkley Chapel was filled to capacity and overflow rooms with closed-circuit televisions were located in the basement of Binkley.

After the chapel service, Elliot Gren spent over two hours signing books and greeting students in the Ledford Center.

There was also a luncheon in the Multi-Purpose Room of the Ledford Center for women students and student wives following the chapel service.

Women's Fellowship Day is an annual event sponsored by the Dean of Students Office and Southeastern Women's Fellowship. The day is geared towards women with a special chapel speaker and other events. Wives of students are also invited to attend classes with their husbands on this day.

Sunshine Seniors

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Over 200 students volunteered to help the Seniors at the fair this year. They worked during three different shifts from 7:30 in the morning until as late as 11:30 at night.

The money raised at this year's fair will be used to fund a scholarship for students at Southeastern. According to Keith, the Seniors hope to have raised enough money to offer the scholarship by next fall.

In addition to the food ministry at Southeastern, the Sunshine Seniors also participate in other mission projects. They provide bereavement envelopes for families at area hospitals and make gowns for premature babies born at WakeMed and

Rex hospitals.

There are over 100 members of the Sunshine Seniors ranging in age from the mid-sixties to 97 years old.



Southeastern students assisted the Sunshine Seniors by working at their booth at the state fair.

Mission Opportunities

J-TERM

Miami: January 4-10
Uruguay: January 5-15
Romania: January 8-19
Mexico: January 10-17

SUMMER

Bangladesh/Nepal: May 24-June 11
Philippines: June 28-July 15

Informational meeting

An informational meeting for the summer mission trips to Bangladesh/Nepal and the Philippines will take place Friday, November 14 at 2:00 p.m. in the Eitel Auditorium. If you attended the October informational meeting, you do not need to attend this meeting. The Bangladesh/Nepal trip will be May 24-June 11, 2004, and will cost \$2485. The Philippines trip will be June 28-July 15, 2004, and will cost \$2199. Please contact Kimberly Thompson at cgcs@pobox.com if you have additional questions.

Uruguay mission trip

Would you like to evangelize the most secular nation in South America? You will be able to do it, if you join the team going to Uruguay January 5-15, 2004. Dr. Solc is looking for people who know some Spanish and who can play baseball. The group will reach many people by offering baseball clinics and sharing the Good News with them after each clinic. If you are interested, call Dr. Josef Solc at 761-2162.

Mexico mission trip

Help spread the good news through door-to-door evangelism and revival type meetings in the evenings. A meeting will take place on Tuesday, November 18, at 2:30 p.m. in Appleby Conference Room. The cost for the trip is \$600. This trip is sponsored by Dr. Cowen. See Carolyn in the college office for more information.

Romania mission trip

Dr. Emir Caner will be leading a mission trip to Romania January 8-19, 2004. The trip will cost approximately \$1,200 and will include such activities as crusades, VBS, door-to-door evangelism and much more. For further information, please contact Phyllis Jackson in Stephens-Mackie at 761-2480.

Miami mission trip

The Miami mission trip will take place January 4-10. The mission team will be helping church plants in Miami by conducting block parties, prayer walks, door-to-door surveys, and other activities. With residents from over 160 countries and 130 different language groups, it is considered to be the financial capital of Latin America and the Caribbean. Foreign language skills are desired but not required. Cost includes individual transportation to Miami and \$15 a day for food and housing. Academic credit is available. Contact Alana Adams at 761-2160 for information.

Ministry Opportunities

The Ministry Referral Office sends resumes to churches and other ministries who request the names of candidates for part-time and full-time paid positions. SEBTS students and graduates may establish files in the Referral Office if they wish their resumes to be included. Requests from churches for positions for which we have no matching resumes are posted in the office. The posted books are on display at all times for students to review.

Part time/Bi-vocational

- Covenant Baptist Church, Apex, NC, Minister to Children
- Immanuel Baptist Church, New Martinsville, WV, Youth Pastor
- Monroe Avenue Baptist Church, Green River, WY, Pastor
- Mountain View Community Church, White Sulphur Springs, MT, Pastor
- Rosemark Baptist Church, Millington, TN, Pastor

Full time

- Antioch Christian Church, Watkinsville, GA, Student Minister
- First Baptist Church, Joshua, TX, Minister of Music
- Hilltown Baptist Church, Hilltown, PA, Pastor of Music & Worship
- Scott Lake Baptist Church, Lakeland, FL, Minister of Students and Assimilation
- Valley View Baptist Church, Leeds, AL, Associate Pastor of Youth & Music

Montana church planting

Dave Howeth, DOM and church planter strategist from Montana will be on campus October 30-November 4 to interview anyone interested in church planting or other church staff positions in the state of Montana. If you are interested in learning more about this opportunity, please schedule an interview through the Ministry Referral Office located in Broyhill Hall.

IMB candidate consultant

IMB Candidate Consultant, Herman Russell, will be on campus November 3-7 to talk with students about short-term and career mission opportunities. Please call Mona Townsend at 1-800-765-0011 for an appointment.

Camp Willow Run

Camp Willow Run on Lake Gaston is hosting a Super High Retreat November 7-9 for 9th-12th grade youth groups. The camp will provide lodging, meals, and the program. Cost for two nights, five meals, and the program is \$78 per person. One adult chaperone is required per ten youth campers. Camp Willow Run offers sound biblical programming, good food, and facilities on the lake. Contact CWR for more information at (252) 586-4665 or info@campwillowrun.org or on-line at www.campwillowrun.org.

Alumni dinners

Two alumni dinners are scheduled for November. The North Carolina alumni dinner will be Monday, November 10 at 5:00 p.m. at Calvary Baptist Church in Winston-Salem. The cost is \$10, and Dr. Reid will be speaking. Contact Kim Davidson at (919) 761-2203 by November 7 for a ticket and to RSVP. The South Carolina alumni dinner will be Tuesday, November 11 at 5:15 p.m. at Westside Baptist Church in Columbia. The cost will be \$9. Call Kim at (919) 761-2203 for RSVP and tickets. Both of these banquets are in conjunction with the state conventions. If you have any questions, call the Alumni Office at (919) 761-2203.

Chapel Schedule

November 4

Dr. Albert Allen, Jr.
 Grey Stone Baptist Church
 Durham, NC

November 5

Dr. Frank Page
 First Baptist Church
 Taylors, SC

November 6

Dr. Paul Tripp
 Christian Counseling &
 Education Foundation
 Glenside, PA

November 11

Dr. Samuel Thomas
 Hopegivers International
 Columbus, GA

November 12

Dr. Stephen Olford
 Olford Ministries International
 Memphis, TN

November 13

Dr. Stephen Olford
 Olford Ministries International
 Memphis, TN

Tapes of chapel sermons may be purchased from the Audio/Visual department in the Library. Also, all chapel sermons can be downloaded from www.sebts.edu.

Newsline Information

Submissions for the next *Newsline* will be due by November 10. *Newsline* submissions may be sent to newsline@sebts.edu, or dropped off at the Student Life Office. All submissions should be in electronic format, either on disk or sent via e-mail, and should be submitted as they are to appear in the *Newsline*. The Student Life Office reserves the right to edit any announcement. The *Newsline* is also available on-line at http://www.sebts.edu/visitors/news_events/newsline.cfm.



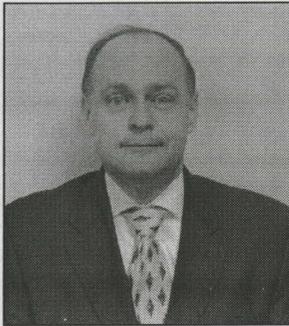
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A Look Inside

Faculty Spotlight



Stephen Prescott brings a legal background and vast educational experience to the history classroom at Southeastern College at Wake Forest.

Thinking Against the Grain

Dr. Allan Moseley, Professor of Old Testament and Hebrew / Vice President for Student Services / Dean of Students, just released his latest book discussing world-views.

Spring Registration

Details concerning January and spring registration for both the Seminary and the College are available on page 2.

Jacksonville Pastors Conference

The annual Jacksonville Pastors Conference will be January 30-February 3, 2004. More details are on page 2.

HB 150 to benefit college

By Evan Lenow

In July of 2004, students at Southeastern College at Wake Forest who are also residents of North Carolina will receive checks for up to \$1,800 as tuition reimbursement from the state government.

Over the summer, a little-known piece of legislation came before the General Assembly of North Carolina. The bill, known as House Bill 150 (HB 150), adds Southeastern College and Roanoke Bible College in Elizabeth City to the list of private colleges eligible to receive funding from the state's Legislative Tuition Grant.

The tuition grant works much like a state Pell Grant, according to Stephen Prescott, Instructor of Church History at Southeastern College.

The bill passed in the House with a 66-47 vote and in the Senate with a 38-2 vote. The bill was then signed by Governor Mike Easley on August 19.

The way the grant will work for Southeastern students is that they will complete an affidavit attesting to their in-state residency, and the Registrar's Office will give the names and addresses of those students to the state. The state will then send checks to the students for \$900 per semester that they maintained full-time status of 12 hours or more.

The in-state residency requirement will be the same as that set by the Board of Governors of the University of North Carolina. Therefore, if a student qualifies for in-

state tuition at any of the state universities, he or she also qualifies for the Legislative Tuition Grant.

The guidelines for establishing residency in North Carolina for the Legislative Tuition Grant are rather straightforward. If a

“Students at Southeastern College will receive checks for up to \$1,800 as tuition reimbursement from the state government.”

student has lived in North Carolina and established his/her residency, i.e. driver's license or voter's registration, in the state for at least a year without attending an institution of higher education, then the student is considered a resident.

Unfortunately, students who were residents of other states and moved to North Carolina for the purpose of going to college are not eligible to receive the grant unless they sit out of school for a year.

In addition, students who are residents of

North Carolina and then move their residency to another state while in school are no longer eligible for the grant even if they have received it in the past.

Prescott took the initiative to be a liaison between the school and the General Assembly. He spent days lobbying representatives of the General Assembly leading up to the vote. He also testified three times before the House Education Committee, the House Appropriations Committee, and the Senate Education Committee. The bill was sponsored by Bill Owens, D-Elizabeth City, and Paul Stam, R-Apex.

Prescott first decided to get involved in the issue when the General Assembly expanded the grant program to include a culinary school in Charlotte.

Prescott believed the old system unfairly discriminated against religious schools. He cited the 1986 U.S. Supreme Court decision in *Witters v. Washington Department of Services for the Blind* that ruled it unconstitutional for the state of Washington to refuse state grants to a person attending a Christian university.

The initial rationale for excluding Southeastern and Roanoke, the state's only two accredited four-year Bible colleges, was that the schools had a religious affiliation. The argument continued that they only offered degrees in religious studies and sponsoring such students would violate separation between church and state.

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Olford notes program and power of ministry

By Staff

“All word and no Spirit, you dry up. All Spirit and no word, you flare up. All word and all Spirit, you grow up,” said Dr. Stephen Olford during his chapel message at Southeastern's Binkley Chapel.

Olford spent November 12-13 on the campus of Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary preaching in chapel and participating in a student forum.

On November 12, he addressed the pattern of Christian ministry from 2 Timothy 2:1-7, 15. He noted that Christian ministry is a God-given way we must pursue, a God-given work we must perform, and a God-



Dr. Stephen Olford spent time answering questions during a student forum on Wednesday afternoon in Binkley Chapel.

given word we must proclaim.

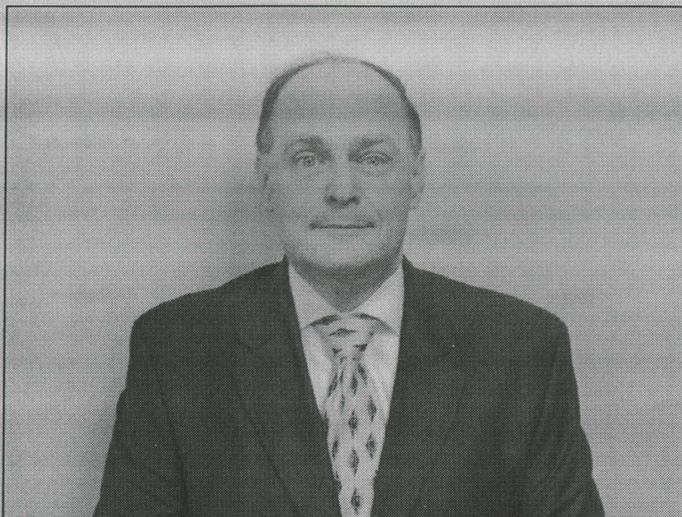
He focused on the disciplined life needed for ministry as evidenced by the lives of the soldier, athlete, and farmer in 2 Timothy 2:4-6.

Olford also stated that a true worker must employ the two God-given tools—authority and power. Authority is the Word of God, and power is the Spirit of God.

He emphasized the necessity of toiling in the biblical languages and theology as a part of the work of ministry. He also admonished students that it takes time to study God's Word and prepare for ministry.

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Faculty Spotlight: Stephen R. Prescott



Family: None, give my phone number to Godly single women, especially those with money.

Seminary/College position: Instructor of Church History, Coordinator of Social Studies, SECWF

Hometown: Alachua, FL

How you became a Christian: I "joined the church" when I was 11 because my mother told me to do so. I began to attend church regularly when I was 18, and after 6 months I accepted Christ at home alone after returning from an evangelism training class at church.

Current church: Olde Mount Vernon Baptist Church, Raleigh

Current local church ministry: Interim Pastor, Fishing Creek Baptist Church, Warrenton, NC

Most influential person in your life: David Norman who was President of the Country Markets, Inc., a supermarket chain in Florida for whom I worked as Vice President and Chief Operating Officer

Education: B.A., History and Religion, University of Florida; M.A.R., Liberty Baptist Theological Seminary; M.A., History, University of Florida; M.Div. equivalency, Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary; J.D., University of Florida; Ph.D. candidate, Church History, Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary; Ed.D. candidate, Higher Education Leadership, East Carolina University

Classes currently teaching: Baptist History; Church History I; Baptist State Conventions; Western Civilization; Early American Republic, 1789-1848

Favorite class ever taught: I have enjoyed them all, but my favorites were Church and State and a D. Min. intensive in Current Legal Issues for Pastors (MBTS).

Recent or upcoming publications: I have published 6 articles this year. Dr. Keith Harper and I have a contract with Eerdmans to write a new Baptist history textbook. That will be the major focus of the next several years.

Favorite author: John R. W. Stott

Favorite musician: Steve Green

Hobbies: Vegetable and herb gardening

What influenced you to come to Southeastern: Just the leading of God. My pastor wanted me to go to Southwestern; I liked the program at Southern best, but I felt a strong leading to Southeastern.

A word of wisdom: It is never right to do wrong in order to do right.

Seminary pre-registration

Pre-registration for January and Spring 2004 courses will be November 17-21. Return your registration forms to the Registry by 4:00 p.m. on Friday, November 21 to register according to class standing. Any forms received after this time will be processed on a first come, first served basis.

College advisement and pre-registration

January and Spring 2004 advisement and pre-registration for Southeastern College will be December 1-5. Sign up outside Dean Cowen's office in Appleby for an advisement appointment. You may sign up beginning on Monday, November 17. Return your registration forms to the Registry by 4:00 p.m. on Friday, December 5 to register according to class standing. Any forms received after this time will be processed on a first come, first served basis.

South Carolina scholarship

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Student email accounts

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Graduation informational packets

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Basketball referees needed

The intramural department needs basketball referees for the spring semester. If you are interested, please call Nathan Rush at 569-0386.

Graduation announcements

Announcements and calling cards for fall graduation have arrived at LifeWay Campus Store. Graduates may pick them up at the front counter.

SWF craft and bake sale

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Jacksonville Pastors Conference class

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Seminary Choir concert

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IMB candidate consultant

IMB Candidate Consultant, Herman Russell, will be on campus December 16-18 to talk with students about short-term and career mission opportunities. Please call Mona Townsend at 1-800-765-0011 for an appointment.

Ph.D. application deadline

The deadline for submitting an application for admission to the Ph.D. program for Fall 2004 is December 1. For more information, contact Janet Hellard in the Ph.D./Th.M. Office at 761-2491.

Volunteer chaplaincy

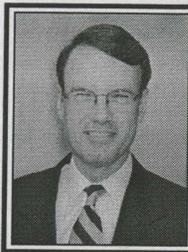
Franklin Correctional Center is seeking a volunteer to do prison chaplaincy work 2-3 times per week. Please contact Timothy McCoy if you are interested at (919) 496-6119.

Theological Thoughts

Thinking Against the Grain: Developing a biblical worldview

By Dr. Allan Moseley

This book has several purposes, but two of these are primary. First, we would motivate and enable people to think biblically. What does it mean to think as a Christian, and how does that thought



N. Allan Moseley, Professor of Old Testament and Hebrew, Vice President for Student Services, Dean of Students, Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary

process differ from other common ways of thinking? Second, we would demonstrate the contours of a consistently biblical worldview. What are distinguishing benchmarks of a Christian worldview? What are some practical, or ethical, implications of thinking that is faithful to the Bible?

If the church does not recover a biblical way of thinking, it will continue its drift toward assimilation with a corrupt culture. An assimilated church will become more and more difficult to differentiate from the world. A church that thinks like the world will act like the world. Worldly thinking already is rampant in the church.

A host of Christians have avoided serious thought about the implications of their faith and the differences between biblical belief and the *zeitgeist*. Some of these Christians know what they believe, but they do not know why they believe it. Their faith comes across as hopelessly naive in public conversation. This is because they have never done the work of

developing a Christian mind. This book is intended to help them in that great work.

In this book I will sketch the philosophical issues involved in the worldview debate, but I am particularly interested in considering the *ethical product* of the worldview clash, the ways in which philosophy affects behavior at the individual and societal levels. I want to show Christians how differences in systems of morality arise from different worldviews. I want to demonstrate that the Christian worldview and its inherent system of morality make sense.

What does it mean to love God with our minds? It means to become more mentally equipped to live the Christian life, more committed to the propositional truth of the Word of God, and more dedicated to use our minds for the glory of God. Further, it means that everything we do with our minds should in some way express our love for God. Moreover, since Jesus commanded us to use all of our minds as an expression of our love for God, Christians ought to be thinking and studying people — all for the glory of God.

Sadly, the situation in the church seems bleak. Christians have an appalling lack of knowledge of, and commitment to, the Bible. They understand little of theology. The Barna Research Group cites the following statistics regarding the beliefs of Christians:

- Fifty-two percent of those who describe themselves as “born again Christians” rejected the existence of the Holy Spirit (2001).
- Thirty-five percent of those who identify themselves as “born again” say that Jesus Christ was crucified but not physically raised to life on

the third day (1997).

- Forty-five percent of those who call themselves “born again” deny Satan’s existence (2001).
- Thirty-two percent of those who identify themselves as “born again” state that they believe in moral absolutes (2001).

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- Twenty-six percent of “born again” adults stated that they make their choices on the basis of principles taught in the Bible. Twenty-four percent said that they made their choices on the basis of “whatever feels right or comfortable in the situation” (2001).¹

The need for a coherent and convincing biblical worldview is urgent and its issues are pressing. For example, how are Chris-

tians to respond to the ideological wake of the sexual revolution, to the proliferation of homosexuality, and to “safe sex” ideology? How are Christians to relate themselves to possessions in a culture that is defined by greed? What should Christians think and do about the genocidal slaughter of the innocent unborn? How can we express our personal faith meaningfully in an atmosphere of anti-Christian bigotry? What does the Bible have to say about our relationship to the environment? All of these questions cry out for answers.

When we commit to study the Bible diligently and to read the culture critically with a mind that is devoted to discovering truth, the natural result is growth. And if our minds are immersed in the truth, a biblical worldview will begin to form. We will cultivate “the mind of Christ.” As spiritual adults we can face the complex issues of our time with a worldview that is both faithful to the Word of God and intelligible to those who need that Word.

i. These statistics were gathered from “Barna Research Online,” at <http://www.barna.org>. Specifically, the research archives were consulted, as well as the article “Americans Are Most Likely to Base Truth on Feelings,” 12 February 2002. Accessed 23 September 2002.



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Tuition

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However, many of the private colleges included in the program offered religion degrees, and students pursuing those degrees were allowed to participate in the grant.

Since that time, Southeastern has added degrees in fields other than religious studies. Therefore, there was little reason for excluding Southeastern any longer.

Opponents of the bill argued that discrimination lawsuits would occur because schools may refuse admittance based on religious affiliation.

Proponents of HB 150 suggest that such a problem is avoided by how the money is distributed. By giving the money directly to the student, rather than to the institution, the state will never be giving funding directly to a religious institution.

Students at Southeastern will greatly benefit from the tuition grant because it will pay for over 12 hours of tuition at the Southern Baptist rate. Therefore, a full time student taking 12 hours per semester will be able to cut his tuition expenses in half.

Final details are still being worked out between the school and the state government. Prescott has been appointed by Dr. Gerald Cowen, Dean of the College, to serve as Southeastern’s liaison with the government officials responsible for working out the details of the grant.

According to Prescott, final details should be worked out by the end of the year. The school would then begin processing forms for students from the fall semester in order to receive their money in the summer.

A copy of the bill may be accessed on the North Carolina General Assembly’s website at <http://www.ncleg.com>.

Olford

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On Wednesday afternoon, Olford answered questions from students and faculty during a forum in Binkley Chapel.

On November 13, Olford addressed the power for ministry, the Holy Spirit, from Luke 24:44-49.

He noted the promise, presence, and purpose of the Spirit’s power for ministry.

In his discussion of the presence of the Spirit’s power, Olford said that Scripture teaches believers to be clothed with the Spirit. Without being clothed with the Spirit, the believer is naked and open for attack.

Olford closed the Thursday morning chapel by calling on the congregation to pray the words of the fourth verse of “Have Thine Own Way, Lord.” The verse reads, “Have Thine own way, Lord! Have

Thine own way! Hold o’er my being absolute sway! Fill with Thy Spirit ‘till all shall see Christ only, always, living in me.”

After both the student forum and Thursday’s chapel service, Southeastern hosted a book-signing for students to purchase Olford’s books and have them signed.

Olford and his son David lead Olford Ministries International, based in Memphis, Tenn. The ministry includes the Stephen Olford Center for Biblical Preaching.

Olford is a prolific writer and world-renowned speaker and preacher. His wife, Heather, accompanied him on his trip to Southeastern.

His books include *Anointed Expository Preaching, Not I, but Christ, Only One Life, and The Way of Holiness*.

More information about Olford’s ministry and writings is available on his website at <http://www.olford.org>.

Mission Opportunities

J-TERM

Miami: January 4-10
Uruguay: January 5-15
Romania: January 8-19
Mexico: January 10-17

SPRING

El Salvador: February 28-March 6

SUMMER

Bangladesh/Nepal: May 24-June 11
Philippines: June 28-July 15

Uruguay mission trip

Would you like to evangelize the most secular nation in South America? You will be able to do it, if you join the team going to Uruguay January 5-15, 2004. Dr. Solc is looking for people who know some Spanish and who can play baseball. The group will reach many people by offering baseball clinics and sharing the Good News with them after each clinic. If you are interested, call Dr. Josef Solc at 761-2162.

Mexico mission trip

Help spread the good news through door-to-door evangelism and revival type meetings in the evenings. A meeting will take place on Tuesday, November 18, at 2:30 p.m. in Appleby Conference Room. The cost for the trip is \$600. This trip is sponsored by Dr. Cowen. See Carolyn in the college office for more information.

Romania mission trip

Dr. Emir Caner will be leading a mission trip to Romania January 8-19, 2004. The trip will cost approximately \$1,200 and will include such activities as crusades, VBS, door-to-door evangelism and much more. For further information, please contact Phyllis Jackson in Stephens-Mackie at 761-2480.

Miami mission trip

The Miami mission trip will take place January 4-10. The mission team will be helping church plants in Miami by conducting block parties, prayer walks, door-to-door surveys, and other activities. With residents from over 160 countries and 130 different language groups, it is considered to be the financial capital of Latin America and the Caribbean. Foreign language skills are desired but not required. Cost includes individual transportation to Miami and \$15 a day for food and housing. Academic credit is available. Contact

Alana Adams at 761-2160 for information.

El Salvador mission trip

There will be a spring break mission trip to El Salvador, February 28-March 6, 2004. 3 hours seminary or college credit is available. The cost is \$950. Dr. Cowen is sponsoring this trip. Please see Carolyn in Dr. Cowen's office for more information.

Ministry Opportunities

The Ministry Referral Office sends resumes to churches and other ministries who request the names of candidates for part-time and full-time paid positions. SEBTS students and graduates may establish files in the Referral Office if they wish their resumes to be included. Requests from churches for positions for which we have no matching resumes are posted in the office. The posted books are on display at all times for students to review.

Part-time/Bi-vocational

- Antioch Church, Windsor, VA, Minister of Music
- Boston Baptist Church, Boston, GA, Part time Music Minister and Part-time Youth Minister
- Community Baptist Church, Big Springs, WV, Pastor
- Covenant Baptist Church, Apex, NC, Children's Ministry Assistant
- Mountain Creek Baptist Church, Troy, SC, Pastor

Full-time

- Calvary Baptist Church, Butler, AL, Minister of Music and Youth
- Ellerslie Road Baptist Church, Edmonton, Alberta, Worship & Music
- Kona Baptist Church, Kailua-Kona, HI, Korean Speaking Pastor

Gen-X church planting team

A Southeastern graduate leading a Gen-X church plant is seeking a team. He is looking for the right people, and will build positions around your gifting. Please visit www.youngstownchurchproject.com to learn more about their vision. Interested applicants should e-mail josh@youngstownchurchproject.com. Funding will be provided by NAMB and church partnerships or bi-vocational employment.

Houseparents needed

The Christian Life Home is a maternity home for young women (ages 10-23) in unplanned pregnancies. The Home is located in Raleigh and provides housing, food, health care, counseling, and life skills training for these women in a Christ-centered environment. This is a full-time position for a husband and wife to serve as houseparents, and includes salary, benefits, and housing. All houseparents receive in-depth, ongoing training and support. For more information, visit their website at www.christianlifehome.com or contact Gary McGhee at (919) 510-5400 or gary@christianlifehome.com.

World Changers summer staff

World Changers, of the North American Mission Board, has Summer Staff Team openings for Music Leader, Office Manager, Mission Communication Specialist, and Audio/Visual Technician. Seventeen teams of four people will be assigned to 75 World Changers student mission projects throughout North America this summer. For more information, please call 1-800-462-8657 x.6475, or visit the website, www.studentz.com/wc.

Flag football championship



Flag football champions, Barney's Playhouse

By Staff

Braving gusting winds in excess of 40 mph and temperatures falling to 36 degrees by the end of the game, Southeastern students hit the field for the annual flag football championship.

The flag football champions are Barney's Playhouse for the third year in a row. The members of the championship team are Travis Williams, Paul Colton, Blue Bryan, Anthony Brogan, Jason Johnson, Zach Nelson, Joseph McMurry, Rob Satterfield, and Seth Bible.

Chapel Schedule

November 18

Faculty Lecture

Dr. Mark Rooker
 Professor of Old Testament
 and Hebrew
 SEBTS

November 19

Dr. Fred Luter, Jr.
 Franklin Avenue Baptist
 Church
 New Orleans, LA

November 20

Dr. Evans Whitaker
 President
 Anderson College
 Anderson, SC

November 25

Thanksgiving Recess

November 26

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November 27

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Tapes of chapel sermons may be purchased from the Audio/Visual department in the Library. Also, all chapel sermons can be downloaded from www.sebts.edu.

Newsline Information

Submissions for the next *Newsline* will be due by November 24. *Newsline* submissions may be sent to newsline@sebts.edu, or dropped off at the Student Life Office. **All submissions should be in electronic format**, either on disk or sent via e-mail, and should be submitted as they are to appear in the *Newsline*. The Student Life Office reserves the right to edit any announcement. The *Newsline* is also available on-line at http://www.sebts.edu/visitors/news_events/newsline.cfm.



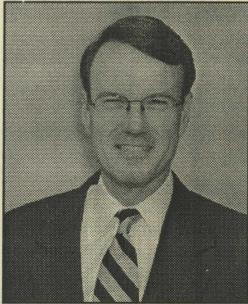
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College Registration

Details concerning January and spring registration for the College are available on page 2.

December Graduation

Southeastern's December graduation will take place on Saturday, December 13 at 9:00 a.m. in Binkley Chapel.

Bush urges ETS to define doctrine

By Thomas White

Dr. Russ Bush, Dean of the Faculty at Southeastern Seminary, moved "that the ETS Executive Committee consider and recommend to the Society appropriate ways to clarify our Society's understanding of our doctrinal basis" during the Friday morning business session of the Evangelical Theological Society (ETS).

Bush explained that the intent of his motion was to keep errant theological beliefs which conflict with inerrancy from finding a home at the ETS. The motion was adopted unanimously.

The 2003 meeting of the ETS, held November 19-21 in Atlanta, Georgia, was the concluding chapter of the move to oust Clark Pinnock and John Sanders from the society.

During the 2002 meeting of the ETS, Dr. Roger Nicole, a founding member, brought charges against Pinnock and Sanders. Nicole alleged that Pinnock and Sanders had denied the doctrinal statement of the ETS by affirming the doctrine of open theism.

The executive committee met with each man concerning these charges and brought recommendations to the members of the society. Concerning Pinnock, the executive committee brought a unanimous recommendation not to remove him from the society because he agreed to change the wording in some of the passages which most concerned the executive committee.

Concerning Sanders, the executive commit-



Dr. Russ Bush, a past president of the Evangelical Theological Society, with Dr. Wayne Grudem, Research Professor of Bible and Theology at Phoenix Theological Seminary and also a past ETS president.

tee voted 7-2 to expel him, stating that his beliefs in open theism and specifically his discussion of prophecy were inconsistent with inerrancy. Thus, the stage had been set for a vote on the opening night.

At the Wednesday morning session, Pinnock presented a paper entitled, "Open Theism and Biblical Inerrancy." Pinnock began by describing the process and the charges which had been filed against him. He asked that "you judge me on what I am saying now and not what I have written in the past." His comments referred to his books *Most Moved Mover* and *The Scripture Principle*, which he admitted would need some revising to fall in line with the views of the ETS. He went on to say, "I want to be faithful to the Bible as God intended it to be."

During the question time, Pinnock was

pointedly asked about the truth of Scripture in matters of science and history but failed to clearly answer the question. Many left the presentation uncertain of where Pinnock stood on Scripture. Pinnock did state that he affirmed the Chicago Statement on Biblical Inerrancy.

The business session on Wednesday evening began with the charges being explained and Pinnock being given a chance to respond. The floor was opened for discussion, which continued for eighteen minutes.

Just before the distribution of ballots, Norman Geisler made a point of order that the vote be thrown out since it concerned only one of Pin-

nock's works, *Most Moved Mover*, and not his entire corpus. The point of order was rejected and the vote continued.

As the ballots were being counted, the proceeding continued by explaining the charges presented against Sanders and allowing him to respond. The committee said that Sanders had already agreed to change his statement that "God makes mistakes," which appears in his book entitled, *The God Who Risks*. The committee still had trouble with his wording, and after detailed discussion, they recommended his expulsion. The open discussion session lasted for thirty-eight minutes.

The questions centered on whether a clear definition of the word "inerrancy" existed, and what this vote would hold for the future of the Evangelical Theological Society.

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Music department to host concerts

By Staff

The Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary Music Department will feature two Christmas concerts this weekend at Binkley Chapel on the Seminary's Wake Forest campus.

The first concert will be "A Festival of Lessons and Carols" on Friday, December 5 at 7 p.m., providing a worship service which will alternate between the reading of Scripture

lessons and carols performed by the seminary orchestra and choral groups. Also included will be the congregational singing of familiar Christmas carols. Seminary ensembles presenting the concert are the Chapel Choir, Ladies Vocal Ensemble, Male Chorale, Faithful Men, Seminary Orchestra, and Contemporary Praise Ensemble conducted by the seminary's music department—John Boozer, John Davis, Nanette

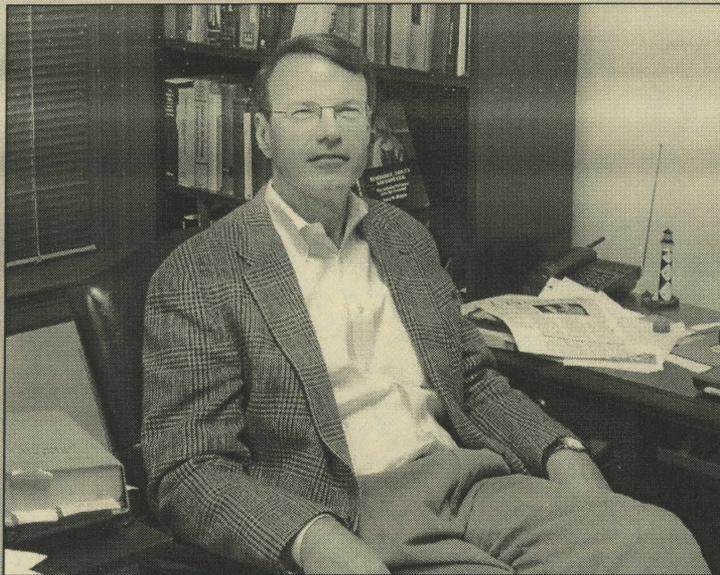
Goodwin and Larry Mayo. Scripture readings will be read by members of the seminary's faculty, staff and administration.

The second concert will be Saturday, December 6 at 7 p.m. At Binkley Chapel, the Seminary Choir and the Northeast Piedmont Chorale will combine to present the music of voices, brass, and organ music celebrating the Christmas season. Conducted by John Boozer, works

will include "Hodie" by Randall Stroope and "Fantasia on Christmas Carols" by Ralph Vaughan Williams. Also presented will be Rutter's "Gloria" led by guest conductor, John Davis. Combining both choirs is not a first for both groups. In addition to this Christmas concert they are looking toward a performance of Haydn's "Creation" this spring.

Both concerts are free and open to the public.

Faculty Spotlight: Allan Moseley



Family: Sharon, married for 24 years; Jonathan, 22, a student at University of North Carolina Medical School and married to Laura Leigh; David, 19, a sophomore in Aerospace Engineering at North Carolina State University; Anna, 9, 4th grader

Seminary/College position: Vice President for Student Services, Dean of Students, and Professor of Old Testament and Hebrew

Hometown: Montgomery, Alabama

How you became a Christian: The influence of my parents and a 7th grade Sunday School teacher named Sammy Walker

Current church: Open Door Baptist Church

Current local church ministry: Interim Pastor of Tabernacle Baptist Church in New Bern, NC

Most influential person in your life: My wife and Paige Patterson

Something surprising about you: During four preaching trips to the Bahamas, I enjoyed diving on the Bahama shelf and spearing fish, and I'm going back next year!

Education: B.A., Religion and Philosophy and a minor in Business, Samford University; M.Div. with a concentration in Biblical Studies, New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary; Th.D., Old Testament and Hebrew, New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary

Classes currently teaching: Hebrew, Introduction to the Old Testament (Tampa Extension), and Genesis (Spring semester)

Favorite class ever taught: Minor Prophets

Recent or upcoming publications: *Thinking Against the Grain: Developing a Biblical Worldview in a Culture of Myths*; *Lifeway's Adult Sunday School Teacher Commentary for Jonah and Proverbs* (Dec., 2003-Feb., 2004)

Favorite author: Walter Kaiser

Favorite musician: The late Keith Green

Hobbies: Spending time with my family, reading, writing, traveling, golf, fishing

What influenced you to come to Southeastern: God put a desire in my heart to teach, called me to do it, and the opportunity to be the Dean of Students was an added bonus from Him.

A word of wisdom: Learn the contents of the Bible by reading all of it several times while in seminary.

College advisement and pre-registration

January and Spring 2004 advisement and pre-registration for Southeastern College will be December 1-5. Sign up outside Dean Cowen's office in Appleby for an advisement appointment. You may sign up beginning on Monday, November 17. Return your registration forms to the Registry by 4:00 p.m. on Friday, December 5 to register according to class standing. Any forms received after this time will be processed on a first come, first served basis.

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Christmas reception

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Free Bible from Tyndale

Tyndale House Publishers is offering a free copy of the *New Living Translation* to students, faculty, and staff. In order to receive this free copy, you must come by the Dean of Students Office or call 761-2306 and sign up to receive this free offer. You must sign up on or before December 8 to receive this free offer.

Graduation informational packets

Informational packets have been mailed to the home addresses of those graduating in December. Tickets have been included. If you have not received your packet, come by the Dean of Students Office. Graduates should be getting their clearance forms signed by the offices on the list. If you have any further questions, please go by the Dean of Students Office.

Basketball referees needed

The intramural department needs basketball referees for the spring semester. If you are interested, please call Nathan Rush at 569-0386.

Graduation announcements

Announcements and calling cards for fall graduation have arrived at LifeWay Campus Store. Graduates may pick them up at the front counter.

SWF craft and bake sale

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Student email accounts

Southeastern now offers free email for all Seminary and College students currently enrolled in classes. You are provided with 5 MB of email space that you can securely access from any Internet browser. If you have not signed up for your email account, please do so today. Sign-up for your student email account on-line at <http://webmail.sebts.edu>. You can also contact the IT Email Help Desk at 761-2117 or email.support@sebts.edu.

Spring intramurals

The intramural department will be sponsoring several intramural sports during the spring semester. These will be basketball, volleyball, Frisbee golf, and other exciting events. Basketball sign-ups will begin at matriculation. Participants will be able to form their own teams again this year for basketball, so be thinking about who you want on your team over the break. For more information, contact Seth Bible in the Student Life Office at 761-2309 or sbible@sebts.edu.

December graduation

Commencement exercises for the December graduating class will take place on Saturday, December 13 at 9:00 a.m. in Binkley Chapel.

Spring payment deadline

The deadline for payment or payment arrangements for the spring semester is January 12. All students should contact the Business Office to make payments or arrangements on or before this date.

Theological Thoughts

Out of the Crescent Shadows: Touching the untouchables

By Drs. Emir and Ergun Caner

The woman was soft-spoken and apologetic. "Well," she began, "I have worked with Muslim women in my [medical] office for years. I always watched them, with those veils on their heads, and, I am



Emir Fethi Caner, Assistant Professor of Church History and Anabaptist Studies, South-eastern Baptist Theological Seminary



Ergun Mehmet Caner, Associate Professor of Theology and Church History, Liberty University

sorry, but I just thought they were weird. Some of them wouldn't even shake my hand. As a Christian, I would hear my pastor preach about reaching everyone, but frankly, I just figured he meant my neighbors and my friends. These ladies . . . I just felt were oddities. They took breaks through the day for their prayer time, and acted kind of strangely around Christmas. I would watch all the fighting around the world on television, and just assumed we

were at an impasse. They hated us; we didn't like them. They were untouchable. So I never even made an effort to speak to them about Jesus. One of them even invited me to their mosque, but I would never go there in a hundred years! We just had nothing to do with each other."

These words were spoken by a caller to a radio show in which we were being interviewed concerning Muslim evangelism. In one of the most honest and engaging conversations we have ever had, this one woman summarized perhaps the belief of a majority of Christian women. Muslims seem to be untouchable, unapproachable, and unreachable. Since the World Trade Center attacks of September 11, 2001, many Christians were for the first time forced to confront the world religion of more than one billion people—Islam. Though the woman spoke haltingly, thinking she was offending us as former Muslims, she did not. We have heard this often over the course of the eighteen years since our salvation. She was, in fact, speaking for many Christians in the western world.

Muslims seem to U.S. Christians to be enigmatic, a mystery, and an oddity. They dress, speak, eat, and act differently. Their customs seem strange, and they seemingly act arbitrarily in many situations. Why do some wear a covering over their entire body? Why do they put their foreheads on the ground when they pray? Why do the women walk behind the men? These questions arise more often than one would imagine.

It is precisely because these questions arise that we have written this book. Though Islam has been a world religion

for more than 1,300 years, and one in five people on the planet is Muslim, the religion still seems a puzzle to western Christians. Though Muslims now outnumber Episcopalians in America, few Christians

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have any interaction with Muslims, much less attempt to reach them with the precious gospel of Jesus Christ as Lord, Savior, and God. Muslims remain, for the most part, untouchable to us. We view them with a mixture of curiosity, fear, and disdain. If you are reading this book, however, the likelihood is that you believe this has to change.

Yet Muslims are not alone in their shunned existence. Two thousand years ago, another group of people were consid-

ered “untouchable.” In a region north of Jerusalem, in the middle section of Israel, there was an enclave of people considered unclean, uncharitable, and oddities. Few Israelites ventured into their areas, and even fewer ever had any contact with them. They were called Samaritans

How then do we view the over one billion Muslims in our world? Are they the untouchables of our historical era? Are they to be regarded as the unclean and the defiled—people who should remain separate and be treated as less than human? Jesus certainly did not treat Samaritans in this way. As Christ walked through Samaria to the city well, so also should Christians endeavor to enter the Islamic world, for the express purpose of bringing Christ, the Living Water.

As you examine the fourth chapter of John, the method of Christ to reach outcasts is clear: He entered their world. To follow Christ to the “Samaritan” Muslim, the Christian must understand her mindset, her beliefs, and her worldview. That is the purpose of this chapter—to get inside the life of the Muslim. It will serve as a primer in the basics of a most complex faith system.



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Just before the results were read, Dr. Roger Nicole, who brought the original charges, spoke to the society at large. He explained the fairness of the proceedings to the members, expressed his appreciation to the executive committee, and encouraged the members to understand that “inerrancy is a treasure” that the society must seek to maintain.

The results from the vote were as follows: 212 (32.9%) voted to expel Pinnock while 432 (67.1%) voted to allow Pinnock to remain in the society. 388 (62.7%) voted to expel Sanders while 231 (37.3%) voted to allow Sanders to remain in the society. Since the bylaws require a two-thirds majority vote to expel anyone, the society allowed both Pinnock and Sanders to remain members.

After the proceedings, Nicole commented, “I am very pleased that both men have recanted some statements that were intolerable.” He continued by saying, “I

believe that both of these men will be more careful in how they present their views.” He concluded his comments by saying that despite the outcome, the society has taken

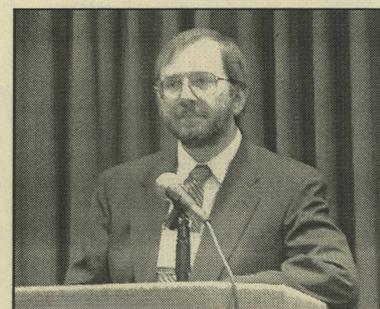
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a stand and for that stand they could be proud. This stand would allow others to know that one can only go so far.

Southeastern students and faculty were

well represented at this year's ETS meeting. Besides the many in attendance, Southeastern had thirteen people presenting papers. They were: “One Story, Multiple Tellings” by David Beck; “The Doctrine of the Trinity in Its Interface with Islam” by Abidan Shah; “The Quest for the Hysterical Jesus: When Culture Replaced Belief with Feelings” by Emir Caner; “From Church Competence to Soul Competence: The Devolution of Baptist Ecclesiology” by John Hammett; “Popeye Does Discourse Linguistics: A Sailor's Guide to Longacre” by Shawn Madden; “The Quest for the Biblical Jesus” by John Sailhamer; “The Eternal Functional Subordination of the Son in the Gospel of John” by Joy White; “The Second Commandment: An Analysis of Leviticus 19:18 in Its Old Testament Context” by Mark Rooker; “Athanasius' Understanding of Scripture: The Evidence of His Four Letters on the Holy Spirit” by John Nixon; “Egalitarianism and Homosexuality: Connected or Autonomous Ideologies” by David Jones; “The Textual Data of the Mount Athos Manuscripts of the Infancy Gospel of James Examined Geographically

and its Implications for the Transmission of the New Testament” by Edward Gravely; “Incipit/Explicit: Lectionary Influence on the Continuous-Text Manu-



Dr. John Hammett, Professor of Systematic Theology, presented a paper at ETS.

scripts Belonging to the Byzantine Textform” by Maurice Robinson; and Paulinisms in the Conclusion of Hebrews (13:18-25)” by David Lanier. Many of these papers are available for download online at <http://www.etsjets.org/meetings/2003/2003-papers-idx.html>.

Mission Opportunities

J-TERM

Miami: January 4-10
 Uruguay: January 5-15
 Romania: January 8-19
 Mexico: January 10-17

SPRING

El Salvador: February 28-March 6

SUMMER

Bangladesh/Nepal: May 24-June 11
 Philippines: June 28-July 15

Uruguay mission trip

Would you like to evangelize the most secular nation in South America? You will be able to do it, if you join the team going to Uruguay January 5-15, 2004. Dr. Solc is looking for people who know some Spanish and who can play baseball. The group will reach many people by offering baseball clinics and sharing the Good News with them after each clinic. If you are interested, call Dr. Josef Solc at 761-2162.

Romania mission trip

Dr. Emir Caner will be leading a mission trip to Romania January 8-19, 2004. The trip will cost approximately \$1,200 and will include such activities as crusades, VBS, door-to-door evangelism and much more. For further information, please contact Phyllis Jackson in Stephens-Mackie at 761-2480.

Miami mission trip

The Miami mission trip will take place January 4-10. The mission team will be helping church plants in Miami by conducting block parties, prayer walks, door-to-door surveys, and other activities. With residents from over 160 countries and 130 different language groups, it is considered to be the financial capital of Latin America and the Caribbean. Foreign language skills are desired but not required. Cost includes individual transportation to Miami and \$15 a day for food and housing. Academic credit is available. Contact Alana Adams at 761-2160 for information.

El Salvador mission trip

There will be a spring break mission trip to El Salvador, February 28-March 6, 2004. 3 hours seminary or college credit is available. The cost is \$950. Dr. Cowen is sponsoring this trip. Please see Carolyn in Dr. Cowen's office for more information.

Bangladesh/Nepal and Philippines mission trips

A meeting concerning the Bangladesh/Nepal and Philippines mission trips will take place on Friday, January 30 at 6:30 p.m. in the Eitel Auditorium. If you have any questions, please contact Kimberly Thompson at 761-2230 or egcs@pobox.com.

Ministry Opportunities

The Ministry Referral Office sends resumes to churches and other ministries who request the names of candidates for part-time and full-time paid positions. SEBTS students and graduates may establish files in the Referral Office if they wish their resumes to be included. Requests from churches for positions for which we have no matching resumes are posted in the office. The posted books are on display at all times for students to review.

Part-time/Bi-vocational

- Bunn Baptist Church, Bunn, NC, Choir Director
- Calvary Baptist Church, Lilburn, GA, Minister of Music
- First Baptist Church, Emporia, VA, Youth Worker
- Florence Baptist Church, Pelion, SC, Minister of Youth

Full-time

- David Chapel Missionary Baptist Church, Austin, TX, Minister to Students
- Kona Baptist Church, Kailua-Kona, HI, Korean Speaking Pastor
- Northwest Chinese Baptist Church, Phoenix, AZ, Chinese/English Speaking Pastor

Houseparents needed

The Christian Life Home is a maternity home for young women (ages 10-23) in unplanned pregnancies. The Home is located in Raleigh and provides housing, food, health care, counseling, and life skills training for these women in a Christ-centered environment. This is a full-time position for a husband and wife to serve as houseparents, and includes salary, benefits, and housing. All houseparents receive in-depth, ongoing training and support. For more information, visit their website at www.christianlifehome.com or contact Gary McGhee at (919) 510-5400 or gary@christianlifehome.com.

Gen-X church planting team

A Southeastern graduate leading a Gen-X church plant is seeking a team. He is looking for the right people and will build positions around your gifting. Please visit www.youngstownchurchproject.com to learn more about their vision. Interested applicants should e-mail josh@youngstownchurchproject.com. Funding will be provided by NAMB and church partnerships or bi-vocational employment.

World Changers summer staff

World Changers, of the North American Mission Board, has Summer Staff Team openings for Music Leader, Office Manager, Mission Communication Specialist, and Audio/Visual Technician. Seventeen teams of four people will be assigned to 75 World Changers student mission projects throughout North America this summer. For more information, please call 1-800-462-8657 x.6475, or visit the website, www.studentz.com/wc.

IMB candidate consultant

IMB Candidate Consultant, Herman Russell, will be on campus December 16-18 to talk with students about short-term and career mission opportunities. Please call Mona Townsend at 1-800-765-0011 for an appointment.

Women's Certificate spring classes

The spring course offerings for the Women's Certificate Program are as follows:

January 27-March 18

Tuesday nights: Ministering to Preschoolers with Stacy Rist
 Thursday nights: Biblical Parenting with Betsy Owens and Old Testament Survey with Bobbie Midkiff

March 23-May 13

Tuesday nights: Counseling Skills for Women with Mindy Williams
 Thursday nights: Nehemiah with Stacey Allen and Basic Christian Doctrine with Evan Lenow

Childcare will be offered for Thursday night classes. The required courses offered during this term are Old Testament Survey and Basic Christian Doctrine. For more information, contact Joy White at whitej@sebts.edu or 261-9934.

Chapel Schedule

December 2

Dr. Stephen Rummage
 Associate Professor of Preaching
 SEBTS

December 3

Dr. Jeff Parish
 Davis Islands Baptist Church
 Tampa, FL

December 4

Dr. Allan Moseley
 Vice President for Student Services
 SEBTS

December 9

Final Exams

December 10

Final Exams

December 11

Final Exams

Tapes of chapel sermons may be purchased from the Audio/Visual department in the Library. Also, all chapel sermons can be downloaded from www.sebts.edu.

Newsline Information

This is the final issue of the *Newsline* for this semester. *Newsline* submissions may be sent to newsline@sebts.edu, or dropped off at the Student Life Office. **All submissions** should be in **electronic format**, either on disk or sent via e-mail, and should be submitted **as they are to appear** in the *Newsline*. The Student Life Office reserves the right to edit any announcement. The *Newsline* is also available on-line at http://www.sebts.edu/visitors/news_events/newsline.cfm.