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1,100 Students gather for apologetics and worldview conference

By Kyle Smith

After a robust turnout of 1,100 high school and college students that exceeded all expectations, organizers for Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary's first "20/20" apologetics and worldview conference say that it will not be the last.

The conference, held Feb. 4-5 and entitled "20/20 Collegiate Conference: Seeing Things Clearly in a World That's Blurred," took place on the seminary's Wake Forest campus. It attempted to instruct students on how to look at life through the lens of Scripture. Featuring speakers like Gary Habermas, professor of apologetics and philosophy at Liberty University, and Daniel Akin, president of Southeastern Seminary, the conference was a resounding accomplishment, according to all estimates.

"The 20/20 Conference was a wonderful success far exceeding my expectations," Akin said. "To see almost 1,100 young men and women with a

passion to worship, love and serve the true and living God with both their heart and mind was an awesome sight. I am encouraged as I think about the future and the impact these young champions for Christ will have. Young people need to be challenged. We need to raise the bar. They are capable of so much more than we usually think. This weekend was proof of that."

Southeastern Assistant Professor of Philosophy and History of Ideas Bruce Ashford, the conference organizer, agreed.

"We are thankful that the conference went as well as it did," Ashford said. "We had the opportunity to foster faith in these students, to help them to learn to think 'Christianly' through the various issues they encounter in a college



Christian band, Caedmon's Call, plays a concert for students at the 20/20 conference.

setting. Many Baptist students have been taught how to glorify God in their morals but not how to glorify him in their intellectual lives. This conference was intended to remedy that deficiency."

In addition to lectures delivered by both Habermas and Akin, the conference also featured numerous elective

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Mohler promotes 'biblical theology of marriage'

By Kyle Smith

Edited by Andy Lewis

In a culture that has grossly perverted God's ideals of sex and marriage, the church of the Lord Jesus Christ must champion these gifts according to God's revealed plan, Albert Mohler, Jr., said in a two-day lecture series at Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary.

Mohler, president of The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville, Ky., was the featured speaker at The Carver-Barnes Lecture on Feb. 8-9. The lecture series recognizes W.O. Carver and W.W. Barnes for their outstanding contributions to theological

education and deals with topics related to the history and mission of the church.

In his lectures, Mohler took on such salient cultural topics as homosexuality, pornography and sexuality within marriage. His two Binkley chapel addresses were augmented by a Tuesday evening session in which he met with male college and seminary students for a frank discussion about pornography and Christian sexual ethics, followed by a brief question and answer session with students.

Mohler's messages, which sought to develop a "comprehensive understanding of a biblical theology of

marriage," began in Genesis 2 and outlined four characteristics of marriage: partnership, protection, procreation and pleasure. The problem, Mohler indicated, comes when society pursues sexual pleasure without the other three characteristics within the marriage relationship.

One form of sexual perversion into which society is "rushing headlong" is homosexuality, Mohler said.

"It is one of the most pressing pastoral issues you will face," he said, adding that "nothing less than the credibility of the Christian church is at stake" in the way it responds to the crisis.

"The most appropriate way

for us to think about this is to ask what kind of people we must be to be up to a challenge like this," Mohler said.

The answer, he said, is for Christians to be people of God's Word, to take its position in reference to the sin of homosexuality and to humbly show love to those mired in a homosexual lifestyle while extending to them the Gospel of Christ.

"If you take away the Bible, we have nothing to say," Mohler reminded students. "We're not smart enough for this. We're not clever enough for this. But it's not our wisdom that we use; it's God's wisdom."

Southeastern Spotlight: David Armstrong



Seminary/College position: Comptroller

Campus role: Our office oversees the daily activities of student, faculty and staff accounts and business related issues. Believe it or not, our office does more than just take students' money. There are many hard workers behind the scenes which provide Accounts Receivables and Payables, Internal Controls, Human Resources and Payroll.

Hometown: Dallas, TX

Family: Wife, Stephanie (3 years), and son, David Jr. (11 months)

How you became a Christian: When I was 7 years old, my sister explained to me why Jesus died. I was scared of death until I understood what Jesus did. I recognized my sinfulness and I accepted his gift of life that day.

Current church: Richland Creek

Current church ministry: Teaching Sunday School for one of the Young Married classes

Education: B.B.A. in Accounting—Texas A&M University, M.S. in Accounting—Texas A&M University, M.Div.—Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary, Th.M.—Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary (currently pursuing)

Favorite author: Robert Ludlum and Gary Larson

Hobbies: Ice hockey, reading, and it used to be running.

Favorite musician: I prefer talk radio.

Something surprising about you: I was baptized in the Jordan river by Dr. Cowen while visiting the Holy Lands in 1982.

What influenced you to come to Southeastern: Dr. Patterson: The Lord called me into full-time ministry in February 2000, so I packed my bags and headed for N.C. because I trusted his leadership and knew that he had the top faculty of any other seminary.

A word of wisdom for the readers: "Let your watchword be your duty, and know no other talisman of success than labor. Let honor be your guiding star in your dealings with your superiors, your fellows, with all. Be as true to trust reposed as the needle to the pole, stand by the right even to the sacrifice of life itself, and learn that death is preferable to dishonor."

-Texas Governor Richard Coke, 1876

Chattanooga Christian Community Foundation Scholarship

The Dora Maclellan Brown Scholarship is available to Christian men and women who are seeking a master's degree at a theological seminary. Scholarship deadline is Feb. 15, 2005. For information or an application write or call Henry Henegar or William Scott at (423) 266-5257, Chattanooga Christian Community Foundation, 736 Market St., Suite 1706, Chattanooga, TN 37402. You can download the *Guidelines and Application* at www.cccfdn.org.

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Intramural Update

Basketball sign-ups have concluded. Please check the Student Life board for

Historical Thoughts

The Costly Call: Stories of Modern-Day Muslims

By Emir Fethi Caner and
H. Edward Pruitt
Edited by Andy Lewis

A small church survives in the middle of nowhere special. A teenager, after speaking with the pastor of the fellowship, forsakes his faith in Islam



Dr. Emir F. Caner, Assoc. Professor of Church History and Anabaptist Studies, SEBTS.



Mr. H. Edward Pruitt, Adjunctive Instructor of Missions, SEBTS.

and places his trust in Jesus Christ as the Son of God. When he tells his parents about his conversion, his father decries, "You are a Turk! You must be a Muslim!"

This furious objection is heard by men and women who dare to leave Islam. Whether the convert lives on one of the islands of Indonesia, on a cobblestone street of North Africa, or in a

desert of the Middle East, the outcry is the same. It is common for Muslims to cling to the erroneous belief that to be a Saudi, Pakistani, Malaysian, Egyptian, or Bengali is to be

Muslim. There are no exceptions. Period.

In this book, fifteen men and four women from eighteen countries and three continents present a different story. And readers will hear the story, too, of a young woman who, at this moment, yet stands at the crossroads between love and respect for family and what she knows is true. These testimonies demonstrate that the religious perspective of people in traditionally Muslim lands is far more varied than might be supposed. At this writing, some of these former Muslims are as young as thirty. Others are old enough to retire. Some are still in the poverty that has marked all of their lives; others grew up in some of the world's most affluent neighborhoods. One was born in the African bush, while others have lived surrounded by soaring skyscrapers, endless concrete, and non-stop traffic.

Whether from Iraq or Indonesia, Tanzania or Thailand, Saudi Arabia or Sri Lanka, these individuals were all brought up to be Muslim. They are first-generation believers in Christ, who converted with little or no Christian influence in their past. Each person's unique story offers a window into the intricate dance of culture, religion, and a desire to honor loved ones yet live by truth. What each person shares is a threefold struggle.

First, each believer in Christ has made grave sacrifices for his or her faith. Some watched family members die without Christ; others are consid-

ered dead in the eyes of family. Some have lost jobs. Some have been imprisoned, threatened with execution, fined, and beaten relentlessly. Some were forced to flee their countries and live in exile, seeking a new life in Europe or a more tolerant Muslim-led country. They have sacrificed much in their lives for one reason: They have a genuine relationship with the one, true, living God, Jesus Christ.

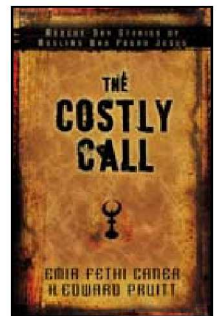
Second, these believers in Christ love all people unconditionally, even their enemies. Unwavering commitment to those who disdain them most permeates their testimonies. It is extraordinary that these former Muslims have repudiated the god of Islam, yet not one has turned in bitterness to reject the people of Islam, especially those in their own families. Instead, they adore the Muslim people. Radically transformed by the power of the gospel, they have forgiven great wrongs committed against them and still desire reconciliation with their kindred.

Third, the believers in Christ in this book have an undying burden that all Muslims, indeed all peoples, will see the truth of the gospel found in the person of Jesus Christ. Some of these saints of God have taken extraordinary risks to share the gospel with a loved one. Even those who have been irrevocably disowned by their entire families still mention each day the names of loved ones in prayer to God, pleading for the salvation of their souls. From a very personal stand-

point, they understand what Paul meant when he said, "For I could wish that I myself were accursed from Christ for my brethren, my countrymen according to the flesh" (Romans 9:3).

These are *not* stories of Christians from centuries past who gave their lives for the faith. Other books have appropriately honored many in those past generations of faithful believers. Rather, this book is the account of Christians whose witness goes on, whose sacrifice continues, and whose faith tenaciously abides. For that reason, all names, specific locations, and identifying details have been changed in consideration for the safety of the individuals involved. While each story represents actual events and people, their testimonies are presented in a form that advances the narrative.

The Costly Call chronicles the amazing, and sometimes painful, stories of men and women whose faith is sincere, genuine, and committed. They are heroes of our generation, for our generation.



Excerpted from *The Costly Call: Modern Day Stories of Muslims Who Found Jesus*. Grand Rapids, MI: Kregel Publications, 2005.

20/20 Conference

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seminars for students dealing with the most pressing issues in Christianity today, as well as worship lead by popular Christian recording artist Caedmon's Call.

According to Akin, the church today is losing its battle to have its worldview shaped by Scripture rather than culture. This battle for the mind is of paramount importance, he said, for a church surrounded by a culture that is moving rapidly in the wrong direction.

"I believe that in the church, we do a good job of loving God with our heart," Akin said, "but not a very good job of loving God with our

mind. As we enter the 21st century, Christians need to be armed for battle with their heart and mind. You and I need to be able to tell people both what we believe and also why we believe."

Habermas' messages were practical, dealing with two topics central to present-day Christian apologetics. An acclaimed expert on the topic of Christ's resurrection, Habermas instructed students on how to defend this crucial tenet to the Christian faith. His other address dealt with what he termed "the No. 1 objection to Christianity," the presence of pain and suffering in the world. He exhorted students to handle the pain and suffering they may encounter in life by renewing their minds in accordance with God's Word.

"What's happening to you may not change now," he said, "but what you tell yourself about what's happening to you can change immediately. Emotional pain is not caused by what happens to you. It is caused by what you tell yourself about what happens to you."

Students like University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill junior Daniel Bare saw the immediate value of the "20/20 Conference" for the help it gave in contending for the Christian faith in a world skeptical and often hostile toward Christianity.

"Once you get to college," Bare said, "apologetics becomes a lot more useful and a lot more pertinent because there are people around who are questioning what you believe and why you believe it, and they have a

lot of scientific arguments, a lot of pretty well-thought-out arguments. So this (conference) is a really important event to get people to start thinking about apologetics and why they really believe what they believe. It helps them to get some sound reasoning behind their faith rather than, 'I grew up in church. I always went to church. That's just how it's always been.' This conference allows you to actually get some substance behind it."

"A lot of times you don't really get to think about a lot of this stuff," added his brother, Michael Bare, a high school junior at the Durham School of the Arts, "but if you look at the list of seminars, it's a lot more than you usually get at a church so it's good to have people talk about stuff like this."

**2005 Missions Trips
Myanmar/Vietnam**

May 29 - June 15, 2005
Trip Cost: \$2782.00

Chiang Mai, Thailand

June 30 - July 18, 2005
Trip Cost: \$ 2527.00

Some scholarships remain available on a limited basis. Students are encouraged to pick up an information packet at the Center for Great Commission Studies Office, and return with a \$ 200.00 deposit, no later than Friday, February 18, 2005. If you have questions or concerns, contact the CGCS Office, 761-2230, or via e-mail, Michael Byers, omwjc@keptprivate.com.

Summer Trip To Slovenia

July 2 - July 13. The cost is approximately \$1500. Contact Mike Mallett at mmallett@wakecrossroads.com or at home @ 556-5872.

Austria Mission Trip 2005

Dr. Woodbridge, a former IMB missionary in Austria, will be taking a group to share the Gospel with both refugees from the Middle East and Eastern Europe as well as with native Austrians. The trip is scheduled for April 16-23. For more information, please contact Alana Adams at 761-2160.

Honduras Mission Trip

March 19-26, 2005—\$950.00 (partial scholarships available). Accompany Dr. Cowen in street preaching, door-to-door evangelism and nightly meetings. Many people will be saved as you share the good news of Jesus Christ! See Carolyn in Dr. Cowen's office (Appleby Hall) for more information.

Ministry Referral Office**Warren Poe Grant For Rural Church Ministry**

Reminder: Applications due by March 31. The Warren-Poe Grant for Rural Church Ministry provides an annual cash award of \$1,000.00 to the recipient for the development of rural church ministry. Both recent graduates and current students of Southeastern Seminary who are serving rural churches are encouraged to apply. Each applicant, however, must be serving his first pas-

torate; the church served must be in a rural location; and evidence of continuous service at the same church or church field must be provided. All proposals must deal directly with the advancement of pastoral ministry in a rural setting. Additional information is available in the Ministry Referral Office.

Wilson Pregnancy Center: Client Services Director. The Director position is 30 hours per week and the center is 45 minutes east of Wake Forest.

**Current Opportunities
Full-time**

- Cottonwood Baptist Church, Albuquerque, NM—Senior Pastor
- Christ Community Church, Zion, IL—Minister of Music, Worship, and Drama
- New Hope Baptist Church, Mauldin, SC—Associate Pastor of Music and Family
- Congaree Baptist Church, West Columbia, SC—Music and Youth Pastor
- Soul Discovery, Salisbury, MD—Lead Worshipper
- Lakeside Baptist Church, Lakeland, FL—Youth Minister
- Ebenezer Bible Fellowship Church, Bethlehem, PA—Pastor of Congregational Care
- Lakeland Baptist Church, Carbondale, IL—Pastor

Part-Time

- Burgaw Baptist Church, Burgaw, NC—Youth Director
- Chinese Christian Mission Church, Durham, NC—Youth Director
- Hope Baptist Church, Laurel, MD—Youth Minister

Bi-vocational

- Victory Baptist Church, Savannah, GA—Pastor

Summer Intern

- First Baptist Church, Kingston, TN—Children's Ministry Intern
- Mount Pleasant Baptist Church, Colonial Heights, VA—Preschool/Children's Ministry Intern
- Yemassee Baptist Church, Yemassee, SC—Summer Youth Minister

- First Baptist Church, Cary, NC—Intern
- Emmanuel Baptist Church, Hartsville, SC—Children and Youth Ministry Intern

2005 ITAM Spring and Summer Mission Trips

Mission efforts available every week during the summer. All-inclusive price: \$700. Specifically for non-missions track students. Please pick up application and preliminary info at Center for Great Commission Studies Info Desk.

Sports evangelism in New Hampshire

June 12-19, 2005. Do you want to help plant churches in New Hampshire through innovative approach to evangelism? Come to find out more about this unique opportunity during an informational meeting February 24 at 11:00 AM in the conference room at Jacumin-Simpson Building, or you can call 761-2162 and speak with Dr. Josef Solc.

Mission Trip to the Czech Republic and Switzerland

July 20-30, 2005. Do you want to lead former Communists to the saving knowledge of Jesus Christ? Then come with us and participate in the mission trip to the Czech Republic. The team will spend one day in Zurich, Switzerland. The rest of the trip will be filled with ministry in several locations among the Czech people. Our first informational meeting will be February 17 at 11 a.m. in the conference room on the second floor of the Jacumin-Simpson Building. Contact Dr. Josef Solc (761-2162) for more information.

New Sharing Shop Location

The new Sharing Shop is located at 100 Hipps St., behind the health center off Rock Springs Road. For information about directions or how you can help call Charlotte Shue at 570-9233.

Activate Your Student Email!

Please remember to activate your student email account. All offices and announcements will now come via email.

Ledford Mailboxes Closed

Ledford mailboxes have closed. Please remember to have your mail forwarded and clear out your mailbox.

Chapel Schedule

February 15
Dr. Roger Willmore
Deerfoot Baptist Church
Trussville, AL

February 16
Dr. Daniel Akin
President
SEBTS

February 17
Dr. Gordon Fort
Vice President
Overseas Operations
IMB

February 22
Dr. Mark Dever
Capitol Hill Baptist Church
Washington, DC

February 23
Dr. Richard Land
President
Ethics & Religious Liberty
Commission
SBC

February 24
Rev. Allan Blume
Mt. Vernon Baptist Church
Boone, NC

Tapes of chapel sermons may be purchased from the Audio/Visual department in Stealey Hall ext. 240. Also, all chapel sermons can be downloaded from www.sebts.edu.

Newsline Information

The deadline for submissions for the next *Newsline* is February 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. The *Newsline* is also available on-line at http://www.sebts.edu/visitors/news_events/newsline.cfm.



A Look Inside

Southeastern Spotlight



Skip Midkiff, Southeastern's Director of Employment, assists students and their families in finding employment. Turn to page 2 to learn more about him.

Creation-Order Theodicy

Dr. Bruce A. Little examines the problem of evil, presenting a different way for understanding evil in the world. See this book excerpt on Page 3.

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Blessing comes after obedience, Land says

By Stephanie Carter

The key to God's blessing of America is the obedience of Christians to His teachings, said Richard Land, president of the Ethics and Religious Liberty Commission, to students of Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary in a chapel address February 23.

Land has represented Southern Baptists' interests the nation's capital, and in the larger cultural milieu, since his appointment to his present position in 1988. President George W. Bush also appointed Land to two terms of service on the United States Commission on International Religious Freedom. He hosts a weekly radio call-in show and frequently appears on network and cable news programs.

Just a few weeks ago, *Time* featured Land as one of the 25 most influential evangelicals in the country.

Land spoke from 2 Chronicles 7:14, pointing out what conditions God has placed on Christians in America so that the country may receive His blessings.



Dr. Richard Land, President of the ERLC, speaks during chapel on February 23.

"God is not going to bless a people who continually disregard His teachings," Land said.

The theme is a familiar one for Land, and is the blueprint for achieving God's blessing of America according to Land's newest book, *Real Homeland Security: The America God Will Bless*. The book attempts to present to believers how to view and interact with the events of the world in a way that seeks to invoke the blessings of God.

Christians cannot pull out from the

world, Land said in his message. Instead, they are meant to be "salty salt" and "burning light" so that the world's decay may be stopped and its darkness may be penetrated.

Before Christians can serve as salt and light to our world, they must first get their own lives correct by God's standards, Land said.

"Far too many Christians are trying to live as schizophrenic Christians with one foot in the world and one foot

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First coffeehouse of the semester a "great success"

By Andy Lewis

Students gathered in the Ledford Center on Thursday, February 17 for the first of several coffeehouses to come this semester.

Dozens of students streamed in and out of the Ledford Center throughout the evening. It seemed to be a popular event.

The evening consisted of coffee and a selection of deserts provided by "Our Daily Bread" and the Student Life staff. There were also a variety of activities,

including board games and a live band. The featured band was "Mail Room Leigh's Band," featuring Leigh Carter, Brandon Nichols, Josh Hargrove, and Lance Michels.

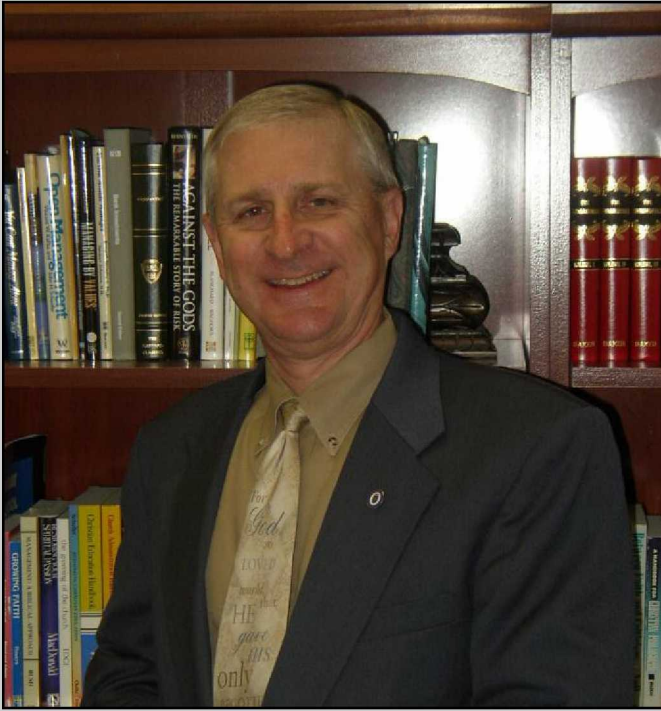
Seth Bible, Student Life Facilities Manager, called the event a "great success." "The coffeehouse turned out better than we could have ever expected. I hope everyone will come to the next one in March."

The next campus coffeehouse will be the evening of March 17.



Students gather in the Ledford Center for the first campus coffeehouse of the semester.

Southeastern Spotlight: Skip Midkiff



Seminary/College position: Director of Employment

Campus role: Assist students and their families in finding employment; network with local businesses to obtain job postings; offer budget counseling services to students and their families; provide members of the community with listings of students/spouses who have talents for hire.

Hometown: Charleston, WV

Family: My wife of 35 years is Bobbie. I have three children: Kanöot, 34 and his wife Sarah; Krista, 32 and her husband Wes; Katherine, 30 (saved, single, and searching). Two grandchildren: Fisher, 4 and Faith, 3.

How you became a Christian: Accepted Christ as a college sophomore while helping out on a Methodist Children's Home weekend retreat.

Current church: Bay Leaf Baptist Church—North Campus, Wake Forest

Current church ministry: Deacon; Sunday School Teacher; Crown Bible Study Director; Church Council Member; involved in committee work.

Education: B.A., English—Stetson University; M.Div.—SEBTS; D.Min, current student—SEBTS

Most influential person in your life: Jesus, and he becomes more influential every day.

Favorite author: John Grisham

Hobbies: Golf, fishing, and motorcycle riding

Favorite musician: Steve Green

Something surprising about you: I am named after my father, Lynn Ellsworth Midkiff. I am LEM II, my son is LEM III, and my grandson is LEM IV.

What influenced you to come to Southeastern: Accompanied two friends as they commuted to class one week. The Holy Spirit moved and I ended up coming home with an application packet from Admissions.

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Faith & Mission

If you did not receive the last issue of *Faith & Mission* (Summer 2004 Vol. 21 no. 3) due to the transition from student mailboxes to email, then you may pick one up on the following days: Tuesday March 1 @ Chapel; Thursday March 3 @ Chapel; Mondays 8 a.m. - 4 p.m. and Tuesday through Friday 8 a.m. - 9:45 a.m. at the Faith & Mission office in the Library. Those who commute in for evening classes can pick a copy up at the front desk of the Ledford Center.

Practicum in World Religions Offered

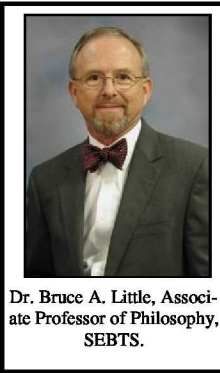
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Theological Thoughts

A Creation-Order Theodicy: God and Gratuitous Evil

By Bruce A. Little
 Edited by Andy Lewis

Maybe the most enduring and compelling argument against belief in the existence of the Christian God is the argument from evil. Although at one time many people were shielded from



Dr. Bruce A. Little, Associate Professor of Philosophy, SEBTS.

personally observing large scale horrific suffering that is not any longer the case. Distance and geographic location no longer serve as barriers to what we see and hear. It is

difficult in the age of images and information to ignore the immense suffering around the world. Our different media screens confront us with images of starving children, horrific acts of terrorism and the destruction of natural disasters. On September 11, 2001, many watched the collapse of the Trade Towers in real time on their televisions, startling the viewer with horror and creating questions within. Viewing such enormous events of suffering creates not only angst, but a cry from within for some reasonable explanation. Often, in the midst of such events, it is common to call out to God, either to help or ask why He allowed it. Because the Church is the guardian of the knowledge of God, Christians are often the target of the "why" question. People usually do not raise questions regarding why there is some evil, but why is it that an all-knowing, all-powerful, all-loving God does not stop such

horrific suffering as the Holocaust. Surely God could do that without sacrificing some greater good.

These questions surrounding suffering cannot be ignored by the Christian. Christians claim that the Christian Faith provides a worldview by which man can properly understand his world. It gives a framework for answering the tough questions of life. The Christian faith consists of a network of beliefs and forms a Christian worldview. This means that however the Christian answers the argument from evil, that answer must be consistent with other essential Christian beliefs. The Christian's task is not only to answer the argument from evil, but to do so in a way that avoids compromising other essential doctrines of the Christian Faith. And however one responds to this argument, he will soon find that it has implications for almost every major doctrine of the Christian faith.

Historically, the Church has answered the argument from evil with some form of a Greater-Good theodicy. This theodicy maintains that God is morally justified in permitting evil in this world because He only allows that evil from which he can bring about a greater good or a worse evil. This means that there is no gratuitous evil, that all evil/suffering has a purpose designed by God. This position unnecessarily raises serious questions for the theist. Many attempts have been made recently to answer these questions by explaining evidentially how the good is obtained. But by all appearances these explanations have failed. I think this was made clear after September 11, 2001. The Church stutered in responding to the cry for answers. Eventually, the world

stopped asking. This was unfortunate for both the world and the Church. I will argue that the reason the answers were so weightless was because they were grounded in the Greater-Good theodicy which is flawed at its foundation.

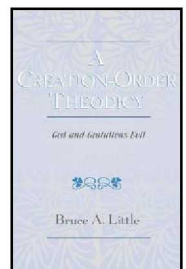
"The creation-order theodicy maintains that it is not necessary to posit some good as moral justification for God's allowing certain evils to occur."

The purpose of this book is twofold. The first is to give an historical context for understanding the importance and development of a theodicy. The second is to show the weaknesses of Greater-Good theodicies and to offer a theodicy that affirms both the providence of God and the existence of gratuitous evil. The proposed theodicy is named the Creation-Order theodicy because it is constructed upon an understanding of the divine ordering as part of creation that was necessary for the infinite God to have a meaningful relationship with finite man. This ordering established how God would interact with His creation in general and man in particular. By this, God chose to limit the expression of some of His attributes in order to make it possible that man could function as a true moral being.

God's creation order takes into

account the necessary arrangement that makes it possible for Him to have a meaningful relationship with finite man. This is a relationship where God's love is directed towards man and where man can freely respond to that love. This possibility is predicated upon the fact that man loving God is the highest function of mankind (Matt. 22:34-40). The Creation-Order theodicy affirms the providence of God in the affairs of men, yet allows for gratuitous evil but in such a way that it does not count against either the goodness and/or power of God. In doing so, this theodicy removes the burden of proof required by Greater-Good theodicies to demonstrate that the good *always* obtains—an almost impossible task. The creation-order theodicy maintains that it is not necessary to posit some good as moral justification for God's allowing certain evils occur. Rather it maintains that according to the creation order some evils occur because man has the power of moral choice. Bad choices result in bad consequences, however, they never threaten the counsels of God. God has not promised to stop all gratuitous evil (but He has assured the end), therefore there is no reason to build a theodicy on the assumption that He has. Once gratuitous evil is acknowledged by the theist, the argument from evil is deprived of the strongest point.

Excerpted from *A Creation-Order Theodicy: God and Gratuitous Evil*. Lanham, MD University Press of America, 2005.



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in the kingdom," he said. "When we live lives like the world, where the world can see no difference between ours and theirs, then we have nothing to say."

Land said that Christians are therefore meant to view Christianity not as a religion but as a personal relationship with Jesus Christ, which should be responsible for bringing about a

new worldview.

From the Christian worldview, Land said that believers are to see the world's problems as "God-sized" problems. This should cause them not to pull away from the world and its issues but instead get "close enough for the world to see the light and feel the heat."

Land added that the responsibility of seeking the blessings of God does not fall to the world but to born again believers, who are willing to humble themselves, pray, and seek after God.

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March 19-26, 2005—\$950.00 (partial scholarships available). Accompany Dr. Cowen in street preaching, door-to-door evangelism and nightly meetings. Many people will be saved as you share the good news of Jesus Christ! See Carolyn in Dr. Cowen's office (Appleby Hall) for more information.

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MINISTRY REFERRAL OFFICE

Warren Poe Grant For Rural Church Ministry

Reminder: Applications due by March 31. The Warren-Poe Grant for Rural Church Ministry provides annual cash awards to applicants who qualify. Both recent graduates and current students of Southeastern Seminary who are serving as pastors of rural churches are encouraged to apply. Each applicant must be serving in his first pastorate, and the church served must be in a rural location. Each application must include a proposal for use of the funds in the advancement of pastoral ministry in a rural setting. Additional information is available in the Ministry Referral Office.

Utah Pastors & Missions

Dr. Ron Sathe of Utah Baptist Association, Utah, will be on campus on March 16 and 17, 2005, to discuss ministry opportunities in the Utah Baptist Association. Please contact the Ministry Referral Office in Broyhill Hall, 761-2317, if you would like to schedule an interview.

Pennsylvania/South Jersey Church Planting

Rev. Barry Whitworth, Central Region Church Planting Director of Pennsylvania/South Jersey, will be on campus March 25 and 29, 2005, to meet with students to discuss church planting opportunities available in Pennsylvania and South Jersey. Please contact the Ministry Referral Office in Broyhill Hall, 761-2317, if you would like to schedule an interview.

CURRENT OPPORTUNITIES

Full-time

- First Baptist Church, O'Fallon, MO—Youth Minister
- First Baptist Church, Valparaiso, FL—Youth and Music Minister
- Chatham Baptist Church, Fredericksburg, VA—Children's Minister
- First Baptist Church, Trumann, AR—Music Minister
- Hillcrest Baptist Church, Temple Hills, MD—Associate Pastor of Worship and Music
- Salt Lake City Chinese Christian Church, Salt Lake City, UT—Assistant Pastor/Minister for the English Congregation

Part-Time

- Rozier Baptist Church, Lumberton, NC—Pastor

Bi-vocational

- New Baptist Bible Fellowship Church, Texarkana, TX—Pastor
- First Spanish Baptist Church, Campbell, OH—Spanish Speaking Pastor

Summer Intern

- First Baptist Church, Kingston, TN—Children's Ministry Intern
- Mount Pleasant Baptist Church, Colonial Heights, VA—Preschool/Children's Ministry Intern
- Yemassee Baptist Church, Yemassee, SC—Summer Youth Minister
- First Baptist Church, Cary, NC—Intern
- Emmanuel Baptist Church, Hartsville, SC—Children and Youth Ministry Intern

New Sharing Shop Location

The new Sharing Shop is located at 100 Hipps St., behind the health center off Rock Springs Road. For information about directions or how you can help call Charlotte Shue at 570-9233.

Chapel Schedule

March 1

Dr. Ned Matthews
Professor of Pastoral Ministries
SEBTS



March 2

Dr. Daniel Akin
President
SEBTS



March 3

Dr. Rob Zin
Chairman, Executive Committee
Southern Baptist Convention
Immanuel Baptist Church
Highland, CA



March 8

Dr. Grand Etheridge
First Baptist Church
Lavaca, AR



March 9

Dr. Daniel Akin
President
SEBTS



March 10

Dr. Andy Davis
First Baptist Church
Durham, NC

Tapes of chapel sermons may be purchased from the Audio/Visual department in Stealey Hall ext. 240. Also, all chapel sermons can be downloaded from www.sebts.edu.

Newsline Information

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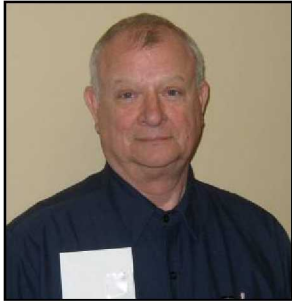
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Missions Opportunities

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Akin preaches sermon series on 'powerful book' of Titus

By Andy Lewis

Over eight Wednesdays this semester, Dr. Daniel Akin, President of Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary, has been and will be preaching through the book of Titus, modeling expository preaching through a book of the Bible.

Akin calls Titus a "wonderful book, a powerful book." He said, "It is a wonderful manual for us to consult as we think about ministry, as we think about church planting, as we think about what it means in a beautiful symphony to wed what we believe and how we live."

In his first message on Wednesday, February 16, Akin studied the prologue of Titus in a message entitled, "Saved to Serve."

Again, on March 2 Akin continued his series on Titus, studying Titus 1:4-9 in his message, "Qualifications of a Godly Leader." Akin declared that there is a great need for godly leaders in this era, and he looked to Titus to develop several qualities of godly

leaders.

In his most recent message, Akin preached through Titus 1:10-16 in a message titled, "The Ministry of Confrontation" on March 9. Akin explained that God has called us to a "ministry of comfort and confrontation." His three main points were that ministers must confront the divisive, deceived and defiled.

In speaking of the divisive, Akin declared, "These are your popular teachers today that declare a pipeline to God." And, he warned his future ministers to "never become seduced with an entitlement mentality."

In confronting the deceived, Akin demanded that ministers "cut away toxic teaching of these false teachers,"



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but reminded that it should be a "ministry with hope of recovery."

Finally, Akin declared that ministers need to confront the defiled because "just a drop of false teaching can defile the whole body."

Akin has five more sermons on Titus, this "bargain basement letter, where you get a lot more than what you pay", with the next messages being March 30 and April 6.

Kingdom Families Conference on campus April 5

By Andy Lewis

On Tuesday, April 5 all classes will be canceled for the Kingdom Families Conference in Binkley Chapel.

Dr. Tom Elliff of the First Southern Baptist Church in Del City, Oklahoma, and former SBC president and chairman of the Southern Baptist Council on Family Life will be conducting the conference. The conference is based on Dr. Elliff's seven pillars of the Kingdom family—Scriptural principles for a godly marriage and the

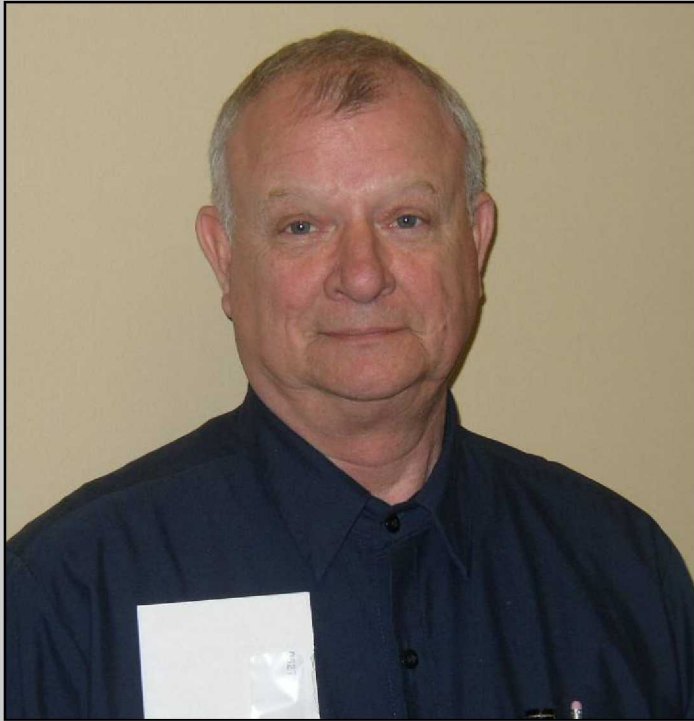
basis of his time tested premarital counseling. The goal of this conference is to provide practical ways to improve relationships with spouses and family members. In turn, this conference will help strengthen church families and ministries.

Attendance is required of all Southeastern students at the cost of \$15. The cost is \$40 for non-students and spouses may attend for only \$5. Lunch will be provided. The conference will run from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.



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Southeastern Spotlight: Emerson "Buzz" Beal



Seminary/College position: Maintenance Manager

Campus role: Responsible for mechanical equipment throughout the campus such as air conditioning, boiler, steam system, plumbing, etc.

Hometown: Windber, PA

Family: My wife of 42 years is Lois Jane Beal. I have three children: Sherry, Shawn, and Jeffery, and eight grandchildren: Megan, Katelyn, Cammeron, Drew, Beka, Kalon, Ashlee, and Austin.

How you became a Christian: Raised as a child to be Christian

Current church: Nashville United Methodist Church

Current church ministry: Servant

Education: 12 years of schooling

Most influential person in your life: My wife, Lois

Hobbies: Cars, Trucks, and Harley Davidson motorcycles

Something surprising about you: I'm retired from the Submarine Force

Favorite class ever taught: Basic Enlisted Submarine School

What influenced you to come to Southeastern: I applied for a mechanical position, but soon found that I was here to further my relationship with Christ.

A word of wisdom for the readers: Never back down from your responsibilities to the Lord. Nothing is ever as vital as your relationship with Jesus!

The Thing in the Spring

Richland Creek Community Church will host an area-wide student outreach rally April 9, 2005, from 5-10 p.m. This is a great opportunity for youth pastors to bring their students accompanied by lost friends. Free pizza will be served each night and free t-shirts given to the first 1000. Speakers include Southeastern's Dr. Alvin Reid and Rick Stanley (Elvis Presley's step-brother). Several local Christian bands will also appear. For more information, contact Scott Pace at 556-9292.

Sara Owen Etheridge Scholarship

The Baptist Women in Ministry of Georgia offer an annual scholarship to a Baptist woman who has been or is a resident of Georgia and has completed at least one year of seminary education at the master's or doctoral level. Applications are available in the Student Life Office. The deadline for applying is March 15.

Keesee Scholarship

Applications for the Keesee Scholarship are available in the Student Life Office. M.Div. and M.A. students who were residents of North Carolina or Virginia for one year prior to enrolling in seminary are eligible to apply. The deadline for applying is April 1.

Frasier Scholarship

The Frasier Scholarship is available to all full-time Southeastern students who are residents of North Carolina and are committed to Baptist ministry. Information and applications are available at http://www.wachoviascholars.com/frsr/frsr_2005_ins.htm. The deadline to apply is June 1.

Reach International Students for Christ

Providence Baptist Church in Raleigh has a ministry to international students at local area campuses. They are currently looking for volunteers to serve in discipleship and other areas of this ministry. This is great preparation for overseas missions and there are thousands of students in the Triangle area from all over the world. The harvest is plentiful and they would like to talk with anyone interested in being a laborer in this field. For more information email Peter Ku at petyryku@yahoo.com. You can also visit the website at <http://www.prayer.org/college/international.asp>.

Topics For Upcoming SWF Meetings

March 28— Romance and Relationships; Dr. & Mrs. Daniel Akin
April 25— Preparing A Bible Study; Anne Graham Lotz.

Mississippi Baptist Foundation Scholarship

Scholarship applications for seminary students from Mississippi are now available at <http://www.mbc.org/agencies/mbf/scholarships.aspx>. The deadline for applying is April 30. Late applications will not be considered.

Annual SEBTS 5K run

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Southeastern Women's Auxillary

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NCAA Basketball Championship Game Showing in Ledford

NCAA Men's Basketball championship on the big screen in Ledford on Monday, April 4, 9:00 p.m. until the game is over. There will be games and prizes during half-time.

Manna Ministry

The Manna Ministry is for Seminary folks by Seminary folks! You will be asked to present either your student ID or your parking decal before taking anything from the Manna Ministry. We are always in need of more volunteers in order to make this ministry run more smoothly. If you are a regular recipient of the blessings from this ministry, please call Regina Lee at 554-6933 and see how you can help. Hours for the Manna Ministry are Tuesday: 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. and Saturday 11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Faithful Men Homecoming Concert

Friday April 1, 2005, 7:00 p.m. in Binkley Chapel.

Upcoming Newsline Deadline

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Theological Thoughts

Anselm of Canterbury: The Beauty of Theology

By David S. Hogg
Edited by Andy Lewis

It is not uncommon to hold that there is no central theme in Anselm's writings precisely because they are occasional. Students, fellow monks, even the pope on one occasion, approached Anselm with their questions and problems. On account of this information any attempt to demonstrate a unity in the diversity of topics covered appears futile. That is why I propose that we not try to search for a unity in the topics Anselm chose, but to discern the *weltbild* that informed the manner of his responses, for in this we will discover the foundation which, in a far deeper sense, unifies all Anselm wrote.

Let me be clear here. I do not intend to give an exhaustive account of Anselm's model of reality and to demonstrate its presence on every page of every treatise he wrote. What I am proposing is that we study Anselm's works to see if they reveal comparable patterns of expression. The framework within which Anselm operated can tell us much about why he said the things he did in the way he did. In this way we can transcend the particularity of each treatise and begin to perceive the unity that underlies them all because all of them, regardless of their subject matter, will be related to and within a certain understanding of reality.

The most pervasive constituent of

Anselm's *weltbild*, and the one which I will concentrate on, is aesthetics. That is, an understanding of reality that is based on the conviction that the harmony and unity, the beauty and fittingness that is part of God's being have been imprinted on his creation. Such a view of the relationship between creator and creation dominated the literature Anselm read and the milieu of which he was a part. Reading psalms which dwell extensively on the beauty of creation, the glory of God and the harmony of God's purposes would not have gone unnoticed by Anselm and his colleagues. Meditating on the final chapters in Job where God describes his attention to detail during creation, how could Anselm have remained unaffected by the obvious implications for proportion, symmetry and fittingness? Reading the record of John's apocryphal vision in Revelation, a foretaste of beatific eschatological realities described through analogies with the present age would have whetted Anselm's appetite to admonish his contemporaries to secure for themselves the glory of what will inevitably occur.

This is the environment Anselm inhabited; such was the taxonomy of Anselm's expression. In what follows we will explore the extent and impact of such thinking in Anselm's theology. We will begin by examining the *Prayers and Meditations* which were written throughout Anselm's life and so provide a good place to start since they evince an aesthetic model of reality throughout his writing career. Although there are only nineteen prayers and three meditations, there is still more contained in this collection than can possibly be covered in one chapter. Nevertheless, even the bounds of one chapter will

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be sufficient to demonstrate the extent of the impact Anselm's aesthetic *weltbild* had on his devotional literature. In contrast to the beauty of Anselm's *Prayers*, we will move on to consider the arid and, perhaps for that reason, parsimoniously studied *De Grammatico*. There I believe we will find

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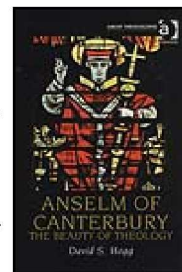
the seeds of aesthetic thinking which will germinate in succeeding treatises. In the course of the chapter, connections will be drawn with the *Monologion*. This will lead us most naturally into a discussion of the *Proslogion* to see if there is more there than the profusion of current scholarship generally allows. Following that we will turn our attention to the three dialogues (*De Veritate*, *De Libertate Arbitrii*, *De Casu Diaboli*). Here we will see just how suffusive aesthetic categories are in Anselm's years as Abbot of the monastery at Bec. Finally, the *Cur Deus Homo* will be assessed as one of the chief examples of how deeply Anselm's model of reality was rooted in an aesthetic ideal. Within this structure

references to Anselm's other works will be made as befits the overall flow of our investigation.

It will not have missed the reader's attention that the term 'aesthetic' was distinctly absent from the medieval period. In fact, the word itself was not coined for another 650 years after Anselm's time. How, then, can I so cavalierly use this term as if it were as much a part of medieval life as feudalism and kingship?

While it is certainly true that concepts of beauty, symmetry, harmony and order were part of medieval culture, their aggregation under the rubric of aesthetics was unknown. It was, as I mentioned, not until the eighteenth century that Baumgarten coined the word, even then it was neoterized to denote the sensible as a particular aspect of epistemological inquiry. Now, while it is true that Baumgarten's definition of aesthetics was challenged by Kant in his *Critique of Judgement*, delineating the parameters of their differences and recapitulating the ensuing discussion on the matter lies well beyond the scope of our present interest. It is notable, however, that with Kant and Baumgarten a distinctly new direction was taken with respect to the place of the aesthetic within the study of epistemology....It might seem that applying the term 'aesthetics' to a body of medieval literature is inappropriate and blatantly anachronistic... [but] aesthetics can be broadened to refer 'to a whole range of issues connected with beauty'.

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March 28 SWF meeting

Dr. and Mrs. Daniel Akin invite you to come and listen as they share about romance and relationships. March 28, at 7:00 p.m., upstairs in the Ledford Center. Please pre-register and pick up tickets at the reception desk in the

Ledford Student Center. Because there is limited seating, no one will be admitted without a ticket! Please be sure to make your childcare arrangements in advance. This will be a well-attended event and we want to assure there is enough room for and people to care for your children. The deadline for free child care is March 24. Call Krissie Lancaster at 569-0659.

SWF Officers Needed

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MINISTRY REFERRAL OFFICE

Warren Poe Grant For Rural Church Ministry

Reminder: Applications due by March 31. The Warren-Poe Grant for Rural Church Ministry provides annual cash awards to applicants who qualify. Both recent graduates and current students of

Southeastern Seminary who are serving as pastors of rural churches are encouraged to apply. Each applicant must be serving in his first pastorate, and the church served must be in a rural location. Each application must include a proposal for use of the funds in the advancement of pastoral ministry in a rural setting. Additional information available in Ministry Referral Office.

Utah Pastors and Missions

Dr. Ron Sathe of Utah Baptist Association, Utah, will be on campus on March 16 and 17, to discuss ministry opportunities in the Utah Baptist Association. Please contact the Ministry Referral Office in Broyhill Hall, 761-2317, if you would like to schedule an interview. Dr. Sathe will also be located in the Ledford Center on these dates.

Baptist State Convention of Michigan

Dr. Larry Allen of the Baptist State Convention of Michigan will be on campus March 28 to 30, to meet persons interested in serving in Michigan as pastors, church planters or other church vocations. Please contact the Ministry Referral Office in Broyhill Hall, 761-2317, if you would like to schedule an interview. Dr. Allen will also be located in the Ledford Center on these dates if you would like to stop in to visit with him.

Pennsylvania/South Jersey Church Planting

Rev. Barry Whitworth, Central Region Church Planting Director of Pennsylvania/South Jersey, will be on campus March 25 and 29, to meet with students to discuss church planting opportunities available Pennsylvania and South Jersey. Please contact the Ministry Referral Office in Broyhill Hall, 761-2317, if you would like to schedule an interview. Please stop by the Student Life Center to visit with Rev. Whitworth.

CURRENT OPPORTUNITIES

Full-time

- Westview Baptist Church, Martinsburg, WV—Music Minister
- First Southern Baptist Church, Pratt, KS—Associate Pastor for Worship/Discipleship
- First Southern Baptist Church, Evansville, IN—Minister of Youth and Recreation

- Fairhaven Baptist Church, Olive Branch, MS—Associate Pastor of Music and Youth
- First Baptist Church, Arab, AL—Music Minister
- Fellowship Baptist Church, Fairfield, PA—Minister of Worship and Youth
- Guilford Baptist Church, Greensboro, NC—Minister to High School and College Students
- Dudley Shoals Baptist Church, Granite Falls, NC—Youth/Children's Minister
- Faith Baptist Church, Monroe, GA—Youth Pastor
- South End Baptist Church, Frederick, MD—Associate Pastor of Music and Education

Part-time

- Bethel Baptist Church, Pleasant Hill, NC—Music Minister
- Rozier Baptist Church, Lumberton, NC—Pastor

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- First Spanish Baptist Church, Campbell, OH—Spanish Speaking Pastor
- Rapid Valley Baptist Church, Rapid City, SD—Pastor

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Chapel Schedule

March 15

Rev. Ben Young
Second Baptist Church
Houston, TX
Spring Conference



March 16

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Second Baptist Church
Houston, TX
Spring Conference



March 17

Dr. Brad Reynolds
Asst. Professor of Christian Ed.
SEBTS
Spring Conference



March 29

Dr. Bobby Welch
First Baptist Church
Daytona Beach, FL
President SBC



March 30

Dr. Daniel Akin
President
SEBTS



March 31

Dr. Logan Carson
Senior Professor of Christian
Theology
SEBTS

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Don't surrender the doorsteps, Welch says

By Kyle Smith

As an Associated Press reporter and his camera crew looked on in astonishment, Southern Baptist Convention president Bobby Welch warmly shared the Gospel with a young woman with tattoos on both of her arms on the doorstep of her Massachusetts home.

After Welch finished sharing, the two quietly bowed their heads, and he led her in a prayer to receive Christ as Lord and Savior. The group of media personnel, who had come to report on Welch's door-to-door evangelism efforts as part of his national "Everyone Can Kingdom Challenge for Evangelism" bus tour, had no explanation for what they had just seen.

"These guys had never seen the power of God unto salvation," Welch said of the crew of unbelievers who accompanied him. "They think they've got the church figured out, but they can't explain what they're seeing out there. They wrote about how different it was in the streets and doorways wherever we went."

In a March 29 chapel service at Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary, Welch, pastor of First Baptist Church in Daytona Beach, Fla., told that story to illustrate the truth that the students must hit the doorsteps of

America to give the lost world the answer it is missing. After all, he said, the Gospel is still the power of God unto salvation, and God is still at work saving the lost.

"The only people who do not know that souls are searching out there are people who do not go out there searching for souls," he said.

Welch's much-publicized goal for the Southern Baptist Convention is to "witness to, win and baptize 1 million" in the coming year. He has been speaking on the theme in churches, seminaries and conferences around the country leading up to the Southern Baptist Convention annual meeting in Nashville this June.

Welch adamantly reminded students that they can do something about the disturbing trend that has witnessed the numerical decline of many Southern Baptist churches; they can witness.

"We in the church have failed the people outside of the church," Welch said. "We have come to the point where we think it is all about getting a



Dr. Bobby Welch, President of the SBC, preaches in Binkley Chapel.

crowd inside the church, and I am amazed at how many pastors out there don't get it.

He reminded listeners that the impetus for evangelism is that as laborers, Christians serve the Lord of the harvest, who is able to save lost souls as believers take to them the message of the Gospel.

"Here's the good news," he reminded students. "We're just carriers. We can't do it. The Lord has to do it. You don't have to do it all. You just carry the message. You can't save anybody. The Lord of the harvest is the one who does the moving, the empowering and the changing. He's the one who does it, but we must go."

Upcoming changes in the Business Office

The Business Office has made numerous changes to improve the efficiency and service provided by the staff to students. These changes include more efficient check processing, free online payment option, half price spouse refund, online FACTS payment plan adjustments, updated church sponsorship agreements, and newly available student account statements.

Check payment drop-off will become effective April 1. Students can now drop-off their check payments at

the front counter without having to wait in line or for the payment to be processed. Include the G-number and telephone number to ensure the payment is applied to the correct account. All check payments will be processed at the end of the day.

A free online payment option will also be available beginning on April 25. Students can make full tuition payments online for free. Simply visit www.sebts.edu/businessoffice and make payment arrangements through the website. Upon

completion, students will receive confirmation of payment from FACTS.

In addition, effective August 1 all adjustments to FACTS payment plans must be submitted online at least 5 business days prior to the scheduled payment withdrawal. Visit www.sebts.edu/businessoffice to submit a change request.

Effective immediately, students can receive monthly statements and submit questions about account balances by emailing

businessoffice@sebts.edu. Students are requested to include G-number and phone number with requests.

Many students receive money from their home or local church for tuition and other fees. However, the increase in student population has made it almost impossible for our office to remember the amounts received and sponsoring church for each student.

Therefore, all students receiving financial aid from any church must have the

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Southeastern Spotlight: Shawn Clarke Madden



Seminary/College position: Director of Library Services, Associate Professor of Hebrew and Old Testament

Hometown: Born in Cincinnati, OH, graduated high school and joined the Marine Corps from Dallas, TX. Have lived in North Carolina four times. Hometown? Where my wife is.

Family: Married to Cathy White Madden of Dallas for 31 years. Two sons, Michael and Nathan are with the Lord. Our daughter, Emily, was recently married to Brian Burch. They are both finishing school at UNC Greensboro. Brian will be heading to the Marine Corps boot camp this summer.

How you became a Christian: I grew up a Roman Catholic (pre-Vatican II no less!). In high school I started dating a rather sharp tongued, outspoken lass who was constantly asking me what I believed and why. To my responses she would reply, "But the Bible says this..." Because of her I started reading the Bible, beginning with the book of Revelation! Because of that and her I came to know Jesus Christ as my Savior and consequently left Catholicism. I thought that she would be an interesting person to be around, so I married her!

Current church: Providence Baptist Church, Raleigh.

Current church ministry: I have taught Sunday School at Providence for over seven years. We are really good at chasing theological rabbits.

Education: B.A. in History, Texas A&M; M.A.B.S, Criswell College; M.L.S., UNC Chapel Hill; Ph.D., University of Texas at Arlington.

Most influential person in your life: After Jesus Christ, Cathy Madden, my wife, my best friend, and my love.

Something surprising about you: Almost thirty years ago I was a Marine Drill Instructor and known for being as mean as they come. I was also an Explosive Ordinance Disposal Technician, the military bomb squad.

Classes currently teaching: Hebrew in the College, OT Introduction and the book of Samuel in the Seminary.

Favorite class ever taught: The same as every other person who truly loves God—Hebrew!

What influenced you to come to Southeastern: I thought that it would be fun to trick Dr. Patterson into hiring a Marine to run the library. The Lord thought it would be funny too!

CPEI Grant Applications

Applications for the Grant for Students Attending Certain Private Education Institutions (CPEI), also known as HB 150, are available online at <http://www.sebts.edu/StudentLife/Financial/downloads/CPEI%20Application%202004-2005.PDF>. CPEI tuition reimbursements are available for college students who were residents of NC by August 2003 and attended the college full-time (12 hours) in both the fall and spring semesters of this academic year. The deadline for submitting an application to the Student Life Office is April 30.

Oklahoma Baptist Foundation Scholarship

Scholarships are available to full-time students from Oklahoma. Applications are available at <http://www.sebts.edu/StudentLife/Financial/downloads/Oklahoma%20Application%20SP05.pdf>. The deadline for submitting an application to the Student Life Office is April 15.

The Thing in the Spring

Richland Creek Community Church will host an area-wide student outreach rally April 9, 2005, from 5-10 p.m. This is a great opportunity for youth pastors to bring their students accompanied by lost friends. Free pizza will be served each night and free t-shirts given to the first 1000. Speakers include Southeastern's Dr. Alvin Reid and Rick Stanley (Elvis Presley's step-brother). Several local Christian bands will also appear. For more information, contact Scott Pace at 556-9292.

Frasier Scholarship

The Frasier Scholarship is available to all full-time Southeastern students who are residents of North Carolina and are committed to Baptist ministry. Information and applications are available at http://www.wachoviascholars.com/frsr/frsr_2005_ins.htm. The deadline to apply is June 1.

Topics For Upcoming SWF Meetings

April 25—Preparing A Bible Study; Anne Graham Lotz.

Mississippi Baptist Foundation Scholarship

Scholarship applications for seminary students from Mississippi are now available at <http://www.mbc.org/agencies/mbf/scholarships.aspx>. The deadline for applying is April 30. Late applications will not be considered.

Annual SEBTS 5K run

Applications for the Annual 5K on April 30 can be picked up in the Student Life Office.

Practicum in World Religions

Practicum in World Religions will be offered during May 30-June 3, 2005.

Visits off-campus may include Hindu temples, Muslim mosques, Jewish synagogues, Eastern Orthodox churches, Hare Krishna temples, Unification churches, and other places of religions. Orientations and debriefings will be held on-campus. Enrollment is limited and will be completed by April 20. Professor Braswell will furnish the syllabus and course itinerary upon completion of enrollment. Applications may be received from Ms. Alana Adams in Jacumin-Simpson. The course carries three hours credit and is Pass/Fail.

NCAA Basketball Championship Game Showing in Ledford

NCAA Men's Basketball championship on the big screen in Ledford on Monday, April 4, 9:00 p.m. until the game is over. There will be games and prizes during half-time.

Manna Ministry

The Manna Ministry is for Seminary folks by Seminary folks! You will be asked to present either your student ID or your parking decal before taking anything from the Manna Ministry. We are always in need of more volunteers in order to make this ministry run more smoothly. Please call Regina Lee at 554-6933 and see how you can help. Hours are Tuesday: 6:30 – 8:00 p.m. and Saturday 11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Upcoming BCM Events

Monday, April 11: 7 p.m. TBA
Friday, April 24: 7 p.m. TBA
Spring Retreat: April 17-19

Chapel Message CDs and DVDs

Media Services offers messages from Binkley Chapel in two formats, CD and DVD. There is a kiosk located in Binkley beside room 101 for placing an order. Orders can be picked up from the new Media Services room located between Binkley 101 and 102 on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from the end of Chapel until 12:30 pm.

New Chapel Website

SEBTS has a new Chapel website. On the site students can listen to the chapel messages, download messages, and order messages from the site. There is also a PDF file where students view all the speakers we have available on CD.

Magazines in Dean of Students Office

The following magazines are available for all students in the Dean of Student's Office throughout the month: World Magazine, SBC Life, Biblical Recorder, Faith & Family, and Southern Baptist Texan. Feel free to stop by any time and take a copy to read.

Theological Thoughts

The Unity of the Farewell Discourse

By L. Scott Kellum
Edited by Andy Lewis

It is our belief that answering the question of the unity of the Farewell Discourse can impact broader areas of concern in Johannine studies. Several areas of investigation are immediately impacted by the question. The first,



Dr. L. Scott Kellum, Assistant Professor of New Testament and Greek, SEBTS.

and most obvious, is the issue of Johannine source criticism. The lack of empirical sources for the Fourth Gospel has charmed the imagination of

the brightest and cleverest of biblical scholars who are often willing to think outside of the box to answer the question of Johannine sources. The question of the origins of the Gospel of John provides the most stimulating of puzzles. The present study should bring more objective data to bear on the question of Johannine sources beyond merely the question of the Farewell Discourse.

This is due to the paradigmatic status of the *magnus reus* in contemporary scholarship. It is generally seen among Johannine source critics as the prototypical example of a literary seam. It, thus, becomes the legitimating foundation for the delineation of other seams. The results of the present study will, therefore, impact Johannine studies beyond the present limitation to the Farewell Discourse by confirming or rejecting this prototypical status.

An ancillary concern beyond sources is the question of origins and authorship. In recent years the issue of authorship has been somewhat replaced by the concern for origins. For many this is a far more interesting question; it encircles not only who wrote the Gospel but how. In that the present study will investigate the theory of multiple hands at work in the Farewell Discourse, the results should impact how the production of the whole Gospel is viewed. However, the impact is somewhat limited. The present study can only contribute to the overall question of Johannine authorship of the Fourth Gospel as far as the Farewell Discourse contributes to that discussion. Whether or not John, the son of Zebedee, or a community of schismatic sectarians produced the Gospel, cannot be fully addressed due to these limitations. The question should, however, be informed by this study, as the Farewell Discourse makes up a considerable portion of the Gospel.

The second area impacted by the present investigation is the historicity of the Fourth Gospel. A recent monograph on the subject deals with the issue in depth. However, the present work could be a helpful contribution to the question. If the Farewell Discourse is not a unity, then the historicity of the Gospel must be judged on the antiquity and reliability of the sources employed and the contexts into which they are placed. If our study shows the Farewell Discourse not to be the final result of an editorial process, the legitimacy of these questions and the methods employed to answer them should be rejected as irrelevant for at least the Farewell Discourse.

If the Farewell Discourse is the

work of one writer, the unity of the Fourth Gospel is on more solid ground (although admittedly another topic). The question of historicity is then tied to the question of authorship. In a unified text, the options for authorship are narrowed to search for one person. However, that a text was

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written by a single author does not necessarily increase the historicity of the text. Unity could not discriminate between John, the son of Zebedee, and John the presbyter or some other ecclesiastical figure of the late first century. Thus, the question of historicity subsequently becomes, how close is the author to the events narrated? However, such questions are irrelevant if the text is the result of a more complicated process.

The third issue impacted by the question of unity (and tangential to the historicity question) is the authority of the text. Today, many scholars are willing to investigate to the text as it stands apart from any consideration of its authority. Many of these critics

assume that the questions of origins or authorship are immaterial in favor of literary questions. Ignoring the authority of the text, however, does not alleviate this issue. For instance, the demands made by Jesus at Jn 14.6 will be read in a different light if the origin of the statement is significantly removed from an eyewitness account. A mere appeal to an ancient source is not sufficient because the use of ancient sources, by later redactors, does not, *per se*, indicate authority if the original context is unknown. How, then, are interpreters to gauge the demands upon them from a text like Jn 14.5-6, if the nature and content of the original cannot be compared? To what extent and how accurately has the text been edited? This, then, is the upshot of the historicity question: How is the interpreter to weigh the authority of a redacted text?

The fourth issue impacted by the question of unity is exegesis and hermeneutics. A number of monographs and articles have approached the Farewell Discourse from various angles. Many today are exegeting the text based on a source-critical interpretation of the relationship between ‘the first farewell’ and the rest of the discourse. If disparate strata can truly be discerned from the discourse, then redaction criticism between the two strata is proper. If not, the meaning of the text is obscured by such criticism and not illuminated by it. The question of unity, therefore, plays a large portion in how the interpreter goes about the job of explaining the text.

Excerpted from *The Unity of the Farewell Discourse: The Literary Integrity of John 13.31-16.33*. New York, T & T Clark International, 2004.

Business Office

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sponsoring church complete a Church Sponsorship Agreement form, as well. This form is located at <http://www.sebts.edu/StudentLife/Financial/Forms.cfm>. All forms must be received in the Business Office by August 1, 2005. Failure to do so will require full payment on accounts by the deadline to prevent dropped classes.

In addition, if one receives corporate sponsorships or other money from various institutions, SEBTS will no longer allow him to count these towards payment arrangements. Students will be required to make full payment on the account and their money will be reimbursed later in the semester. Southeastern will only recognize the following list of scholarships: Keese, Brown, Presidential, General, Frasier, Furman, Alabama, SBC of Virginia, Champions for Christ, VA Bapt. Mission Board, MS Bapt. Foundation, TN Bapt. Founda-

tion, Ridsen Reece, Women’s Auxiliary, and James Merritt.

The spouse/dependent tuition refund program is already in place. The spouse/dependent tuition refund application for the fall 2005 semester is available at www.sebts.edu/businessoffice. All applications must be submitted online no later than August 1, 2005. Since this is a refund, all students must pay their entire tuition balance by the payment deadline listed in the Academic Catalog. Please visit the website for qualification requirements and refund date.

SEBTS Ambassadors

The Admissions Office is looking for students to become Southeastern Ambassadors. The Ambassadors are students interested in promoting Southeastern to prospective students. Applications for the Ambassador program are available in the Admissions Office on the Second Floor of Stealey Hall. Stop by and see Gregg Free for Applications. All applications are due to the Admissions Office by April 22.

Summer Trip To Slovenia

July 2 - July 13. The cost is approximately \$1500. Contact Mike Mallett at mmallett@wakecrossroads.com or at home @ 556-5872.

2005 ITAM Spring and Summer Mission Trips

Mission efforts available every week during the summer. All-inclusive price: \$700. Specifically for non-missions track students. Please pick up application and preliminary info at Center for Great Commission Studies Info Desk.

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- Oak Grove Baptist Church, Bel-Air, MD—Children's Minister
- North Arundel Church, Glen Burnie, MD—Preschool and Children's Minister
- Lacamas Heights Baptist Church, Camas, WA—Pastor
- Little Hope Baptist Church, Clarksville, TN—Youth and Music Minister
- Summerville Baptist Church, Phenix City, AL—Youth and Children's Pastor
- Harmony Baptist Church, Burton, MI—Pastor
- Torrey Road Baptist Church, Fenton, MI—Pastor/Church Planter
- College Avenue Baptist Church, Normal, IL—Minister of Music and Students
- Zion Hill Baptist Church, Centralia, IL—Associate Pastor/Youth Minister
- Calvary Baptist Church, Russellville,

AL—Music/Worship Minister

- Grace Church, Jackson, MI... Pastor of Children and Preschool
- Germantown Baptist Church, Germantown, MD—Associate Pastor of Worship and Student Ministries
- Emmanuel Baptist Church, San Jose, CA—Pastor
- Everglades Baptist Church, Okeechobee, FL—Associate Pastor of Worship

Part-Time

- Chinese Christian Mission Church, Durham, NC—Youth Director
- Holly Hunter Church, Charlotte, NC—Youth Director
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Bi-Vocational

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- Mt. Pisgah Baptist Church, Supply, NC—Youth Ministry Intern

- Calvary Baptist Church, Neeses, SC—Youth Minister

Mission Trip to New York City

Would you like to spend a long weekend sharing Christ with hundreds of lost people on the streets of New York City? May 13-16, 2005. Cost \$400 (meals included). Join Cky Carrigan and Scott Teague as they do "Gospel Shows" in Times Square, Brooklyn and the South Bronx. You will meet lost people from all over the world and you'll be able to have one-on-one gospel conversations with lost people visiting Ground Zero, the Empire State Building, and Central Park. Qualifies for sem/col credit. Act soon, space is limited to six. For more information, contact Dr. Cky Carrigan at ccarrigan@namb.net or 844-9434.

Cult Study Tour and Church Planting Mission Trip to Greater Boston

May 28-June 7, 2005. Cost \$800. Join us for a four day study tour of Unitarian Universalism, Christian Science, and Witchcraft from their headquarters in New England. Tour the campus of Harvard. Walk the famous "Independence Trail" in historical Boston. And share Jesus along the way. Then, roll up your sleeves for a week and help a church planter in Greater Boston build a great church. Qualifies for sem/col credit. Act soon, space is limited to 10. For more information, contact Dr. Cky Carrigan at ccarrigan@namb.net or 844-9434.

Mission Trip to East Africa

August 1-13, 2005. Cost \$2500. Advance the Gospel among an unreached people group in East Africa and encourage representatives working in this region. Act soon, space is limited to five. Qualifies for sem/col credit. For more information, contact Dr. Cky Carrigan at ccarrigan@namb.net or 844-9434.

DeeperDevotion.com Looking for Writers

DeeperDevotion.com, an online magazine for middle and high school students, is looking for Southeastern men and women gifted in writing and passionate about seeing teenagers grow in their relationship with God. Please contact glenn@deeperdevotion.com for more details.

Chapel Schedule

April 5

Dr. Tom Elliff
First Southern Baptist Church
Del City, OK
Kingdom Family Day



April 6

Dr. Daniel Akin
President
SEBTS



April 7

Dr. Doyle Chauncey
Executive Director/Treasurer
Southern Baptist Conservatives
of Virginia



April 12

Dr. David Jeremiah
Turning Point Ministries
Lakeside, CA



April 13

Dr. Daniel Akin
President
SEBTS



April 14

Dr. Voddie Baucham, Jr.
Voddie Baucham Ministries
Spring, TX

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Southeastern reaches initial fund-raising goal

By Jason Hall

Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary's capital fund-raising campaign "Scholarship on Fire!" has exceeded its first phase goal with more than \$16.9 million in gifts and pledges received.

President Daniel Akin said he believes this is another sign of God's blessing on the school.

Southeastern's Board of Trustees heard that positive report, among others, during their spring meeting on Southeastern's campus April 11-12.

A significant portion of the money of the first phase of "Scholarship on Fire!" will be used to fund the construction of the Patterson Campus Center, a 59,000-square-foot facility that will serve as the hub of campus life at the

school. The money will also be used for Southeastern's endowment and student scholarships.

"Scholarship on Fire!" is a 10-year, \$50 million investment campaign that was approved by the Board of Trustees in 2002.

"I am thrilled that we have met and surpassed Phase I of our *Scholarship on Fire!* campaign and our goal of \$16.5 million," Akin said. "Those who support Southeastern and believe in what we are doing have blessed us in their prayers and their giving, and they have helped us strengthen this great seminary. We are now poised to move into Phase II as we build a school that can accommodate 3,500 students and train pastors, evangelists and

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Kingdom Families conference builds strong, Christ-centered families

By Kyle Smith

After he witnessed his parents' divorce after 43 years of marriage, Tom Elliff could not bear to watch another marriage end in divorce. His search for answers led him to seven principles from Scripture that he now imparts to every couple he counsels before marriage, principles that are designed to foster strong, secure and Christ-centered marriages.

Elliff, pastor of First Southern Baptist Church in Del City, Okla., and former chairman of the SBC's Council on Family Life, brought his popular "Kingdom Families" conference to Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary on

April 5. He spoke to more than a thousand students and guests about the "Seven Pillar" approach to building strong families based on God's Word that the Southern Baptist Convention adopted in 2002 with its "Kingdom Families: Come Home to the Heart of God" initiative.

His "Seven Pillars" include: honoring God's authority, respecting human life, exercising moral purity, serving the church, using time wisely, practicing biblical stewardship and sharing the Gospel of Jesus Christ. When these principles are in place in a marriage, Elliff noted, "You couldn't blow

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Realize the authority you've been given, Rogers says

By Kyle Smith

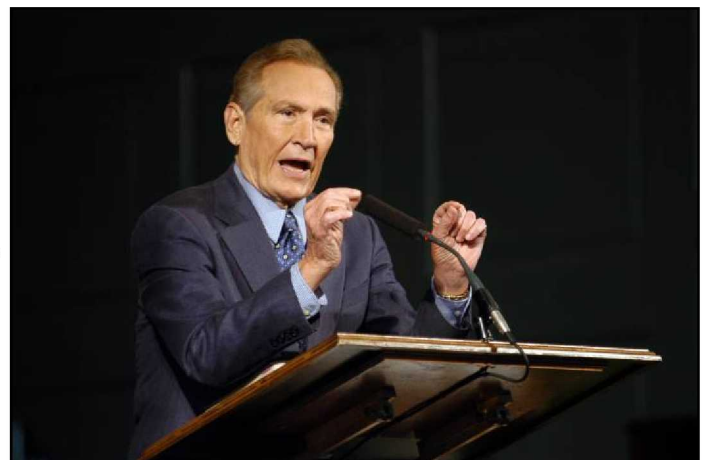
Too many Christians live life expecting spiritual defeat from the world, the flesh and the devil rather than making use of the authority that is theirs in Jesus Christ to win the battle, beloved pastor Adrian Rogers told students at Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary on April 12.

However, this kind of defeat is needless for a child of God, Rogers warned, once that child realizes the great-

ness of the victory won for believers in Christ and the authority to overcome evil that He gives to believers.

Rogers, who has served as a three-time president of the Southern Baptist Convention and recently retired after 32 years of faithful pastoral ministry at

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Dr. Adrian Rogers preaches to students, trustees and guests on April 12.

Adrian Rogers

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Bellevue Baptist Church in Memphis, Tenn., preached to a packed Binkley Chapel crowd, which included members of the seminary's Board of Trustees and Board of Visitors.

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In his message, Rogers reminded students of the spiritual war believers face each and every day. Unlike the wars seen in newspapers and on television, this spiritual war pits believers against three sources of opposition: their external foe (the world), their internal foe (the flesh), and their infernal foe (the devil).

“There is a greater battle, an invisible war,” Rogers said. “There is a philosophy of wickedness that you cannot destroy with a bomb or bullets. The only thing that will destroy error is truth, and God has given us weapons of truth.”

Rogers noted that persons outside of Christ are still under bond-

age to sin and blinded by Satan, who has dominion over them. However, the glorious truth for Christians is that just as kingdom authority to resist the enemy was lost by one man—Adam—it has been regained by the second Adam, the God-man, Jesus Christ.

Rogers distinguished the difference between authority and power, reminding listeners that although Satan is more powerful than Christians, they have more authority than he does because they have been given that authority in the name of Jesus. Similarly, he said, although a policeman is not more powerful than a speeding 18-wheeler, he has been vested with the authority to make it stop.

As a result of Christ's work on their behalf, believers should live differently, realizing that they have been given Christ's power to overcome, Rogers said.

“Where is our authority today?” Rogers asked. “Authority today is over the world, the flesh and the devil. You need to use the authority God has given to you. So many

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of us have been so defeated by the devil that we just expect (defeat) to come. Satan has no authority over you. Greater is He that is in you than he that is in the world. . . . One of these days we're going to understand the authority our Father has given us.”

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Topics For Upcoming SWF Meetings

April 25—Preparing A Bible Study; Anne Graham Lotz.

Mississippi Baptist Foundation Scholarship

Scholarship applications for seminary students from Mississippi are now available at <http://www.mbcfb.org/agencies/mbf/scholarships.aspx>. The deadline for applying is April 30. Late applications will not be considered.

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SEBTS Ambassadors

The Admissions Office is looking for students to become Southeastern Ambassadors. Applications for the Ambassador program are available in the Admissions Office on the second floor of Stealey Hall. Stop by and see Gregg Free for applications. All applications are due to the Admissions Office by April 22.

Trustees visit campus

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missionaries to take the gospel to the ends of the earth. What God has accomplished here is truly awesome, but we are ready to move ahead for His glory and the greatness of the work He has called us to do.”

Trustees elected Anthony Allen, 36, as Southeastern’s new Vice President for Institutional Advancement. He will replace Bart Neal, who has served in that post for more than a decade and will retire in the fall.

Allen has served on Southeastern’s staff for 13 years, including 8 years as the director of admissions. For the past four years, he has served as a special assistant to Neal.

“I think God has been preparing Anthony for this,” Akin said. “I have great confidence that he will take us from where we are and move us forward, building on the strong foundation laid by Dr. Neal.”

Allen, noting the success of the first phase of the “Scholarship on Fire!” campaign, said he is excited about the future of Southeastern.

“Surpassing our *Scholarship on Fire!* Campaign Phase I goal is such a milestone in the life of Southeastern,” Allen said. “The success of our campaign is a testimony to the faithful-

ness of God to supply our every need and the generosity of the many friends that made this possible. We

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are celebrating God’s goodness and the joy that comes from our partnership in the gospel with the many friends who have given sacrificially!”

Trustees also heard a glowing report from Akin about enrollment at the school, which stands at nearly 2,500 –

already surpassing last year’s record figures. He also noted that 976 new students came to Southeastern this year, and by the start of the fall semester the school could be looking again at a 5 to 7 percent growth in new students.

Akin noted that the school is “well on its way” to his personal goal of 3,500 students enrolled by 2010.

“As we continue to work faithfully, I believe God will honor what we do for His glory,” he said.

In other action, trustees:

- Elected Anthony Greenham as Assistant Professor of Missions and Islamic Studies.
- Voted to name Southeastern’s new facilities management building, to be built this summer, in honor of John and Kay Prince, long-time supporters and friends of the seminary.



Anthony Allen, was elected by the Trustees to become Southeastern’s new Vice President for Institutional Advancement, replacing Dr. Bart Neal.

Kingdom Families Conference

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that marriage up with dynamite. If not, you couldn’t keep it together with Super Glue.”

If the results of Elliff’s ministry are any indication, the principles he shares from God’s Word are working. In his more than 30 years of premarital counseling, Elliff knows of only three couples he has counseled who have ended their marriage in divorce.

The key, Elliff said, was his decision not to marry couples without making sure that they were believers and that they intended to live their lives according to the principles of God’s Word.

“I had to decide,” Elliff said, “if I was going to marry everybody that came down the road or follow God’s Word. I had to decide whether I would be part of the ceremony or invest myself in the couple’s life.”

For Elliff, the choice was clear, and the results have been amazing. He

encouraged the audience that they, too, could cultivate God-honoring marriages and families in their churches, with the understanding that no marriage can be successful if the couple does not know Jesus as Savior.

“You can go to all the marriage conferences,” he said, “but as far as I’m concerned, you’re on a journey to nowhere with anybody (that you counsel) if they don’t know Jesus as Savior. It all begins with knowing Christ personally. When you’re born again, you have the very first, but most essential, element for a good marriage. Once you do, there’s no problem God can’t fix.”

Elliff’s seminar also covered important topics such as communication, forgiveness and proper decision making, ingredients that must be in place if a marriage is to commend the Gospel. He challenged students to make honoring Christ the goal of their marriages and building strong churches the goal of their ministries.



Dr. Tom Elliff speaks at the Kingdom Families Conference on Tuesday, April 5. Classes were cancelled and all students were required to attend this special event.

“Your family can become the most winsome, telling testimony of what it means to know Jesus on your block,” Elliff said. “Your church can become known as a haven for people’s lives

that have been lacerated by divorce. You grow strong churches by growing strong families.”

Summer Trip To Slovenia

July 2 - July 13. The cost is approximately \$1500. Contact Mike Mallett at mmallett@wakecrossroads.com or at home @ 556-5872.

2005 ITAM Spring and Summer Mission Trips

Mission efforts available every week during the summer. All-inclusive price: \$700. Specifically for non-missions track students. Please pick up application and preliminary info at Center for Great Commission Studies Info Desk.

Mission Trip to the Czech Republic and Switzerland

July 20-30, 2005. Do you want to lead former Communists to the saving knowledge of Jesus Christ? Then come with us and participate in the mission trip to the Czech Republic. The team will spend one day in Zurich, Switzerland. The rest of the trip will be filled with ministry in several locations among the Czech people. Contact Dr. Josef Solc at 761-2162.

MINISTRY REFERRAL OFFICE OPPORTUNITIES

Full-Time

- Hyde Park Baptist Church, Lumberton, NC—Recreation/Children's Minister
- Gethsemane Baptist Church, Glenwood, MD—Minister of Music
- La Boca Baptist Church, Roosevelt Avenue, FL—Pastor
- La Boca Baptist Church, Roosevelt Avenue, FL—Worship Leader

Part-Time

- Bayside Baptist Church, Virginia Beach, VA—Organist
- East Valdese Baptist Church, Valdese, NC—Interim Music Minister

Bi-Vocational

- First Baptist Church, Richfield, UT—Youth Minister and Music Leader
- Heartland Community Church, Chester, VA—Pastor
- Bethel Baptist Church, Sykesville, PA—Assistant Pastor of Youth and Children
- Geneva Baptist Church, South Mills, NC—Pastor

Summer Positions

- First Baptist Church, Kingston, TN—Children's Ministry Intern
- Mount Pleasant Baptist Church, Colonial Heights, VA—Preschool/Children's Ministry Intern
- Yemassee Baptist Church, Yemassee, SC—Summer Youth Minister
- First Baptist Church, Cary, NC—Intern
- Emmanuel Baptist Church, Hartsville, SC—Children and Youth Ministry Intern
- Crossover Communications International, Columbia, SC—Summer Staff—Mission Trip Leaders
- Youth On Mission, Rocky Mount, NC—Missions Coordinator
- Cale Retreat and Conference Center, Hertford, NC—Camp Counselors
- The Tabernacle, Danville, VA—Youth Ministry Intern
- Kennebec Baptist Church, Angier, NC—Children's Ministry Intern
- Mt. Pisgah Baptist Church, Supply, NC—Youth Ministry Intern
- Calvary Baptist Church, Neeses, SC—Youth Minister
- North Central Baptist Church, Gainesville, FL—Youth Pastor
- Mount Pleasant Baptist Church, Colonial Heights, VA—Student Ministry Intern

Mission Trip to New York City

Would you like to spend a long weekend sharing Christ with hundreds of lost people on the streets of New York City? May 13-16, 2005. Cost \$400 (meals included). Join Cky Carrigan and Scott Teague as they do "Gospel Shows" in Times Square, Brooklyn and the South Bronx. You will meet lost people from all over the world and you'll be able to have one-on-one gospel conversations with lost people visiting Ground Zero, the Empire State Building, and Central Park. Qualifies for sem/col credit. Act soon, space is limited to six. For more information, contact Dr. Cky Carrigan at ccarrigan@namb.net or 844-9434.

Cult Study Tour and Church Planting Mission Trip to Greater Boston

May 28-June 7, 2005. Cost \$800. Join us for a four day study tour of Unitarian Universalism, Christian Science, and Witchcraft from their headquarters in New England. Tour the campus of Harvard. Walk the famous "Independence Trail" in historical Boston. And share Jesus along the way. Then, roll up your sleeves for a week and help a church planter in Greater Boston build a great church. Qualifies for sem/col credit. Act soon, space is limited to 10. For more information, contact Dr. Cky Carrigan at ccarrigan@namb.net or 844-9434.

Mission Trip to East Africa

August 1-13, 2005. Cost \$2500. Advance the Gospel among an unreached people group in East Africa and encourage representatives working in this region. Act soon, space is limited to five. Qualifies for sem/col credit. For more information, contact Dr. Cky Carrigan at ccarrigan@namb.net or 844-9434.

DeeperDevotion.com Looking for Writers

DeeperDevotion.com, an online magazine for middle and high school students, is looking for Southeastern men and women gifted in writing and passionate about seeing teenagers grow in their relationship with God. Please contact glenn@deeperdevotion.com for more details.

Dr. Black's Reformation Tour

Dr. Black will be leading a Reformation Tour of Germany, France, and Switzerland from September 30-October 9, 2005. Students may earn 3 units of credit for the trip. An informational meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 27, at 11:00 a.m. in Dr. Black's office. For a detailed itinerary, please go to reformationtours.com.

New Hampshire Church Planting Mission Trip

August 1-8. Open to all students/families interested in helping several church plants in New England. Three credit hours available. Estimated cost \$150 plus tuition. Call 761-2160 to sign up or contact Dr. Brown.

Chapel Schedule

April 26

Dr. Jim Richards
Executive Director
Southern Baptists of Texas
Convention

April 27

Dr. David Hesselgrave
Professor Emeritus of Missions
Trinity Evangelical Div. School

April 28

Dr. Keith Harper
Professor of Church History
SEBTS
Faculty Lecture

May 3

Student Preaching Week

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May 5

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Tapes of chapel sermons may be purchased from the Media Services department in Stealey Hall ext. 240. Also, all chapel sermons can be downloaded from www.sebts.edu.

Newsline Information

The deadline for submissions for the next *Newsline* is April 25. *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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Christian Education for Children

Dr. Edward A. Buchanan develops a biblical study plan designed for teaching children ages 10 to 12 about the Bible. See this book excerpt on Page 3.

Campus Cookout

Look to page 2 for an announcement about the upcoming campus cookout on Monday, May 2 on the Intramural Field.

Missions Opportunities

See page 4 for an up-to-date list of a variety of mission opportunities both this winter and next summer.

Preach the right gospel, Baucham says

By Kyle Smith

Thousands have been misled or given a false assurance of a salvation they never had by ministers guilty of preaching the wrong gospel, Christian apologist Voddie Baucham said in his April 14 message at Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary.

These preachers strip the gospel of sin and repentance, preaching instead a “warm, fuzzy” Jesus that is foreign to Scripture.

Baucham, who preached from 1 Corinthians 15, is a sought-after speaker, an elder at Grace Community Church in Magnolia, Texas, and an adjunct professor at The College of Biblical Studies at Union University.

False representations of the gospel, Baucham said, are often preached by clever men and women who attempt to manipulate crowds with humor rather than call them to repentance and faith in Christ. As a result, lost people leave with the impression that they have been saved because they have repeated a certain set of words when really they are still lost in sin.

“You can make a good living if you know how to manipulate crowds,”

Baucham said. “But as a result of this type of ministry, hundreds, if not thousands, are being sealed in unbelief.

“We’ve bought into the idea that all we have to do is be crafty enough and manipulative enough and we can win people to Christ. News flash – God saves sinners, not you or me. The right words in the right order do not save sinners. Your manipulation does not save sinners.”

Instead, Baucham said, God has chosen the “foolishness” of the preaching of the gospel to save sinners, and He blesses its proclamation when it is done in a way that is faithful to the truth of the biblical text.

Another way in which the gospel is distorted is Jesus Christ is not fully proclaimed as the Son of God, Baucham said. Those who concede that Jesus was a good teacher or a moral man, but deny Him as the divine Son of God, who died for sinners, must be brought face to face with Jesus’ claims of His own divinity and urged to turn from sin and to Christ.



Southeastern graduate Dr. Voddie Baucham preaches to Southeastern students, faculty, staff, and guests during chapel on April 14.

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Southeastern’s first Preview Conference a success

By Andy Lewis and Jerry Yandell

On April 14-15 Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary and Southeastern College at Wake Forest hosted the first bi-annual Preview Conference, held by the Admissions Office in order to introduce prospective students to Southeastern. Over 70 individuals attended the two day event.

During the conference, prospective students and their guests were able to tour the campus, attend classes,

experience chapel, meet with professors individually and in a forum style, tour housing, and interact with current students. Jerry Yandell, Director of Admissions, said, “The entire event went very well, and the meeting with professors, especially in the forum style setting, was very informative for students.”

The students attending the Preview Conference were able to participate in a special chapel service with Southeastern graduate Dr. Voddie Baucham. In addition,

the visitors were invited to the monthly coffee house in the Ledford Center on Thursday evening.

A highlight of the event came on Thursday evening when the prospective students and their guests were able to dine with the president, Dr. Daniel Akin. After dinner, Dr. Akin brought a message entitled “When The Master Calls To Ministry”. He challenged all those in attendance to examine their calling by focusing on several key aspects including principles for ministry and

pitfalls of ministry. After the message a reception was held in the president’s home where individuals were able to spend time with the Akin’s and even got to know the president’s Great Dane. According to Yandell the evening with Dr. Akin was highly successful, as prospective students reported it was a great experience.

As the preview conference was winding down Yandell was able to speak with several individuals, both singles and families.

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Southeastern Spotlight: Dr. Brent Aucoin



Seminary/College position: Associate Professor of History
Hometown: New Orleans, LA

Family: Wife, Amanda. Our 10 year anniversary is June 10. We have two children: Addison, who will turn 5 on July 24, and Andrew who will turn 2 on May 23.

How you became a Christian: When I first met my wife Amanda, I was a devout Catholic and tried to get her to convert to Catholicism. Instead, she encouraged me to read the Bible. I was converted after reading the gospel of John and the book of Romans.

Current church: First Baptist Church, Durham, NC

Education: B.A. in History and Philosophy from Louisiana State University in Baton Rouge, LA; M.A. in History from Miami University (Ohio) in Oxford, OH; Ph.D. from the University of Arkansas in Fayetteville.

Most influential person in your life: My father-in-law, Henry Wood, who encouraged me not only to read the Scriptures, but good, solid works of theology and Christian history. He is a model Christian and my spiritual mentor.

Hobbies: Reading, and reminiscing about the days when I had the time (and physical ability) to play basketball, tennis, and golf.

Classes currently teaching: U.S. History II and IV, and Baptist History

Favorite class ever taught: A tie between the Civil War and Baptist History.

Recent or upcoming publications: I hope to complete the revisions to my Master's Thesis and my Ph.D. dissertation for publication this summer. I have contracts for both works.

Favorite author: Mark Noll

Favorite musician: Caedmon's Call

What influenced you to come to Southeastern: The opportunity to work at an institution where the Scriptures are recognized as being God's Word and that is focused on the serious matter of preparing people for the gospel ministry. I was also intrigued by the opportunity to live in an area like Wake Forest, which seems like an ideal place to raise a family.

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Graduation Announcements Have Arrived

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Graduation Schedule

Spring Graduation will be Friday, May 27, 2005. The Seminary Graduation will take place in Binkley Chapel at 10:00 a.m., and the College Graduation will take place in Binkley Chapel at 3:00 p.m.

Educational Thoughts

Parent/Teacher Handbook For Children Ages 10 to 12

By Dr. Edward A. Buchanan
 Edited by Andy Lewis

Children and Learning

The Bible states emphatically that parents are to teach their children and pass the wisdom of past generations to the future generations. Solomon stated it this way, "Listen, [my] sons, to a father's discipline, and pay attention so that you may gain understanding, for I am giving you good instruction. Don't abandon my teaching" (Proverbs 4:1-2). The psalmist also indicated that fathers must tell their children and future generations about the works of God and the wisdom that is generated from the lessons of redemptive history (see Psalm 78). The purpose of this teaching is to help children not make the same mistakes as their forefathers made. It is also designed to inspire confidence in God and His purposes for His people. *Repetition* and *review* are important learning tools for rehearsing God's dealings with His people. The Israelites used these learning tools effectively. The same principles need to be applied to Christians today.

The single most important principle for acquiring new knowledge is that we must operate from a foundation of

prior knowledge. This means that what we have stored in our minds in the past provides the basis for what we can learn in the future. Therefore, it is essential for a child to learn how to please God and how God has dealt with persons in the past. This knowledge lays a firm foundation for future learning about God and His Son, Jesus Christ. Building upon this prior knowledge base is very important during these childhood years. Some educators would like the child to construct his own meaning in life, but the Scripture indicates clearly that we are to teach our children to build a firm Christian orientation to life.

During the preevangelism phase, before a child is ready to make a personal commitment to Jesus as Lord and Savior of his life, he needs to have a knowledge base and an understanding that will prepare him for committing his life to Christ. After conversion, or in the postevangelism phase, the child now has the indwelling Holy Spirit to guide him into a deeper knowledge of Christian truth. The Holy Spirit is also active in deepening the child's personal relationship with God. Learning about the Christian faith in the childhood years helps to build the prior knowledge base that will lead toward integrating and internalizing core Christian values to guide him throughout the rest of life. The Holy Spirit can use that learning to deepen Christian faith. The young person must develop what has been termed a Christian-world-and-life view. While it will not be fully formed in childhood, significant strides may be made in the formation of that view.

Preview Conference

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The consensus was as one group of guests stated, "a time well spent." The guests indicated that they thoroughly enjoyed the speakers and the opportunity to spend time with the president and to hear his passion. They also enjoyed the format of the conference which allowed time for the attendees to have free moment to process the material and experience the passion and the beauty that makes Southeastern so special.

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About This Book

This handbook is designed as a resource tool for teachers and parents who would like to get more depth and understanding into the lessons they are teaching. Some of the foundation materials are part of volume 3, and they have been carried over into volume 4. This volume will help you and your ministry to older children by providing Basic Christian Learning to bring the Bible to life.

The content of this volume includes everything from examination of selected Scriptures to ancient Bible history and customs from Bible times. You'll understand more about the context of the Bible and how the lives of people in the Bible have influenced our lives down through the ages. You will get a glimpse of travel in Paul's day. You will explore the Tabernacle in the Wilderness and the Temple. You will discover how the Hebrews and later Jews educated their children in their faith.

Volume 4 will provide you with more materials to share in the education of children in Jewish times. Volume 3 will also help you learn about life in Bible times. You'll discover the fascinating story of the ancient Empires of Egypt, Assyria, Babylonia, and Persia. This will provide background for the events that occur in Iraq and Iran today. You'll discover the wonders of ancient Rome and the caesars who conquered the world. You'll be inspired by the martyrs who suffered and gave their lives for their faith in Jesus.

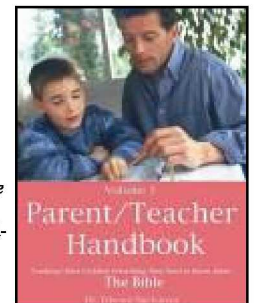
As the church continues to grow and develop, your students will develop a better understanding of the changes in the church through the

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Voddie Baucham

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"If we don't understand who Jesus is, we don't understand the Gospel," he said. "We allow them to believe in this warm, fuzzy Jesus who is not the Christ of the Scriptures. Jesus is not just a warm, fuzzy guy who wants to be your friend."

This type of preaching fails to mention sin on many occasions, Baucham said. Instead, society is blamed for man's failure.

"We don't just make bad choices," Baucham said. "We weren't just raised by the wrong parents in the wrong neighborhood. It's sin - we're

sinners."

Finally, he added, preachers must be sure to uphold the doctrine of a believer's eternal security in Christ and remind him of God's gracious keeping of His children. At the same time, Baucham cautioned, "If you believed the wrong gospel, you weren't saved in the first place."

The authentic gospel will bear lasting fruit in the lives of those God has saved, he reminded students, encouraging them to preach, teach and live the gospel out in his closing exhortation.

"God saves sinners. God keeps sinners. If you believe that, act like it," he said.

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Southeastern students preach at chapel during annual Student Preaching Week

By Andy Lewis

Four Southeastern students preached in chapel during the annual Student Preaching Week and College/A.Div. Preaching Day, honoring some of the top preaching students.

Michael Smith, Brad Lynch, and Alan Cotney preached during Student Preaching Week, recognizing the M.Div. students, and Shane Patterson preached during the College/A.Div. Preaching Day. These special preaching days are an annual event at Southeastern, set aside to allow some of Southeastern's top students to preach in chapel.

Smith, a Southeastern M.Div. student in Advanced Biblical Studies, preached in Binkley Chapel on May 3 about reconciliation of broken relationships from 2 Corinthians 5, citing "Four Results of Reconciliation with God."

Lynch, a Southeastern M.Div. student preached on May 4 from Romans 6:1-11 about being free from sin in a message entitled "Freedom from Sin: Absolute Freedom."

Alan Cotney, M.Div. student at Southeastern, spoke about perseverance and endurance in the ministry of God's word, preaching from 2 Timothy 4:1-5.

Shane Patterson, student at Southeastern College at Wake Forest, spoke during chapel on College/A.Div. Student Preaching Day on May 10. He preached out of Matthew 28:16-20 about the centrality of the authority of Jesus Christ.

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Seminary/College position: Assistant Professor of Preaching

Hometown: Maryville, TN

Family: Wife, Laura and I have been married 12 years. We have two boys: Andrew, 7; Benjamin, 5..

How you became a Christian: I was saved at the age of 18 during the invitation of the worship service at Madison Avenue Baptist Church in Maryville, TN.

Education: B.A. in Religion from Maryville College, Maryville, TN; M.Div. From the Billy Graham School of Evangelism, Missions, and Church Growth, Southern Seminary (1998); Ph.D. from Southern Seminary in Christian Preaching (2003).

Most influential person in your life: Robert Smith Jr., one of my fathers in the ministry and professor of preaching at Beeson Divinity School. Dr. Smith was influential in my surrender to preach as well as a great encouragement to enter the doctoral program at Southern. He always seems to know what God is doing in my life before I do!

Hobbies: Riding bikes and playing baseball with my boys, finding a few good yard sales on Saturdays, and watching the Tennessee Volunteers run the table each fall in the SEC East.

Classes currently teaching: Expository Preaching II for the seminary; Sermon Delivery for the college; Voice and Diction for the college.

Recent or upcoming publications: "Preaching and the Holy Spirit" in the Winter 2005 issue of Preaching Magazine.

Favorite author: Andy Stanley

Something surprising about you: I was the two-time Mr. Blount County Bodybuilding Champion my junior and senior year of high school.

What influenced you to come to Southeastern: President Akin made a great investment in me as a student at Southern Seminary, and I have grown to love and respect him as my mentor and friend. We both arrived at Southern at the same time, and we departed Southern at the same time. I believe God intended for our paths to cross there. His vision and heart for passionate and engaging expository preaching is contagious, and I believe with all my heart God wants me here to serve with him at Southeastern.

A word of wisdom for the readers: Be yourself in ministry. God doesn't need another Johnny Hunt, another Adrian Rogers, another Jerry Vines. He needs you to be you — an authentic believer living and breathing the gospel of Jesus Christ. Learn all you can from these great men of faith, but when you preach, don't try to be something you're not.

CPEI Grant Applications

Applications for the Grant for Students Attending Certain Private Education Institutions (CPEI), also known as HB 150, are available online at <http://www.sebts.edu/StudentLife/Financial/downloads/CPEI%20Application%202004-2005.PDF>. CPEI tuition reimbursements are available for college students who were residents of North Carolina by August 2003 and attended the college full-time (12 hours) in both the fall and spring semesters of this academic year. Applications should be submitted as soon as possible.

Frasier Scholarship

The Frasier Scholarship is available to all full-time Southeastern students who are residents of North Carolina and are committed to Baptist ministry. Information and applications are available at http://www.wachoviascholars.com/frsr/frsr_2005_ins.htm. The deadline to apply is June 1.

Practicum in World Religions

Practicum in World Religions will be offered during May 30-June 3. Visits off-campus may include Hindu temples, Muslim mosques, Jewish synagogues, Eastern Orthodox churches, Hare Krishna temples, Unification churches, and other places of religions. Orientations and debriefings will be held on-campus. Professor George Braswell will furnish the syllabus and course itinerary upon completion of enrollment. Applications may be received from Alana Adams in Jacumin-Simpson. The course carries three hours credit and is Pass/Fail.

Manna Ministry

The Manna Ministry is for Seminary folks by Seminary folks! You will be asked to present either your student ID or your parking decal before taking anything from the Manna Ministry. They are always in need of more volunteers in order to make this ministry run more smoothly. Please call Regina Lee at 554-6933 and see how you can help. Hours are Tuesday: 6:30 – 8 p.m. and Saturday 11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Final Edition of the Newsline

This is the final edition of the *Newsline* for the semester. It will return in the fall semester. Thank you all for your submissions.

Chapel Message CDs and DVDs

Media Services offers messages from Binkley Chapel in two formats, CD and DVD. There is a kiosk located in Binkley beside room 101 for placing an order. Orders can be picked up from the new Media Services room located between Binkley 101 and 102 on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from the end of Chapel until 12:30 p.m.

New Chapel Website

Southeastern has a new Chapel website. On the site, students can listen to the chapel messages, download messages, and order messages form the site. There is also a PDF file where students view all the speakers we have available on CD.

Magazines in Dean of Students Office

The following magazines are available for all students in the Dean of Student's Office throughout the month: World Magazine, SBC Life, Biblical Recorder, Faith & Family, and Southern Baptist Texan. Feel free to stop by any time and take a copy to read.

Graduation Schedule

Spring Graduation will be Friday, May 27. The Seminary Graduation will take place in Binkley Chapel at 10 a.m., and the College Graduation will take place in Binkley Chapel at 3 p.m.

Campus Parking Information Online

Please check out the campus parking information on the Southeastern web page http://www.sebts.edu/current_students/student_services/. On this site you can find Southeastern parking guidelines as well as a campus parking map. Vehicle registration for parking decals may be submitted online. Parking decals are free, and all students should have one. Parking tickets may be appealed online as well.

Global Mission Church of Washington Scholarship

The Global Mission Church of Washington, a Southern Baptist church, is offering a scholarship to Korean-American seminarians. It is available to any full-time student who has finished at least one year. Visit www.gmcusa.org for more details. The deadline is June 30.

Southeastern Events

Heimbach hosts F.I.D.E.S. to engage scripture with students

By Andy Lewis

Throughout this school year, Dr. Daniel Heimbach, professor of Christian ethics at Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary, and his wife, Anna, have hosted F.I.D.E.S., a discussion group in their home about scripture and biblical issues.

F.I.D.E.S. stands for "Friday Informal Discussion Engaging Scripture," and it is an idea Heimbach and his wife developed from the pater of Dr. and Mrs. Francis Schaeffer's L'Abri Fellowship, which ministered to students in their village in Switzerland. It met the first Friday of each month, and averaged between 10-20 students each evening. Heimbach believes that there have been between 100-150 different individuals participating in F.I.D.E.S. throughout this past year.

"Like the Schaeffers when they started what became L'Abri, we have prayed that God would send those he truly wants to be there and to keep others away. Of course, everyone is welcome. But, we are not interested in merely gathering numbers of faceless individuals," Heimbach said.

F.I.D.E.S. is an informal setting where guests are free to ask questions for discussion, under the moderation of Heimbach, for the purpose of exploring God's truth revealed in Scripture. There was not a pre-set agenda, so guests were free to raise discussion concerning any topics.

According to Heimbach there have

been a variety of topics because guests are allowed to discuss anything that they would like. Some of the more notable topics have been: Was God responsible for killing the children who drowned in the tsunami last Christmas? How is God related to natural evil as opposed to moral evil? Does God allow divorce and remarriage? What went wrong with the Terri Schiavo case? Is it ever right to disconnect life support and, if so, when and what types? Is disconnecting artificial food and water from a patient who will never recover murder, or is it simply letting them die?

The guests engaged Heimbach and the other members on multiple difficult questions that Christians have to face in the culture in search of biblical answers. Heimbach served as the moderator, adding his opinion as well as some background of classic arguments on the subjects. Heimbach believes this was a strong point of F.I.D.E.S.

"Rather than passively following a learning agenda set by an instructor, during F.I.D.E.S. the topic of discussion is controlled by students and only guided by the hosts. Participants get to address what really is on their minds," he said.

In doing so, F.I.D.E.S. helped the students to think for themselves and wrestle with difficult issues Christians face in the culture. Heimbach believes that this helps "create a learning environment that is tied very closely to

real life. It tends to be much closer to the needs and struggles of those who are actually in the room."

"F.I.D.E.S. offers an environment for personal growth that is precious

and rarely available anywhere else. It really is the exact opposite of a classroom learning experience," Heimbach said.

Overall, Heimbach believes that F.I.D.E.S. has been a great success and a wonderful opportunity for both he and the students.

"I enjoy the fact that it gives students a chance to really engage me as a person and for me to engage everyone who comes as a person," he said.

The final F.I.D.E.S. of the semester was May 6, but Heimbach and his wife have plans to re-open their home during the fall semester. Announcements will be in the *Newsline* and are sent via e-mail.



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7:00 through 8:30 a.m. Courses

TWR,TWRF,TW,TR or Tonly
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Campus cookout a success

By Andy Lewis

On Monday, May 9, the Student Life department held its annual Spring Campus Cookout on the intramural field for Southeastern students, faculty, staff, and families.

According to the Student Life Office, approximately 600 members of the Southeastern family attended the cookout.

Also at the event were a variety of games and events for people of all ages. Volleyball nets were set up along with inflatable games and different entertainment events.

In what has become uncommon on days of the Campus Cookout, there

was also great weather for the event. Seth Bible, Sports and Fitness Manager at the Student Life Office said, "I was really excited that we actually had some good weather to be able to hold the event outside and make use of all the games and facilities."

Evan Lenow, Assistant Director of Student Life, declared the event to be a success. "We had a great evening to



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