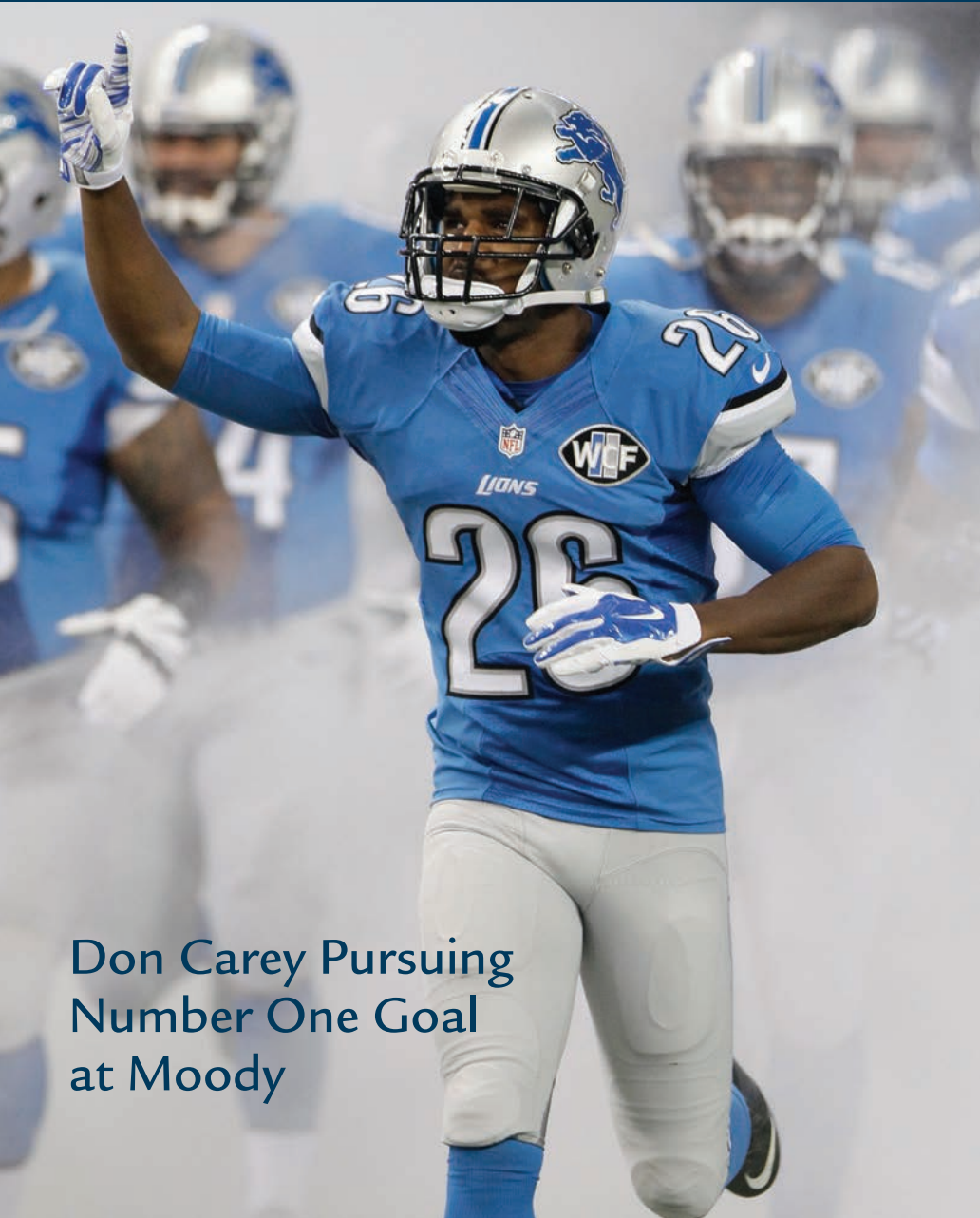


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Don Carey Pursuing  
Number One Goal  
at Moody

# From the Executive Director



*Moody alumni  
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world.*

Dear friends,

Earthquakes, crime, and injustice remind us that our world is marred by sin. Yet the good news is that God can restore broken lives and heal broken hearts, and He often uses believers in the process.

This issue tells the stories of several Moody alumni who are bringing the hope of Christ to a broken world. From a pilot who flies air ambulance in Indonesia to a family that intentionally lives in poverty among the poor in Indianapolis, we think these and other stories will inspire you.

Quick update—We're celebrating the Moody Alumni Association's 100th anniversary during Founder's Week 2016. With more than 42,000 living alumni, many ministering across the globe, cultures, and generations, we have a lot of people to thank God for—including you! I hope you can attend.

Serving Christ together,

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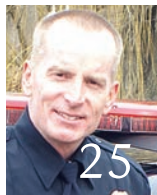
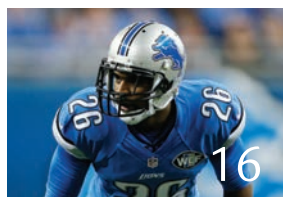
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## Roy Patterson Assisting Dr. Nyquist in Community Relations



Roy Patterson '81 and Dr. Paul Nyquist

**Roy Patterson '81** has been appointed special assistant to the president for community relations. Formerly station manager for Moody Radio in Chicago, Patterson provides counsel to the president regarding Moody's role in helping to bring about racial reconciliation in the city. He also provides counsel to Moody's Admissions office regarding recruitment and retention of ethnic minorities.

"I believe Roy is uniquely qualified to help Moody and my office create a deeper connection with our community," Nyquist says. "I am thrilled to have him help me navigate well the complex and diverse church environment in Chicago. This will propel us forward in our desire to reach and equip a broader audience through the ministries of Moody."

Over the summer Nyquist and Patterson began a multi-church tour, seeking to strengthen relationships and foster new ones with local pastors and churches, ministry partners, and community leaders. The tour kicked off in June at Salem Baptist Church. Nyquist and Patterson plan to visit

eight churches by the end of the year, as well as hold "listening lunches" with key pastors in the city.

"I've always wanted the opportunity to further bring Moody to the community and the community to Moody," says Patterson. "The body of Christ needs to work together when it comes to violence, poverty, relationships, family breakdown, whatever the issue might be. The reality is we're one body. If you hurt, I hurt. For me it's a given for us to worship together. I think the next step is for us to work together."

Patterson, a 1981 graduate in broadcast communications, brings to the role his experience as a Moody alumnus and as an African American community leader. "I love my Moody education and learned a lot here, but I did have to contextualize it; how can I make what I was taught here work in my community?"

While at Moody he developed skills for teaching theology and leading music, whether he was in a middle-class African American church or the Cook County Jail (his Practical Christian Ministry for three years). "I had to put some hot sauce on the music, because the way it was sung here wouldn't fit in my context," he recalls with a laugh.

Patterson has been a pastor, worship leader, and substance abuse counselor. He continues to host Moody Radio's *Celebration of Praise* and *Music for Sunday*, along with the Urban Praise stream. Married for more than 30 years, he and his wife, Lynette, have three grown children.

## ‘Remember Jesus Christ’



*Dr. Gene Getz '52 delivers the commencement address to Moody graduates.*

**Dr. Gene Getz '52** delivered the commencement address in Chicago with this charge to Moody graduates: “If you forget anything else I say, I hope you’ll remember these three words: Remember Jesus Christ.” His oldest granddaughter, **Stephanie Fackler '15**, an applied linguistics major, was among the graduates.

Dr. Getz, president of the Center for Church Renewal, illustrated his message from 2 Timothy 2:8 with stories from Moody, where he first got the assurance of his salvation, sang and preached with a traveling quartet, and met his wife, **Elaine (Holmquist '56)**.

“What I learned here at Moody Bible Institute is the foundation of who I am today,” he said. “And I believe that Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and forever.”

Dr. Getz has served on Moody’s Alumni Board, the Board of Trustees, and on the faculties of Moody and Dallas Theological Seminary. He also founded several Fellowship Bible churches in Texas and was named Alumnus of the Year in 1985.

He has written more than 60 books, including *MBI, The Story of Moody Bible*

*Institute* (Moody Publishers). In 2011 Dr. Getz published the multimedia *Life Essentials Study Bible* (Holman Bible Publishers).

**Moody Bible Institute** and **Moody Bible Institute Distance Learning** held commencement for 412 undergraduate students.

**Moody Theological Seminary** in Chicago graduated 78 students, while **Moody Bible Institute Distance Learning** had its first graduating class of 16 students earning the Master of Arts in Applied Biblical Studies.



*Mary Page '15, with daughters Tenishia (left), Michaelle, and son, Michael, earned her online MA in Applied Biblical Studies after her husband of 34 years passed away. “This degree represents a part of my new season in life,” she says.*

**Moody Theological Seminary** in Michigan invited Dr. John Trent, Chapman Chair of Marriage and Family, to give the commencement address on May 2, with 40 graduating.

**Moody Bible Institute** in Spokane celebrated its tenth graduation with 92 students graduating. Moody President Paul Nyquist gave the address. **Moody Aviation** had 13 graduates and more than 250 people in attendance for its commissioning ceremony on May 22 in Spokane.

# Moody Highlights

## Moody Receives Online Course of the Year Award

Moody Bible Institute Distance Learning won its sixteenth award for Course of the Year (the third in the past five years). The course, Action Research and Biblical Interpretation, was named the 2015 Course of the Year in the online category by the Association of Christian Distance Education. The announcement came during the association's annual ACCESS Conference in Lancaster, Penn., last March.

"We're humbled to receive this award once again," said **Dr. James Spencer MDiv '04**, vice president and dean of MBIDL. "Our staff and faculty are deeply committed to delivering high-quality courses that lead to a transformative understanding of the Word of God for our students so they are equipped to serve in their context."

The award is given to an outstanding new course developed in the past year by a member organization. Judging is based on instructional design, media/materials development, and learner support. More than 15 higher education institutions entered this year.

Developed by assistant dean of teaching and learning Alin Vrancila and instructional designer Mary Oprea, the 14-week course is a core requirement in MBIDL's three master's programs: MA in Applied Biblical Studies, MA in Biblical Exposition, and MA in Christian Leadership.

"In the Action Research and Biblical Interpretation course, students engage in activities and assignments designed to teach them how to apply Scripture in scenarios they will encounter in everyday life and ministry," said Kevin Mahaffy, MBIDL director of instructional design. "Responses from students who have already taken this course have been overwhelmingly positive."

MBIDL also received honorable mention for its course, Applied Human Development I, developed by associate professor of educational ministries Elizabeth Smith and instructional designer Sandra West.

For more information about MBIDL, please visit [www.moody.edu/distancelearning](http://www.moody.edu/distancelearning).

## Moody Ranks No. 4 in Illinois Graduation Rates

Of the 61 colleges and universities in Illinois, Moody Bible Institute ranked in the top five schools with the highest graduation rates in 2015. The five highest graduation rates are:

1. Northwestern University (94.2%)
2. University of Chicago (92.7%)
3. Wheaton College (86.7%)
4. Moody Bible Institute (84.3%)
5. University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign (83.9%).





**Moody alumni in youth ministry meet together in Israel.** Back row: Brian Float '81, Shawn Ammons '08, Mel Ellenwood '90, Amy (Klopfenstein '89) Ellenwood, Josh Yates '00, Katie Yates '01. Front row: Mark Edwards '82, Bob MacRae '75, Darryl Lawler '97, Char Spader '75, Dann Spader '74, David Boerema '97.

## Faculty Travel Funds Support Israel Youth Summit Trip

**Dr. Bob MacRae '75**, Moody professor of youth ministry, traveled to Israel last April for the Global Youth Initiative Summit, thanks to Faculty Travel Endowment funds given by Moody alumni. “It was an amazing time,” says MacRae, who joined about 170 participants from 53 countries, including 10 Moody alumni, for almost two weeks of teaching and touring through the Holy Land.

The summit drew youth leaders who use the Sonlife strategy, modeling Jesus in discipling and multiplication of youth ministries, says MacRae, who has been part of Sonlife since alumnus **Dann Spader '75** started the ministry in 1979. Sonlife has spawned six major Global Youth Initiative organizations around the world, including Sonlife North America and Josiah Venture in Eastern Europe.

A highlight of the Israel trip was “meeting so many different individuals who are doing youth ministry around the world—sitting down and realizing you have a connection not only because you’re believers but because you’re wanting to see young people come to know Christ and follow Him and make other disciples,” says MacRae, who also attended GYI’s first summit in 2008. The Summit challenged MacRae to be more purposeful about discipling not just youth workers and discipling makers but also nonbelievers.

“I’m very grateful for the Alumni Association and the people who give to the faculty travel fund that made it possible for me to go,” he added. The fund, which paid his airfare, was established in 2002 to provide undergraduate and graduate faculty with resources for global ministry.

# Moody Highlights

## Join Us for Alumni Association's 100th Anniversary Celebration

Mark your calendar now to attend Founder's Week and celebrate the 100th anniversary of the Alumni Association, February 1–5, 2016. Enjoy these alumni festivities:

- Inspiring messages from Alumni Day speakers **Dr. Don Sweeting '76**, **Mark Jobe '84**, and **Ian Leitch '69**.
- Annual alumni banquet on Tuesday, 12:15–2:00 p.m.
- Class reunions on Tuesday for all class years ending in a “6” or “1.”
- Special celebrations on Monday for alumni from the classes of 1966 (50th), 1976 (40th), 1991 (25th), and 2006 (10th). Watch for a specific mailing with more details.
- Expanded childcare, provided by Moody Education majors, during Monday class dinners and Tuesday afternoon alumni events.



*Dr. Don Sweeting '76 will be one of the Alumni Day speakers at Founder's Week 2016.*

- Alumnus of the Year reception Tuesday evening after the evening session.

*For more details, call the Moody Alumni Association at (312) 329-4412 or email [mbialum@moody.edu](mailto:mbialum@moody.edu).*

## Men's Choir Thanked by Retired Conductor



**Vann Trapp '57**, retired conductor of the Moody Men's Glee Club from 1964–74, sent this note after hearing the Moody Men's Collegiate Choir perform in Montreat, N.C.

“Words cannot express how much I was blessed by your and the men's

performance last Monday evening. All I can say is, I came home and immediately wrote the enclosed poem (excerpt below). The guys are A-1 in my thinking. As each passed by and thanked me for coming to listen, I couldn't lower my delight by saying ‘you're welcome,’ but could only return their ‘thank you’—it was my joy.”

*Last night I heard the angels sing;  
Young men, proclaiming Christ their King  
Young men, who love their living Lord;  
Young men who take God at His Word;  
Young men who, in a world of stress  
Have found true joy and happiness;  
Young men who, in a world of doubt  
Have found real truth to sing about.*



## Media Award Presented to Moody Radio

Moody Radio's station in Tuscaloosa, Ala., received the Public Broadcast Media Award by the Alabama Gerontological Society last April. Doris Ball, director of Adult Protective Services for the State of Alabama Human Resources department, nominated Moody Radio for the award for highlighting issues that affect the elderly. The department noted a nine percent increase in patient referrals in the Tuscaloosa area as a result of Moody Radio's elderly care programming.

"Moody Radio did an outstanding job recording public service announcements used across the state dealing with issues affecting the elderly," said Ball. "Their panel radio show, *Seat at the City Gate*, that dealt with elderly care, encompassed many panelists that are experts in their field."



*Moody Radio's John Rogers (left), Rob Moore, and Greg Rogers receive award from Doris Ball.*

*Seat at the City Gate* is a monthly public affairs forum broadcast live from 88.9 FM, Moody Radio's station in Tuscaloosa. The forum tackles important topics, such as those related to family and business ownership, from a biblical perspective. Community residents are invited to join city leaders, government officials, and ministry representatives in the forum.

## Celebrate Christmas with Moody

### **Handel's *Messiah*—November 15, 3:30 p.m.**

Moody's Oratorio Chorus sings this classic biblical story of Christ. Tickets go on sale in October. Visit [moody.edu/messiah](http://moody.edu/messiah) for more information.

### **Candlelight Carols—Friday, December 4, 8:00 p.m.; Saturday, December 5, 2:00 and 7:00 p.m.**

Through music and drama, "We Have Seen His Glory" tells the story of the three Apollo 8 astronauts who orbited the moon in December 1968, while back on earth their families witnessed God's glory on display.

Alumni may purchase up to four discounted tickets (\$10 each) for the Friday evening performance at The Moody Church in Chicago. Come to Moody's campus at 6:00 p.m. for a pre-performance alumni hors d'oeuvres reception in the Fellowship Hall of the Alumni Student Center.

To register for the reception and to request discounted tickets, contact the Alumni Office at (312) 329-4412.

# Moody Highlights

## Alumni Encouraged by Pastors' Conference

Pastors' Conference attracted more than 600 pastors, including three dozen alumni who met for a Moody Alumni Association breakfast. The conference featured multiple tracks and speakers, including Robert Crummie, Jack Graham, J. D. Greear, Chip Ingram, Henry Morris III, E. Dewey Smith, and Lon Solomon.

**Stephen Anderson MDiv '13**, pastor of Mt. Pleasant Bible Church in Goodells, Mich., was among those who attended the alumni breakfast and Pastors' Conference for the first time. "The range of messages to me has been really impressive," he said. "We talked about holiness, repentance, prayer, the importance of the Holy Spirit, and church discipline."

Hearing Lon Solomon's message



about the danger of prayerlessness in ministry, for example, reinforced the importance of setting aside time for prayer, a discipline Stephen learned

while studying at Moody Theological Seminary. "It made me profoundly thankful for the mercy of God that He had taught me that lesson while I was at Moody," he said.

Stephen said he plans to return to Pastors' Conference because it is cost-effective and provides times "when we can worship the Lord, when we can repent and receive forgiveness, and when we can be challenged and encouraged."

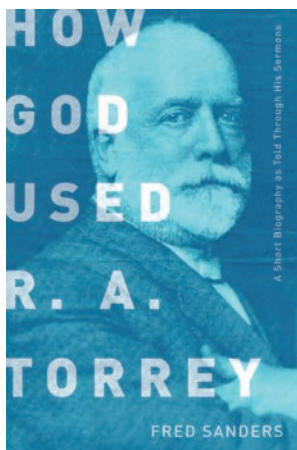


*Dr. John Trent speaks at the Pastors' Conference alumni breakfast.*

## New R. A. Torrey Book from Moody Publishers

A new book from Moody Publishers, *How God Used R. A. Torrey*, tells the story of Moody Bible Institute's second president. Author Fred Sanders tells the story with biographical introductions of 13 Torrey sermons, including Torrey's famous address about his former boss, "Why God Used D. L. Moody."

R. A. Torrey was pastoring a Minneapolis church when D. L. Moody recruited him to become the superintendent of Chicago Bible Institute. When Moody died in 1899,



Torrey would succeed him as president and change the institution's name to Moody Bible Institute. The Torrey-Gray auditorium at Moody's Chicago campus is named for Torrey and his successor, James M. Gray.

The new book benefits from the author's research in the Moody archives, where he discovered a rare Torrey manuscript,

a brief unpublished autobiography. The appendix of the new book reproduces the manuscript for the first time.

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# NEPAL

After the Earthquake





Jeremy, a Moody Theological Seminary student, dodged orange bricks as a tall Buddha-eyed tower crumbled and fell. Hindu worshipers ran screaming from the Monkey Temple as idols crashed around them.

Jeremy was in Kathmandu, Nepal, on business, but he had been sightseeing with a Nepali man and two coworkers on Saturday morning, April 25, when the earthquake hit, killing more than 7,000 people and damaging dozens of churches.

### Delivering Hope

Jeremy spent the next two weeks encouraging local church communities and providing disaster relief. He borrowed a motorcycle to search for food and water to buy and distribute, contacted relief agencies to get tarps for temporary shelters, and helped build a bamboo-and-metal structure for a pastor whose home was severely damaged. He also delivered donations of rice, oil, and lentils, as well as money for medical bills. Because of continuing aftershocks, Jeremy joined about 200 other displaced people at night, sleeping on a Christian school's basketball court that was covered with a metal roof.

A week after the earthquake, a young pastor brought Jeremy to the rubble of a church where 62 members had been worshiping when the walls collapsed. Seventeen people had been killed, including the senior pastor and two of his family members. At the hospital, Jeremy visited one of the survivors who had been caught under the rubble with the dying pastor and heard his last words: "Now my old hands are already cold. I may leave very soon. Someone will come and rescue you. You need only do the work of God. You must be filled by the Holy Spirit and you will do greater things in the future."

### Reaching Hindus

Once a Hindu kingdom, Nepal has been transitioning to a secular democracy since 2008 when Maoist guerrillas overthrew the monarchy in a civil war. Christianity is allowed but many view it as a foreign, Western intrusion. Christians, who make up only three percent of the population, still experience persecution but are hopeful and waiting for a new constitution that secures religious freedom. Jeremy says churches in Nepal think the humanitarian efforts of evangelical groups like Samaritan's Purse, which delivered tons of emergency supplies after the quake, may help legitimize the presence of Christians in Nepal.

Jeremy had come to Nepal in April as a technology and business consultant to set up a print-on-demand shop. He trained a local team to use the equipment and technology for printing flyers, business cards, literature, and translated materials. He also taught them how to run a profitable business. He has been doing similar work in several other countries for a year now.

"I'm certainly using my degree one hundred percent," says Jeremy, who is about four courses shy of earning his Master of Divinity with an emphasis in Intercultural Studies. "I learned the biblical languages, which is helpful, and I use my leadership classes a ton," he says.

While at Moody, he also served on the seminary's student council, first as chaplain and then for two years as president. He learned to delegate tasks, motivate and manage volunteers, and foster team leaders. "That has been the greatest help," he says. "Now I manage a department and work with 15 volunteers and full-time workers."

Jeremy studied on Moody's Chicago





*A survivor of a church that collapsed in the quake comforts a hospitalized member who was rescued after 39 hours under the rubble.*

campus from 2010 to 2014. He is taking modular and online courses to complete his MTS degree while traveling. Besides Nepal, he is setting up printing facilities in Africa, the Middle East, and Eastern Europe. “It’s a dream come true,” Jeremy says. “When I heard about this job, it was like the Lord baked this double-chocolate cake and said, ‘Here, Jeremy’; because it includes travel, supporting persecuted brothers, going to different places, and meeting new people.”

### **Letting God Lead**

Jeremy had no idea he would one day have the opportunity to serve God through business and travel. He grew up in a pastor’s home, the shy youngest son of six children. “My brothers were cool and I was a dork, and we were poor and I didn’t like that,” he recalls. “I liked to be alone and read books.” But in his first year of college, he got involved with InterVarsity Christian Fellowship and eventually began leading men’s Bible studies. “The Lord radically changed

me from being an introvert and hating people to caring about people and loving people.”

After graduating college with a chemistry degree, he worked for a few years, then quit his job and rode his bicycle through South America with four friends for a year. They slept in tents, finally reaching Patagonia on the southern tip of Argentina. His intention was to keep traveling, but through his devotions, God planted the desire for a greater purpose and Bible training. “The Lord put the urge in me to attend Moody.”

While pursuing graduate studies, Jeremy has been grateful to use his training in serving the Lord wherever He leads, even into difficult or dangerous places. “It’s not a big risk because I know that right on the other side I’ll be standing in the presence of the Lord, and that’s a cool thing,” he says.

*Jeremy (not his real name) is serving internationally while he finishes his seminary degree. For security reasons, some of the story details are intentionally vague.*



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# Detroit Lions Player Pursuing Master's in Theology

Don Carey balances a professional football career with community ministry, being a husband and new father, and attending Moody Theological Seminary. He never expected the seminary part, but says, "I love going to class."



Carey, who is pursuing his Master of Theological Studies in Old Testament on the Michigan campus, grew up in a Christian home. “I came from a family of pastors, evangelists, preachers, and teachers. My great grandfather built a church himself,” Carey explains. “It was not an option *not* to go to church.”

As he saw his single mom struggle to raise her children alone, giving up meals so they could eat, he began to question his childhood faith. Carey determined that his life would follow a different path. “Anything I grew up with—especially the negative things—I tried to do the opposite,” he says. “I included Christianity in that pile of things I did not want.”

Carey developed what he calls a “self-made mindset.” He thought, *I’ll be the author and architect of my future.* “Going down that path led me away from God.”

He found personal success after graduating from Norfolk State, when he was recruited by the Cleveland Browns. Carey then played two seasons for the Jacksonville Jaguars and was finishing his fourth season as a safety for the Detroit Lions. Despite these career achievements, he was still searching spiritually. In 2011, during the NFL lockout, a fellow player invited Carey to attend the annual Pro Athletes Outreach conference in Orlando, Fla.

Carey says the invitation triggered the start of his journey back to God. “After the conference, I asked a simple question,” he told a Detroit newspaper. “I said, ‘God, if you’re real, just show me.’” The years that followed drew him back to God and to His Word.

About a year ago, Carey told the Lions’ chaplain about his desire to learn more about the Bible. The chaplain connected Carey to a Moody alumnus who helped him

study Scripture. He suggested that Carey consider seminary.

Today, while still playing for the Detroit Lions, Carey is also learning to articulate his faith in a wise and compassionate way through his studies at Moody. “I’m controversial by nature, so I had to grow from debating everybody. When I first became a believer I spent all my time reading, studying, learning the Bible. I would go straight to social media and post, hoping to get a response. That’s my nature—I like to get people talking about things.”



*Don Carey, right, listens during his Old Testament History, Literature, and Theology course at Moody Theological Seminary. (Photo: Tim Galloway)*

The more he learns about God’s Word, the more he desires to share with others in a way that will help them hear and understand. “I look at apologetics like the seasoning and the gospel is the actual steak. If the seasoning is too much, nobody’s going to eat.”

He desires, one day, to earn his PhD in philosophy. “I want to teach people to share their faith and give them the tools to actually do it.”

Carey and his wife, LaKeisha, recently celebrated the birth of a son and have founded Don Carey International Ministries ([dcimin.org](http://dcimin.org)), a parachurch  
*(continued on page 47)*



# loving their urban neighbors

The Strietelmeiers practice what they preach in downtown Indianapolis.



Debbie (Jackson) Strietelmeier '88 was standing in her kitchen when she heard the crack of a gunshot. Dropping everything, she raced to look out the back door where her three-year-old daughter, Elizabeth, had been playing with a friend in the yard. The two girls, wide-eyed, were already running inside. Debbie hugged them tight. Then she went into the other room and cried.



Even though she and her husband, **Jim '86**, were confident that moving their family into one of Indianapolis's poorest urban neighborhoods was a part of God's plan, the reality is not always easy.

### Blessed Are the Poor

In the mid-1990s, after a short time serving as missionaries in Africa, Jim and Debbie Strietelmeier returned to the States where God placed another mission field on their hearts. With their three young children, the couple moved from Zionsville, called the "safest city in America," to the east side of Indianapolis, where they began hosting a church out of their living room.

One police sergeant described their neighborhood as "the poorest, meanest area" of the city. In 2006, the murder of an entire family, just two blocks from the Strietelmeier's home, made national news. The family's intentional decision to take on the poverty culture and live among the poorest residents of Indianapolis surprised some of their friends and relatives. But for the past 25 years, they have felt compelled to live out the gospel in this practical way.

"It is hard work and sometimes unpleasant," Debbie says. "Fulfillment comes from obedience to God. Joy comes from the Spirit and living out the beatitudes."

Despite hardships, Jim, Debbie, and their children (four biological, two adopted, and two foster children) are characterized by joy. "God has chosen the poor of the world to be rich in faith," Jim says. "We are poor but joyful." Today their daughter Elizabeth is a Moody student and president of the Moody Gospel Choir. Their oldest daughter, **Abigail '14**, graduated from Moody and serves as a missionary in Vietnam.

### Training at Moody

For Jim and Debbie, life has always been missional. They met as teenagers at a summer Bible camp. In the late 1980s, they both attended Moody Bible Institute and were married the summer before Debbie's senior year.

Moody played a key role in their development for ministry. "Moody well prepared shy, broken, backwards kids to go out and share the gospel," Jim says.

Jim appreciated the intensive study of the Bible, practical experience in ministry, and the influence of their professors. "The thing Moody did for me was help me memorize a lot of Scripture," Jim says. "I have a view that Scripture is the only answer in urban ministry . . . in any ministry."

For Practical Christian Ministry assignments, Jim remembers doing street evangelism and hanging drywall with fellow classmate **Greg Kord '86** in Humboldt Park. Debbie cleaned tables at Jesus People USA's Uptown ministry. Jim says, "Practical Christian Ministries were essential to me and for all the students—not just to learn facts but to learn by doing."

Moody professors pushed them to live intentional, missional lives. They remember the teaching of **Dr. Leonard Rascher '44** and **Miss Rosemary Turner '45**. One day, **Dr. Ray Badgero '66** asked Jim's missions class how they might try to influence the entire country. He gave them an imaginary budget to achieve that goal. One group decided they would advertise during the Super Bowl. Another group suggested a series of billboards. Dr. Badgero said he would put the money in the bank, live off of the interest, and preach quietly.

### Loving Their Neighbors

"That's what we've been doing," says Jim, whose family has been quietly

living out their faith in Indianapolis since 1996. After administrative struggles abruptly ended the Strietelmeiers' missionary service in Africa, he accepted a three-year internship at a suburban church in Indianapolis. The church, Zionsville Fellowship, supported the Strietelmeiers, the first of many families to move into the pocket of poverty in downtown Indianapolis. "Crime was the business of the neighborhood and drugs were the driving force of that economy," Jim says. The neighborhood was 40 percent black, 40 percent white, and 20 percent Latino. Everyone was poor by American standards.



*The Strietelmeiers founded Neighborhood Fellowship Church, Indianapolis*

As they settled in, they started to find significant needs. "If you just take the principle of loving your neighbor as yourself," Jim says, "pretty soon you find out there are things to do."

When their gathering of residents outgrew the Strietelmeiers' living room, they purchased a 100-year-old crumbling church building. Their sending church helped pay the mortgage, and the Strietelmeiers put hard physical labor into its slow but steady restoration.

Needs continued to show themselves. When Jim and Debbie

noticed that their neighbors were hungry, they opened a food pantry. When they noticed that not one of the teenagers they knew was going to graduate high school, they started a school.

"Soon we were praying for God to help us with medical issues," Jim says. Today they have one of the largest student-staffed clinics in the world. Medical students from Indiana University, Butler University, and the University of Indianapolis staff the clinic out of their church building. "We minister to the physical needs of the community, but also spiritual needs," he explains.

If they had recognized the broad scope their ministry would take, the Strietelmeiers might have hesitated. But they've met needs one by one, and the church has grown. "Yes, we wish we had a game plan," Jim admits. "But instead we just rolled with what the Lord would do and prayed really hard."

He references Isaiah 58, a passage where the prophet explains the meaning of a true fast. It means "to share your food with the hungry and to provide the poor wanderer with shelter—when you see the naked, to clothe them" (vv. 6–7).

Jim loves this passage in Isaiah because he sees their God-given purpose as "rebuilders" in this impoverished neighborhood and in the lives of those they meet. Isaiah writes, "Your people will rebuild the ancient ruins and will raise up the age-old foundations" (v. 12).

"We've been safe in our troubled community because God is watching our back. We are rebuilders. Our church building had a hole from the basement to the main floor to the roof—you could see the sky when we first came into it. Now it is a nice place."

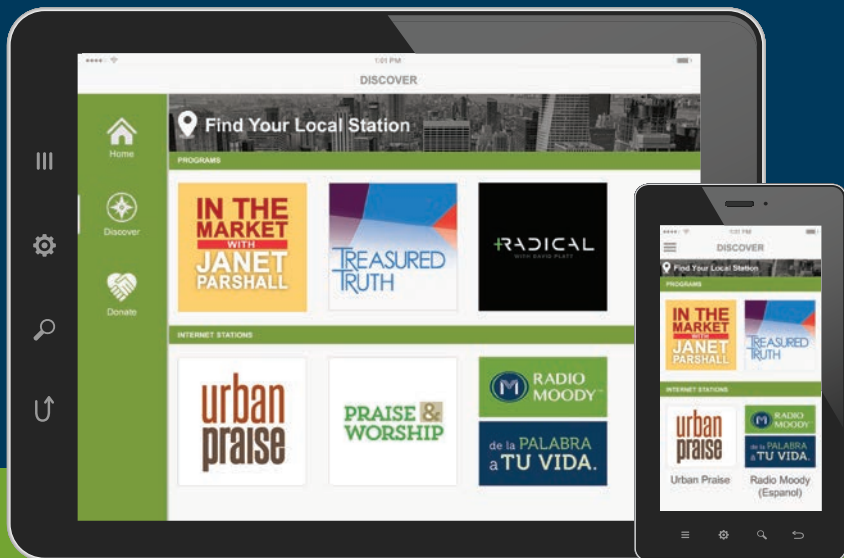


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# Fixing the Broken

God uses a pilot-mechanic in Indonesia to repair more than planes



“I grew up trying to fix things,” says Adelaide ’02. In high school, she borrowed her dad’s tools, kindling an interest that led to her degree from Moody Aviation. But for Adelaide, trying to fix broken things could also refer to her troubled life before she became a pilot-mechanic in Indonesia.

## Broken Beginnings

The oldest of four children, Adelaide was raised in California in “a broken, dysfunctional, single-parent household riddled with drugs and abuse,” she says. Her dad wanted her aborted and her mom was shooting heroin when she was pregnant. “I shouldn’t be able to be doing what I’m doing,” she says.

Her first glimmer of hope came in fourth grade when she moved to a new town. A girl invited her to Sunday school. “It was a safe, warm, loving environment, which was completely antithetical to my home life,” she recalls.

Adelaide became a believer in high school and went on short-term trips to Mexico with her youth group. Occasionally she also got to visit her dad, an auto mechanic, and learned to use tools from the guys in his shop.

It was while leading a spring break trip to Mexico that she sensed God’s call on her life. “I knew what I wanted to live my life for—not money, not status, not things—but to know Him and serve Him.”

Along with that call came a desire to fly. Her youth pastor recommended Moody Aviation, but when she called Moody, she was told she would need to take physics, calculus, and a slew of other difficult courses, she says. “I got really discouraged.”

## Learning to Trust

To avoid Moody, Adelaide called Mission Aviation Fellowship and similar organizations to find out what other aviation schools they recommended. “Every one of them said Moody Bible Institute,” she says. Reluctantly, Adelaide applied to Moody. She was accepted but put on a yearlong waiting list.

During that year she attended Urbana, InterVarsity’s student missions conference, and God cracked her heart

wide open, she says. “For the first time in my life I experienced the joy of my salvation.” She also began to consciously allow God to love her.

Adelaide realized she needed to learn to trust God completely. “So I started Moody at ground zero in my relationship with God,” she says.

## Equipped by Moody

Adelaide is grateful for Moody’s five-year aviation program, which equipped her with technical, relational, and spiritual instruction. She made it through the math courses she thought would be too difficult. And she speaks highly of her classes with Dr. Harold Foes (1985 Faculty Citation Award recipient). “He really got me into the Word,” she says. “Romans was a hard class. He did not drop the bar. It was fantastic.”

For her Practical Christian Ministry assignments, Adelaide served in an inner city after-school program and volunteered with Awana. She also gained experience from her job on the grounds crew, repairing lawn and snow removal equipment. After two years in Chicago, she spent the last three years of school in Moody’s flight training program, then in Elizabethton, Tenn. (now located in Spokane, Wash.)

“Moody Aviation did an exemplary job of preparing us to go into areas with no infrastructure and to be very safe, very proficient, and very knowledgeable, highly prepared technicians,” she says.

Most of the instructors had served on the field and knew the perils and struggles of working in other cultures and third world countries. “They also really hammered in that if you’re not walking it here, it’s not like you’re going to suddenly start walking it there, and how important our walk with Jesus is.”

Adelaide graduated in 2002 with





a Bachelor of Science in Aviation Technology, an Aviation Maintenance Technician License, and a Commercial Pilot License.

### **Bringing Relief**

Adelaide arrived in Indonesia in early 2007, about two years after a deadly tsunami had struck the country. She assisted a small MAF team in the work of loading and fueling planes, doing maintenance and inspections, flying in humanitarian groups and building supplies, transporting sick people to the other side of the island for medical treatment, and squeezing in paperwork. “We did everything together. Even breakfast was on the fly, no pun intended,” she says.

Today Adelaide flies a Cessna Caravan in Indonesia, providing air ambulance service. As a chief pilot for MAF, she also teaches airframe and electrical classes with a local aviation high school.

Adelaide’s small MAF team has grown from a few people to five “extraordinarily awesome” families,

she says. “It’s really a blessing to work with highly technical, highly relational people.”

She has also developed valuable relationships with the women in her Indonesian community. Adelaide mentors teenage girls and housewives, eating together, celebrating birthdays, fixing broken bicycles, and shopping for school items with them. Girls know they can always get hope and a hug from Adelaide.

“This is where you realize no tear is wasted in God’s kingdom,” she says. “He carried me through so much heartache as a kid for such a time as this, so I could be there to love and serve them.”

### **Changing Times, Unchanging Faith**

Living in a Muslim country, Adelaide is mindful of the Islamic laws tightening across Indonesia. “We’re trying to build relationships,” she says. “We want to remove as many barriers as we can to be able to be salt and light in their lives.”

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Adelaide hopes she can spend her life serving in Indonesia. “Yeah, I’m a pilot and a mechanic, but I have court-side seats to the greatest show on earth. I get to watch God touch and change and save lives and watch Him use the foolish things of the world to do it, of which sometimes I’m one of them.”

*Adelaide’s real name has been changed for security reasons.*

# Moonlighting as an Officer



After the kids go to bed Saturday night, Moody Radio's **Chris Segard '95** leaves for his second job, volunteering overnight as a reserve police officer in Portage, Indiana. Despite the late night, he still makes it to church on Sunday. "If I can get a nap Sunday afternoon, I'm back where I should be."

Segard, Moody Radio's manager of production services during the week, spends his weekends assisting in the Portage Police Department. As a reserve officer, he completed a 40-hour course plus a year of field training to perform many of the same roles as full-time officers. He assists with arrests, transports prisoners, helps during weather disasters, and does administrative work—all without pay. But the spiritual dividends are

an ongoing motivation for him.

"I wanted to be there to encourage police officers, to share Christ with them, to serve people," says Segard, who got involved in the program 10 years ago after his pastor urged him to train as a police chaplain. Segard took a different route but one that still allows him to minister to officers. "It's sometimes hard to cope with the stresses, so I let them know that I'm praying for them, thinking about them; maybe I write a note of encouragement that there's hope."

Over the years, he has placed about 50 Bibles in the hands of fellow officers, praying they'll read them. Some do, which inspires Segard to stay on the job. "We've seen just about everything bad that could happen—from accidents to people in trouble to fights to you-name-it," he explains.

When on duty, Segard is equipped with a Sig P229 pistol, a taser, pepper spray, an expandable baton, a bullet-resistant vest, a small first aid kit, and handcuffs. Being concerned about safety is normal, even healthy, when racing to a call. Yet he says his greatest need is to wear the armor of God. "I'll pray before a shift, 'Lord, I need your power to do this because even these things I'm wearing are no match for the enemy.'"

Segard, who says he couldn't do this work without the support of a very loving and understanding wife, **Heather (Rosin) '94**, adds, "With the hope of Jesus, you can enter situations to help and feel completely confident. And that's what I want to share with the rest of the officers—the hope."

# travel i deep and wide



## Family of eleven enjoys a life of discovery and ministry

They've snorkeled with sea turtles in Mexico, spelunked in a Central American cave, and hiked the 2,000-year-old rice terraces in the Philippines. Those are just a few of the adventures experienced by Brent Inion '90, his wife, Stacey-jean, and their children since they left Pennsylvania and began traveling the globe in 2007.





Hannah Inion gets a dolphin kiss while visiting Cozumel, Mexico.

The Inion family, which includes nine children (five biological children and four adopted children with conditions like cerebral palsy and Down syndrome), won the hearts and votes of *National Geographic* readers who chose them as the 2014 People's Choice Travelers of the Year.

"By God's grace, this has given us a forum to speak to a wide variety of travelers: atheists, agnostics, and seekers of all kinds," says Brent. "We have helped families view their child with special needs not as a curse but as a gift."

The Inions' travel lifestyle has given their children the world as their classroom. "It gives us a great opportunity to teach our children various cultures, languages, geography, and history," he says.

### Moody-Inspired Travel

The desire to become "worldschoolers" began in Lancaster, Penn., where for seven years Brent and Stacey-jean raised their young family among the Amish and Mennonites.

"After seminary and a pastorate in Ohio, we both were attracted to returning to the Amish country of Pennsylvania with the thought of having some kind of self-supported ministry among them," Brent explains. "In the seven years that we lived among the Amish and Mennonites, we came to love and make lifelong friends among them. Many of them stood alongside us as we went through the adoption process." The Inions also saw God work in a growing circle of Amish that were seeking to follow Christ. "This group sought true salvation and still live a life simple enough to remain relevant to their fellow Amish," Brent says.

When the Inions watched a Moody Science video about monarch butterflies, *Flying Wings of Beauty/The*



*The Inion family stands in front of Morelia Cathedral in Morelia, Mexico, the closest city to the famous Monarch butterfly sanctuary.*

*Long Journey*, they dreamed of one day taking their children to experience it firsthand. With six children age six and under, the Inion family made the trip to the butterflies' winter haven in El Rosario, Mexico. The steep horseback ride to the 11,000-foot peak wasn't in vain as their children danced with thousands of fluttering monarchs.

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**“We were privileged to see God work in a growing circle of Amish that were seeking to follow Christ.”**

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The Inions have been “travel bugs” ever since. They spent their eldest son’s kindergarten year camping around much of the United States, volunteering in national parks in exchange for an RV lot and utilities. Just before he was to start first grade, they purchased one-way tickets to the Philippines, the country from which Brent’s parents had emigrated.

Since their time in the Philippines,

they have been slowly trekking through Mexico and Central America in an old RV on their way to Argentina. The Inions point out that they are not wealthy; their income is lower than it was in the States, but so is the cost of living in Latin America. They have supported themselves by writing travel reviews, selling photography, and even raising heifers and selling the calves. They hope to reach Argentina by the end of 2016, but they are more interested in what they learn and what difference they can make along the way than the miles they cover.

Part of their mission is to connect with Old Order Mennonite families in Mexico, Belize, and Bolivia. Brent, who grew up in Pennsylvania with the Amish in his backyard, says that particularly in Central and South America, “such families who genuinely come to know the Lord in these groups face a range of persecution from ostracism to outright violence.”

The Inions lived for two years in a recently formed settlement of believers



in Belize, which is home to 70,000 Old Colony Mennonites, Brent says. “We tried to encourage them as they faced rejection from family and friends.” They helped by giving protein staples to expectant mothers, seed to farmers, and clothes to more than a hundred children in a fishing village. They also provided spiritual encouragement. “Families have dared to leave the only world they’ve known to follow a freedom they have found in Christ,” the Inions say on their website, [traveldeepandwide.com](http://traveldeepandwide.com).

### Moody-Trained for Ministry

Brent, who graduated from Moody in 1990 with a BA in Bible Theology, says, “Not a week goes by without me having to call on some aspect of training at Moody. Whether it was Dr. Ronald Sauer’s devotionals in Bible Introduction, wrestling with Ecclesiastes in Dr. John Walton’s Old Testament Wisdom Literature, or parsing Greek verbs with Dr. Paul Haik, I learned to have confidence in the inerrant Scriptures.”

He also sang with the Moody Men’s Collegiate Choir for four years, serving as chaplain and then president. He was responsible for presenting the gospel at the end of every concert. “I consider those moments critical in learning how to communicate the truth, he says.

Brent and Stacey-jean met a few miles from the seminary they attended after both stopped to assist a family in a van with five children. Though they had been driving in different directions, “we’ve been traveling in the same direction ever since!” quips Brent, who married Stacey-jean in 1998.

After their oldest children (Josiah and Hannah) were born, they ventured into the world of adoption. “Over the course of two years, we adopted four

children with special needs,” says Stacey-jean. Julia from China has autism; Joshua from Egypt has cerebral palsy, autism, and blindness; Hosea, of Korean descent, has quadriplegia and cerebral palsy; Hosanna, born of Indian parents, has Down syndrome. Their fifth biological child, Jeriah, surprised them with “the gift of Down syndrome,” says Stacey-jean. “He’s the sunshine of our home.”

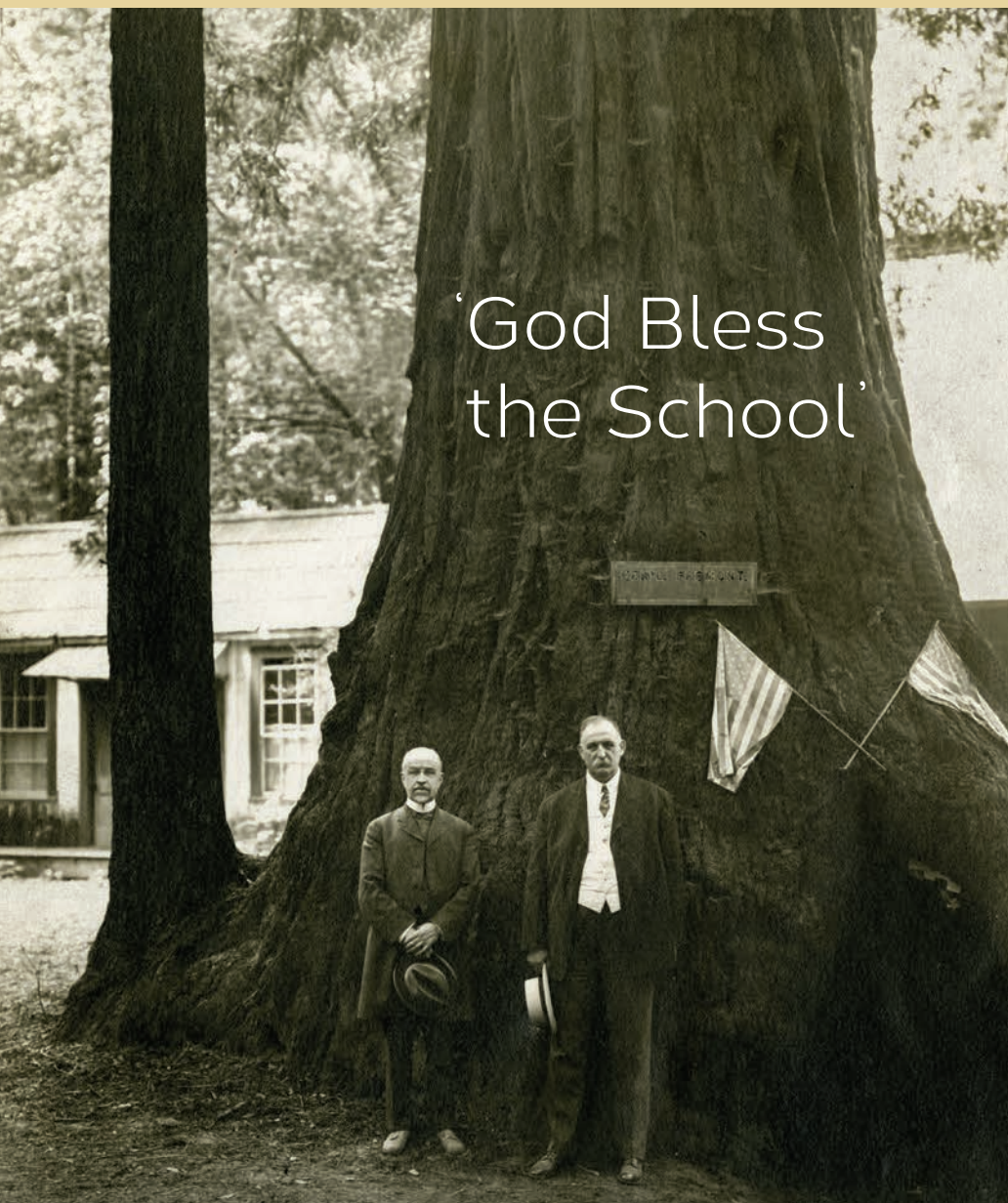


*Brent Inion kisses son Jeriah, who has “the gift of Down Syndrome.”*

Brent agrees. “Faith reframes what others may call adversity. We prefer to say that Jeriah just has a little more innocence thrown in. Jesus says the kingdom of heaven belongs to ‘such as these.’”

In June 2014 Jeriah underwent delicate surgery in Mexico to repair a hole in his heart. The surgery was successful, “thanks to the prayers and financial gifts of many believers, including several Moody alumni,” Brent says. “The outpouring of support was a clear and loving testimony to the watching online community.” And after Jeriah’s final post-surgery echocardiogram, the doctor said, “He is perfect. Enjoy your trip to Argentina.”

# 'God Bless the School'



*James M. Gray and Daniel Towner at a 1909 conference in Mount Hermon, Calif., just a few months after writing "The Christian Fellowship Song."*

Though sung by Moody alumni for more than a hundred years, the origin of “God Bless the School” remains obscure. As it turns out, that’s not the original title. And when it was first published as the “Christian Fellowship Song” in 1909, the famous fourth stanza hadn’t yet been written.

The story begins before the Moody campus was built, when Daniel Towner traveled as featured soloist with Dwight L. Moody. Towner wrote famous tunes like “Trust and Obey” while traveling between revivals, and became good friends with a Bible teacher who often accompanied Moody, James M. Gray. When Moody’s plans for a Chicago campus took off, he hired Gray to lead the Bible faculty and Towner to head the music department. Gray would become president of the institution in 1904.

Both would write and publish prolifically, Gray with theological articles and Towner with gospel hymns. Having traveled the revival circuit together, Towner and Gray began to write songs together, including the well-known “Only a Sinner, Saved by Grace.”

In 1909 Towner edited *The Ideal Song and Hymn Book*, and asked his friend to write an introduction. Gray used the opportunity to call for newer songs and an appreciation of old ones. “The coming generation needs its teaching and stimulant,” Gray said of the new hymnal. “It needs the fellowship with the whole body of Christ in heaven and on earth which it inspires.”

His introductory words help explain “The Christian Fellowship Song,” a three-stanza gospel hymn that made its debut in the new collection, along with nine other Towner and Gray songs. But though their song was published and used frequently on campus, it was still missing the “God Bless the School” stanza

everyone now remembers.

Meanwhile, Henry Parsons Crowell spent most of 1909 planning a colossal campus event for 1911. He wanted to expand Founder’s Day, held informally since 1901, to a full week. Crowell invited alumni back to campus as he rolled out plans for a building project with a funding appeal. Crowell, who made a fortune as president of the Quaker Oats Company, knew something about advertising. He dubbed the event a “Twenty-Five Year Anniversary Celebration” despite some Moody administrators who questioned its accuracy.

R. A. Torrey sent a letter to Crowell, reminding him that classes hadn’t actually started until 1889, so the anniversary event should be postponed for three years. But Crowell’s promotional machine was already in full gear. Crowell later explained the anniversary as a tribute to D. L. Moody’s first announcement of the school in 1886, a tenuous date that ended up sticking. Before guests arrived on campus in February 1911, they were mailed a fresh copy of *The Christian Worker’s Magazine*, a double issue with special photo sections. One of the pages was devoted to a new version of “The Christian Fellowship Song,” featuring a new fourth stanza that Gray wrote for the anniversary event. The Moody Church auditorium was packed when Towner himself introduced the song, with James M. Gray standing next to him on the platform.

“The Christian Fellowship Song” was quickly adopted as Moody’s badge of identity, sung at convocations, commencements, and reunions. When Billy Sunday opened his 1918 Chicago revival meetings, a Moody delegation attended the first night. After gathering

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### 2000s



After graduating from Moody, **Danelle (Harting '06) Singhanart** moved to Thailand as a tent-making missionary working at two different universities. While there, she met her husband, Sunyaluck Singhanart, and they were married in 2009.

In 2010 they returned to America. Danelle is currently an ESL teacher at Winchester Elementary School in Memphis, Tenn. Danelle and Sunyaluck are presently raising support to return to Bangkok, Thailand.

Danelle and Sunyaluck have two children, Kelsey and Joseph.

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**Jonathan Mason '05** worked as a music director for a New England church after graduating from Moody. He later played bass and traveled with the Andy Needham Band. Jonathan also managed several artists and continued his studies at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville, Ky.

This year Jonathan transitioned

into a new position as the director of Word Worship, a record label and online resource for planning worship music. He is working with Word Worship to write new songs for use in church corporate worship settings.

Jonathan's appreciation for local and global worship music continues to grow. "When the church joins together in song, not everyone is in the same season of life, yet when singing together, we remind ourselves and others of the truth being sung," he says.

Jonathan and his wife, Hannah, live in Spring Hill, Tenn., and have two daughters.

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**Matt '00-'01 and Lana (Felten '03) Shaw** founded *Speak Up Magazine*, published annually, and *Speak Up Zine*, a monthly publication, to

provide an alternative to panhandling and a source of income for homeless men and women in Charlotte, N.C., and Traverse City, Mich. Vendors purchase the magazines and sell them at a profit, keeping the extra proceeds.

The annual magazine contains articles about homelessness, trafficking, and other issues, while the monthly "Zine" is written by men and women who are homeless or who have previously lived on the street. *Speak Up* offers weekly writing workshops for individuals to practice their writing skills. "I'd like to see the homeless people who become microbusiness owners through *Speak Up* also become lights of Christ's love, showing the public that even the most broken lives can be restored," Matt says.

The Shaws are developing a partnership with an anti-trafficking organization so that women and girls rescued from sex trafficking can also have a voice in *Speak Up Zine*. Matt directs *Speak Up* from his Charlotte office, while Lana homeschools their two children and edits for the ministry from home. They are members of Lakeshore Christian Fellowship Church.

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## 1990s



After Moody, **Ben Boyd '99** taught a variety of subjects at Providence Academy of Classical Christian Education in Lostine, Ore., from 2001 to 2007. In 2010 he graduated second in his class at Liberty University School of Law in Lynchburg, Va.

Ben worked as a judicial law clerk for two judges of the 10th Judicial District of Wyoming before serving as staff attorney for Chief Justice Roy S. Moore of the Alabama Supreme Court in Montgomery, Ala. In September 2014, Ben entered private practice with Hostetter Law Group in Enterprise, Ore. He works alongside two Christian attorneys in both state

and federal courts. Ben's legal writing has appeared in publications such as the *Oregon State Bar Bulletin*, *Journal of Law and Health*, *Liberty University of Law Review*, and *Liberty Legal Journal*.

Ben and his wife, Sheri, have four children: Gloriana (8), Zion (7), Jamin (5), and Calvin (3). His family enjoys gardening and outdoor recreation.

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**Jens Vatne MA '97** lives at his childhood farm in southern Norway with his wife, Inger Joy, and their six children. Jens teaches agricultural studies at a local Christian boarding high school. He enjoys being a part of the students' lives and impacting them spiritually and practically during their time in high school.

Jens is thankful for the insight he gained while receiving his MA in Biblical Studies, and he is interested in keeping in contact with past teachers and alumni.

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**Mark Dostert '93** graduated with a BA in Theology. Four years later, he returned to Illinois to work as a children's attendant at Cook



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County Juvenile Temporary Detention Center, where he had served for his Practical Christian Ministry during his senior year at Moody. He recently published a book about his experience: *Up in Here: Jailing Kids on Chicago's Other Side* (University of Iowa Press, 2014). Mark says of his book, "It's a real story about the realities of working with some of Chicago's most troubled youth during a violent time in the city's history."

Currently Mark lives in his native state of Texas and teaches language arts full time at a Title I public middle school in southwest Houston. During weekends and holidays, he enjoys playing baseball and basketball with his two young nephews.

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**Joe Hilbert '93** graduated with an MA in Security Studies from the U.S. Army War College at Carlisle Barracks, Pa. He then relocated to Fort Bragg, N.C., where he became the chief of current operations for the XVIII Airborne Corps. He was recently promoted to colonel and will take command of the 82nd Airborne Division Artillery in 2016. While at Carlisle, his wife, **Beth (Newbrough '91)**, worked toward her Master of Education degree with an emphasis in Middle School. The Hilberts have three children in high school and college.

**Brian Wright '91** serves as the senior pastor at Cornerstone Evangelical Free

Church in Owatonna, Minn., with his wife **Bridget (Banks '89-'90) Wright** and their three children.

He recently completed the Doctor of Ministry program at Bethel Seminary in St. Paul, Minn. In his thesis, Brian examined the transition from military chaplain to civilian pastor as exemplified by the life of **James Wright '51**.

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## 1980s



**Rachel (Campbell) McGill '87-'89**

currently serves as a homestay coordinator for international high school students through Nacel Open Door. She

and her husband, Jacob, have hosted 18 students from nine different countries over the past eight years. They are currently hosting three teenage girls.

Rachel received her BA in Business Administration from the University of Northwestern, Saint Paul, Minn., in 2002. She went on to complete a certificate in Conflict Resolution Studies in 2003 and her MA in Public Administration in 2008, both from Hamline University, Saint Paul. Prior to serving as a homestay coordinator, Rachel spent 21 years working for the government in finance and contracting.

While Rachel and Jacob minister at home to their three students, Rachel also works with American families interested in hosting foreign exchange students in the Twin Cities area of Minnesota.

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**Andrew '88, BA '91** and **Karen (Shubert '86-'88) Beaty** live in Bloomington, Ill., and have 11 children, six of whom are adopted with special needs. Andrew is an ordained Baptist minister and also serves as assistant director of instructional quality for Moody Bible Institute Distance Learning. His job allows him to work from home while pursuing a doctorate in education.

Karen, a stay-at-home mom, enjoys ministering to parents of foster children, particularly through the Moody alumni network. She and Andrew have been able to counsel other families about foster care, adoption, and parenting. Andrew, who also speaks about these topics, says, "It is an incredible joy to share our crazy story with others so we can continue to be a testimony to God's great grace in our lives."

Andrew was serving as a youth pastor when he and Karen became foster parents to three-month-old Elizabeth in May 2001. Over the next few years, they fostered 20 children, eventually adopting six of them: Elizabeth (now 15), Samuel (now 6), his newborn brother Noah (now 4), Benjamin (now 10), his brother Aaron (now 8), and Titus (now 3).

The Beatys' adult children, **Caleb Beaty '12** and his wife, **Carina (Restrepo '12)**, recently obtained their own foster license and help the family

when needed. The Beatys come from a big family of Moody alumni including Andrew's grandparents, **Dwight Beaty** and **Eileen Beaty**; his parents, **Frank '64** and **Judie (Crawford '65) Beaty**; siblings, **Stephen Beaty '91** and wife **Kim (Walker '88-'90)** and **Esther (Beaty '97)** and husband **Travis Rafferty '97**; aunts and uncles, **Opal (Beaty '56)** and Gilbert Maple, **Harold '59** and **Ellen (Wright '58) Beaty**, **C. Richard '51-'54** and **Elizabeth (Crawford '52-'54) Nelson**; and Karen's relatives, **Robert '54, '68** and **Charlotte (Hardt '66-'68) Rich** and **Andrew Rich '81**.

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**John Wheeler '88**, pastor of Stony Lane Baptist Church in North Kingstown, R.I., was recently selected as the winner of the

Rhode Island Spirit of the Red Cross Hero Award. The American Red Cross honors men and women whose extraordinary acts of courage and kindness make them local heroes.

John is a member of Rhode Island Volunteer Organizations Active in Disasters, a workshop facilitator for Compassion Fatigue: Helping the Helper, and a member of the advisory board for New England VOAD. He is a member of the Rhode Island Disaster Behavioral Health Response team, a shelter manager for the Red Cross, and a Disaster Institute instructor. John is also a board certified disaster response chaplain. He is currently the president of crisis pregnancy center CareNetRI.

While attending Moody Bible

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Institute, John was chaplain of the Moody married students' fellowship and was also the recipient of the Harry Ironside Award. In 1993 he received an MA in Biblical Studies from Trinity Theological Seminary. He has served at Stony Lane with his wife, Valerie, for 19 years following pastorates in Connecticut and Minnesota. He also leads his church in sponsoring orphanages in India (The James Children's Home) and Africa (the Kampala Children's Centre).

John and Valerie reside in Warwick, R.I., have been married for 36 years, and have two children and four grandchildren. John says of his various ministries and accomplishments, "I have merely been doing what the Lord has directed my life to do."

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**Dorothy Ardill ASP '84** and her husband, Dr. William Ardill, won the 2015 Servant of Christ Award from

the Christian Medical and Dental Associations for their 20 years of missionary service in Nigeria. Bill worked as a surgeon at Evangel Hospital, a Christian hospital that provides inexpensive medical care to the community in Jor, Nigeria. While ministering in Nos, Dorothy was touched by the street children who begged for handouts. Abandoned by poor or unsympathetic parents, these children, called Almajiri (Disciples), were coerced into giving money they collected to a street "leader."

Dorothy and Bill prayerfully founded Gidan Bege (House of Hope) to provide a home, food, medical support, literacy

programs, and Bible stories to street children of Nigeria. House of Hope soon expanded to support more than 100 street children, orphans, handicapped, and diseased men and women.

The Ardills currently live and work in San Diego, Calif.



**Randy Beaverson '84** and his wife, Valerie, are celebrating 30 years with Youth for Christ. Randy previously served

in various YFC domestic positions, but in 2009 he transitioned to the international office to serve as U.S. liaison director for YFC Asia-Pacific. His primary focus is South Asia. He also recently pioneered YFC Pakistan. Valerie works as a part-time nurse in a local hospital emergency department. Randy and Valerie have two young adult children and attend Faith Missionary Church in Indianapolis, where Valerie volunteers with the high school ministry and Randy serves as an elder.

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## 1970s



**Michael Boutot '79-'81** has been pastoring churches for over 25 years. In August 2015 he accepted

a position as director of human resources at Answers in Genesis. Answers in Genesis is an apologetics ministry that owns and operates the Creation Museum in Petersburg, Ky.

Michael and his wife, Carol, have been married for over 34 years and have raised 12 children.

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### **Ginny Feldmann '78**

was born and raised in South Asia. After Moody she returned to South Asia to serve with SIM

from 1985 to 2003. Ginny earned a BS in Education from Illinois State University in 1980 and her MA in Intercultural Studies from Wheaton Graduate School in 1995. She currently serves on SIM's Culture ConneXion team in Chicago, working alongside churches to minister to those from different cultures.

Ginny is the daughter of Moody alumnus **John Feldmann '53**. Her sisters, **Martha (Feldmann '79) Irwin** and **Ruth Feldmann '77**, also attended Moody.

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After graduating from Moody, **Margaret Dobson '75** worked as a teacher with Wycliffe Bible Translators for 30 years (1978–2008) in Cameroon, Africa. For the first 10 years, she taught at the American School of Yaounde in Cameroon and conducted Bible clubs after school in private homes. There, because of her faithful testimony, many children heard the gospel for the first time. During her next 10 years in Africa, she worked directly with Wycliffe's village-based children as an itinerant teacher. The last 10 years were spent developing and then running the school.

In 2008 God led Margaret to completely change direction and serve in British Columbia, Canada. God called her to work in a Christian environment with women who were trying to free themselves from alcohol and drug addictions. She served with Teen Challenge for 16 months and then Wagner Hills Farm. Margaret loves watching God bring back life to hurting women who have been trapped in addiction. "I am so glad for my time at Moody," she says. "I have countless drawn upon the training that I received there both in my role as a teacher and with these women, but also in my own personal walk with the Lord."

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**Marvin Rhodes '72** retired from Moody Global Ministries in the spring of 2015 after 43 years of faithful ministry. He served 30 years as the head of the Physical Plant department and 13 years as a stewardship representative throughout the Midwestern and Upper Midwestern states. Marvin and his wife, **Sherry (Miller) '68-'69**, live in Wisconsin. They have two daughters and two grandchildren.

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## 1960s

In 1991 **Bill Bray '66** began working as a part-time missionary and volunteer for Overseas Students Mission while



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also on staff at Christian Aid Mission. He was elected president of the board in 2008 and chief operating officer in 2013. In 2014 he became the president of OSM.

OSM is a fellowship of American believers and international Christian students and visitors who unite in prayer and action to reach needy peoples of all tribes, tongues, and nations according to Matthew 24:14 and Mark 13:10. Bill is also the author of the *Power of a Yielded Life* book series. “Now we are responding to a flood of 1.16 million international students—the world has come to our shores,” he says. “I believe this is the biggest challenge mission-minded American congregations and believers have faced since the end of World War II.”

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**Roger Kirk SS '61–'61 and Gwen (Carpenter '61)**

were married in 1962 and sailed for Brazil in 1965. During their first few years as

missionaries, Roger built bunk beds and dressers for Bible institute dorms, developed grounds and buildings, substituted for a pastor on furlough, and built battery-operated equipment for missionaries.

In 1970 they were invited to work with Editora Fiel (Faithful Publishing House). Roger handled distribution while Gwen was responsible for bookkeeping. Because of this ministry, books of sound biblical doctrine were distributed throughout Brazil and other Portuguese-speaking countries. An annual conference featured speakers such as John MacArthur, Joel Beeke,

John Piper, and Iain Murray.

Since retirement, Roger has taken up sculpting. Memorializing men of church history is his heart's desire. Roger sculpts “church fathers” out of bronze into bookends, buckles, and busts; his bronze busts have been in art shows. His sculpting work includes historic men of faith such as Calvin, Luther, Spurgeon, Bonhoeffer, and Edwards. Roger and Gwen reside in Montana.

Gwen continues to translate letters to English-speaking donors, written by national pastors expressing gratitude for donated books. She has received letters for translation from both experienced missionaries in the field writing from remote villages and young pastors overwhelmed by God speaking to their congregations. Gwen says of her translation work, “Letters run the gamut from delight to disappointment. I am blessed to continue translating even in old age.”

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### Births



To **Chris '99** and **Angela (Bixby '99) Castaldo**, a son, David Malachi, September 2014. David joins four siblings.

After three years of serving as the director of the Ministry of Gospel Renewal at the Billy Graham Center

in Wheaton, Ill., Chris now serves as head pastor of New Covenant Church, Naperville, Ill., alongside fellow Moody alumnus and pastor, **Andrew Fulton '02**. In the months following David's birth, Chris proceeded to defend his PhD dissertation at the London School of Theology, which he completed under the supervision of A.N.S. Lane. In addition to shepherding the flock of New Covenant, Chris continues to serve the Catholic/Protestant intersection, equipping evangelicals to relate with a biblical balance of grace and truth among Roman Catholic loved ones. He addresses this subject in his new book, *Talking with Catholics about the Gospel* (Zondervan, 2015).

## Marriages

**Nick '12** and **Andrea (Stimmel '12) Jeschke** were married on August 16, 2014. They met while working on

the Spring 2012 issue of the Arch yearbook. They currently live in Los Angeles. Nick works at Biola University in the Center for Cross-Cultural Engagement while finishing his MA in Anthropology. Andrea works in the visuals office for a high-end jewelry retailer.

## Gatherings

Mission Safety International worked with the United Methodist Aviation Ministries in Lubumbashi, Congo, from April 27 to May 1, 2015. **Jon Egeler '85**, Moody Aviation graduate and former aviation instructor, is the president of MSI, which works to provide safety and support to mission aviation departments around the world. One of UMAM's three programs is headed by **Rukang Chikomb '02**, who is also a Moody Aviation graduate. Also assisting MSI as volunteers were **Clay Norman '72** and **Joy (Curtis '68) Norman**.



Left to right: Jon Egeler '85, Friesie Chikomb, Rukang Chikomb '02, Joy (Curtis '68) Norman, Clay Norman '72.

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## Gatherings



*Alumni gathering at JAARS in Waxhaw, N.C., April 18, 2015.*



*Alumni gathering at TWR in Cary, N.C., April 19, 2015.*

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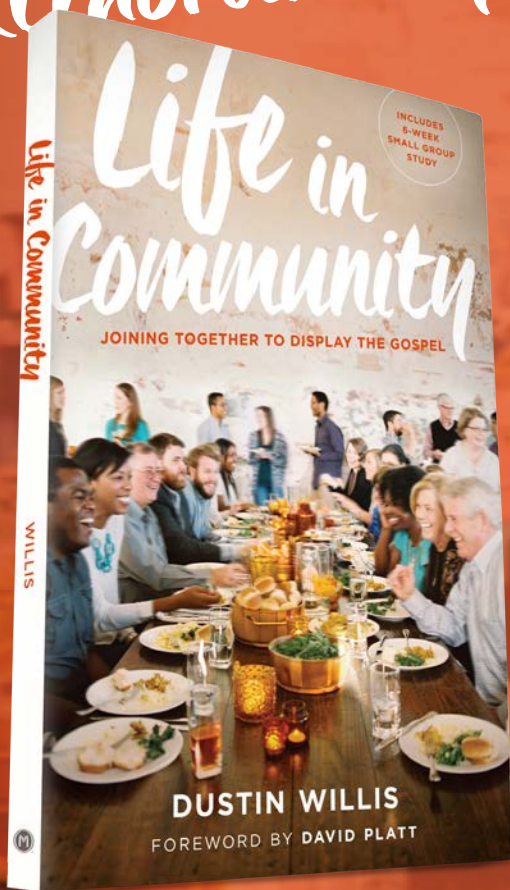
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### 1980s



**Adé Mokoko '83**, age 64, March 21, 2015, Bangui, Central African Republic.

Adé Mokoko was born in

the Democratic Republic of Congo, received her degree in secondary education in Belgium, and studied English in England. She returned to the Congo and taught at a girls' school in Libenge, and then a girls' school in Bau. A missionary shared the gospel with Adé, and she accepted Christ as her Savior.

After several years as a teacher in Bau, Adé received enough funding to study at Moody Bible Institute. She graduated first in her class, even though the classes were in English. Adé was modest and never boasted of her intellectual success.

After Moody Adé moved to the Central African Republic to serve on the instructional staff of the Women's Board at Bangui Evangelical School of Theology. In 1983 she was accepted as an associate member with the mission RMBU International (now World Team) and worked at the Francophone graduate school FATEB (Bangui Evangelical School of Theology). Adé taught the wives and children of seminary students, translated articles and books from English into French, and helped develop the library. Her years at Moody and her fluency in English were an enormous help to her.

In 1995 she became an associate member of SIL, a sister nonprofit of Wycliffe Bible Translators, to translate articles and English books into French

for use by Bible translators. She later became SIL's cashier. Though she never married, Adé raised four nieces and a nephew.



**Mark Robert Kellner '81**, age 55, Feb. 18, 2015, Colorado Springs, Colo.

A well-known church musician,

Mark was formerly the arranger and conductor of the Good News Singers for Back to the Bible broadcast. He was also first tenor and producer for the Back to the Bible Quartet. Later, Mark became a freelance composer in Nashville, Tenn. He wrote about his experiences in his book *The Manna Principle* (amazon.com, 2013).

Following his tenure in Nashville, Mark began full-time church ministry. Mark was committed to the gospel throughout his entire life, and he touched many lives around the world through his joy and dedication to Jesus. In his book Mark wrote, "I often wish God would give us an outline of our lives, with each new direction highlighted in fluorescent colors and footnotes explaining His supreme purpose at each turn. . . . But as we examine His leading, we sometimes get a glimpse of His provision, and our experiences help us to trust Him more, even if we don't understand at the present."

Mark is survived by his wife, **Susan (Bouman '80)**, whom he met at Moody; five children, Zachary, Natalie, Abigail, Gillian, and Brandon; and four grandchildren.

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## 1950s



**Dorothy (Clark '59) Hostetter**, age 81, Jan., 2015, Grand Rapids, Mich.

Dorothy earned her Bachelor of Music in Violin from the University of Rochester, in addition to her Bible Certificate from Moody Bible Institute. After teaching music, she worked for InterVarsity Christian Fellowship and earned her PhD in psychology from Michigan State University. In 1969 she married Paul Hostetter, a widower with three daughters and pastor of Midland Reformed Church.

In 1973 Paul and Dorothy moved to Mexico to work with the Ch'ol people in Chiapas. She loved teaching the Bible and writing Bible study courses for the Ch'ol people. Dorothy carried her love of music and the violin with her to Mexico. Her teaching opened up new doors for women to study. After Dorothy left Mexico, the Ch'ol people established and named a music department at their Christian leadership school in her honor.

Paul and Dorothy continued their ministry of teaching and missions in Southern California. While there, they organized the building of a hospital for the Ch'ol in Mexico. When they moved to Grand Rapids, Mich., in 1985, Dorothy worked at Reformed Bible College (now Kuyper College) until her retirement. She served the Lord with grace and kindness.

Dorothy is survived by her husband, Paul; a sister; three daughters, Mary, Marcy, and Rachel; grandchildren; and great-grandchildren. Dorothy was preceded in death by one sister.



**Nancy A. Davis '57**, age 80, Jan. 22, 2015, Edmonds, Wash.

Nancy was a missionary with Bible Club

Movement for 57 years. She taught Bible clubs, Vacation Bible Schools, and Sunday school in Upstate New York for 32 years and in Farmington, N.M., for 25 years.

She is survived by one sister and many nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by a brother.

**Donna Ann (Bouma '57) Satterwhite**, age 74, Dec. 15, 2010, Keizer, Ore.

Ann attended Moody Bible Institute and Seattle Pacific University where she received her elementary education degree. She taught kindergarten, first grade, and second grade. After receiving her MA in Special Education at Western Oregon University, Ann worked as a testing specialist for children in the Salem, Ore., area.

Ann loved to travel and garden. She was preceded in death by multiple extended family members. Ann will be dearly missed by her friends, family, and Salem Alliance Church.



**Howard J. Landes '54**, age 82, Feb. 26, 2015, Peoria, Ariz.

After graduating from Moody, Howard studied at

Taylor University and earned a degree in philosophy. He married his high school sweetheart, **Wanda M. (Hochstetler '53)**, on June 19, 1954.

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Over the next 14 years, they welcomed four children into their home.

Howard was ordained in the Evangelical Mennonite church and faithfully ministered in various states for more than 40 years. In 2002 he retired to Sun City, Ariz., where he attended and occasionally assisted at Covenant Presbyterian Church PCA. In 2012 Howard and Wanda moved to Amethyst Senior Living in Peoria, Ariz., where he resided until his death.

Howard is survived by his wife, Wanda, and his children and their families. He was preceded in death by one daughter, Sandra, and a grandson.



**Helen Jean (Swallen '53) Snell**, age 84, Feb. 10, 2015, Columbus, Ohio.

Helen Jean (Jeanie) spent her life serving others as a wife and mother, church secretary, Vacation Bible School director, junior church and Sunday school teacher, church organist, and pianist. She gave private piano lessons to hundreds of students.

Jeanie and **William Harrison Snell '54** were married in 1954. Their church ministry journey began in Needham, Mass., and included churches in Meyersdale and Martinsburg, Pa., where they served for 22 years. In 1990 they moved to Warsaw, Ind., where Bill served Grace Brethren North American Missions and Jeanie cared for her bed-bound mother. She also served as author and editor of *Serving My Master* notebooks and lessons for girls ages 5–18. In 2000 Bill and Helen moved to Columbus, Ohio, after

Bill began serving on the pastoral care team at Grace Polaris Church.

Jeanie was gracious and hospitable with her friends and family. Her hospitality and care extended to hundreds of people from all over the United States and many countries around the world.

She is survived by her husband of 60 years, William; children, **Paula Jean (Snell '76) Popenfoose**, Martha Miller, and **Mark Alan Snell '79**; five grandchildren; great-grandchildren; and her brother. She was preceded in death by a grandson.



**Wayne H. Woodard '53**, age 83, Oct. 23, 2014, Slippery Rock, Pa.

Wayne served the majority of his life as a Baptist pastor at churches in Michigan and Pennsylvania before serving as director of Slippery Rock Baptist Camp for six years. He served in the Army from 1956 to 1959. Wayne retired in 1997 from Operations of Personnel Management in Boyers, Pa.

Wayne was a graduate of Moody Bible Institute in Chicago, Greenville College of Illinois, and Grand Rapids Baptist Seminary in Michigan. His wife, **JoAnne (Font '51-'53) Woodard**, served in the stewardship department at Moody from 1949 to 1953 while they were both students. Wayne and JoAnne were married in 1953.

Wayne is survived by his wife, Joanne; his son, Daniel; and two grandchildren. He was preceded in death by a brother.



### J. Lindley Steere

'50, age 86,  
Feb. 2, 2015,  
Peoria, Ill.

Dr. J. Lindley Steere was born in Oxnard, Calif.,

on December 3, 1928, to Jason and Emily Steere, who served as missionaries in Bolivia during his early childhood. He completed his education at Eastern Illinois University, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, and Bell State University. Lindley married **Mary (Brooks '49)** on August 4, 1950, in a double wedding ceremony with Mary's twin sister, **Martha (Brooks '50)**, and **Roy Chamlee '49**.

Lindley was a pastor for 14 years and an interim pastor for four years after he retired. He taught at Moody Bible Institute from 1970 to 1974. He returned to Moody to coordinate the North Central accreditation process from 1985 to 1991. Lindley also taught at Trinity International College in Deerfield, Ill., and Judson Baptist College in Portland, Ore. He will be remembered for his love of God and ability to make his friends and family laugh.

Lindley is survived by his wife, Mary; his children, James, Richard, and Marilyn; his brother, Paul; his sister-in-law, **Ruth (Stalker '48) Steere**; brother and sisters-in-law, Ron and Bonnie Clark and Martha Chamlee; ten grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by an infant sister in Bolivia; his brother, **David Steere '50**; brother-in-law, Dr. Roy Chamlee; and sister-in-law Helen Brooks Coontz.

## 1940s

**Eleanor L. (Beukema '48) Heaven**, age 95, Jan. 16, 2015, Saranac, Mich.

In 1941 Eleanor married Russell Beukema, who later died in World War II. After graduating from Moody, she served 15 years as a missionary in the Ozark Mountains. She traveled from school to school devotedly sharing God's Word. When Eleanor returned to Clarksville, her hometown, she became the first director of Child Evangelism Fellowship. In 1977 she married Richard "Dick" Heaven. Eleanor greatly enjoyed taking care of her family.

Eleanor is survived by her children, Linda (Robert) Soulliere, David Heaven, and Susan (David) Vasher; daughter-in-law, Rita Heaven; and many grandchildren, great-grandchildren, and great-great grandchildren. Preceding Eleanor in death are first husband Russell; second husband Dick; siblings Lester Wright, Bernice Font, and Frances Heaven; and son Joseph Heaven.



### Juanita (Porter) Goodall

'44-'46,  
age 92, May 30,  
2014, Waxhaw,  
N.C.

Juanita was a long-time Wycliffe

Bible translator who served in Mexico, Peru, and the United States with her husband, **Harold Goodall '45**. Harold and Juanita realized their calling for translation work while sitting in a phonetics class at Moody Bible



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Institute. Soon after, they applied and were accepted to the Summer Institute of Linguistics at the University of Oklahoma.

After two summers at SIL, Juanita and Harold became members of Wycliffe in 1946. They spent their first year as missionaries in Mexico, intensely studying the Tzeltal language. In 1948 the Goodalls moved to Peru to work with the Chayahuitas, where they developed a written language. In 1963 the founder of Wycliffe, Cameron Townsend, asked Harold and Juanita to establish the headquarters for Jungle Aviation and Radio Service in Waxhaw, N.C. They would later serve at Wycliffe offices in Huntington Beach, Calif., and Atlanta, Ga.

After Harold's death in 1989, Juanita served as a secretary at Wycliffe in Atlanta until she retired in 1999. She then became a receptionist at the Language Services Center back in Waxhaw. One of Harold and Juanita's favorite songs proclaims their love for Christ: "The longer I serve Him, the sweeter He grows, the more that I love Him, more love He bestows!"

Juanita was preceded in death by her husband Harold; her sister, Winifred Wright; her son, Daniel Harold Goodall; and a grandson. She is survived by her brothers LeRoy Porter and Lowell Porter; her daughters Jeanne Mae Sharpe, and Patricia Lynne Miller and husband **Daniel R. Miller '73**; seven grandchildren; and twelve great-grandchildren.

**Joseph Bower '41-'41 ES '46**, age 93, January 5, 2015.

Joseph was a pastor for over 70 years, spoke frequently at Bible conferences, and preached his last sermon when he was 91. He pastored churches in



Indiana, Ohio, Illinois, and Michigan. Active in the General Association of Regular Baptist Churches, he served on various

state and national councils. He also served as a board member for Cedarville College, Faith Baptist Bible College, Grand Rapids Baptist College, and Baptist Mid-Missions. He was listed in *Who's Who in Religion*.

Along with his pastoral work, Joseph was a contractor and builder. He consistently repaired buildings, helped church members with their farms, visited the sick, and genuinely loved the people in his congregation.

Joseph attended Moody Bible Institute where he met his wife, Kathleen. He recalled standing next to George Beverly Shea in the choir. Joseph and Kathleen were blessed with five children, 13 grandchildren, and 27 great-grandchildren. He and Kathleen moved to Vicksburg, Mich., where Kathleen passed away from cancer in 1991. In 1992, Joseph married Florence Bruner, and they continued to serve together in ministry throughout the country. Joseph authentically lived out his life verse, 1 Corinthians 15:58: "Therefore, my dear brothers and sisters, stand firm. Let nothing move you. Always give yourselves fully to the work of the Lord, because you know that your labor in the Lord is not in vain."

Joseph was preceded in death by his first wife, Kathleen, and their daughter, Faith Schaaf. He is survived by his wife, Florence; his children, Ruth, Miriam, Becky, and David; his son-in law, Charles Schaaf; and numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

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## Submissions

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## Detroit Lions Player Pursuing Master's in Theology *(continued from page 17)*

organization geared toward preaching the gospel of Christ with the hope of biblical repentance and discipleship. Carey also launched a STEM program (science, technology, engineering, and mathematics) in two local Michigan schools where he interacts with children, giving them encouragement to pursue their dreams.

Life can be overwhelming with the demands of the NFL, community ministry, seminary, and home. "The first month of classes I would come home and go straight to bed. I was exhausted mentally, spiritually, and physically," Carey says.

But despite the intensity of his

schedule, he is enjoying his seminary work. "I love sitting in class. They are long hours, but the information is so profound, you learn so much. The time just flies by."

He appreciates the family atmosphere of the Plymouth, Mich., seminary location. "The classrooms are small and intimate. You can pause and stop the professor and ask questions. My professor is like a walking encyclopedia. Whenever I have a question, he answers it in depth."

For Carey, combining pro-football with seminary has been both challenging and satisfying. "I love every minute of it. I feel like I am using my time wisely."

## 'God Bless the School' *(continued from page 31)*

on campus, the students marched four abreast down Chicago Avenue, carrying signs and banners. As the Moody delegation arrived at the revival tabernacle, song leader Homer Rodeheaver invited them to sing a favorite song. Having been cued ahead of time, they stood and sang "God Bless the School that D. L. Moody Founded."

A hundred years later, the song's sturdy tune and simple harmonic structure have allowed it to be

molded and remixed into any number of current styles. Moody alumnus **Micah Bournes '10** recently released a hip-hop version, one that sounds contemporary and respectful.

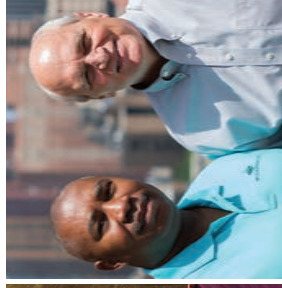
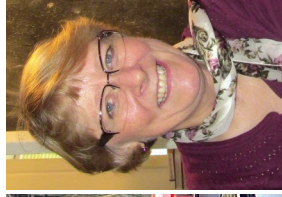
If the first three stanzas have been forgotten, they are well worth reading again. Understood in its full context, the song reflects the ministry ideas that made Moody famous: a simple gospel message of redemption, a call to worldwide ministry, and passion for authentic relationships.



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