# Alumni News

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Serving in Washington

Tim Walberg, U.S. Congressman



## From the Executive Director



Pray earnestly for our country and our leaders.

Dear friends,

The election year is in full swing, a good reminder for us to pray earnestly for our country and our leaders. One of those leaders is U.S. Congressman Tim Walberg, an alumnus and former pastor who has not hidden his faith in Washington. Read his inspiring story on page 12.

Also look inside for the results of the survey we sent in conjunction with the 100th anniversary of the Alumni Association. Thank you for participating! We are encouraged and enlightened by your feedback and looking forward to improving our service to you.

Do you have a new job or ministry? We'd love to stay in touch. Send your alumni updates and prayer requests to mbialum@moody.edu, or call (312) 329-4412.

Serving Christ together,

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## **Moody** Highlights

## Pastor James Meeks Elected to the Board of Trustees



Pastor James Meeks, founder and pastor of Salem Baptist Church in Chicago, has been elected as the newest member of Moody Bible Institute's Board

of Trustees. Meeks is also chair of the Illinois State Board of Education.

"Pastor Meeks brings to the board the presence and perspective of a pastor, as well as a strong heart to see evangelism and discipleship taught and lived out," said Randy Fairfax, trustee chair. "His heart for people, the city, his family, and the Word of God are evident in his many areas of service to his church and the community at large. As he and his wife, Jamell, serve together, they have continued to make their marriage a priority which stands as a strong testimony to their character and commitment to the Lord."

Well known for his more than 40 years of ministry in Chicago's Roseland community, Meeks has ministered in such places as Israel, Africa, China, Jamaica, Argentina, and the Czech Republic.

"I am delighted to be a part of this historic institution and am humbled by the opportunity to deepen my relationship with Moody and serve the Lord in this capacity," said Pastor Meeks, who has spoken at Moody's Founder's Week in the past. "My prayer is that I will be able to faithfully carry on the rich legacy of D. L.

Moody so that the next generation of Christians will impact the world for Christ."

Since 2014 Pastor Meeks has partnered with Moody and several dozen area churches for Pray Chicago, prayer events for Chicago's 77 neighborhoods. People have gathered at participating churches, including Meeks' church, as well as outside the Daley Center in downtown Chicago.

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In addition to pastoring, Meeks served as an Illinois state senator for the 15th district in 2002 and retired from the Illinois General Assembly in 2013 after serving three terms. Illinois governor Bruce Rauner appointed Meeks as chair of the Illinois State Board of Education in 2015.

"His commitment and insight on education, evangelism, and practically addressing many issues that impact our culture today will be an incredible asset to Moody as we seek to equip people with the truth of God's Word around the globe," Fairfax said.

Pastor Meeks is the author of *How to Get Out of Debt and Into Praise* and *Life-Changing Relationships* (both Moody Publishers). He received a BA in Religion and Philosophy from Bishop College in Dallas. He and his wife have four children and one grandchild.

## **Endowment Fund Supports Moody Faculty in Ministry Travel**



Two pastors with Drs. Paul Nyquist, Jack Lewis, and Jonathan Armstrong

#### Moody Advances Theological Education at Thailand Conference

Among several faculty recipients of the Alumni Association's Faculty Travel Endowment Fund, Dr. Jonathan Armstrong, associate professor of Bible and theology at Moody Bible Institute in Spokane, attended the Global Proclamation Congress for Pastoral Trainers in Bangkok, Thailand, June 15–22. Armstrong was joined by Spokane campus dean Dr. Jack Lewis and Moody's president, Dr. Paul Nyquist, who gave a plenary address.

The congress, hosted by RREACH (Ramesh Richard Evangelism and Church Health), examined the current state of theological education and provided opportunities to collaborate, network, and strategize with thousands of other educators.

"In our age of Internet communication and the possibility for international collaboration, it is important for Moody to connect with our global colleagues in the common task of evangelical theological education," Armstrong says. During the conference, he hosted a dinner for college presidents and other influencers in theological education on the topic of extending the

classroom through technological means.

"I had been following this important congress for some time," Armstrong says, "and so I'm exceptionally grateful for the grant I received from the Moody Alumni Association."

Lewis adds that the Alumni Association is supporting Moody's strategic efforts "to advance the cause of Christ in the context of advancing sound theological education into new frontiers around the world."

#### **Music Faculty Serve Overseas**

Travel fund recipients, Drs. Elizabeth Naegele and Un-Young Whang of Moody's Music department, presented organ and piano concerts and led music workshops for keyboard skills in Hong Kong, Australia, and New Zealand in May and June. They worked with Tim Li '84, Jack Ku '13, Graham Barker '72, Ona (Boyd) Frazier '85, Brian '93 and Angie (Kuglin) Eggert '92, and others.



Alumni at Emmanuel Baptist Church concert, Glenwood, Australia (L to R): Brian Eggert '93 MDiv '08, Angela (Kuglin) Eggert '92, Un-Young Whang, Anne Edwardes '71, Rev. Noel Edwardes '71, June (Zaruba '80) Sparks, Elizabeth (Faul '72) Naegele, Janette (Robinson '68 '69) Waterhouse.

## **Moody** Highlights

## **Largest Graduating Class Ever**

Moody had its largest graduating class in history with 865 students participating—"joining the more than 41,000 living Moody alumni who are serving Christ in virtually every country of the world," said Moody's president, Dr. Paul Nyquist, at the May 14 undergraduate commencement in Chicago.

Moody's 130th year concluded with four commencement exercises—two in Chicago, one in Spokane, Wash., and one in Detroit, Mich. Approximately 665 undergraduate and 200 seminary graduates took part in the ceremonies.



Dr. Paul Nyquist awards **Melvin Banks Sr. '55** an honorary Doctor of Divinity degree.

During the undergraduate exercise in Chicago, Moody awarded Melvin Banks Sr. '55 LittD with an honorary Doctor of Divinity for a lifetime of exemplary service. Saved at age 9, Banks was 12 when he heard an elderly man recite Hosea 4:6: "My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge." Inspired by that truth, Banks dedicated himself to Christ and the spiritual needs of black communities across the country. He graduated from

Moody in 1955, then earned a BA in Theology and an MA in Biblical Studies from Wheaton College.

After first serving with Scripture Press, Banks founded Urban Ministries Incorporated in 1970 and later the Urban Outreach Foundation. He is an elder in his church and has served on numerous boards. Banks was named Alumnus of the Year in 2008. He and his wife, Olive, have three children, one grandchild and one great grandchild.

Giving the address in Chicago, William E. Brown, PhD, senior fellow for worldview and culture at the Colson Center for Christian Worldview, charged the graduates of Moody Bible Institute (437), Moody Bible Institute Distance Learning (179), and Moody Theological Seminary (134) to remember the Word of God, the God of the world, and the world of God. "The life God has called you to is a life of service—extreme service," he said.

On April 30 Eric C. Redmond, MTS assistant professor of Bible, gave the keynote address to Moody Theological Seminary's 26 graduates in Michigan.

Moody's 2016 commencement season concluded on May 28 at Moody Bible Institute in Spokane. T. Randall Fairfax, Moody's Board of Trustees chair, addressed the 73 members of the graduating class. The day before, Fairfax joined Jim Conrad in addressing 11 graduates during Moody Aviation's commissioning ceremony in its advanced training hangar on Felts Field in Spokane.

Read the full story and watch the ceremonies at moodyglobal.org/news/moody-commencement-2016.

## Men's Reunion Choir to Sing at 60th Anniversary



The Moody Men's Collegiate Choir will celebrate 60 years as a music ensemble during Founder's Week 2017. Dr. H. E. Singley '71, who

is celebrating 20 years as their conductor, hopes 250 alumni will return to participate in the reunion choir on Tuesday evening, February 7. A rehearsal and reception are planned for the day before, as well as a rehearsal on Alumni Day.

The reunion choir will reaffirm the camaraderie and the experience that the men had when they sang together as students, as well as encourage the congregation with God-glorifying music. "There's something that's electric about a bunch of men singing together," Singley says.

"That's part of our mission—to link men together who freely and joyfully proclaim their faith through what they sing."

To describe the value of the men's choir, he likes to quote Dr. Donald Hustad, director of Moody's Music department from 1950 to 1963, who said, "The question is not whether you have a voice but whether you have a song."

"As children of God, we have a song," Singley explains. "That's part

of our mission—to link men together who freely and joyfully proclaim their faith through what they sing."

Founded in 1957 as the Moody Men's Glee Club, the choir currently has both undergraduate and seminary students who tour in North America twice annually, ministering in churches, schools, and other venues. Every two years, they tour internationally, with past travels taking them to Canada, the United Kingdom, Australia, New Zealand, China, Greece, India, and, in summer 2016, southern Africa.

"I'm always encouraged and blown away by the quality of the students that come to Moody—sharp, wanting to learn, and wanting to do good things for the cause of Christ," Singley says. "All of us who are professors here are humbled to be around students like that."

To learn more about the reunion choir, email mmcc@moody.edu.



The Moody Men's Collegiate Choir during their 2016 summer tour in southern Africa.

## **Moody** Highlights

## Pastors' Conference Leads the Way to Engage Culture

"That was worth the whole week," one attendee said after Tony Evans preached on 2 Chronicles 15:3-6 to a packed Torrey-Gray Auditorium.

Pastors and ministry leaders gathered May 23-27 for a week of teaching and encouragement during Moody's annual Pastors' Conference. This year's event was open to men and women serving in church, ministry, and lay leadership. It was also extended to include the "Engage the Culture" conference, which helped equip Christian leaders with strategies for biblically navigating the rapidly changing culture on gender identity, refugees and immigration, race, and other issues.

"I love coming every year. Wouldn't miss it," said Adam Rinehart '97, a pastor at Sugar Grove Community Church in Greens Fork, Ind. "This year the greatest thing was adding the conference within a conference."

Chuck and Adrianne (Meier)
Babbitt '14 attended all week and
were touched most by Jesse Campbell's
workshop, "My Son Died, Then Revival
Broke Out."

"That was perfect for what we needed," said Adrianne, who suffered a miscarriage two weeks before the conference. She and Chuck, youth pastor at First Baptist Church in Spencer, Iowa, appreciated Campbell's "vulnerability in opening up about his own tragedy, which resonated with other people and changed their lives," Adrianne explained.

Besides conference speakers such as John Dickerson, D. A. Horton, and



Matt DeMateo '03 teaching the workshop "Empowering the Village: The Church's Response to Working with Youth in the Juvenile Justice System"

Ralph West, workshop speakers included 18 alumni such as Chris Brooks '05, Judy Dunagan '81, Michael and Breanne Fuelling '04, Pam '79 and Bob MacRae '75, Luke Morris '14, Mark Tobey '85, William Torgesen '96, Peter Worrall '00, and Christopher Yuan '05.

"Pastors' Conference is a highlight of the year for us," said Dean Pratt MA '99, senior pastor of Grace Bible Church in Hudson, Fla. Now his tenth year in attendance, he brought 10 men from his church with him, including some pastoral and leadership staff, elders, deacons, and his son-in-law. The church paid for all of them to attend. "It's a neat time of hanging out together, discipleship, teaching and workshops, and enjoying the worship."

## Celebrate with Moody This Christmas

#### Handel's *Messiah*— November 13, 3:30 p.m.

Join Moody Bible Institute's Oratorio Chorus in an outstanding performance of this classic musical work focusing on Christ's death and resurrection. Tickets go on sale in October. Visit moody.edu/messiah.

Candlelight Carols—Friday,
December 2, 8:00 p.m.; Saturday,
December 3, 2:00 and 7:00 p.m.
Don't miss this annual celebration
of the true meaning of Christmas,

featuring Moody's four music ensembles and drama team.

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.

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

## New TESOL Graduate Program Equips Cross-Cultural Ministry Leaders

Moody Theological Seminary is launching a new master's degree program in intercultural and urban studies with a TESOL emphasis this fall. The accredited degree will build on the long-established undergraduate TESOL major that prepares students to teach English to speakers of other languages in a cross-cultural context.

"With a master's degree, you are highly qualified for nearly any TESOL job, whether overseas or in the States," says **Brad Baurain '93**, assistant professor of Intercultural Studies and program director of TESOL. But the degree is also ideal for missionaries for whom TESOL might be only part of their activities. "Eighty percent of missionaries get asked to do English teaching at some point, so better to do it with training than without."

English is the global language

of business, politics, science, and technology. Graduates who are equipped in TESOL can better cross cultural barriers locally and abroad as they serve with mission agencies, churches, and non-profits. Many local churches use TESOL as a means of outreach in their local communities. Moody is one of the few schools to combine TESOL training with theological and biblical studies.

Baurain, who spent 11 years teaching English in China and Vietnam, looks forward to teaching intercultural missions and professional TESOL skills in a seminary context. "We can be more intentional about the ministry aspects of it, and that's what Moody's all about—hands-on ministry—so I'm excited about that."

Visit moody.edu/infotesol for more information.

## **Moody** Highlights

## Moody Bible Institute Distance Learning Wins 17th Award

Moody Bible Institute Distance Learning received the 2016 ACCESS Course of the Year award for "Applied Human Development 2." The award was announced at the Association of Christian Distance Education's annual conference in Searcy, Ark. This is the 17th Course of the Year award MBIDL has won since 1977.



Developed by Elizabeth Smith, associate professor of Education Ministries/program head for Children's Ministry, and Sandra West, MBIDL instructional designer, "Applied Human Development 2" is an eightweek core online undergraduate course. The course applies insights from human development and a biblical perspective to guide students in the analysis of human growth and development across major life stages (after adolescence and through adulthood).

"It is deeply humbling to be recognized for a third year in a row," said **Dr. James Spencer MDiv '04**, vice president and dean of Moody Bible Institute. "Our staff and faculty work extremely hard to ensure that all of our courses are of excellent quality and serve our students well in their training. To have an outside peer award is further evidence of that, and it's an incredible honor."

The award is given to an outstanding new course developed in the past year by a member organization. Each submitted course is peer reviewed using a rubric adopted from Quality Matters. Judging is based on instructional design, online development, and learner support. More than 20 higher education institutions from across the country entered this year.

"Professor Smith earned an honorable mention last year for 'Applied Human Development 1' and was determined to adjust the second course based on the feedback she received," added Kevin Mahaffy, MBIDL director of instructional design. "She and Sandra took seriously the peer review, and I am very proud of the efforts they made and the results achieved. This award was well-deserved."



Sandra West and Elizabeth Smith (right)

## Jim Conrad Named Moody Aviation Program Manager



After an international search to replace the retiring Cecil Bedford '78, Moody Aviation recently promoted Jim Conrad '98, director of flight operations, to the position of program manager. Conrad assumed his new role on July 1, 2016.

"Jim is a man of proven integrity and vision," said Dr. Junias Venugopal, provost and dean of education at Moody. "God has provided great leadership through Cecil, and all of Moody is deeply thankful to the Lord for his 38 years of service." He added, "I am confident that Jim will lead the way forward at Moody Aviation so that it continues to grow and flourish and equip more men and women in Kingdom service."

## **Advancing Moody Aviation**

Conrad will enhance and build on the five-year program Bedford developed, which features airframe and power plant maintenance training as well as private, instrument, and commercial flight training.

Conrad says he is excited to work with a team that "shares a heart and passion to equip young men

and women with the tools of aviation technology for the purpose of advancing the spread of the gospel to a world that desperately needs Him."

"One of my core roles will be to keep the vision, passion, and purpose of why we do what we do at the forefront of our minds, so that how we do what we do brings glory to our King and transformation to the lives of those we connect with," he adds.

After graduating as a mechanic and pilot from Moody Aviation in 1998, Conrad joined the staff of Moody Aviation, where he has served for the last 17 years. He excelled in various capacities including maintenance technician, avionics technician, avionics shop supervisor, and flight instructor in the Elizabethton program. He assisted with the transition to Spokane and has served as director of flight operations for the last 10 years. In 2010 Conrad received the Moody Bible Institute Faculty Citation Award.

Prior to his service with Moody Aviation, Conrad worked as a construction contractor for 10 years and earned an engineering degree from Ohio University. He planned a career in aerospace engineering but was redirected to Moody's aviation program through the influence of Cru (formerly Campus Crusade for Christ).

Conrad has served on short-term mission trips to the Philippines and Haiti. His main focus at Moody Aviation will be "investing in the lives of young men and women who desire to grow in their walks with Christ and serve Him faithfully."

Jim and his wife, Suzanne, have been married for 22 years and have four children.

## **Serving in Washington:**U.S. Congressman Tim Walberg



"I never planned to be in politics, other than as a good citizen," says Tim Walberg '73, who served as a pastor for 10 years after graduating from Moody. But one Sunday, after challenging his congregation to apply their faith within their spheres of influence, he and his wife, Sue (Polensky) '74, took the challenge, getting involved in pro-life work.

As a result of this involvement, Walberg was asked to run for state representative in Michigan, so he ran on the issue of ending public funding of abortion. He won the election in 1983 and spent the next 16 years in office. "Michigan is the number one state in the union for laws protecting both the baby and the mother," he says. "It was one of the things I look back and say, 'Thank God for the opportunity to be involved in that."

When his term ended in 1999, Walberg accepted a position at Moody as a division manager in Stewardship. "Being part of the ministry of Moody on campus was exciting for us. We enjoyed it very much and felt very fulfilled and fruitful there during that time," he recalls.

When a seat opened in his congressional district, Walberg was recruited by a number of individuals and organizations. After praying with his wife, he decided to step back into public service through the political arena. He was elected to Congress in 2007, was defeated for a term in 2009, then has been elected three times since 2011.

"... the only way we can see real change in our world is through Jesus Christ."

"God established government in his plan, and as a Christian I've been delighted for the past number of years to be involved in government, and I see my place there as a ministry and really a mission field," says Walberg, now in his fourth term in Congress.

#### **Equipped at Moody**

Walberg says Moody equipped him to communicate well both in the pastorate and in politics. He recalls that Dr. Harold Garner, who was his advisor and department chair of Christian Education at the time, said, "We are communicators. To be effective communicators is important for Christians. We should not bore people."



Congressman Walberg with Presidents Gerald Ford and Ronald Reagan

Whether he's voting on traditional marriage, school choice, or cyber security, Walberg says the training he received has been "very useful in politics—in presenting the truth, in communicating clearly, and certainly having an intense belief that the only way we can see real change in our world is through Jesus Christ."

The world of politics keeps him on his knees. Walberg attends and occasionally preaches at the Jefferson Gathering, a weekly Capitol worship service. He also attends and periodically leads a weekly Bible study with other representatives. "It's been exciting as a Christian to see this as a

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## Who We Are, What We Like

A new survey helps Moody connect to five generations of alumni

The Moody Alumni Association celebrated its 100th anniversary with a new survey, asking questions about alumni engagement. How can we better serve Moody alumni? The 2,613 survey responses revealed some interesting numbers, plus additional insights from the comments and informal feedback.

30,370

Moody graduates since 1886 (including Chicago, Spokane, and Michigan campuses and online for diplomas, certificates, undergraduate degrees, and graduate degrees). 45,000

Living Moody alumni

who have completed at least 15 hours of college credit level work in a degree or certificate program.

54,285

Total students since 1886 enrolled in all programs at all three campuses and online.

4,000

**Current students** 

enrolled in undergraduate, graduate, and online programs, representing 60 countries around the world.

## What We Learned

**50%** 

Have positive feelings about Moody and are actively engaged with Moody today. **25%** 

Have positive feelings about Moody but are relatively disengaged. 25%

Have neutral or negative feelings about their Moody experience and do not expect to stay connected.

Ages	18–29	30–39	40–49	50-64	65+
Rate their decision to attend Moody as "excellent"	75%	68%	72%	77%	81%
Currently receive Moody Alumni News	64%	75%	89%	88%	93%
Don't know how to get involved	40%	25%	20%	11%	11%

## EIGHT SUGGESTIONS TO IMPROVE ALUMNI CONNECTIONS

#### 1. Upgrade the website.

Develop a gateway for all alumni with more online content.

#### 2. Fix the alumni portal.

Streamline the current site; promote its use to alumni.

#### 3. Improve job networking.

Connect alumni to employment and ministry opportunities.

#### 4. Articulate Moody's vision.

Give updates on Moody's strategic direction and ministry focus.

#### 5. Expand social media presence.

Use social media to promote alumni accomplishments, prayer requests.

#### 6. Promote local gatherings.

Schedule more local meetings, promote them aggressively.

## 7. Highlight nontraditional ministries.

Include in *Alumni News* alumni outside of vocational ministry.

#### 8. Recruit current students.

Promote the opportunities and benefits of alumni involvement.



## Younger alumni meet on social media

"We need updates and news but that's not what keeps us," says Jonathan Goldthwaite MDiv '16.

who uses Twitter and Facebook. "We like interaction, real-life stories, and connecting with other grads our age and older."



## Older alumni are tech savvv

Most of Moody's older alumni have internet access. Elsie Young '38 was still posting content to her

personal website at age 102. She'll turn 104 on September 21, 2016—and you can still read her poems at kneeholedesk.com.

## Where We Work and Minister

When we recently updated the alumni directory, more than 8,500 alumni gave us information about their current occupation.

Local Church Ministry	22%
Education	15%
Trades	15%
At Home/Retired	14%
Business	14%
Healthcare	8%
Missions/Parachurch	7%
Media/Communications	4%
Government/Military/Police	3%

# Sewing and Sowing IN SWAZILAND



A startup business gives African women financial and spiritual freedom

After six years as a single missionary in Latin America, Julie Anderson was burned out. "One of the hardest parts of being a missionary is sometimes there can be a lack of long-term friendships. People come and go," she says.

In 2002 Julie took a sabbatical to get a master's degree at Moody Theological Seminary in Chicago. "It was a great time of being equipped and filled up," she says. Little did she know that God would use her time at Moody to redirect her steps.

During her last year at Moody she attended Missions Conference, which focused on the HIV/AIDS crisis in Africa. "I was really hit hard by a lot of what I heard that week," says Julie, who began praying about her future.

A month later she heard that her sending agency, Adventures in Missions, was beginning an outreach in Swaziland—a small southern African country with the world's highest HIV infection rate and nearly the lowest life expectancy.

After graduating in May 2004 with an MA in Spiritual Formation and Discipleship, she headed for rural Swaziland. Fair-skinned and six feet tall, Julie stood out among her Swazi neighbors. But despite the differences, she felt at home. During the next decade, God would weave together her skills, training, and desire for relationships in an unexpected way.

One day a local pastor, who had set up nine rural community-based feeding centers called "care points," asked Julie to do a Bible study to encourage the women who served as volunteer cooks. Each day these primarily Christian single mothers, widows, and grandmothers cook high-protein food for up to 200 children, many orphaned or lacking at least one parent because of AIDS or other problems. The pastor also

wondered if Julie could teach the women how to do something to generate income.

"The women were happy to volunteer as cooks because they were also getting food for their families, but it wasn't enough to support the rest of their daily needs," says Julie, who prayed about potential projects for the women.

"We started out with 30 women making really ugly greeting cards," she recalls with a grin, "and no one bought them."

Finally she told the ladies, "If we had some sewing machines, I could show you something to sew." With two borrowed machines and \$150 donated by a friend, she purchased a batch of African fabric, and the women began making handbags. They sold their first bags to visiting mission teams in 2006, and eventually Julie registered Timbali Crafts as a nonprofit organization in Swaziland.

### Reaping What They Sew

Timbali Crafts started out small but today employs 105 women who sew beautiful purses, home décor items, and accessories, such as aprons, ornaments, doll dresses, even iPad covers. Julie offers a matching savings program and small loans to help the women buy their own sewing machines. Timbali also employs 80 teenage girls who sew part-time in exchange for a monthly stipend and paid school fees.

Besides mission teams who purchase the crafts, many volunteers sell and distribute them in the United States. The handcrafts are also available on their website, timbalicrafts.org.

The business component of her job takes Julie out of her comfort zone. "It forces me to constantly be saying, 'Lord, what do we do in this situation?" Julie often recalls the teaching of one

of her Moody Theological Seminary professors, Dr. Bill Thrasher. "He had so many great lessons about being prayerful in everything, and just that continual dependence on the Lord throughout the day."

#### Seeing the Lord's Provision

Timbali means flowers in Siswatti, the Swazi language. The Swazi translation of Matthew 6:28 uses timbali where Jesus says that just as God arrays the lilies with beauty, He can meet the needs of His children. "That is the heart behind Timbali Crafts: that we would see the Lord's provision," Julie writes on her website. "Not just for the needs that are obvious (and extremely important!) like food, shelter, and education; but also for the deeper needs of the heart like love, acceptance, forgiveness . . . that are so perfectly found in Jesus Christ!"

"It's a pretty empowering thing for these women to see that they can make products that people love, that people are buying," she says. "And as we're meeting, as we're doing Bible studies, as we take the women away for camp, just to really be exposed over and over again to the love that the Lord has for them."

Julie has experienced the Lord's love and provision herself. Besides friendships with the women, God met one of her deepest desires through another long-term relationship that came as a surprise.

#### A Gift at the Gate

Just a few months after Julie arrived in Swaziland, she was visiting a government hospital with a team of interns. She noticed a tiny newborn in a pile of blankets on a bed and was told that the premature baby girl had been found at the hospital gate. Patients in the under-resourced hospital rely on family members or

caregivers to bring them food and wash their things, so Julie and the interns began caring for baby Ellie, and Julie fell in love with her.

Eventually the baby was released into the care of a missionary neonatal nurse. After two months, Ellie had grown enough to live with Julie, who was able to adopt her a year and a half later. Today Ellie is 11 years old and home-schooled to compensate for hearing difficulties.



Julie and Ellie

"I'm really glad that I was led to Swaziland," Julie says. Directing Timbali Crafts and raising a daughter as a single mom is "way different than what I ever imagined I would be doing, but in a lot of ways I can see that it's a good fit for me. If I had not come here, I wouldn't have become a mom in that way."

With every step, Julie sees that God has been faithful. "It's neat to look back and see the different ways that God's brought together all these different random experiences of art and Bible background, desire for missions, and desire to be a mom, and in a way that I never expected."



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Kevin Earhart on top of pyramid, Spring tour 1978

## Memories of the

## Legacy of 11 Singers from One Extended Family

"I remember it like it was yesterday," says **Bev** (Windau '56) Earhart. Students were playing Rook across the aisle with Dr. Donald Hustad as the Moody Chorale tour bus rumbled down the road toward the ocean in 1956. Suddenly the Miami coastline, glittering with tall, luxurious hotels, caught everyone's attention. "We looked at it, and we burst into song: 'I'd rather have Jesus than anything this world affords today,'" Bev recalls. "I thought, How true, how true. All this worldly stuff, and here we are, a bunch of kids from Moody."

For Bev, being part of "that bunch of kids from Moody" provided rich memories and life lessons, and was the most exciting part of attending Moody. "Whether we were traveling on tour or singing in the Chicago area, it was a joy and privilege that I never took for granted."

Nearly 120 Chorale alumni participated in the Moody Chorale's 70th reunion choir at Founder's Week this year, including five members who had sung under Dr. Hustad (1946-61). Once again, they sang his composition, "Prayer Before Singing," the theme song of the Chorale since the 1950s.

Bev attests to the godly leadership of Dr. Hustad. "His love for the Lord and his musical excellence combined to make him one of my most favorite of teachers," she says. Another treat was seeing **Gerald Edmonds '57**, who directed the Chorale from 1978 to 2010, share the platform with current director Dr. Xiangtang Hong.

## A Family Legacy of Singing

In the 60 years since Bev graduated, her enthusiasm for Moody and the Chorale has rubbed off on her family



Brad Johnson and Kathy Simpson, Spring tour 1980



Jamie and Jared Earhart and their fathers, Brad Johnson and Kevin Earhart



Ken, Lonnie, Bev, Kevin, and Kyle sang in the 50th Chorale reunion choir.

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and relatives. She and her husband, Paul, raised four children, all of whom sang in the Chorale, along with some of their in-laws and grandchildren.

Bev's son, Kevin Earhart '78, a youth pastor, majored in trumpet and enjoyed playing it in the Chorale's instrumental ensemble at the time. "I went on seven tours, which helped turn me into a world Christian," he says. As a result, "we've had Arabs and Peruvians live with us and do Bible studies in our home."

A generation later, both of Kevin's sons followed in his footsteps, singing in the Chorale and becoming youth pastors. Joshua Earhart '10 chose the Chorale over the Men's Collegiate Choir "to make Grandma happy," he admits. (Later he traded the Chorale for Moody's volleyball team.) Jared Earhart '08 met his wife, Jamie (Johnson '06) Earhart, in the

Chorale, and they were engaged when they toured Europe. "It was really cool; we sang in John Calvin's church," Jared recalls.

They both consider their conductor, Gerald Edmonds, "very much a man of excellence," Jamie says. "He taught us things like, 'The beauty is in the details.'"

At Jared and Jamie's wedding, both families, including Jamie's parents, **Brad '80** and **Kathy (Simpson '80) Johnson** (who also met singing in the Chorale), and the bridal party (mostly Chorale alumni) surprised the newlyweds by singing Lutkin's "The Lord Bless You and Keep You" at the end of the ceremony. "That was powerful and emotional," Jared's dad, Kevin, recalls. "There were almost 50 of us singing!"

Bev's second son, **Ken Earhart '81**, lent his deep bass voice to the Chorale.



Tim Ostrander during production of his album Cornerstone, 1982

"I think it was my range that got me in and not my musical knowledge," he says. No matter. He grew in confidence by singing in front of crowds. "Moody Chorale was one of the highlights of my time at Moody," says Ken, who married Trish (Ludlow '84).

Bev's daughter, Lonnie (Earhart '85), a piano major, felt honored to both sing and play for the Chorale. She married Rick Ostrander '87, whose father, Tim Ostrander '62, sang in the Chorale and went on to serve as a church minister of music. He also sang live on Moody Radio and produced two gospel albums, besides directing the Alumni Association and assisting Moody's former president, Dr. Joseph Stowell. "My time in the Chorale impacted me more than any one thing," Tim says.

Bev's youngest son, Kyle Earhart '91, tried to sustain both soccer and the Moody Chorale his freshmen year, but soccer won out. When the Solheim Center was constructed on top of the soccer field, the soccer program went into hiatus and Kyle again joined the Chorale. "Obviously there were some

jokes that I had to humbly come back to Chorale," he says with a laugh.

The highlight for Kyle was a 1991 tour of Europe with about 60 other Chorale members. From Germany, they traveled through Austria, Romania, and former Yugoslavia. "I can still remember crossing borders, where the tanks and machine gun pits were facing each other," he says.

During that tour, Dr. Stowell joined the Chorale to speak at Moscow Baptist Church. Kyle was struck not only by the poverty he saw but also how grateful the people were, he says. Kyle later returned to many of those places with his wife, Stephanie, and two daughters while serving in Germany as a youth pastor with Military Community Youth Ministries.



The Earhart family, 2013

## Life after Chorale

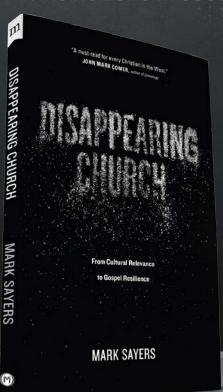
When Paul and Bev hosted Christmas in their home a few years ago, Bev handed out a few copies of Handel's *Messiah* so the whole family, including grandkids, could sing the "Hallelujah Chorus" together. The song books weren't really necessary. "Everybody knew it by heart," she says. "I loved it. That was a tremendous time."



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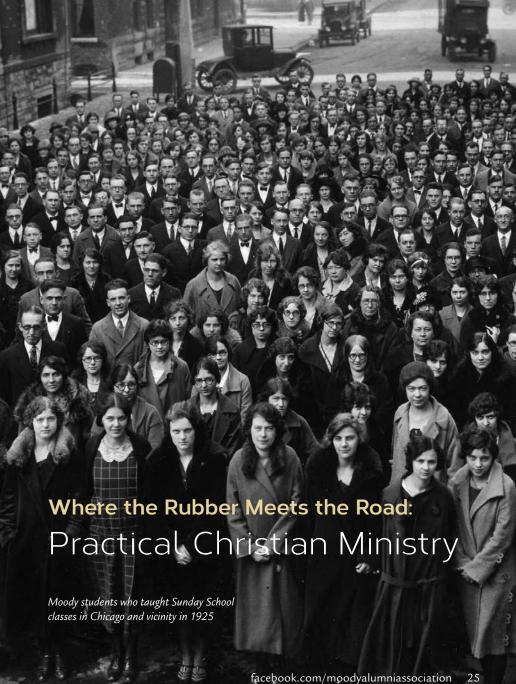
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## **Moody Traditions**



D. L. Moody once said, "If you're going to go fishing, go where the fish are." For generation after generation, Moody students have gone fishing for souls through practical Christian ministry, a key part of a Moody Bible Institute education. What many colleges have recently adapted as "service learning" began with Moody's founder, who believed that learning and ministry should go together.

Taking the Gospel to the Streets
Putting faith into practice became
central to Moody's Bible school vision.
He said, "One of the great purposes
we have in view in the Bible Institute
is to raise up men and women who
will put their lives alongside the life
of the poor and the laboring classes,
and bring the influence of the gospel
to bear upon them."

In 1889 an Institute brochure declared that "study and work go hand in hand." All students were required to spend a portion of time five days each week working in homes, cottage prayer meetings, missions outreach, and evangelism.

Six years later, a regular Practical Work Course became part of the academic curriculum for Moody's 253 students.

For more than a century Moody students took the gospel to difficult places. "They go to the police stations; they are to be found in the halls and tents; they go from house to house in visitation of the poor and the sick, and are especially equipped with the right answer for those who may be inquiring the way of salvation," explained Rev. Wilbur Chapman in his book on Moody's early work.

Chicago's Pacific Garden Mission, the oldest gospel rescue mission in the country, has been a place of service for more than 15,000 Moody students since it began in 1877. As early as

1899, students served by preaching, singing, counseling, and serving meals. Don Martindell, Moody's director of field education, notes that "many young preachers cut their teeth, so to speak, during those mission services. They were challenged by preaching to sometimes difficult or sleepy audiences."

The More Things Change
Moody's second president, R. A.
Torrey, developed the idea of traveling
the city in Gospel Wagons. These
horse-drawn wagons, emblazoned
with the school's name, navigated
the cobblestone streets. While early
students traveled by Model Ts, today's
students cross the city using their
U-Pass on public transportation.



An early Gospel Wagon

First named Practical Christian Work, ministry assignments have continued although the requirements have gradually lessened. About the time of World War I, the requirements were reduced from five days a week to three, and eventually two, one at their local church on Sunday and another with a Christian organization. In 1968, amidst some concern about lessening the requirement, department director John Barrier reduced the assignment to just one ministry per week.

In 1981, the department changed its name to Practical Christian Ministries to avoid any doctrinal confusion that would suggest that "works" were thought to bring about salvation. Leonard Rascher '55, then department director, added, "Ministry better reflects what we are all about." It was also under Rascher's leadership that the department began offering spring break ministry trips.

The More They Stay the Same While the name and requirements have changed, PCMs continue to impact lives for Christ. Today, Moody students serve at nearly 300 different churches, parachurch ministries, and non-profit organizations. In spring 2016 alone, student volunteers had ministry contact with a quarter of a million people. Their work led to 521 decisions to receive Christ as Savior.

Graduates talk not only about the ministry they offered others, but how they were impacted by the men, women, and children to whom they ministered.

Rachael Tilley Reiton '96 says, "My freshman year I visited a nursing home in Cicero. There I became friends with Helene, a dear 94-year-old blind woman who came to Chicago alone from Czechoslovakia when she was 17. I think Helene probably fed my soul as much as our visits fed her heart. She awakened a love in my heart for the elderly and an understanding of how much they have to offer younger folk."

"Today, Moody students serve at nearly 300 different churches, parachurch ministries, and nonprofit organizations."

Ministry assignments push students out of their comfort zones. "My sophomore PCM was teaching English to a Nepali woman in her home," Sarah Zachary-Keesee '07 says. "It opened my eyes to some of the struggles of immigrants and refugees."

Jeff Adams '01 felt the culture shock of being in "what was at that time the largest holding facility (Cook County Jail) to run a Bible study. You could hardly pry us out of there by the end of the year," Adams says. "I still miss and think of those guys—both my fellow PCMers and all the guys we met inside."

"In spring 2016 alone, student volunteers had ministry contact with a quarter of a million people."

Practicing Real-Life Ministry
Some say their PCM experience
inspired the ministry they do today.
James Ventress '08 writes, "My
PCM was working in an after-school
tutoring program for all four years
at Moody. The experience was very
helpful in starting an after-school
drop-in center and tutoring program
here in Nome. During the week, we
serve about 30 Alaska native youth."

Jason Platt '00 was assigned to serve at Montrose Baptist Church on the northwest side of Chicago during his freshman year. He continued all four years, and one day the pastor began speaking about transitioning out. "The deacons asked me to fill the pulpit," he recalls. "Pulpit supply turned into interim pastor turned into being installed as pastor. It was really natural. I was only 22 years old, but God's leading was so clearly in it." Sixteen years later Jason is still their pastor. "And we still have PCM students who come out to the church," he says.

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## 2010s



Kimberly Drake
'13 currently
serves as technical
director at Fourth
Memorial Church
in Spokane,
Wash., the host
for Moody's

Spokane campus. She works closely with Moody Information Technology Services (ITS) to meet the technical and IT needs of both organizations.

Kimberly is also working on her PhD in Adult Education from Capella University. She earned a double MA in Counseling and Theology from Summit University in Clarks Summit, Pa.



In June 2016 Dan '13 and Lisa Bartol moved to the Czech Republic with their children to plant churches in the city of Olomouc. Their passion is to see God's name magnified and to proclaim the gospel among the largely unreached Czech people.

The Bartols committed to long-term mission work after a month-long trip to the Czech Republic in 2014. They connected with Pioneers while Dan pursued the Apologetics and Ethics program at Denver Seminary. Before that, he got ministry experience at Bridgeway Church in Oklahoma City, Okla., while taking online classes and graduating from Moody Bible

Institute. Dan and Lisa have been married since 2008 and have three children.

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Jonathan Hayashi
'12 MA '14 is the
music pastor at
Troy First Baptist
Church in Troy,
Mo. He is also
pursuing his
Doctor of Ministry

in Biblical Counseling from the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville, Ky.

Previously Jonathan served as assistant pastor at Uptown Baptist Church in Chicago from 2011 to 2015. As a vocalist and pianist, Jonathan is committed to serving the local church through corporate worship that is God-directed, transformational, and unifying.

In 2009 after he graduated from Dalat International School in Penang, Malaysia, Jonathan went on to complete his undergraduate and master's degrees at Moody.

In 2014 Jonathan married Kennedi (Conradson), a current Children's Ministry student at Moody. They live in St. Louis, Mo., with their daughter, Kaede Selah.

Carson Bay '11 received a Fulbright U.S. Student Program grant in Classics and Religion from the U.S. Department of State and the J. William Fulbright Foreign Scholarship Board. Carson will travel to Germany to work at the Westfälische Wilhelms-Universitat Münster to trace multiculturalism in Flavius Josephus. The Fulbright U.S. Student Program is a prestigious award that allows for international

educational exchange in over 160 countries across the world.

Carson is married to Lindsay (Norman '12 ) Bay.

Viju Thomas MDiv '10 recently released an album entitled Yeh Kaisa Masih Hai? The title translates from Hindi/Urdu to "What Kind of Messiah Is This?" All eight songs on the album answer the question of who the person of Jesus is. The songs also encourage the listener to respond to Him in worship. The proceeds from the album go to furthering the gospel and planting churches among HIV-affected and Hindi-speaking people in Hyderabad, India.

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## 2000s



Abraham '09 and Stefanie (Silva '10) Metellus serve at Christ Fellowship Church in Miami, where Abraham is the missions director, encouraging people to share the gospel in the city. Stefanie is a songwriter and performer across South Florida. She is working on her EP recording entitled Mirrors that features her new single, "Highs."

After graduating from Moody, Abraham received an MA in Project Management from DeVry University's Keller Graduate School of Management in 2014. He was also recruited for the Devos Urban Leadership Initiative and graduated from the program, equipped to minister in an urban setting. After Abraham and Stefanie moved to Miami, Abraham worked as a youth pastor at New Testament Baptist Church. The youth program grew to 70 students before Abraham transitioned to Christ Fellowship.

Abraham and Stefanie have a five year-old son, Jeremiah, and celebrated their fifth wedding anniversary this past June.



Sarah (Newell
'08) LeBlanc
recently took
a position as
divisional field
director for
Stonecroft
Ministries in the

Great Lakes and Louisville, Ky., area. She recruits, equips, and partners with women of various ages to encourage them as they reach their family and friends for Christ through evangelistic avenues.

Before working with Stonecroft, Sarah served as the women's ministry director for Teen Challenge Kentucky, a ministry that runs residential addiction recovery programs. After attending Moody, she received her MDiv in Women's Studies from New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary in New Orleans, La. Sarah and her husband, Jon-Michael, have one daughter, Charis.

Fredrick Wilson '05 serves as the pastor of The Temple of Glory International in Chicago. The Temple of Glory's vision is to preach the gospel across racial, denominational, global, gender, and age barriers.

Along with speaking to international

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leaders, Fredrick is also a musician and songwriter. He is the founder of the Chicago Christian Choir C3, a multicultural group of singers

devoted to sharing the love of God to the Chicagoland area through jazz, choral, and gospel music. The choir was chosen from thousands of applicants to perform Christmas carols at the White House to touring visitors on December 19, 2015.

Fredrick and his wife, Marcie, have two children: Fredrick III and Kya Alexandria. Fredrick is pursuing a Master of Divinity and Master of Business Administration at North Park University in Chicago.

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Brian Relph '04 has worked with Inner City Impact in Cicero, Ill., since 2013. From 2005 to 2013 he served in the Logan Square neighborhood of Chicago, working with middle school and high school students.

Brian and his wife, Mary (Baurian) Relph '04, have three children: J.D. (11), Anja (9), and Caleb (5). Brian would love to keep connected with his former classmates through email.

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Ellen (Stewart '04) Rosenberger released her first book, Missionaries are Real People (Amazon.com), in May. Ellen writes about the

authentic struggles that missionaries face, such as depression, burnout, and conflict, by drawing on her experiences as a missionary in Bolivia and Nicaragua.

John Netherly MA '03 founded The Bedrock Movement, a nonprofit ministry devoted to providing homeless men and women dignity, safety, and empowerment. John, a social worker and community organizer, raises awareness for homeless individuals in Chicago by interviewing and giving a voice to mentally ill men and women trapped on the street. Bedrock's goal is to help 50-150 homeless people every year to find a place to sleep, shower, and wash their clothes. John also advocates for state and nationwide policy changes. Besides an MA in Business Management from National Louis University in Chicago, he received an MSW from Dominican University in River Forest, III. and an MA [Intercultural and Urban Studies] from Moody Theological Seminary.



Marcos and Susie Gamez and family

Marcos Gamez '02 transitioned from his position as World Impact's regional director of ministry to Compassion International's regional manager of church relations for the western states. Marcos lives in South Central Los Angeles with his wife, Susie, and their three children, Amayah (4), Malachi (2), and Lucilla (6 months).

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Kristen Glover '00 received Fort Bliss's 2016 Military Spouse of the Year award. She is an international speaker, writer,

and author of the forthcoming book, Come Share the Moon. Kristen is married to Jeff Glover '00, an ordained minister who is serving as an active duty chaplain in the Army. Jeff recently returned from a deployment in Djibuti, Africa, and was transferred to a new battalion.

Kristen and Jeff have five children, including twin boys, all of whom are homeschooled.

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## 1990s



**Brad Kenney '98** recently took the role of executive director for Cross Training

Ministries, a non-profit organization dedicated to providing chaplains and counselors to individuals involved in sports. Along with developing chaplaincy programs for professional sports teams, Brad also serves as the chaplain to the Colorado Rapids.

After attending Moody, Brad received his Master of Divinity with a chaplaincy concentration at Denver Seminary. In 2013 he was ordained in the Evangelical Presbyterian Church. Brad and his wife, Adriana, have four daughters: Brianna (12), Caley (10), Danielle (5), and Alison (5). Brad would love to connect with Moody alumni serving in ministry with a heart for those in the soccer community.

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Dan Lovaglia '97 recently wrote Relational Children's Ministry: Turning Kid-Influencers into Lifelong Disciple Makers (Zondervan). This book equips church leaders to disciple children by building intentional relationships inspired by Jesus's discipleship approach. He emphasizes the importance of a Christ-centered community in the life of a child growing up in the church. Dan says of children's ministry: "We need to take a fresh look at what we are doing and align it with biblical, revolutionary, and time-tested ministry approaches taught by Jesus."

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Besides working as a freelance writer, speaker, and consultant, Dan is the director of leadership development at Awana. He previously served as the discipleship teaching and content director at Willow Creek Community Church in South Barrington, Ill., as well as an adjunct professor at Moody. Dan is also the co-author of *The Gospel Truth about Children's Ministry* (Awana 2015).

Dan and his wife, Kate, live in suburban Chicago with their two teenage sons, Avery and Aaron. Dan earned an MA in Evangelism and Spiritual Formation from Wheaton College.

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Melissa (Holman '95) Spoelstra started a writing and speaking ministry that has taken her across the United States and the world.

Since 2014 she has written three women's Bible study books: Jeremiah: Daring to Hope in an Unstable World (Abingdon Press), Joseph: The Journey to Forgiveness (Abingdon Press), and First Corinthians: Living Love When We Disagree (Abingdon Press). Melissa and her husband of 21 years, Sean '95, lead Encounter Church in Dublin, Ohio. They have four teenage children: Zach (19), Abigail (16), Sara (16), and Rachel (13). Melissa is grateful for the many professors who poured into her life and affirmed her gift of writing while she attended Moody.

**Brian '91** and Karen Mount, along with their four children, serve at Operation Mobilization's U.S.



headquarters near Atlanta, Ga. Brian is the vice president of global talent at OM. He sends missionaries to unreached communities in over 120 countries as well as aboard the OM Ship, *The Logos Hope*. Before working with OM, Brian served as a youth pastor for 10 years at Forest Home Christian Conference Center in Southern California.

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## 1980s



Tom Scheck '87 is an associate professor of theology at Ave Maria University in Florida. Tom translates Latin Patristic works,

most recently St. Jerome's Commentary on Isaiah, and writes books and articles detailing the life and theology of early church fathers. Tom previously served as a pastor and missionary in Germany before completing a PhD in Religion and Classics at the University of Iowa in 2004.

Tom and his wife, Susan, have six children ages 9-21.

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Bill Welzien '86, head pastor of Keys Presbyterian Church in Key West, Fla., accomplished a swimming feat that had never

been done before: He swam the Sea of Galilee 16 miles across and back. Starting at 9:30 p.m., he swam for almost 18 hours. An article about his swim was published in *Swimmer's World* magazine: "I thanked God for His faithfulness to let me complete the course," Bill stated. "He stood with me. He enabled me. He showed me that I had more perseverance and fortitude than I had ever thought possible."

Back in Key West, Welzien has been preaching in Mallory Square three times a week and twice an evening for nearly 30 years. He employs methods used by Open Air Campaigners to share the gospel using art evangelism. Bill planted Keys Presbyterian Church in 1989 and is also the director of Keys Evangelical Ministries, a ministry devoted to evangelism and the training of future teachers. Bill and his wife, Sessie, have nine children and four grandchildren.



Connie (Blaskowski '86) Neumann is a writer and a U.S. Coast Guard-licensed boat captain. This past May, Connie,

who writes under the name Connie Mann, released her third novel, *Tangled Lies* (Waterfall Press 2016). When she is not writing, she is out on central Florida's waterways with her husband.

## 1970s



Martha Heidinger ASP '78 is serving full-time with Child Evangelism Fellowship in Cleveland, Ohio. She returned to the United States

in February 2016 after serving 35 years with CEF in Europe. She first served with CEF's European outreach team, traveling behind the Iron Curtain to train nationals to reach children with the gospel. Martha later helped establish CEF in the Czech Republic. In 2000 she joined the education department at CEF Europe headquarters in Kilchzimmer, Switzerland.



Gary '75 and Marie (Root '76) Harrison founded Pinnacle Ministries, a church partnering ministry dedicated to encouraging healthy pastors,

leaders, and churches. Gary serves as the president, and Marie serves as the director of business operations. Pinnacle's mission is to see a movement of community-focused churches that produce effective disciples, leaders, and congregations. Gary and Marie have served across the United States, Japan, and the Philippines, strengthening churches and pastors.

Before founding Pinnacle, Gary served as a pastor for 20 years and a denominational executive for six. Marie worked as a production planner, legal secretary, and administrative assistant. The Harrisons currently live

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in central Wisconsin and have been married for more than 35 years.

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David Schnittger
'75 serves as
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Ministries in
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is dedicated to equipping end-times saints by providing biblically accurate prophetic information concerning the second return of Christ. Southwest Prophecy Ministries will soon be airing a weekly half-hour program on the radio.

David earned his DMin in Pastoral Counseling from Westminster Theological Seminary and his ThM and MDiv from Capital Bible Seminary. He has served as a pastor at churches in Maryland, Virginia, Texas, and Indiana. David and his wife, Paula, have three children and two grandchildren.

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Edward Riddick
'70 '71 is the
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provides coaching,
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training. He helps leaders and churches resolve interpersonal conflicts to increase the health and stability of those in ministry. Ed's goal is to create a church environment of relational peace and safety. In addition, he conducts a conflict workshop entitled "Turning Conflict

into an Asset Instead of a Threat." Ed recently launched a new website that is designed for pastors who need counseling or conflict coaching. Pastor's Safe Place also provides competent, confidential marriage counseling for pastors across the country.

Ed received his Master of Theology from Dallas Theological Seminary, his Master of Arts in Counseling Ministries at Trinity International University in Deerfield, Ill., and his Master of Dispute Resolution from Marquette University in Milwaukee, Wis. He is a board-certified Christian counselor by the AACC and has also served as a pastor for more than 40 years. Ed lives in Oshkosh, Wis., with his wife, Lois.

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Ministries. Lifeworkx is a self-discovery and training experience designed to help missionaries and ministry employees better discover themselves by using a four-step process. Participants are encouraged to share their unique story, identify aspects of their personality, learn their strengths, and determine their life purpose. Steve's goal is to help missionaries enhance their emotional intelligence by celebrating their life story and by

equipping them with tools to become more self-aware. Lifeworkx has held events in Colorado Springs, South Korea, Ukraine, East Africa, and the Dominican Republic.

After graduating from Moody Bible Institute, Steve earned a master's degree from Fuller Theological Seminary in Pasadena, Calif.



## 1960s



Albert "Sandy"
Williams '69 and
his wife, Beverly
Williams '74-'74,
live in Freeport,
Maine, and
do pastoral
mentoring. Sandy

served for 36 years as pastor of First Baptist Church in Freeport. Before that he was pastor for three years at Faith Bible Evangelical Free Church in Woodstock, Conn.

Sandy served as president of the American Baptist Churches of Maine, the Christian Civic League of Maine, and the Greater Portland Evangelical Ministries Fellowship. He was also a board member for the American Baptist Churches USA and the chaplain of Freeport Fire and Rescue.

Sandy received his BA from Trinity College and his MDiv from Trinity Evangelical Divinity School in Deerfield, Ill. They have three children and six grandchildren.

Al '69, '71 and Carole ES '67-'68

Meehan continue to serve after 45
years with Wycliffe Bible Translators
and SIL (Summer Institute of
Linguistics.) Al works in crisis and
risk management for SIL and as



a child safety investigator. He also works part-time for the Carter County, Tenn., Sheriff's Department and is an elected

county commissioner. Carole encourages the elderly and children with a therapy dog in hospitals and nursing homes.

The Meehans served as missionaries for 20 years in Colombia and five years in Ecuador. Al was a pilot in both countries before serving as field director in Colombia for eight years. During their time in South America, they translated the New Testament into 25 different languages that were given to various indigenous groups in those countries. After his service in South America, Al began working with Mission Safety International assisting mission agencies around the world with flight safety and security issues. He was the former president of the International Association of Mission Aviation, a member of JAARS board of directors, and on staff at Moody Aviation in Elizabethton, Tenn., for two years. Al's Mission Safety International responsibilities have taken him to more than 20 countries around the world.

Al and Carole have two sons, four grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren.

Quay Reiser '66 is the director of a homeless shelter and the tennis coach for his local high school and college. His poem, "Fall," recently advanced to the semifinals of a national contest and will be published in *Famous Poets of the Heartland*. Quay, a member of the Fellowship of Christian Firefighters

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International, served as a chaplain for the Henrico County Division of Fire and for Doctor's Hospital in Richmond, Va. He produced a gospel tract for firemen entitled "My Life for Yours." Quay also pastored at several churches in Wisconsin, Pennsylvania, and Virginia.



John "Skip"
'68 and Jan
(Gustafson '66)
Garmo founded
and developed
Character
Solutions
International. This

ministry serves over a million children and adults in direct in-person ministry through international partnerships on several continents. The purpose of this ministry is to "strengthen personal responsibility and interpersonal respect among children and the adults who influence them." In 2014 Skip wrote The Leader's SEEcret: Asking the Right Questions & Embracing God's Answer (Morgan James Publishing).

Skip and Jan met in the Moody
Chorale and married soon after
graduation. They later earned teaching
credentials from Biola University. They
taught in southern California while
Skip earned an MA from California
State University and served as a
church worship leader. After moving
to Portland Ore., Skip taught music
at Multnomah University. He later
received his PhD from the University
of Washington while serving as a
full-time worship pastor.

After Skip and Jan moved back to California, Skip worked in business and served along numerous Moody alumni at Mission Aviation Fellowship while Jan taught at an elementary school. In 2000 Skip became president of Mission to Children, an international outreach primarily to children in crisis, where they served for 16 years.

Skip and Jan currently live in San Diego County. Married 47 years, they have three children and six grandchildren.

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Dale '66 and Jean (Dreppenstaedt '67) Gerard are retiring from Awana after serving for almost 40 years. After graduating from

Moody, Dale served as youth director at Oskaloosa Gospel Tabernacle in Oskaloosa, Iowa, and at Washington Baptist Church in Washington, Mich., before joining a home missions group in Wisconsin, Minnesota, and North and South Dakota. They currently reside in St. Paul, Minn.



In December 2015 Ralph '65 and Wilma (Spangler '61) Porter transitioned to ambassador status with

Cadence International after serving as missionaries for more than 50 years. They served 10 years in Okinawa, Japan, ministering to the servicemen in the Air Force and Marines, two years at Subic Bay Servicemen's Center in Olongapo City, Philippines, and 33 years at the Marine Corps Combat Center in Twentynine Palms, Calif. They trained disciples in the gospel, served in hospitality home outreaches at military bases, helped missionaries

with work projects, and worked alongside base chaplains.

Ralph and Wilma currently reside in Twentynine Palms, Calif.



Harold "Hal"
Hostetler '64
recently became
the pastor of
Calvary Baptist
Church in
Portsmouth, Va.
Hal is also the

president, announcer, and clarinet player for Tidewater Concert Band, as well as a member of the Virginia Baptist Male Chorale. Hal and his wife of over 47 years, Brenda (Skelton '66), advocate for military and veteran rights with the Portsmouth Area Chapter of the Military Officers Association of America. They recently traveled to North and South Dakota on a missions trip to minister to the Lakota Sioux reservation. On April 29, 2015, Hal and Brenda became proud grandparents of their first granddaughter, Sophia Grace.

## 1950s



Ruth (Bennett '53) Alloway recently returned to Kenya and South Sudan for two months to visit the countries where she and

her late husband Ross '52 had served together as missionaries. While visiting, she worked with a radio station that evangelizes and teaches the Bible to the unreached Toposa people.

She and Ross served for numerous

years as missionaries with Africa Inland Mission. Ruth led church seminars and taught at a primary school, high school, and college. She also served as a nurse and helped equip nationals to become cross-cultural missionaries. While in Africa, Ross and Ruth's main focus was to share the gospel with unreached people groups.

Ruth is blessed with three children, 12 grandchildren, and one greatgrandchild. She lives in Blind River, Ontario, where she teaches Sunday school and writes.

#### 1940s



On July 5, 2015, Ray Bates '45-'45 celebrated his 100th birthday with his daughter, Michal Ann (Bates '67) Swank; his son-in-law, Doug Swank '67; and his three grandchildren. Ray worked for Moody Press as the production manager before serving many years as a Stewardship Field Representative for Western Pennsylvania, West Virginia, and Ohio. After his retirement in 1977, he was honored for his 34 years of service with Moody and for the 43 million dollars donated to Moody through his service as a field representative. Ray says, "My, how my God had increased the effort that I had invested into the calling. To God be the glory! The 34 years that I invested in MBI were the most fulfilling

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of my entire lifetime. Throughout eternity, I shall praise my God for the privilege of serving Him in that ministry!"

#### **Births**



To Chuck '14 and Adrianne (Meier) Babbitt '15, a daughter, Zoey Fe, born July 13, 2015. Zoey joins older brother, Titus, who was born in 2014.

Chuck is an associate pastor of family ministries at his church. Adrianne works in childcare at the local YMCA and acts as an independent consultant for the Christian company, Mary and Martha. She also miscarried a son, Timothy Lyle, on May 9, 2016. Chuck and Adrianne live in Spencer, Iowa, and minister to the families in their community.



To Matt '09 and Margaret Wheeland, a son, Zachary, born in January 2016. Matt and Margaret live in South Carolina,

where Matt has been a secondary Bible teacher for six years. He graduated in April from Columbia International University in Columbia, S.C., with his MA in Education.

#### Weddings



Donald R. Marquard '63 married Judy D. Lillie on December 5, 2015.



Josue Valdez '11 married Kendra (Cervantes '08) on December 28, 2015.

Josue and Kendra met at their church after

Kendra returned from serving for two years as a church planter with Camino Global in South America. In 2013 they were asked by Village Bible Church to plant El Camino, a Spanish speaking church in Aurora, Ill. Josue serves as campus pastor and Kendra serves as the administrative assistant. Along with working at the church, Kendra works full-time at a pregnancy resource center that serves at-risk women and families.



James Clapper '15 married Dorothea (Folkers '16) on December 26, 2013. James works as the office coordinator for the Moody Alumni

Association. They are anticipating moving to California in the near future.



#### Gatherings

On September 5, 2015, four Moody alumni gathered for a photo on the highest paved road in North America at the top of Mt. Evans. Pictured are Kyle Stanton '15, Zach De Boer '13, Anna Schwenk '13, and Elyse Thornburg '13. They all live in Denver and attend Denver Seminary.

#### What's New with You?

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real mission field and place of ministry and have that opportunity, along with other Christian colleagues in Congress, to use our faith and influence on colleagues and constituents," he says.

Walberg believes Christians are needed in every sphere of influence.

Two of his three children are Moody alumni. His oldest son, Matthew '97, is a Chicago Tribune journalist and last year was a runner-up for a Pulitzer Prize. His daughter Heidi '08 ASP is a missionary in Uganda.

Walberg is thankful for Moody's continued commitment to equipping people for full-time vocational Christian ministry. He also recognizes the value of his training for the realm of politics. "Certainly pastors and Christian educators and music pastors and missionaries are the priorities for



Congressman Walberg welcomes WWII veterans to our nation's capital.

Moody's training, but there are places I can go that pastors can't go, even as there are places pastors go that I don't go. So it's neat to be found faithful wherever we're at," he says.

#### 1980s



**Paul Tatum '85**, age 60, July 15, 2015.

Paul was a dedicated pastor and youth counselor

with degrees from Moody, Trinity International University, and the University of Nebraska. He pastored for more than 30 years at churches in Illinois, Wisconsin, Nebraska, and Pennsylvania. At the time of his death, Paul was serving as senior pastor at Edgewood Church of God in Frederick, Md.

Paul is survived by his wife, Deborah; his seven children, Angela, Elizabeth, Paul Jr., Whitney, Caroline, Anna, and Joshua; his grandson, Alexander; three siblings; and his extended family.

### 1970s

**Debra Dunkle '75**, age 60, May 4, 2015, Cleveland Heights, Ohio.

Raised in Manheim, Pa., Debra was a member of the Women's Concert Choir while attending Moody Bible Institute. After receiving her diploma, she went on to earn a BA from Wheaton College, an MS in Social Work from Mandel School of Applied Social Sciences in Cleveland, Ohio, and a PhD in Clinical Psychology from Fielding Graduate University in Santa Barbara, Calif.

#### 1960s



**Karen (Waterman** '65) Hutchcraft, age 72, May 16, 2016.

A 1965 Moody graduate, Karen and her husband,

Ron Hutchcraft '65, partnered in cross-cultural youth ministry. Along with organizing a mother's club and a charm school for girls, Karen served on the Board of Governors at Northeastern Bible College in Essex Falls, N.J.

In 1991 she and her husband founded Ron Hutchcraft Ministries, a non-profit organization that focuses on sharing the gospel using short films, websites, and social media. She served as chief operations officer, managerial engineer, and executive assistant. In 1992, Karen helped launch "On Eagles' Wings," a Native American youth outreach of RHM where she lovingly mentored hundreds of youth over 25 years of ministry.

Karen also held leadership positions with Harrison Colony's Daughters of the American Revolution and Arkansas State Society's Daughters of the American Revolution. She founded Ozark Society's Children of the American Revolution, where all her grandchildren participate.

Karen pursued further education in photography and writing over the course of her life. She loved laughing and telling others about Jesus.

Karen is survived by her husband of 51 years, Ron; her children, Lisa (Rick) Whitmer, Doug (Anna) Hutchcraft, and Brad (Sara) Hutchcraft; her sister, Valerie Whitmer; and her nine grandchildren.

**Dennis Knee '67**, age 74, January 3, 2016.

Dennis completed an apprenticeship with Western Electric before moving to Chicago to attend Moody Bible Institute. In 1968 Dennis, along with his wife, Carolyn (McLaren) '65-'66, began serving at Camp Forest Springs in Westboro, Wis. In 1970 they moved to Scranton, Iowa, to work at Raccoon River Bible Camp. Dennis later served at Scotia Baptist Church as head pastor for more than 12 years before managing apartments. The couple went on to manage a conference center in Estes Park, Colo., before serving at Timberlake Ranch Camp in Central City, Neb., until 1995. Dennis was known for his caring character and commitment to God's Word.

Dennis was preceded in death by his brother-in-law, Leroy McLaren. He is survived by his wife, Carolyn; his two sisters, Carolyn and Diane; his three children, Denise (Clark) Pedersen, Kenneth '88 and Janet (Knee '88) Gibbs; and Daniel (Lynne) Knee; and numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren.



Mary (Strout '64) Malyon Brose, age 73, January 4, 2016.

Mary attended Barrington College in Rhode Island

before receiving her BA from Moody. While at Moody, she wrote the song for the graduating class of 1964 titled "Complete in Him." Mary dedicated the song to her college sweetheart, Timothy Malyon '61-'62, who became her husband.

After Timothy graduated from seminary, they moved to Bogotá, Colombia, to work with Wycliffe Bible Translators. In 1971 Timothy and Mary moved to Portland, Ore., where Mary devoted herself to their church, completed her education requirements at Portland State University, and taught ninth grade English and composition at Corbett School in Corbett, Ore.

In 1991 Timothy and Mary moved to Orange, Calif., for Timothy's chaplaincy work. Mary taught at Calvary Christian School in Santa Ana, and served as junior high principal. She later became head administrator and received her MA from Azusa Pacific University. In 2000, Timothy passed away after battling Hodgkin's disease. After retiring, Mary moved to Friendsview Retirement Community in Newberg, Ore., where she met and married John Brose. John and Mary enjoyed traveling together.

Mary was preceded in death by her first husband, Timothy. She is survived by her second husband, John; her children, Ashley Malyon and Matthew Malyon '90; her stepchildren, Laurie, Beth, Susan, and Dan; her siblings; 13 grandchildren; and multiple nieces and nephews.

**Rita Lobdell '64**, age 72, November 29, 2015.

After graduation from Moody, Rita served with Child Evangelism Fellowship for more than 50 years. She worked as the county director in Anderson, Ind., a faculty member at CEF Leadership Training Institute in Muskegon, Mich., and Warrenton, Mo., and eventually as state director of CEF of eastern Pennsylvania. Rita

worked as a member of a leadership training team that traveled across the United States. She was also an adjunct professor at Bob Jones University.

Rita's greatest goal was to inspire teachers to teach God's Word to children in a way they could understand. Over the course of her life, she shared the gospel with thousands of children and trained numerous teachers.

Roberta Martin '61, age 75, August 4, 2015, North Newton, Kan.

While attending Moody, Roberta sang in the Women's Glee Club and performed in the Handbell Choir. Roberta served the Lord in music ministry as church pianist at Wichita Bible Church in Kansas. She worked at Import Motors before becoming a medical transcriptionist at Wichita Neurological Institute. She later worked for an online medical transcription company, doing transcription at home for doctors and hospitals.

Roberta lovingly cared for her family, even during chemotherapy. She loved to read, cook, and sew.

Roberta was preceded in death by her father and mother, Maynard and Evelyn (Arnold '31-'32) Martin, and her brother David. She was survived by her brother, Duane, and her sister, Rose Marie (Martin '64-'65) Smith. She is also survived by her nephew, Donald R. Smith '90.

**Harold Burkey '60**, age 87, February 1, 2016, Princeton, Ill.

Harold served in the Navy during World War II. Afterward, he moved to Chicago to work for his future father-in-law and attend Moody.



Harold went on to graduate from Northern Baptist Theological Seminary. He pastored several churches, including the

Church of the Open Door in Harwood Heights, Ill., Princeton Bible Church in Princeton, Ill., and Mendota Bible Church in Mendota, Ill. Harold started the Princeton Ministerial Association and the community's benevolent fund. He also served many years as a prison chaplain with the Princeton Police and Sheriff's Department. Harold faithfully served the Lord and others.

Harold was preceded in death by his brother, Ramon; his sister, Iris; and two sisters-in-law, Fay and Sharon. He was survived by his wife, Donajean; his six children, Kathryn (Derek), Michael, Janice (Brian), Bruce, **Brenda (Burkey '80-'81) Nagle** (Christopher), and Marcia (William); two brothers, Darryl and Benjamin; one sister, Gayla; 14 grandchildren; and two greatgrandchildren.

### 1950s



Nancy (Alexander '57) Porter, age 83, December 1, 2015, Sheridan, Wyo.

After becoming a Christian at age

12, Nancy devoted her life to Christian service. She attended St. Elizabeth's School of Nursing in Lafayette, Ind., and became an RN. After graduation, she ran a first aid station in an Indiana factory where she cared for workers'

injuries. Nancy later attended Moody where she met her husband of 58 years, A. Hayden Porter '59. While at Moody, Nancy worked as a nurse at Cook County Hospital and toured with the Moody Chorale in New York, Montana, and Illinois.

Along with teaching at numerous Vacation Bible Schools, Bible camps, and Bible clubs, Nancy worked as a school nurse at Big Sky Bible College in Montana and as a substitute teacher and tutor at Red Grade Christian Academy in Sheridan, Wyo. She served at Lazy Mountain Children's Home in Palmer, Alaska, where she and Hayden welcomed many children into their home. She was a member of Decker Berean Church for more than 40 years.

Nancy was preceded in death by her brother and sister, Jerry and Sally, as well as her daughter, Janelle. Nancy is survived by her husband, Hayden; her children, Bruce and Amy; her siblings, Terry, Judy, Jenny, Penny, and Julie; her three grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews.

**Joseph Powell '56**, age 80, January 12, 2016, Columbia, S.C.

While attending Moody, Joseph was the editor of the *Arch* yearbook. After graduation, he pastored seven different churches over his 55 years of pastoral ministry. Joseph faithfully shared the gospel with his congregation and aimed to live his life for God according to Micah 6:8.

Joseph was preceded in death by his brothers, David, Kenneth, Delmar, Roger, and Harry. He is survived by his wife of 53 years, Ellen; his sister, Kathleen (John); his children, Lynn, Bill Jr., Nathan (Caroline), and Mark (Hiroko); and seven grandchildren.



Calvin W. Becker '55, age 91, February 19, 2016, Elmhurst, Ill.

Calvin served in the 82nd Airborne

Division in World War II. During the Airborne Invasion of Holland, he was wounded and received a purple heart. After he was discharged, he earned a BA in Business Administration from the University of Wisconsin. After working three years in retail management at Ed Schuster & Co., he knew God was calling him to full-time ministry. He attended Moody, and during his senior year he served as a student pastor in Iowa and married his wife, Phylis (Zagorski '53-'54).

After working for three years in pastoral ministry, Calvin received his MDiv at Gordon-Conwell Seminary. In 1961 Calvin joined Moody's staff in the Correspondence School. He worked as an office manager and then as assistant director of promotion and advertising. Calvin worked closely with correspondence students and correctional chaplains in prisons and jails across the country. He was a member of the American Correctional Association, the American Correctional Chaplains Association, and the American Correctional Protestant Chaplains Association.

After 17 years in the Correspondence School office, Calvin served as manager of student employment in Student Development at Moody until his retirement in 1986. Calvin taught Sunday school, was co-superintendent of the junior high department, and served on the deacon and elder boards at his church.

Calvin was preceded in death by his siblings, Duane and Bernice. He is survived by Phylis, his wife of 61 years; his four sons, Dean (Lorrie), Bryce (Marta), Bryan, and David; and six grandchildren.



Raymond A. Miller '55, age 85, January 13, 2016, Overland Park, Kan.

Ray entered the army at age 18

and served in Okinawa, Japan. He was a teacher at John Diemer Elementary School in Overland Park, Kan., for the majority of his career. Ray also served as an elder and as Sunday school superintendent at his church for many years. His family remembers him as a gentle, godly man who was dedicated to his church and family.

Ray was preceded in death by his college sweetheart and wife of 58 years, Patricia (Gallagher '53-'55); two brothers; and his daughter, Kathryn. He is survived by his two daughters, Mary and Lois; three siblings; seven grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren.

Joan (Ball '55) Nickerson, age 84, February 17, 2016, Freeport, Ill. After graduating from Moody, Joan began working at Youth for Christ magazine (later renamed Campus Life). She later became art director for Campus Life and Christianity Today. Joan helped grow Campus Life to a successful youth publication. Her coworkers remember her as being an extremely hard worker and a source of motherly wisdom and encouragement. Above all, she loved God and desired

to be used by Him. Joan and her husband of 65 years, Alden '55, welcomed many Wheaton College students into their home over the course of their lives.

After her retirement, Joan moved with Alden to Colorado and Oregon before moving back home to be with family.

Joan was preceded in death by her husband, Alden, and a grandson. She is survived by her daughter Patricia (Dan) Tillotson; her four grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; her sister, Carol; and many beloved nieces and nephews.



**Rex Sandiford**'54, age 85,
April 14, 2016,
in Lincoln, Neb.

Rex left the farm town of Oblong, Ill., to attend

Moody in 1950. He became involved with missions and the prayer group for Muslims. After his graduation from Moody, Rex returned to Oblong to preach in several small churches, substitute teach, and work as a school bus driver. When he received his MA in Christian Education from Bob Jones University, a professor challenged him to join the Gospel Missionary Union (now Avant) and go to Morocco as a missionary. During his orientation training, Rex met and fell in love with Lois Moore. After they married, the couple traveled to Switzerland to study French, then to Morocco to study Arabic. They led missionary camps and conferences before becoming house parents at a missionary kids' boarding school. After the government required them to move out of the country, Rex, Lois, and their children moved to a new school in Malaga, Spain.

In 1971 Rex became the candidate director at Avant's office in Kansas City, Mo. He faithfully recruited and cared for new missionaries before sending them to the mission field. Rex also served as a deacon and Sunday school teacher at Avondale Baptist Church in Kansas City, Mo. After his retirement in 1995, Rex and Lois served Avant's retired missionaries by traveling to visit them and writing a newsletter.

Rex was preceded in death by his siblings, Olen, Reba, Marcella, and Kathryn; his niece, Beverly; and his nephew, Dean. He is survived by his wife of 54 years, Lois; four children, Carrie (David), Judy, Patti (Sidd), and Jay (Mandy); his five grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews.

**Robert Carlson '54**, age 84, December 26, 2015, DeLand, Fla.

Robert was a retired teaching elder at the Presbytery of the James in Richmond, Va. He also served as the director of development at Union Theological Seminary and as a minister at Ginter Park Presbyterian Church in Richmond, Va. In addition, he served as pastor of Charter Westbrook Hospital and as a chaplain to ServiceMaster Rehabilitation. Along with serving as an interim pastor at numerous Richmond-area churches, he was involved in Andrew's Buddies, Bellevue Security Patrol, and the Richmond Police Department Senior Issues Committee. Robert dedicated his life to serving the Lord and his community.

Robert was preceded in death by his

son, Philip. He is survived by his wife of 61 years, Evelyn; his children, Cheryl, Pamela, Kristina, and Christopher; one grandson; two step-grandchildren; and his nephews.

Ethel (Edwards) Fernlund '54, age 82, January 1, 2016, Joliet, Ill.

Ethel served alongside her husband as a pastor's wife at Grace Baptist Church and Faith Bible Church in Joliet, Ill. She also helped lead the student wives fellowship at Moody Bible Institute where she had been a student. She was a graduate of Mounds-Midway School of Nursing in St. Paul, Minn.

Ethel is survived by her husband of almost 60 years, Jay Fernlund '53-'54; their children, John (Rebecca) Fernlund and Carol (Jeff) Schmidt; seven grandchildren; and two greatgrandchildren.

Charles Willoughby '53, age 83, March 18, 2016.

Charles and his wife Charlotte (Davis '53) served as missionaries in Colombia for 21 years. When they returned to the U.S., Charles taught at Citadel Bible College in Ozark, Ark., for nine years. He also traveled to 13 countries teaching Bible methods and seminars. Charles and Charlotte were dedicated members of First Baptist Church of Dacula, Ga., as they continued to serve the Lord through Biblical Ministries Worldwide. In 2003 the Moody Alumni Association honored Charles with the Distinguished Service Award for his faithful service to Christ.

Charles is survived by his wife of 61 years, Charlotte; five children;

16 grandchildren; and 13 great-grandchildren.



**David M. Holly '51**, age 89, August 26, 2015, Onsted, Mich.

Before attending Moody, David attended Cornell

University in Ithaca, N.Y., and worked on his father's dairy farm. While at Moody, David met Lois (Foster '50). They were married on August 17, 1951, in Beckley, W.V., and served Christ together for 64 years.

David first served as the pastor of Grace Gospel Church in Daniels, W.V. After moving to Michigan, he pastored at Tipton Community Church before serving at Grace Bible Church of Tecumseh, Mich., where he retired after 40 years of ministry. He was a member of the Independent Fundamental Churches of America and a chaplain at the Hospice of Lenawee in Adrian, Mich.

David was preceded in death by his daughter, Joanna Abbott, and his two siblings. David is survived by his wife; his children, Jerry, James (Tammy), and John (Stephanie) Holly '83; his son-in-law, James (Brenda) Abbott; and his grandchildren, stepgrandchildren, great-grandchildren, and step-great-grandchildren.



Beverly (Mead '51) Todd, age 84, November 21, 2015, Newport Beach, Calif.

Beverly graduated from the Lutheran

Deaconess Hospital School of Nursing

in Chicago after attending Moody. She then married her husband of 59 years, Richard Todd '55-'55. She faithfully served the Lord her whole life.

Beverly was preceded in death by her brother, **Gil Mead '50**. She is survived by her husband, Richard; three children, Mark, Lynne, and John; and six grandchildren.



Annette (Brooker '50) Limkeman Miller, age 84, January 25, 2009, Silvis, Ill.

After graduating from Oshkosh

Business College and Moody Bible Institute, Annette served for four years as church secretary in Oak Park, Ill. In 1970, she began working as church secretary at First Baptist Church of Silvis, Ill., until her retirement in 1997. After her husband, Kenneth Limkeman, passed away in 1995, she married David Miller '53.

Annette was preceded in death by her first husband, two brothers, and two sisters. She is survived by her second husband, David; her children, Mark (Karen) Limkeman, Marcia (Allen) Steely, and John (Erica) Limkeman; her stepdaughter, Emily (Miller '82) (Chuck) Burdick; nine grandchildren; and three stepgrandchildren, including Tori Burdick '14.

## 1940s

**Rosemary Turner '44, '45**, age 95, April 20, 2016, Niles, Ill.

Rosemary was a beloved professor at Moody from 1963 to 1990 and



received the Faculty Citation Award in 1980. After serving as a missionary in India for 10 years, she began teaching in the

Moody missions department, where she influenced countless students. She earned a master's in education from work done at Northern Baptist Seminary and the National College of Education. Rosemary faithfully attended Midwest Bible Church in Chicago and Calvary Memorial Church in Oak Park, Ill., and was voted the outstanding Sunday school teacher of the year in 1975.



Melvin George Wistner '44, age 95, February 27, 2016, Mountainside, N.J.

Along with graduating from

Moody, Melvin earned a BA at Farleigh Dickinson University in Teanek, N.J., and an MS in Education at Long Island University in Brookville, N.Y. In the early 1940s Grace Chapel in Illinois and Terrill Road Bible Chapel in Fanwood, N.J., commissioned Melvin to serve in full-time ministry. During his 65 years of Christian service, he was a missionary in Puerto Rico and served with the New York Bible Society in Harlem, N.Y. Additionally, Mel served in Bible camps, taught in vacation Bible schools, and preached the Bible in the United States, Mexico, Bermuda, and the Bahamas, Melvin used chalk drawings to illustrate Bible stories and to share the gospel with people across the world. He was overjoyed that all of his children, their spouses, and his grandchildren had accepted Christ as their Savior. Melvin's family says he had a strong resolve, a caring temperament, and an unquenchable love for God.

Melvin was preceded in death by his first wife, Jessica; his son-in-law, Dr. Lawrence Gibson; his three siblings; and his five step-siblings. Melvin is survived by his wife of 41 years, Helen Wistner; his children, Janet Gibson, Joan (Jeffrey) Callender, Rebecca Wistner, Mark (Erin) Wistner; and their grandchildren.

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