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President's Message

Embracing Change - Hope 2.0, the Next Generation



We are on the threshold of the most exciting days in the history of Hope International University. Not since the decision in 1973 to move from a small campus in Long Beach to our current location in Fullerton, have we had the kind of opportunities that lie before us now. In my conversations with those who were a part of that experience, they reflected on the anticipation and excitement generated by such a courageous (and controversial) venture under the leadership of President Medford Jones. Mrs. Bertha Henry Taylor, who will be 100 years old on December 1 and was the first woman to chair the Board of Trustees, shared with me some of the discussions that took place in the board meetings. Back then, some wondered about the wisdom of having a college across the street from a state university. Others, like the late Gene Carter who established our first degree completion program, considered it one of the best things that could have happened to the school.

Due diligence is the process of investigating, evaluating, and analyzing alternatives before reaching a decision. It weighs advantages and disadvantages, considers risk factors, and ultimately reaches a conclusion. Sometimes that process takes more time than we would prefer,

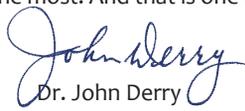
but it is necessary before committing to a specific direction. For several years we have been exploring options regarding the location of our main campus. We looked at a number of very attractive sites but were not met with a clear sense of affirmation. Our due diligence has been undergirded with prayer and an unwavering dedication to making a decision that honors God and demonstrates Christian stewardship of our resources.

In recent months several major developments transpired that led us to what we are confident is the right decision. Here is the path we have chosen.

- Our traditional residential campus will remain in Fullerton and will be located in the heart of a dynamic new master-planned community known as CollegeTown. Be sure to read more about the bold undertaking in this issue of Inside HIU. It will be a mixed-use development with new housing for students, faculty, and staff and will provide a college-friendly environment where residents can live, work, shop, dine and play. The first phase is already underway on the south side of our campus.
- The HIU Graduate Education Center in Orange, CA will be relocated to a site in Anaheim with excellent freeway access just ten minutes east of our main campus. Eastside Christian Church in Fullerton has sold their existing building and new facilities are currently under construction on a 20 acre property. It includes an existing six-story office building where we will lease newly renovated classroom and office space. We have outgrown our current facilities in Orange and this location will have room to expand plus an abundance of parking. The Hope Counseling Center will also be at this campus and we anticipate a valuable ministry and educational relationship with the church.
- We will increase our church partnerships by opening Ministry Training Institutes in strategic locations in the U.S. through our School of Advanced Leadership Training (SALT). Already several sites are in full operation providing accredited courses leading to ministry certificates that may be applied to an undergraduate or graduate degree.
- As a leader in online Christian higher education with state-of-the-art technology, we will continue to explore new opportunities to make learning accessible to those who are unable to attend classes on campus. Hundreds of students are already taking advantage of the online associate, bachelors, and master's degrees offered by HIU.

Change is not something we shy away from at HIU. We are an innovative school, always looking for ways to be more effective. Just as Apple improves iPhones and iPads with added features, or Microsoft releases new versions of computer software, we want to remain open to continually doing a better job of fulfilling our mission. You might think of what's happening today as Hope 2.0, the Next Generation. We've restructured into five colleges and designed a new logo to reflect our campus architecture. We've established more education centers and partnerships and plan to begin offering doctorate degrees in the near future. We've added the latest information technology and library learning resources to meet the needs of our students. We are undertaking our first Capital Campaign in 10 years to help underwrite the cost of the campus improvements and program expansion.

As we look to the future with excitement and anticipation of what God has in store, we are firmly anchored to our heritage in the Restoration Movement. I wholeheartedly believe that HIU belongs to the churches. It is your school and it exists to educate and equip outstanding leaders who will make a positive difference in the world. The excellent education our students receive is reflected in the success of our alumni. They consistently remind us that it was the relationships with the wonderful people at HIU that shaped their lives the most. And that is one quality of our university that will not change.


Dr. John Derry
President

Unveiling Our New Logo

Hope International University (HIU) is pleased to announce the release of its new logo. The logo celebrates HIU's rich history, dating back to 1928, while embracing the future including innovative programs that will meet the needs of individuals in the 21st century.

Michael Mulryan, Vice President for Institutional Advancement comments, "We are all very excited with the design and how the symbolism in the icon brings together HIU's identity. The new university icon incorporates our unique campus architecture, symbolizes the commitment to remain and develop our main campus in Fullerton and, most importantly, clearly identifies us as a Christian university."

The icon is a depiction of the building roofline on the Fullerton main campus. The buildings were designed in the iconic Google style, an architectural style first made popular in the U.S. between the 1930s and the 1960s. Over the years, the uniqueness of these buildings has become near and dear to many who consider themselves a part of the HIU community – both to staff and faculty, current students and past students.

Centered within the logo is a cross, highlighting the University's commitment to preparing Christ-centered learners. The cross was modeled after a design by acclaimed artist and architectural sculptor, Randall E. Secrest.

"The new logo combines imagery depicting HIU's heritage with a contemporary design reflecting the University's status and vision of being a top-tier Christian educational institution. We have some exciting plans to merchandise, market and brand the new logo on campus, with our constituents and within the local community," says Mulryan. "The new logo is just one of many positive events occurring in what is a wonderfully exciting time in the University's history. With the restructuring of the five new colleges in place, construction beginning on the new student housing project south of the campus, the increase in enrollment, growing our relationship with Dongseo University and with HIU partnering in the CollegeTown development project with the City of Fullerton and CSU Fullerton, we have been truly blessed and feel the future is brighter than ever."

The new logo was designed by Quang Nguyen of Caddis Advertising, LLC, a full-service marketing and design firm.



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Hope International University is a regionally accredited Christian university founded in 1928 that integrates faith, service and learning. Through undergraduate, graduate, and online degree programs with faculty and staff dedicated to student success, our students experience a transformative educational experience and are prepared to make an impact with their lives. Our diverse student body represents over 35 states and 40 countries around the world.

CHAPEL SPEAKERS

Every week, Hope International University students attend chapel to experience profound worship and hear from a collection of individuals who speak on topics ranging from social issues to personal testimony to spiritual formation. In accordance with last year's chapel theme, "Pour," the speakers focused on ways the Hope community can pour into one another and pour out to the world through encouragement, love, and faith.



LAURIE POLICH SHORT

Speaker, Author, Pastor

“When you're in college, one of the burning questions on your mind is: "What is God's will for my life?" said Christian author and speaker Laurie Polich Short as she helped the audience address this question when she spoke on September 23. Short also serves as Pastor of Small Groups and Discipleship at Ocean Hills Covenant Church in Santa Barbara and speaks on behalf of the non-profit organization Compassion International.

"When we're thinking God's will, we're often thinking future. What am I going to do with my life? Who am I going to be with?" On the latter subject, Short poked fun at her relationship experiences, which included having her fiancé break off their engagement to remarry his ex-wife. She expressed her confusion and frustration at watching so many other couples live "happily ever after" while she was still wondering what and who God had in store for her. Though it took her many years, Short said she finally realized that we get far too caught up in trying to figure out God's will, when what we should be doing is acting justly and letting God guide us in the right direction.

"The great thing about acting justly is you are not alone," she said. "You walk with a big God and you never know what he is going to do with the stories you get involved with." She reminded the audience that even though problems may seem too complicated for us to solve, we can make a difference. She touched on the sad reality that many of us want to help solve world issues but we allow ourselves to be overwhelmed by the complexities and size of the problem. "Because we feel like we can't do everything, we do nothing," Short said. "But again I want to say you guys, God just expects us to do something."

She pointed out that there are opportunities to help others in the Orange County area and nearby Los Angeles, as well as internationally. "So never think that you're at the end, because you don't know what God has around the corner."

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VICTOR MARX

Martial Arts Master, Speaker, Author

College students can be a tough crowd to impress, but Victor Marx, a master of martial arts, had no problem holding the audience's attention on February 17. He started by showing what he could do by demonstrating a few classic moves, including disarming a volunteer. Combined with his Cajun accent, the demonstration helped Marx immediately captivate the audience. He is the founder of "All Things Possible," a ministry that helps troubled youths nationwide, and author of *With God, All Things Are Possible: The Victor Marx Story*. Marx focuses primarily on children and teens in juvenile hall, which he affectionately and literally refers to as "the toughest youth group in the nation."

Reading from Psalms 31, Marx spoke on the grace and goodness of God, especially in his own life. "People admire you for your success, but they relate to you because of your pain." Marx had plenty of pain to share. His parents divorced before he was born, and his father refused to acknowledge that Marx was his son. As a child growing up in the backwoods, he was brutally attacked by a pedophile and nearly died. He was also routinely molested and tortured by his step-father. Soon the young Marx was diagnosed with Post Traumatic Stress Disorder.

After surviving his traumatic childhood, Marx joined the U. S. Marine Corp and studied martial arts, all the while trying to become as hard and untouchable as possible, before he was called to Christ through the most unlikely source: his biological father. Marx was stunned when his father contacted him to say that he had dedicated his life to Christ and wanted Marx to come to church with him. Miraculously, Marx agreed to go, and on that same trip, at the age of 20, he repented of his sins and accepted Christ, and he continues to serve God to this day. He readily admits that life can be rough and that it is not unusual to feel so burdened with hardships, temptation, and sin that you end up living a life in bondage. But he impressed on the audience that this is not the life we are meant to live.

"I hope you understand that your times are in the hands of the Lord," said Marx. Despite any uncertainty, anxiety or fears, Marx said, we must always trust in God because he will continue to strengthen us when we feel weak and give us courage when we are lacking confidence.



GENE APPEL

Pastor, Speaker, Author

In his chapel address on November 18, Gene Appel, Pastor at Eastside Christian Church Fullerton, played a word-association game with the audience. "Oprah?" he shouted. "Money!" they responded. "George Clooney?" "Actor." "Taylor Swift?" "Singer." For "Gene Appel?" he gave his own response: "The guy with the funny voice that sounds like he has been inhaling helium for two days." Though he hopes people also associate him with terms like *compassionate* and *teacher*, he conceded that it was unlikely his name was synonymous with love. With that in mind, Appel asked the audience, "What do you want to be known for? What do you want your legacy to be?" His follow-up question was the kicker, "What is the legacy that matters?" The answer is simple: *love*.

The problem is that the more we focus on getting to "the big time," the more we tend to become anesthetized to the complex problems in the world, said Appel. He admitted to being guilty of this until six years ago, when he traveled internationally and met people living in areas where there were high levels of need. When he saw firsthand how great their needs were, Appel was filled with shame and regret at having taken so long to be moved into action. This experience pushed him to urge the audience not to live apathetic lives. He reminded them that chances to display and emulate "beyond me" love are everywhere, from down the street to across the world. Appel pointed to Luke 7, where Jesus demonstrates "that 'beyond me' kind of love is not complicated. It's just doing what you can with what you have when the opportunity comes your way."

According to Appel, we get so caught up in our busy lives and schedules we can easily miss or dismiss the small opportunities we have to act out of love. When we are coming from "the big time" or we are a "big deal," we lose sight of the ways we are supposed to stop and help others. But Christ, who was routinely a "big deal," never failed to stop. "For someone who had a physical need, for someone who was hurting, for someone who was lost," Appel said, "Jesus stopped and expressed 'beyond me' kind of love."



JEFF VINES

Pastor

Early into his speech on January 20, Jeff Vines, Pastor at Christ Church of the Valley, asked, “How can I communicate the gospel in effective ways to a people who don’t believe in God, who definitely don’t believe in the Bible, or in Christ?” Many would say that the solution is to do good deeds, but Vines challenged this notion. There are plenty of decent, caring people who are not religious, he said, so as Christians we have to do more than be kind and compassionate; we have to take proactive steps to help people understand and realize the gospel and the goodness of Christ.

To illustrate his point, Vines told a story about being in Australia (considered to be one of the most atheistic countries in the world) and getting invited to dinner with a group of hotel employees. “You know how you walk into a room and you know that everybody’s been talking about you? When I got there, I knew,” he said. Vines managed to get two sips of Diet Coke before he realized that he was “the entertainment for the night.” His dinner companions wanted to quiz him about Christianity and disprove his faith by lobbing increasingly difficult scenarios at him, but Vines took them all in stride. In fact, he was ecstatic at the opportunity. “Free food and we get to talk about my favorite topic: God,” he recalled. “So this was turning out to be a great evening.”

He eventually concluded the dinner discussion by saying, “You will never have joy in your life as a Christ follower until you understand the depth of grace, until you understand that God’s acceptance of you is not based on how good you were today or yesterday or last year. But God’s acceptance is based on what Jesus did on the cross two thousand years ago.”

Vines encouraged the audience to examine their faith and be ready to defend it. “Everybody that’s here is expecting a lot from your generation,” he said. “To us, you are the ones that are going to go out and change and transform the world, but you’ve got to know something. It’s not just good enough to be good enough. You’ve got to be able to give a reason for the faith and hope that is within you.”



AMBERLY NEESE

Speaker, Professor, Author

It did not take long for Amberly Neese to win over the audience when she spoke on November 4. An author, speaker, and professor in the Masters of Education department at Grand Canyon University, Neese spoke on Psalm 62:8 and Zephaniah 3:17, which call us to trust in God and his might. While her message was certainly poignant, it was Neese’s animated speaking style that instantly endeared her to the audience. Her language was peppered with catchy words and phrases like “delicious,” “holy macaroli,” “supersonic,” and “cup of awesomeness.”

Many of her stories were accompanied by wild, comical gestures and exaggerated accents. When she told the story of preaching in front of a predominantly African-American church, she said that was when she learned God is not just mighty: he is “*migh-tay*,” a concept that struck a chord with her. “I never looked at God as the one who could do immeasurably more than I could ask or imagine,” Neese confessed. “I just thought of him as the God who could take care of business, which is great. But I need a ‘*migh-tay*’ God.”

Despite any pressure or stress in our lives, Neese said we should live with “reckless abandon” for God because he will always provide for us. Drawing on the verse in Psalms, Neese challenged everyone in the audience to unburden themselves. “David is saying trust in [God] at all times, people, pour out your hearts to God. Give him everything,” she urged. “Give him your dating life, give him your finances, give him your familial situation, give him your roommate. I know some of you are like, ‘You can take my roommate,’ but give him that situation. ‘Pour out your hearts to him, for God is our refuge.’”

As her allotted speaking time came to a close, a rare moment of stillness descended on the auditorium and Neese did not waste it. “You may feel like you’re alone, but you are not alone. Not only do you have a Holy Spirit that guides and directs, but you have a group of people around you,” she said. “God is pouring himself into us and we can then offer ourselves as a sacrifice to him, and part of that will mean coming alongside other people and allowing other people to come alongside us.”

VOICES OF CHRISTIAN THOUGHT

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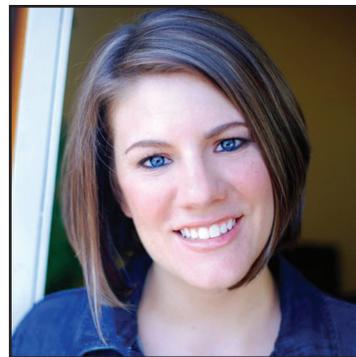
RETURNS FOR FALL 2011

Hope International University (HIU) is pleased to announce the second year of the Speaker Series: Voices of Christian Thought (VOCT). VOCT for Fall 2011 presents four speakers over the course of the fall semester: Todd Hunter, Rachel Held Evans, Rick Rusaw, and Stanley Hauerwas. The series, which features speakers from a variety of backgrounds and occupations, debuted last year and was a hit among students, staff, faculty, and the community as they were presented with a new and dynamic learning experience.



Pastor Hunter will kick off VOCT for the Fall on September 8. He is the founding pastor of Holy Trinity Church in Costa Mesa, CA and an adjunct professor for Fuller Seminary, Wheaton College, Western Seminary, and George Fox University, where he received a Doctorate of Ministry.

Hunter is a published author and founder of the organizations *Churches for the Sake of Others* and *Three is Enough*.



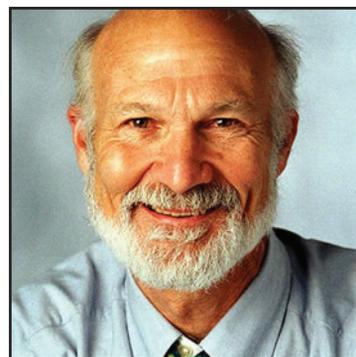
Evans, an author and skeptic, will speak on September 15. She earned her B.A. in English Literature from Bryan College and previously worked for *The Herald News* in Dayton, TN. A Dayton native, Evans published her first book in 2006, a spiritual narrative entitled *Evolving in Monkey*

Town about growing up in the city famous for the Scopes Monkey Trial.



Pastor Rusaw is scheduled to speak on October 13. He has been the lead pastor at LifeBridge Christian Church in Longmont, CO for the past 20 years and holds two degrees from Cincinnati Bible College and Seminary. He is the co-founder of the Externally Focused Network and co-author of three books

related to the externally focused movement. In addition to serving on the board of directors at HIU, he is also on the board for Christian Network International and serves as a host on Worship Network.



Professor Hauerwas will finish out the year on December 6. A professor at Duke Divinity School and Duke University School of Law, Hauerwas was named "America's Best Theologian" by Time Magazine in 2001. Known for examining and integrating multiple disciplines into his

works, Hauerwas' book, *A Community of Character: Toward a Constructive Christian Social Ethic*, was selected as one of the 20th century's most important books on religion.

As a part of VOCT, each year speakers will share their unique perspectives of ministry and Christianity to the HIU community during the weekly chapel service, Thursday from 9:30 – 10:30 a.m., as well as during select class periods. Last year's featured speakers were social activist Shane Claiborne, Christian theologian and author Dan Kimball, and distinguished professor and speaker Dallas Willard. VOCT is free and open to the public. For more information please contact Dr. Joe Grana at (714) 879-3901 ext. 1285 or email to jgrana@hiu.edu.

URBAN MINISTRY AT WORK

Stephen Pate (BA '07, MA '11) spent the summer before his senior year at Hope International University (HIU) serving as an intern with Tumaini International Ministries in Kenya. He never expected to discover during that time that he wanted to devote himself to pastoral ministry but that's exactly what happened. "The call was more intense than it had ever been before," he said.

With that goal in his sights, Pate threw himself into his studies and searched for the right job. Upon graduation, he was connected to a youth ministry position at Downey First Christian Church through Dr. Joseph Grana, Professor of Biblical Studies at HIU. Dr. Grana, who was a part of the hiring process at the church, supported Pate throughout his interviews and was thrilled when he was eventually hired. Pate is currently working at the church as the Pastor of Student Ministries where he enjoys doing urban ministry with both the rich and the poor.

"Every week I have the incredible opportunity to work with middle school and high school students," he said. "After four years, I can honestly say there is never a dull moment!" Pate routinely pushes his students to look for ways they can share, practice, and emulate God's love in schools and neighborhoods. "My students are part of a generation that is passionate and ready to bring change to their world," he said. "I feel blessed to share the message of Jesus with our students, challenging them to live in genuine community with one another."

Not only was Pate's calling toward ministry solidified while he was attending HIU, but he also got to see himself mature into

a man who is confident both in God's love and in His plan. "The combination of Biblical classes and practical ministry courses developed me as a leader, preacher and follower of Christ," he said. "I experienced the most significant amount of growth as a person during my time at *Hope*." In addition, Pate had the opportunity to build relationships with professors, like Dr. Grana, and make lifelong friends. In fact, one of those friends arranged for Pate to have his first date with his future wife, **Marissa (BA**

'08), as part of *Hope's* annual Get Your Roommate A Date (GYRAD) event. The blend of extracurricular activities, like GYRAD, the amazing community at HIU, and the incredible education have secured Pate's belief that HIU is a wonderful fit for anyone.

"*Hope* did not teach me *what* to think; rather, *Hope* taught me *how* to think," he said. "The educational experience happened in the classroom, on site at my internship, and also through the remarkable community that exists at *Hope*. This experience of attending *Hope* has been one of the highlights of my life." Pate went on to say that attending a smaller university afforded him so many opportunities and opened the door to a multitude of unique experiences that he

believes he would have missed out on at a larger school.

"If you're looking for a Christian school with high academic standards and a community that you can thrive in, *Hope* is the place for you. You will fall in love with the faculty and staff and make memories living on a Christian campus," he said. "If you want to be known by professors and students, choose *Hope*. I promise it will be one of the most rewarding experiences of your life!"



The Allens' Adventures in Arkansas



Michael Allen and Bethany Christian graduated from Hope International University (HIU) in December 2009; Michael with a B.A. in Radio, TV, & Film, and Bethany with a B.A. in Intercultural Studies. That night, Michael proposed to Bethany and they married in September 2010. The Allens' are thrilled with the direction their lives are taking but, for a brief moment last year, things did not seem so perfect.

In December 2010, Michael was working for Marvel Comics as a Design Coordinator while Bethany was working as an Assistant Manager for the clothing retailer, New York and Company. Out of the blue, Michael was laid off. Feeling stunned and discouraged, he went back to his desk and prayed that God would help him understand where he was supposed to be and what he was supposed to do. Forty minutes later, in the middle of his prayers, Michael's phone rang. It was Campus Crusade for Christ International (CCCI) offering Michael a job heading up its film ministry at the University of Arkansas.

About the same time that Michael was receiving his layoff notice, Bethany's brother-in-law was in a CCCI staff meeting. During a discussion about implementing a CCCI film ministry, he mentioned that Michael would be a great candidate for the job but was unlikely to accept the offer because he was currently working at Marvel. CCCI decided to call anyway, and Michael was all too happy to take the position. That night, Bethany was offered a position in the CCCI women's ministry.

Founded at UCLA in 1951, CCCI is active on 1,140 college campuses across the nation and also has bases established internationally, all for the purpose of bringing the gospel into people's lives. On campuses, that means introducing students to

the Christian message and developing leaders through regular meetings, study groups, film screenings, and other events. In 2012, the organization's name will officially become "Cru" in the U.S., a name many campus ministries have already adopted since the mid-1990s.

Michael's job centers on putting together a team of students to make films reflecting what students are learning about Christ and Christianity. CCCI hopes to send Michael and his team to Thailand or Ethiopia next summer to make a documentary on CCCI's international presence. Throughout the year, Michael will also make CCCI promotional videos, lead Bible studies, and mentor male students. Meanwhile, Bethany will mentor upper division (Junior and Senior) female students so that they can, in turn, mentor Freshmen and Sophomores. She will also lead a weekly women's Bible study and help coordinate events and meetings. Michael and Bethany's first weekly meeting featured 600 students, and two weeks ago, CCCI's bible study kick off had 250 students in attendance. To learn more about Michael and Bethany's journey, check out their blog at michaelbethanyallen.blogspot.com/.

The Allens' are excited to experience a culture in Arkansas that is very different from what they are accustomed to in California, and they look forward to serving God by doing what they love. As they step into full-time ministry positions, they are asking for funding to help support their living expenses and work needs in Arkansas. As a non-profit organization, CCCI asks all of its missionaries to raise their own living expenses and salary, and Michael and Bethany are no exception. "We would love to sit down and share our hearts with anyone that is interested in hearing more about what we are going to be doing," they said. "We are looking for people to join our monthly support team through prayer and financial giving." To make a tax-deductible donation to their ministry, go to <https://give.ccci.org/give> and search for Michael Allen.

The Allens' are emphatic about how much their time at HIU has impacted their ability to be effective members of the CCCI team. "We completely feel that Hope prepared us for this ministry in so many ways," said the couple. "The community aspect of Hope alone was such a blessing to our time there and to our faith." The couple encourages prospective students to attend and get involved at HIU because they believe the University has the ability to change students' lives. During their years at HIU, both Michael and Bethany were very active on campus, including working as Residence Assistants, where they said they "truly developed a passion for college ministry." Michael participated in the choir, was cast in several musical productions and served as a small group leader, on the Cheer team, on ASB, and also on the Student Publications staff. In addition, Michael and Bethany both worked as HIU Admissions Representatives and participated in multiple international missions trips. "We look back now and truly believe that God was preparing our hearts for the ministry we are about to embark on," they said. "We believe that these experiences in so many different activities will allow us to relate easily with a wide variety of students on campus."

This Traveling Poet Speaks the

Hosanna Wong (B.A. '11) is living proof that when we let God take the reins, we just might end up in places beyond our dreams. In May 2011, Wong graduated from Hope International University (HIU) with a bachelor's degree in English Literature. A few years prior, Wong had burst onto the Hope community's radar with her poignant and powerful spoken word poetry, also known as "slam poetry" or "spitting." Her moving pieces, which are a mix of poetry, dialogue, and dramatic speaking, grew into a spoken word movement that spread across the campus and into the surrounding cities. Eventually, it took Wong to Arizona where she served as a spoken word artist for United Christian Youth Camp (UCYC) and now she is a full-time traveling poet.

When Wong first arrived at HIU, she was reluctant to get involved in anything on campus because she thought she was too different to fit in but all that changed once she started performing. People saw how meaningful spoken word poetry could be and it didn't take long for the practice to become a featured part of the Hope community. "Underground writers started to surface, and people became aware of how important and effective their voices were," Wong said. "Open mics became more popular, benefit shows became expected, and a whole new kind of thinking flooded the campus: freedom in expression, freedom in worship."



Together with fellow students **Nathan McWherter (BA '11)** and **Danny Sugimoto ('12)**, Wong founded *Spit in the Mud*, a spoken word ministry dedicated to reaching out through poetry and art. *Spit in the Mud* traveled across cities, counties, and states to perform and minister to people through their pieces. In November 2010, Wong

and *Spit in the Mud* hosted a benefit concert at Eastside Christian Church in Fullerton for the local nonprofit group, Solidarity, and raised almost a thousand dollars. "I guess you could say, since none of the other movements (at Hope) fit me, I started my own," Wong said. "That's the beauty of a smaller school like HIU. Small communities are the perfect place to start a great movement."

Through her classes at Hope, Wong feels she was able to stretch and challenge herself even if she has some trouble nailing down a favorite class or professor. "The English Literature department on campus is phenomenal. Choosing a favorite course or favorite professor would be like choosing a favorite preposition – there are so many

great ones and they all connect to different ideas in different ways," she said. "As I look at all I've written post-college, I can still pinpoint what classes have provoked certain creative tactics and intentional, syntactical flair."

Crossing the Killing Fields for Christ

At first glance, **Christopher LaPel's (MA '94)** life seems fairly ordinary. He loves God, is committed to serving the Lord, and is a leader of two dynamic ministries. "My heart just wants to share our Lord Jesus Christ," said LaPel. Make no mistake, though – there is nothing ordinary about Christopher LaPel.

Born in Cambodia, Christopher was a young man when the Khmer Rouge assumed control of the country and began executing people in what became known as the Killing Fields. His parents and siblings were among the over 1.7 million people killed by the Khmer Rouge and, though he was not yet a Christian, he believes it is only through the grace of God that he survived.

After accepting Christ and moving to the U.S., Christopher was committed to serving wherever God wanted him. In his heart, he knew he was called to be a church planter, so he founded the Cambodian Christian Church Organization (CCCO), through which he travels semi-annually back to the country where he lost his family, friends, and classmates, in order to preach about Christianity. While he admits it is emotional and difficult to return to Cambodia year after year, his trust in the Lord provides him with the strength he needs.

Christopher's faith has often guided him through challenges. In 1995, he ministered to and baptized a man named Hang Pin. It was not until 1999 that Christopher learned that Hang Pin was actually named Kaing Guek Eav, better known by his revolutionary name, Duch. This man had been the head of the Khmer Rouge's secret police and was believed to be personally responsible for the deaths of at least 14,000 people.

After Duch was discovered and imprisoned for his crimes, ten years passed before Christopher saw him again face-to-face. When they met once more, Christopher did not spew words of hate or anger. Instead, Christopher, a man who had barely escaped death at the hands of people like Duch and whose family had all been victims of the Khmer Rouge, looked Duch in the eye and said, "I love



Word, the Truth, and the Light

Since graduating, she has had plenty of opportunities to put her education and experience to use, first at UCYC, and now as she performs across the U.S. Wong says she is shocked by how many kids and teens have contacted her to say now they want to write poetry for God, and use their talents in music, painting, drawing, and more for worship.

Her desire to reach today's youth compels her. "I do what I do because I think silence and inauthenticity in our youth is Satan's ploy to steal a generation that belongs to the Lord. Through giving our youth a voice and encouraging them to be honest with their lives and with each other, we advocate for the importance of community and honesty, and the reality of the power of God's grace in our lives, she said. "In a fast, intense, hip-hop-driven world, I preach the Gospel in a fast, intense, hip-hop-driven way. I have found a way to communicate to today's youth exactly where they're at, and I use the most effective methods I know of in order to point people to Christ. What I do sounds weird and unconventional to a lot of people, but we need to get out of our small, traditional boxes and do whatever it takes to communicate to our generation; their souls are more important than our traditions."

While performing in Arizona, Wong was given so many opportunities to perform spoken word ministry full-time that her



original plans to return to California after the summer changed.

"I'm not moving back," she said. "God changed the course of my ministry in Arizona, and my calendar is booked straight through December. I'm being hired not only as a poet, but also as a speaker for church services, and [as a] teacher for writing workshops. I'm working with amazing media teams and different churches, and have been blessed by all of the teens I've met who have shown me that spoken word in the church is more powerful and effective than I could have possibly imagined." Wong notes the idea of being a full-time traveling poet sounds crazy, but she says, "it turns out, God calls us to do crazy things."

That belief is something Wong discovered while she was at HIU and it's something she hopes others will come to know, as well. Her commitment to spreading spoken word poetry both on- and off- campus dominated her final two years at HIU, but she says she would not change those two years for anything. "It took a lot of time, hard work, and sacrifice, but it was worth it – it was most definitely worth it," she said. "It's the most amazing feeling in the world to be a part of something bigger than yourself."

Follow Hosanna on Facebook to see what's new with her ministry at www.facebook.com/HosannaPoetry and watch her poetry at www.SpitInTheMud.com.

you and I forgive you." He explained that forgiveness is never easy, but that we must love and forgive one another as God forgives and loves us.

Shortly thereafter, in September, 2009, his faith was on full display when Christopher was called to testify in court during Duch's trial. Though it might have seemed frightening or imposing to someone else, he was thrilled to have the opportunity to preach Christ's message to so many people at once. During his testimony, Christopher spoke for an hour and a half about Christianity and Duch's faith, while lawyers, the judge, and more than 500 spectators listened. "It was a blessing," he said.

In fact, it was only one in a series of blessings. After the story of Duch's conversion became international news, the Cambodian government began working more closely with CCCO. Since then, the ministry has essentially had an open door to plant churches that are officially recognized as Christian organizations by the government. Neither CCCO nor Christopher is spending time worrying about when – or if – that door will close. Instead, they continue to work hard, taking Christianity to a group of people who, Christopher says, have never heard of the love of Christ or the goodness of God.

CCCO continues to grow and has already established more than 150 churches in Cambodia. Christopher is grateful for the many people and groups who support CCCO's ministry efforts, especially Golden West Christian Church, where he serves as a senior pastor. He also specifically acknowledged and thanked Hope International University, where he earned his Master's degree in Congregational Leadership. "Hope is a place where I was given the opportunity... to prepare myself to serve the Lord," he said.

He draws upon that preparation and the resources of his congregation regularly in his diligent work with CCCO. The organization persists in spreading the gospel, as the Khmer Rouge tribunals, which began in February 2009, continue. Christopher expresses mixed feelings on the topic of the tribunals, believing the trials serve an important purpose in "helping the Cambodian generation to learn right and wrong, but it won't give any healing or hope," he said. "That will only come from God."

To learn more about Cambodian Christian Church Organization and Christopher LaPel, visit <http://www.cambodianchristian.com>.



MODEL UN TEAM IMPRESSES AT HARVARD CONFERENCE

“Amazing.” That is how the Hope International University (HIU) Model UN team described their participation in the Harvard National Model United Nations in Boston, MA, February 17-20. The team was composed of students **Cameron Benton (BA ‘11)**, **Heather Hicks (BA ‘11)**, **Hughie Hughes (BA ‘11)**, **Beatrice Krause (‘12)**, **Ryan McKinney** (who won Best Dressed out of 1500 male delegates, **BA ‘11**), **Tyler Patterson (BA ‘11)**, **Cesia Rojas (BA ‘10)**, **Jessica Ruf (BA ‘11)**, and **Danny Sugimoto (BA ‘12)**. Faculty adviser Dr. Roberto Sirvent, Associate Professor of Social Science, and J.J. Peterson, then Director of Campus Ministries, also accompanied the group to Boston and were very impressed with the team’s performance. “In a conference full of much larger schools, HIU stood out and received a lot of great praise,” said Peterson. Other participating schools included Yale, Oxford, USC, and Dartmouth.

A typical day at the Model UN involves trying to get your team’s position heard. This is accomplished through moderated and unmoderated caucuses. In the former, students focus on a specific issue within a larger topic. They speak in front of a large committee for 30 seconds to three minutes in an attempt to persuade them

to agree with their viewpoint. Afterward, the committee moves back to the larger topic. In unmoderated causes, students negotiate, bargain, and compromise with other delegations in order to form a resolution to present to the committee.

“It was awesome to be able to compete on that level with some really great universities and enter into debates on some very difficult questions and issues affecting the world,” said McKinney. Peterson and Sirvent said the team was very good at getting their resolutions pushed through; indeed, they once persuaded 15 countries to change positions and side with them. Ruf said that while other delegations had members that sat quietly throughout the proceedings, everyone on the HIU team was always prepared to speak and engaged in the topics at hand. At times, *Hope* (which represented the small African country Eritrea) was even approached by delegations representing big countries like China, the United Kingdom, and India, and asked to be allies.

“I could not be more proud of them,” Sirvent said. “From my conversations with them, other students, and fellow faculty advisers, it was obvious that they were more prepared than many of their

competitors.” Something else the group agreed on was the importance of sending a Model UN team to Boston each year. “I definitely think this is a program that should continue every year,” Krause said. “With the talent at HIU and the wisdom that comes from experience, we could easily have a team full of head delegates next year.”

Sirvent believes sending a group to the Harvard Model UN is a great way to inspire students. “To have a team of HIU students competing with some of the best schools in the world at such a prestigious event is a clear indication that the University is producing “top-notch thinkers.”

According to Hughes, the entire process was illuminating. “*Hope* definitely needs to have a Model UN team every year,” he said, pointing out that the team noticed an improvement not only in their interpersonal communication, writing, and speaking skills but also their confidence. “At first, going into it, all of us were extremely intimidated because the most notorious universities in the world were there. By the end, however, we realized we could dialogue, debate, and converse with them. All of us, here at *Hope*, are just like them. We need to start believing that.”



Tees for Poverty

“Our story didn’t really begin with a light-bulb epiphany, a voice in the wind, or anything exciting like that,” said Tyler Patterson. Instead, Povertees began with a simple question: what does it mean to live and act out equality and justice?

In November 2007, **Patterson (BA ’11)** and his friends **Trevor Smith (BA ’10)**, **Matt Donahue**, and **Gianna Persico** collaborated to answer this question. The result was an organization dedicated to raising awareness for and combating the effects of poverty. Smith explained that phrases like “Jesus loves you” are easy to say, “but how people live their lives determines if their allegiance is more than mere words – it is a lifestyle. Povertees [seeks] to embody this message.” The group is known for taking food, clothing, and community to the streets of downtown Los Angeles.

Povertees became popular on the Hope International University (HIU) campus not only for their ministry but also for their unique t-shirts, also called Povertees, which are a solid color with a decorative pocket.

“The goal was simple,” Persico said, “...to care for the poor through loving friendship and the distribution of food and clothing.” The simplicity of the idea soon attracted other people, like **Hughie Hughes (BA ’11)**, who knew after one trip to L.A. that he wanted to get involved with Povertees. The impact Povertees has had is evident in the way the members reminisce about different moments with their friends. When Hughes was leaving for a mission trip to India, his friends in L.A. made him a necklace so he would remember them. Persico recalls visiting one woman in the hospital and establishing a deep bond with her just by bringing in flowers and spending time at her bedside. Donahue happily remembers one man starting his own car washing business and being able to move off the streets.

One of Patterson’s lasting memories with Povertees happened recently when the group was putting together an informational video. Louis, one of Povertees’ closest downtown friends, was

asked to do the voiceover. Patterson said many viewers have been struck by how powerful and evocative Louis sounds. It makes Patterson even more eager to get people involved in Povertees, so they can see for themselves how amazing the people in L.A. really are.

The video is just the first step the group is taking to expand their involvement and focus their commitment. “The work Povertees does is important because it provides for people’s needs,” Persico said. “More important, it seeks to provide holistic rehabilitation in order



to break the cycle of poverty. Instead of simply handing out food and clothes, Povertees seeks to attack every aspect of poverty in order to eliminate the problem for willing individuals.”

For the past few months, Povertees has been reimagining its mission and goals and growing the ministry. From the apparel side, Hughes says that Povertees is a “clothing revolution” and is looking to expand its market by establishing an online store. Donahue said he would like to see Povertees help the homeless both domestically and abroad. To that end, the group has been working to legally establish itself as a nonprofit organization that is better equipped to meet the needs of the people it serves. “In the future, we are looking to provide connections

to rehabs, housing, and counseling, and to provide employment through the production of our shirts,” said Patterson.

Everything comes back to relationships for Povertees because “it’s so important to encourage a community between the rich and the poor,” Donahue said. “Our love can’t be limited to certain groups of people.” The group is reaching out continually to the community with opportunities for involvement. Hughes and Povertees hosted a Create-a-Pocket party at HIU where attendees paid for the cost of the shirt and then used the provided materials to make their own unique pockets. They could even purchase and create a shirt to donate to the homeless. Hughes said the turnout was incredible with friends, family, newcomers, and even

Evan Longoria of the Tampa Bay Rays in attendance. Also at HIU, Hughes and Patterson headed up Sack Lunch Ministry where students were asked to donate one of their cafeteria meals and/or go as a group to downtown L.A. The value of the donated meals was used to pay for sandwiches, chips, fruit, cookies, and bottled water, which were packaged together and distributed on the streets.

There is an endless number of ways to support Povertees: purchase and wear a shirt, volunteer to help make shirts or to take trips to L.A., and pray for God’s continued guidance. As Povertees continues to go beyond the borders of traditional ministry to discover and fight the underlying causes of poverty, members urge people to help the organization and those in need by being examples of justice and equality in their own communities. Hughes said, “We encourage people to perpetuate change through the lives they lead.”

Learn more about Povertees by visiting the website, povertees.org, and blog, povertees.blogspot.com.

Scan with your smart phone to see a short Povertees video.



Faculty Professional Activities



Joseph Cho, D.M.A. (Music) performed at the Walt Disney Concert Hall as a special guest singer with Seoul National University

Alumni Chorale. During Spring break he taught as a part of the church music seminar at four different mega-churches in Korea.



Kelly Dagley, M.A. (Ministry & Biblical Studies) presented a paper entitled “The Real Housewives of Mt. Samaria: The Rebelliously Religious,

and the Shock and Awe of Amos 4” at the Pacific Coast Regional Society for Biblical Literature Conference in March. During the school year, she led groups of HIU students on five mission trips to Tijuana, Mexico and this summer she took three students on a mission trip to Ukraine. She is currently working toward a Ph.D. in Old Testament at Fuller Theological Seminary and has completed her seminar work.



Cori DeWitt, M.Min. (Education) will speak at a women’s missions conference in Bamako, Mali in West Africa on behalf of her home church, Rose Drive Friends Church in Yorba Linda.



Thomas Frederick, Ph.D., LMFT (Psychology) has published four professional articles in the past year including “Core

Competencies and Christian Education: An Integrative Approach to Education in Marriage and Family Therapy Programs,” which appeared in the ICCTE Journal: A Journal of the International Community of Christians in Teacher Education. Frederick co-authored the article with fellow faculty member Dr. Steele.



Joseph C. Grana II, D.Min. (Ministry & Biblical Studies) has been serving as the Interim Preacher at Stone Creek Christian Church in

Rancho Santa Margarita since October while the church seeks a full-time preacher. In January, he and Dr. David Matson supervised the first group of



President Derry Teaches in the College of Business

While attending to his myriad of presidential responsibilities, Dr. John Derry made time to teach business courses at Hope the last two semesters. He is currently teaching a senior level undergraduate course and a graduate level online course, and is enjoying the role of a professor immensely.

InsideHIU: Dr. Derry, we understand you have been spending some time in the classroom. How does it feel to be teaching?

Dr. Derry: I’ve always felt my calling is to college administration, but know that teaching is the reason we exist as a school. The best part of this experience is the opportunity to connect with students and I have really enjoyed that. This year is the first time that I’ve been able to work it into my schedule and I’m glad I did.

InsideHIU: What classes did you teach last semester and what classes are you currently teaching?

Dr. Derry: Dr. Woest, the Dean of the College of Business, asked if I would teach a traditional undergraduate class on *Strategic Management* and a graduate online class on *Board Governance in Nonprofit Organizations*. These were two totally different delivery models and also very different types of students.

InsideHIU: What do your students think of having their university President teach a class?

Dr. Derry: I got the impression that at first they weren’t quite sure what to expect. But after a while they figured out I was a normal professor. My class evaluation came out very high. (Of course, I made sure to provide some nice incentives the day they completed the survey.)

InsideHIU: You’ve received a number of degrees over the years, including a bachelor’s degree from Lincoln Christian College, a Master of Arts degree from Lincoln Christian Seminary in theology and philosophy, a Master of Science in Education from Western Illinois University, additional post-graduate work in educational administration, a Doctorate of Education from East Tennessee State University, and an Honorary Doctorate of Theology from Seoul Christian University. This, coupled with your

dedicated career in higher education, makes it clear that you are passionate about education. What is it that you appreciate the most about higher education?

Dr. Derry: I believe furthering one's education is not just a matter of opening doors of career opportunity. It also should be to enhance our professional effectiveness wherever we believe God is leading us to serve. We encouraged our children to do the same. Our son has two doctorates and our daughter has two postgraduate degrees and plans to complete her doctorate as well (with three small children and one on the way, she's put that on hold for a while).

To me higher education is critical to the future of our country and our culture. And when that education is Christ-centered it becomes a leavening influence on the world.

InsideHIU: What do you hope your students will learn from you?

Dr. Derry: I've shared personal experiences that relate to the topics covered in the course and really tried to emphasize practical application of what we are learning. I hope they acquire an appreciation for implementing sound business principles in whatever setting they find themselves.

InsideHIU: What have you learned from your students?

Dr. Derry: They are very open about their experience at HIU and I've been impressed with their appreciation for how the education here has impacted their lives. It's quite clear they value the relationships that are developed with faculty and staff, even in an online class.

InsideHIU: Do you think that teaching classes impacts your role as President of HIU?

Dr. Derry: Definitely. It has given me a valuable perspective on what our faculty members encounter every day. I have a greater appreciation for the challenges they face and a better understanding of the tools available to us. I think one of the most enlightening aspects of this is an awareness of the incredible technology that we have in place. For a small school, our online library resources, the online portal for every student attending HIU, and the Hopeonline programs are amazing.

InsideHIU: How long do you hope to continue teaching at HIU?

Dr. Derry: I assume as long as I can work it out with my schedule and as long as my course evaluations are favorable.

With the current demand on the higher education industry to offer practical instruction that prepares students well for their future careers, there is no doubt that Dr. Derry will continue to receive favorable evaluations. Positive student evaluations commented on the fact that he has such extensive, relatable experience in his professional background that he drew upon to deliver examples and real-life scenarios as he taught. Logical explanations aside, there is just something exciting about taking a class from your college President.



HIU students to study at Nazareth Evangelical Theological Seminary in Israel. From January through July, he taught certificate program classes at Revival Fellowship in Menifee, CA; First Christian Church in Compton, CA; and Cabo San Lucas, Mexico. He also spoke at the Cottonwood College of Leadership graduation in Los Alamitos and printed his 2006 electronic book, "Models of Church Planting." This fall, the Christian Standard will feature one of his articles, and he will travel to Peru in September to teach his course, "Life of Christ."

**Natalie Hewitt, M.A.,
Completing Ph.D. (English)**

presented a paper, "Sifting through the Fragments: Reconstructing Lewis Carroll's Authorial Presence," at Claremont Graduate University's Graduate Student History Association's 2011 Annual Conference and PCA/ACA National Conference. In August she passed her qualifying exams for a Ph.D. in English Literature from Claremont Graduate School. She is now completing her dissertation on Shakespeare's influence in the early gothic novels in Britain.



**Wm. Curtis Holtzen, D.Th.
(Philosophy & Theology)**

began studying for his Master in Philosophy degree at Loyola Marymount University last fall and presented a paper at Southern Methodist University (SMU) for the Wesleyan Philosophical Society. In addition, he and Dr. Roberto Sirvent traveled to London to sign a contract with Darton Longman and Todd Publishers to edit a collection of theologian Dr. Keith Ward's writings.



Beth Lee, M.A.

(Communications) is serving as an active member of the Journalism Educators Association and California Media Advisors. She has served as a member of the local planning committee and as a guest speaker and/or moderator at conventions across the country sponsored by groups such as the National Scholastic Press Association (NSPA), Associated Collegiate Press (ACP), and Christian College Leadership Conference (CCLC). She also serves as a guest speaker



in high school and junior high classrooms regarding journalism, leadership development, college preparation, etc. and most recently has engaged students in educational outreach in the Orange County area.



David Matson, Ph.D. (*Biblical Studies*) preached and taught three 5-week modules, two on The Book of Revelation and one

on New Testament Greek, at various churches and taught courses at Disciples Seminary Foundation in Claremont and on the Irvine campus of Fuller Theological Seminary. He also gave professional presentations across the country and published three reviews in the Stone-Campbell Journal.

Karen McReynolds, M.F. (*Arts & Sciences*) was selected to serve as a Reader and Scorer for the Advanced Placement (AP) Biology exams this past June in Kansas City, MO. She worked alongside 450 other professors and teachers from all 50 states to grade more than 179,000 tests.



Tamsen Murray, Ph.D. (*Ministry & Biblical Studies*) serves as the Curriculum Coordinator of Adult Education and Teacher

of Young Adults at Anaheim First Christian Church where she is also a part of the missions and neighborhood engagement ministry teams. She serves on the board of directors for the non-profit organization, My Safe Harbor, and participates in its program, Our Kids/Our Schools, in Anaheim. As Vice President, U.S. Advisory Board, for Lakeview Bible College and Seminary, she attended board meetings in November and July and was present at two WASC conferences. She participated in the Accreditation Liaison Officers Roundtable for CCCU schools in Southern California and, at the end of July, she attended the Christians for Biblical Equality Conference in Seattle, WA.

Maria Ellen Pereira, M.Th. (*Ministry & Biblical Studies*) served as the Morning Bible Lecturer at the 2011 Oregon Christian Convention where she spoke on “Living Inside Out—Jesus’ Sermon on the Mount.” Sections of her message

New Professor Puts the

Hope International University (HIU) has added a new full-time faculty member: **Neal Johnson, Ph.D., J.D.** Dr. Johnson, Professor of Business and Management, previously served as Professor of International Business at Bakke Graduate University, where he was the founding dean of the School of Business.

“Dr. Johnson has extensive experience in studying, practicing and teaching management,” Dr. Woest, Dean of the College of Business at HIU, said. “He also brings an intense personal interest in the personal and professional development of students at all levels. In our undergraduate and graduate programs, students are [benefiting] from his knowledge of the field and are already experiencing his passion for helping them to succeed.”

Johnson is putting the bang in business, or rather the BAM. Business as Mission (BAM) is a philosophy/model that integrates business and ministry goals while examining how Christian mission values can be put to work in the business world. Johnson is passionate about helping students become good businessmen and women and is doing his best to instill in them the value of serving Christ in all they do.

In 2009, Johnson wrote a book containing his thoughts and research on BAM called *Business as Mission: A Comprehensive Guide to Theory and Practice*. In an interview posted on the BAM website from when he previously worked at Bakke Graduate University School of Business, Johnson said he felt it was important to write a book that addressed how to do business as mission. There were plenty of books already published on the concept, Johnson

HIU TO SPONSOR JOURNAL

The eleventh annual Stone-Campbell Journal Conference will be held April 13-14, 2012. For the first time in nearly a decade, the conference will take place, not at Cincinnati Christian University, but at Lincoln Christian University. Moreover, 2012 will mark Hope International University’s (HIU) first official conference sponsorship. Dr. William Baker, editor and founder of the Stone-Campbell Journal (SCJ) and Conference, recently joined the HIU faculty as part of the Pacific Christian College of Ministry and Biblical Studies.

Dr. Baker’s primary association with Hope has been through Biblical Studies professors Dr. Joseph Grana and Dr. David Matson, both of whom have contributed written works to the SCJ in years past. Dr. Matson, who is a Consulting Editor for the SCJ, served as the publication’s special guest lecturer at the North American Christian Convention (NACC) and the World Convention a few years ago, and Drs. Grana and Baker attended the same church while growing up in Waukegan, IL.

at HIU

BAM in Business

said, but none that gave a step-by-step guide. Johnson believes his book is practical and that he has “tried to challenge business people to step out.”

Johnson emphasizes the importance of trusting God when heading down the BAM path. “I want to make it clear that people need to find out where they are,” he said, “and then move ahead incrementally as God leads them, as they are comfortable, rather than trying to suddenly become a BAM Company overnight.”

Business as Mission: A Comprehensive Guide to Theory and Practice is available at all major book retailers.



included “*The Right Righteousness*” (Mt 6:1-34) and “*Hearing Jesus’ Rebuke*” (Mt 7:13-29). She regularly serves as a part-time pastor for Wi-Ne-Ma Christian Church in Cloverdale, OR.

Roberto Sirvent, J.D. (*Social Science*) presented papers on ethics, film criticism, and religious views on hatred at American Academy of Religion West Regional Conference, Pop Culture Association (PCA)/American Culture Association (ACA) National Conference, and Gonzaga University’s International Conference on Hate Studies, respectively. He is currently completing his Ph.D. dissertation research through the London School of Theology on the relationship between divine suffering and God’s moral nature. In collaboration with Dr. Holtzen, Sirvent signed a contract with Darton Longman and Todd Publishers to edit a book on the works of theologian Keith Ward.



Russ Stevens, MBA, CMA (*Business & Management*) is currently working toward a Ph.D. in Business with a concentration in Management through Northcentral University in Prescott Valley, AZ.



John Webb, Ph.D. (*Communication*) has served as the Interim Minister for First Christian Church of Carson since October and will remain in his post until a full-time replacement is hired.



STONE-CAMPBELL CONFERENCE

Dr. Baker will represent HIU at a number of conferences throughout the year including the 2012 SCJ Conference. “*Hope’s* high profile involvement as a supporter of the conference is a great step for the advancement of the SCJ conference. Like the relocation of the conference from Cincinnati Christian University to Lincoln Christian University, *Hope’s* sponsorship signals a widening respect for what the conference is achieving,” he said. “By becoming a financial sponsor, the University is giving encouragement to the 200 or so professors and student attendees who are trying to develop their scholarly abilities among their peers or who simply wish their thinking to be stimulated on biblical and theological matters of their interest.”

In fact, Dr. Baker anticipates a rise in the number of HIU faculty and students who attend and participate in the Conference in coming years. “The student participants at the SCJ Conference are already providing a pool of potential teachers for Stone-Campbell-related educational institutions,” he said. “One could very likely wind up teaching here at *Hope* someday.” For more information go to stone-campbelljournal.com



Childhood Lessons Grow into \$1.4 Million Legacy

Nova Nelle Harris Liston's mother always gave her and her brother, Bill, ten cents for a treat after church on Sundays, but the siblings were required to give five cents of their treat money to the church before they were allowed to spend the remainder. Their mother taught them to "give to the Lord first," a lesson that guided Liston throughout her lifetime and led to a \$1.4 million bequest through her estate to Hope International University.

"The philanthropic spirit that Mrs. Liston inherited from her mother has resulted in a contribution that will provide scholarships to HIU students for many years," said Michael Mulryan, Vice President of Institutional Advancement.

Bill Harris, Nova's brother, has also demonstrated a lifetime of giving and played a significant role in his sister's support of the University. He is a longtime donor who has given tens of thousands of dollars in support of *Hope's* preparation of servant leaders and who established an endowment fund years ago. Four years ago, he encouraged his sister to join him in supporting *Hope* through The Harris, Liston, Sartain Endowed Scholarship Fund, which is named in honor of Nova and Bill's parents and in-laws and provides financial support to students.



"Nova was a lovely lady who enjoyed the thought of her funds being used to help young men and women through college and then going out to serve the Lord," said Dr. John Rowe, Senior Development Officer at *Hope*.

Bill and his wife, Trudy, said that Nova had a great love for Christian Higher Education and it was her sincere hope that her gifts would encourage others to give as well. Many of Nova's friends knew her as a "classy" lady who always thought of others before herself. Born in Lawrence, KN, Nova grew up in the nearby city of Leavenworth, where she met her husband Howard F. "Bud" Liston. Together, they traveled and lived across the country and the world, eventually retiring to Solana Beach, CA where Nova became very active in the Solana Beach Community Senior Center and served on the board of the Del Mar Heights Condo Homeowners Association. She passed away on September 4, 2010, leaving a legacy for generations of future *Hope* students.

"This is a perfect example of charitable giving," concluded Mulryan. "Both Nova and Bill were children who started by donating a nickel a week, and their generosity only grew and has grown throughout their lifetimes."



FOUNDATION GIVING

Darling Foundation Funds New iMacs for HIU Library



Anna Gomez utilizes iMacs donated by the Darling Foundation

The Hugh and Hazel Darling Foundation has funded a technology upgrade for the library at Hope International University (HIU). Thanks to the Foundation's generous donation of \$70,000, HIU was able to purchase 30 new iMac desktop computers with the latest Apple applications installed, as well as an improved wireless Internet system, all for student use. New computers have also been installed at the public services workstations in the Hugh and Hazel Darling Library,

allowing access to online databases. In addition, HIU faculty members are able to prepare and execute lesson plans using laptops, video editing equipment, and data projectors that were purchased with the grant.

The Darling Foundation has supported HIU over a number of years. In 1998, the group provided the University with a \$500,000 grant to help renovate the library complex, which was completed and re-named in the Darling's honor in 2000.



*Richard Stack, Executive Director of the
Hugh and Hazel Darling Foundation
Receives Philanthropic Award*



*Richard Salyer, President of the
James L. Stamps Foundation
Receives Philanthropic Award*

The Hugh and Hazel Darling Foundation and the James L. Stamps Foundation have both donated over a million dollars to the University.

CollegeTown

A New Development Where Campus & City Life Converge

Through an agreement with the City of Fullerton and California State University, Fullerton, Hope International University is positioned in one of the most exciting times of its history. HIU is on the brink of a new development of the land areas surrounding the campus that will unite campus and community life, bringing students, faculty, and staff together in a way that is more interwoven and dynamic than it has ever been.

This vision is CollegeTown, a place where campus and city life converge. The goal of CollegeTown is to foster greater connection with the Fullerton community by developing a University community without borders. It will be a place where students, faculty, and community members can live, work, shop, dine and congregate.

Michael Mulryan, HIU's Vice President for Institutional Advancement, stated that the University's involvement in the CollegeTown plans was a key factor in the recent decision to remain in Fullerton. "CollegeTown provides a synergy between our students, the two campuses, and the community. We're excited to be a part of the consortium with Cal State Fullerton and the city."

New land use developments include a pedestrian mall along Nutwood and new housing for students, faculty, and staff near the corner of Chapman and Commonwealth. Also envisioned along Commonwealth is an urban setting containing retail shops, dining options, and entertainment options such as movie theaters, bowling, music and an art gallery with rotating exhibits.



CollegeTown @ Hope International University and California State University

A new “front door” to both HIU and CSUF will be created that will entail closing down part of Nutwood Avenue and will integrate open spaces for the pedestrian mall and a public events plaza. This town square setting will feature food festivals, outdoor concerts, and art shows.

HIU’s Google-style buildings on Nutwood Avenue will be refurbished both inside and outside, and the Pacific Auditorium will become a state of the art facility and equipped to handle expanded events for both HIU and the community.

More convenient transit options will be created to foster better connectedness to downtown Fullerton and the rest of the community. A local trolley system connecting Fullerton destinations is envisioned, as well as convenient parking structures and on-street parking. The entire redevelopment will foster a greater sense of community by providing better pathways, bikeways, and natural gathering spots. More green space will also be woven into the plans.

The new development plan had its first public airing at a Fullerton City Council meeting in September 2010 and is now in a two year planning phase.

HIU is already known for its undeniable sense of community; the CollegeTown vision will only enhance our current community identity and sense of place.



Fullerton

ROYALS ATHLETICS

RECORD-SETTING YEAR FOR THE MEN'S BASKETBALL TEAM

It was a record-setting year for the Men's Basketball team and Head Coach Bill Czech. Not only did the Royals log their highest number of GSAC wins ever, they also won ten more games this year than last, which is their biggest season-to-season improvement in 24 years. They put up a total of 14 wins, the most the team has ever had since joining the GSAC in 1999. Highlights like this earned the Royals a spot in the NCCAA National Tournament for the first time since 1994 and earned Czech the NCCAA West Region Coach of the Year honor.

Only two years ago, Czech came on as the men's coach after spending 14 years at Fullerton Union High School (FUHS), where he led the Indians to a total of 219 wins, the most in FUHS history. Since taking the reins at HIU, Czech has worked hard and pushed his team to excel both on and off the court, to great success.

This season, Freshman Jeremy Kilgore was named 2010-11 NCCAA 1st Team All-American. He also joined his teammates Sophomore Kris Rosales and Junior Orlando Collins on the NCCAA All-West Regional Team.



Sophomore Guard Matt Green



A fan at the NCCAA National tournament stated, "Rosales is by far the best point guard in the tournament. He makes everyone around him better." Rosales, who played high school ball at St. John Bosco in Bellflower, CA, and helped the Braves reach CIF Quarterfinals, averaged 11.8 points and 2.4 assists per game this season. Against then NAIA No.2 Concordia, he put on a stunning show, racking up a season-high 24 points.

Kilgore, with an average of 14.8 points per game, led the Royals in scoring and increased his average to 20 points a game at the NCCAA National tournament. "Jeremy surpassed all expectations this season," Czech said in Gooszen's article. "He worked as hard [as] or harder than anybody at any given practice.

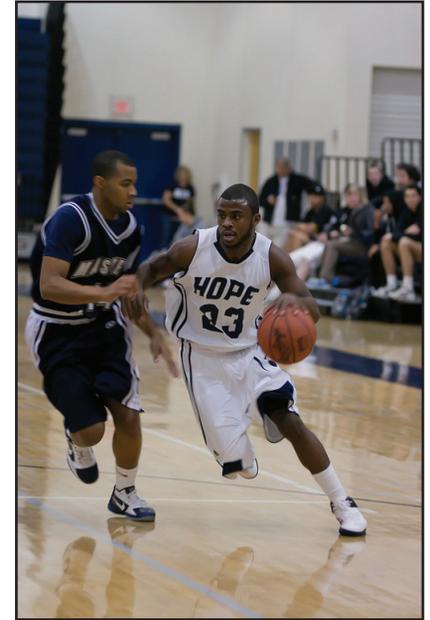


Men's Basketball Head Coach Bill Czech

He worked exceptionally hard in the classroom, weight room, and gym. His jump shot was one of the best in the conference.”

Averaging a team high of 7.3 rebounds per game, Collins nabbed a season-high 14 rebounds against Fraser Valley. Gooszen quoted Czech said that Collins is not only a strong offensive player but pulls out all the stops on defense too. “Orlando is all business,” Czech said. “Works hard and does all the little things that help you win.”

With all three nationally honored athletes and Czech returning this season, the Royals are likely to set more than a few records once again.



All-American Jeremy Kilgore

HIU ATHLETES MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN THE COMMUNITY

At HIU, we emphasize the idea of going beyond our campus to help others and impact the world for Christ. Our students regularly answer this calling and this past school year featured some fantastic service efforts from Hope's athletics teams. Here is just a sampling of the athletes' community outreach.

For the second year in a row, the Men's and Women's Soccer teams volunteered at Nicolas Junior High School in Fullerton. Players from the team took the students through different drills and lessons to help them learn how to stretch, warm up, and play. Then, the students were assigned to different teams to play against one another. During the fall, the HIU teams also volunteered with

Janitor4Jesus, a non-profit organization based in Orange, CA that ministers to senior citizens and helps clean up their homes. In addition to clearing out materials from the house and cleaning, the players spent time ripping out carpet, throwing away old furniture, and cutting overgrown plants in an effort to make the home safer and more habitable.

Having seen the positive impact of the HIU soccer teams' volunteer work, Nicolas Junior High School, which lost its sports programs in 2010 due to budget cuts, instituted additional intramural programs and reached out for more volunteers. The Men's Volleyball team answered the call and players served as mentors to students during the intramural volleyball season

this year. There are plans to continue this program next year.

The Softball team held two training clinics for kids this past year, the first with Orange County Regional Parks as part of Sports Day at Craig Regional Park; then, in April, the team worked with the Barstow Police Officer's Association and Police Activities League to host the Softball Skills Clinic. At both events, the team set up different stations to teach the kids in attendance the fundamental skills of the game. The kids were divided up according to age and then spent fifteen minutes at each station with HIU players, learning the proper techniques to hit, field, catch, throw, or run bases.

THE HOPE INTERNATIONAL TRIBUNE WINS NATIONAL AWARD



The *Hope International Tribune*, the student newspaper at Hope International University (HIU), placed fifth in its category at this year's Associated Collegiate Press (ACP) National College Journalism Convention (NCJC) held from March 3-6. *The Hope International Tribune* competed with schools from across the country and Canada as a part of ACP, which is described as "the largest and oldest national membership organization for college student media in the United States." There were reportedly 900 attendees and more than 100 schools present at the conference including Azusa Pacific, Biola, California Baptist, CSU Fullerton, Arizona State, and UCLA.

Opinion Editor **Beatrice Krause ('12)**, Editor-in-Chief **Stephanie Coats (BA '11)**, and Advisor **Beth Lee (BA '06, MA '10)** were all present at the award ceremony on Sunday, March 6. All three were excited to see the program's hard work and commitment over the years reflected in this national honor. They also acknowledged that the award meant HIU and its publications program are becoming known nationwide and capable of competing with public and private institutions around the country.

The group, joined by Copy Editor Kelly Guerrero and former Editor-in-Chief Jack Appleby, participated in workshops,

critiques, and social gatherings throughout the conference. Lee moderated and Coats served as a representative, along with three individuals from other private schools, on a panel entitled "Reporting on a Private College."

Only five years ago, *The Hope International Tribune* was known as the *Royal Decree* and a handful of students were pushing hard to make the paper the best it could be. *The Tribune's* national placement at ACP has served as a source of pride and affirmation to alumni of Student Publications.

"Wow! *The Tribune* has come so far from when it was first published," Mike Taylor (BA '07), who served on the *Royal Decree* staff four years, said. "We always wanted the *Royal Decree* to be a respected, well-read student newspaper. To hear that *The Tribune* placed fifth is such a huge honor for those who worked so hard to get it there, for both alumni and current undergraduates."

Ashley Thompson, Kirsty Welch Henderson (BA '08), and Sarah Reed Womer (BA '10) were all on staff when the *Royal Decree* became *The Hope International Tribune* and they were each thrilled to hear the exciting news.

"I think it's long overdue!" Henderson said. "I was very blessed to work alongside

so many talented writers and it's finally paying off." Thompson felt the same way. "I am not surprised to hear that [*The Tribune*] placed at ACP this year!" she said. "I am sure [*The Tribune*] will continue to improve and go on to win many more awards." She added that she hopes Student Publications continues to grow and impact the students and staff involved, but also the community.

"I think that this award is an amazing accomplishment that definitely took years of hard work to attain," Womer said. "With the help of past and present publication staff and, of course, the dedication of our mentor and guide, Beth Lee, *The Tribune* has grown into something we should all be very proud of. I am so honored to be called an alumna of this publication."

In addition to Henderson, Taylor, Thompson, and Womer, the current members of the Student Publications program also want to acknowledge Michael Allen (BA '10), David Anderson (BA '10), Jack Appleby (BA '11), Andi Wildermuth Berryman (BA '10), Rio Gatdula (BA '08), Beth Jenkins, Jeremy and Kelsey Navarro, JoJo Nieves (BA '10), Eric Rusaw, Sarah Paulsen Smart (BA '10), Syrett Torres (BA '08), Corey Wilson, and many other alumni of the program who made Student Publications what it is today.

Learn more about NSPA at <http://studentpress.journ.umn.edu/nspa/>.

Pastor Cal Jernigan Inducted Into the Ministry Hall of Fame

The newest inductee to Hope International University's Ministry Hall of Fame is **Pastor Cal Jernigan (BA '78)** of Central Christian Church (CCC) in Arizona. He joins a select group of individuals who have received this prestigious award.

"I am honored," Jernigan said. "It means a great deal to be recognized by people you respect."

Established in 2007, the Ministry Hall of Fame is "a way to encourage and support those who are graduates of Hope International University, and who are serving the Lord selflessly," said Steve Alley, Chair of the Church Ministry Department. Nominations are received and reviewed by the faculty of the Pacific Christian College of Ministry and Biblical Studies and President John Derry. A nominee's character, passion for ministry, faithful service, and reputation are all considered and a recipient is chosen.

Cal, who earned his B.A. in Preaching from HIU and also holds a M.A. in Biblical Theology from Fuller Theological Seminary, has a long history with Hope. He, his wife Lisa (FS, 1976-1978), and their son, Jeremy (BA '06), have always been very generous in supporting the school both through financial donations and service efforts. Professor Alley said Cal's character, as well as "his passion for seeking the lost and caring for the Body of Christ [and] his consistent faithfulness," were major factors in the decision to induct him into the Hall of Fame. President Derry agreed, saying, "The Ministry Hall of Fame is a reminder of the many ways HIU alumni are fulfilling our mission of developing

servant leaders who have a major impact on the church and world. When I made the presentation to Cal at Central Christian Church, the congregation affirmed the dynamic ministry he and his wife, Lisa, have had in Mesa, AZ. The people really love and respect them."

Cal has served as the Senior Pastor at CCC since 1999, and first joined the church in 1986 as the Youth Pastor. He says most of his memorable experiences in ministry have revolved around seeing people and God do remarkable things. "Watching

people reach way beyond themselves in faith to attempt and to accomplish what they didn't think they could do never ceases to thrill me," he said. "What God needs is for us to be faithful with whatever giftedness he has endowed us. God can do a lot more with 'little' than any of us can imagine."

The Ministry Hall of Fame portrays each recipient's service in a unique shadowbox that is displayed on the second floor of the Student Center on Hope's Fullerton campus.



HIU President, Dr. John Derry presents the HIU Ministry Hall of Fame award to Cal Jernigan (right)

The display gives viewers a small glimpse into that person's ministry. "The Ministry Hall of Fame is just a small effort to honor God by honoring His servants," Professor Alley said. "It is not intended to 'puff up' an individual apart from the work that the Holy Spirit is doing through that individual."

Cal feels the same way, and hopes that students who see him in the Hall of Fame are inspired to let God guide them. "If God could do something with me, imagine what he could do with you!"

Class Notes

1940's

James "Jay" Garrison (BA '48) is 93, reads his Bible daily, does genealogy on his computer and chats online with great-grandchildren. Before retiring in 1981, Jay preached in Texhoma, OK, and Flagstaff AZ. He then went into public school where he taught classes. Before leaving, Jay became the school counselor/psychologist. His wife Ruth died on April 28th, 2008. He claims to be the oldest living graduate of Pacific Bible Seminary.

1950's



Wilson (BA '58) and Mona (BA '58) Thompson have been blessed with two daughters, Penny Zasadny and Rena Thompson, and a granddaughter, Rose Marie. In their pilgrimage together, the Thompson's have lived in Okinawa, Japan while Wilson was serving as a Chinese linguist in the U.S. Army. After discharge from service, they relocated to Eugene, OR where Wilson completed doctoral studies in Sociology. After graduation they moved to Illinois and served with Christian Liberty Academy. Wilson and Mona now reside in Seminary, MS near Hattiesburg. Wilson commutes to Mississippi College in Clinton, MS where he serves as an adjunct lecturer.

1960's

Ralph Mehrens (FS '66) began his current ministry with Calvary Christian Church in Bellevue, NE in 1983. Ralph is now semi-retired but continuing to minister to people of his age. Ralph has been blessed with 7 children and 14 grandchildren. He thanks God that Pacific Christian College and Angeles Crest Christian Camp encouraged him to choose full time ministry in his youth.

Carol Veatch (BS '67) retired in June 2007 after 35 1/2 years as the church secretary of Downey First Christian Church. She is still involved in the Care Ministry of the church as a ministry

team leader. Carol is also very involved with the American Business Women's Association, and is currently serving her second year as chair of the Los Angeles Area Council of ABWA. Carol has been able to do some traveling: last year she took a cruise to Alaska and later this year will cruise through the Panama Canal.

Ben (BS '67) and Gail (Young/BA '65) Mackie are both retired and currently living in Sylmar, CA. The Mackie's keep themselves involved in their church and family.

Glen (BS '68) and Linda (Lentz/BA '92) Russell celebrated their tenth anniversary in March. They are both enjoying Turner Retirement Home since 2008. Linda teaches a few piano students and Glenn helps residents keep the computers working. Both are involved with the music program at Turner Christian Church.

1970's

Jerry (BS '71) and Claudia (McFarland/FS '71) Christensen have been married for 42 years, they have 3 grown children and many grandchildren. Jerry continues to be the Lead Pastor of the Countryside Christian Church in Keizer, OR, starting the church in 1998. Jerry's hobbies includes motorcycle riding, gardening and spending time with the grandchildren. He plans on retiring in the summer of 2014.

Steve Gerton (BS '71) is a bivocational pastor, serving in a small, rural and poor community congregation. He survived a total knee replacement this past January. Steve and his wife **Pam (West/ FS, '71)** live in Winslow, AZ.

Roger (BA '71) and Bernadette Steiner continue to live in Corona, CA since moving there in 1980. The Steiner's own a real estate brokerage and attend Crossroads Christian Church. Roger stays active by attending the midweek Seniors luncheon and the Business Ministry group. They are helping to raise their 3 year old niece, Briana. Both adult sons, Troy and Scott, live nearby.

David Mayfield (FS '72) is wrapping up the 34th and final year with San Luis Obispo County Mental Health as the Program Coordinator of Intensive Adolescent Day Treatment. Dave will be starting a private practice specializing in men's recovery issues and family therapy. He is deeply involved with Samson Society.com, leading men into healing and restorative relationship with God and others. Dave's wife, Jan, is 4 years clear following breast cancer and their only daughter married on 10-10-10.

Amy Carter (Howard/FS '73) was called home to be with the Lord on July 1, 2009. Amy and **Ed (BA '77)** have three beautiful daughters and two grandsons who are the joy of Ed's life.

Vern McMeans (BS '73) married his wife, June, upon graduating from PCC. They have two sons: Jason serves in the US Air Force and Jeff who is a chef. Vern worked for Halliburton Services in the oil fields for 37 years before being laid off in 2009. The McMeans live in Texas.

Annita "Katy" Chittick (BA '74) has been a consultant with Creative Memories for over 22 years. She loves doing digital books and cards. She has become the digital trainer for her team and customers. Check out her website at www.mycmsite.com/kchittick. Katy feels blessed that she has been able to work from her home in Los Alamitos, CA.

Ron Cushing (BA '74, MED '06) spent the last year overseeing the building of a new preschool/elementary Christian school campus in Anaheim, CA. Independence Christian School is now located at Cornerstone Church of Anaheim. Ron's mother, **Edna Cushing (FS '58)** went to be with the Lord last March at the age of 90. **Christine Cushing (BA '73)** teaches voice and musical theater at Independence Christian School and is enjoying the new theater available for her productions at the new school campus.

Tom Fulce (BS '74, MA '98) serves at Christ's Church of the Valley, teaching an adult Sunday Class. After the passing of Tom's wife of 48 years, Charlene, from ALS, Tom married Laura Fox. Together, they have 11 grandsons, 4 granddaughters with another on the way, and 2 great-grandsons. The Fulce's live in Bakersfield, CA.

John "Bud" Moore (BS '74) served in preaching ministry for churches in Ohio and Virginia before retiring in 2003. He now teaches a men's class, leads small group studies, preaches as the opportunity arises and leads worship for Mt. Airy Christian Church in Mt. Airy, NC. Bud's wife, Barbara, retired in 2010 and now leads women's bible study groups. Their two boys are married and the Moore's have three grandsons.

Steve (BA '75) and Cora Alley have produced SKITuations, a drama based curriculum for children's ministry. They have also written a Bible curriculum for Christian schools called "Biblical Choices For A New Generation".

Michael Johnson (BA '75) has retired from the Ventura County Sheriff's Department after serving for 27 years.

Nancy Lemen (Stauf/ BS '75) had a stem cell transplant at City of Hope in October, 2008. She is blessed to be in remission now from Mantle Cell Lymphoma.

Bruce Russell (BA '76) completed a 25 year ministry at First Christian Church in Roseburg, OR on Feb. 28th 2011. He is now Executive

Director of Turn-Around Ministries which provides interim ministerial assistance as well as crisis intervention for churches in the United States. For more information check out www.roseburgfcc.org and click on Turn-Around Ministry

Jan Tamble (Hassoldt/BA '76) is working for the Orange County Department of Education as a Strides/SES Tutor as well as a substitute teacher. She has been on mission teams through Threads Africa for the past 6 years. Jan also has been involved with training teachers and building safe houses for teen girls

Steve Broome (BA '77) decided after a mild heart attack in September 2007 to retire (after semi-retireing in 2003) from the Lane County Sheriff's Office. Steve and Melinda's oldest daughter and her husband had a baby boy in April 2010. Their second daughter graduated from Northwest Christian University in May 2010. Their son graduated last year from high school. Melinda retired as the Assistant DA in 2005. The Broome's live in Eugene, OR.

Richard (FS '77) and Josi (Morton/FS '76) Ingram left Arizona in 2008 to join Pioneer Bible Translators as staff at the International Sevice Center in Dallas, TX. After 25 years as a Costumer for theaters and dance troupes, God called Josi into mission work. In Dallas, Josi is involved with volunteers, work teams, event planning and talking to churches about PBI and it's work around the world.

Debra"Debbie" Franklin (BA '78) is using her degree in CE from HIU at Anaheim First Christian Church working with 4 & 5 year olds.

Colene (Hutto/FS '78) and Ric Newton have been married for 27 years, and are living in Chico, CA. They own and operate two funeral homes in Butte County. The Newton's have three daughters, Shawntel, who appeared on "The Bachelor" (season 15) and is working at the Chico Funeral Home; Destiny, who graduated from Mesa Jr. College in San Diego, CA and is now attending Chico State University; and Vanessa who is attending Butte College.

Jay Mahan (BA '79) is serving La Mirada Christian Church as Interim Minister beginning March 2011. Jay is the founder of EMProfit Group, a payroll and benefits administrator catering to blue-collar employers. Jay has been married to Karen for over 30 years. Their daughter Jessica graduated from HIU in 2006.

Deborah Mauldin (BA '79) has traveled through most of the USA. She now works for a small church in El Monte, CA in the Children's ministry. When she left PCC, Deborah had a desire to teach and it took 20 years to finally get there. Presently she is teaching Special Ed High School Science. Deborah has served on many committees at her high school and has a special spot in her heart for special needs students.

Lynn Taylor (MA '79) is in his 6th year as the Lead Pastor for the West Side Christian Church in Wichita, KS. He has had previous ministries in Oregon, New Mexico, and California. Lynn and Jan have three adult children all in the medical profession and six grandchildren.

1980's

Becky Arthur (Wasson/BA '82) just started her 18th year of Children's Ministry with Harvester Christian Church in St. Charles, MO. She is also a contributor to the new book "Collaborate - Church + Family".

Stephen (BA '82) and Deborah (Brown/ BA '81) Bixler have been married for 28 years and have been serving together in Indonesia for 9 years. The Bixler's have four adult children, with one married, all living in California. Steve and Debbie reach out to the majority faith in Indonesia in grace and truth. Debbie has just started to help restore Indonesians who have been caught in human trafficking in Indonesia.

Denise Byrd (BA '82) has been an educator for 25 years. She has taught from pre-school to college age. She was able to teach in Ireland for a year while living in a castle.

Anthony "Tony" Allmoslecher (BA '83) is the pastor at Fairview Christian Church of Carthage in Carthage, MO. Tony and **Minette (Marcellin/ FS '81)** have been blessed through the years with six children.

Glen Cople (MA '83) moved from Torrance, CA to Lakeland, FL in September 2009. Glen continues to promote the *Getting To Know Jesus* bible study ministry and working to help Dr. Richard Geringswald start Northside Lakeland Christian Church in North Lakeland, FL.

Dean (BA '83) and Gayle (Wonocott/FS '85) McAleese have lived in St. Louis, MO for the past 5 years. After a church closing where Dean was the associate pastor, he started his own handyman business. He looks forward to returning to full time ministry. Their oldest son will be getting married and their daughter will be marrying in October of this year. Their middle son is entering a masters program in biblical studies. Gayle continues to work a local bank in Missouri.

David Crouse (MA '84) is currently working as the Executive Director for Angeles Crest Christian Camp. Dave is passionate about leading children and youth to a relationship with Jesus Christ.

Cynthia Leis (Reynolds/BS '84) graduated on March 20, 2010 with an MBA in Finance from Colorado Technical University. She married James Leis on May 15, 2010.

Keith Poletiek (FS '84) has been the Marketing Director for Angeles Crest Christian Camp for the passed 8 years. Keith performs live comedy and motivational talks to church groups, camps,

conferences and schools through his KeithLIVE ministry. He is also an author and illustrator for *The Adventures of Johnny Lazarus* book series (www.keithpoletiek.com).

He founded a preteen outreach ministry in 2006.



Greg Curtis (BA '85) joined the staff team in 1985 that planted Community Christian Church of Yorba Linda, a church plant out of Eastside Christian Church, where he met his wife **Michelle (Benson/FS '86)**. They married in 1986 and began leading worship as a team. Greg was ordained in 1987 by Eastside Christian Church. He became the Senior Pastor of Community Christian Church in 1995 transitioning the church to a purpose-driven model of ministry. Greg's passion is to reach the growing de-churched population in America and to enjoy his family that now includes Chase (20), Kendra (16) and Carly (14).

Tim (MA '85) and Beth Neuenschwander have moved to the Albuquerque, NM area where Tim is the Worship Minister at First Christian Church. The Neuenschwander's have two daughters, Tabitha, who lives in Albuquerque, NM and Megan who lives in Cincinnati, OH.

Jon and **Karen (Roody/FS '86) Bohls** have successfully raised three children: Matthew (24) is married and owns a laser calibration company, Michael (22) is a chef, and Melissa (21) is a junior at Baylor University studying Special Education-Elementary. Jon is in his 8th year of owning Advanced Precision and Karen is still teaching pre kindergarten at Scottsdale Christian Academy.

Brian (BA '86) and Michelle (Everett/BA '90) Foster have three children Molly (20), Hannah (16) and Caleb (15) and are also hosting six foreign exchange students. Michelle works for International Student Exchange, placing and supervising foreign exchange students and supervising other reps for the State of Colorado. Michelle also assists in Brian's chiropractic practice - Foster Helath & Wellness Center in Longmont, CO.

Riley Harper (MA '86) established the "Christ Behind The Wall" prison ministry ten years ago. While Riley teaches four classes a week, his present emphasis is to seek and train volunteers to teach classes throughout the California Penal System. He and his wife have a blended family

of 3 boys and 1 daughter. A few years ago, they adopted a family of four girls who are now moving into their teenage years.

Ken LaMont (BA '86) serves as lead pastor of Newbury Park First Christian Church, where he has been on staff for 23 years. **Brenda (Brower/AA '87)** is the Director of Christian Preschool of Thousand Oaks. Their oldest daughter, Breann, was married in July 2010 and their daughter, Hillary, is a sophomore at HIU. Their daughter Shelby is a high school senior, and their youngest, Hanna, is in 8th grade.

Jim Swaney (BA '86, MA '88) is the Community Life Pastor at Eastside Christian Church. He is an avid reader and plays sports. He loves mission trips, evangelizing, and teaching God's Word. **Lisa (Dye/BA '84)** is the Asst. Principal at Eastside Christian Elementary School in Fullerton, CA. She is active in ministry with Jim at Eastside, with young married couples and teaching God's word in women's ministry. Jim and Lisa have two grown children: **Christina Swaney Olson**, who is a HIU grad (BA, 2009); and Tyler Swaney, who is a Junior (class of 2012) at Azusa Pacific University.

David Butler (BA '87) is the Site Administrator at the Community Action Partnership of Kern Family Health Center in Bakersfield, CA. David and his wife are very active in their church, First Congregational Church, UCC. The Butler's are in the process of adopting their first child. They enjoy spending time with their family and like to get away to the coast when they have time.

Greg Tucker (MA '87) has been pastoring at Maple Grove Christian Church in Bloomington, IN since 2000. He also teaches at Indiana Wesleyan University. Greg and Tammy have been married for 23 years and have three children, Tyler (22), Austin (21) and Brittany (16).

Steve (BA '88) and **LaDonna Whalen** have been married for 26 years. They have two children, son William and daughter Lisette, a former student at Hope. Steve is pastoring at New Horizon Christian Church in Monroe, WA. He is also a freelance writer with a blog at <http://wallbridge.wordpress.com>

David Cairns (BA '89) became a real estate professional in January 2011. David still continues to serve at a local church as a lay pastor teaching in the men's and adult sunday school ministry, plus photography and videography. You can find David on Facebook at <http://facebook.com/c21davidcairns>

Jeff Garrett (BA '89) moved his practice to a new office in historic downtown Fullerton, CA in January 2011.

Ernest "Jay" (BA '89, MA '00) and **Kathleen (Poseley/AA '89, BA '91) Jones** currently live just outside of Savannah, GA where Jay serves at Savannah Christian Church as the Adult Ministries Pastor/Department Head. The Jones' have two children, Bailey (18), and Mitchell

(15). Kathy is currently a stay at home mom and faithfully serves at the church.

1990's

Forrest (FS '90) and **Carrie Fowler** celebrated two years of marriage in May. Forrest also marks 20 years of involvement with Amor Ministries, seven years full time.

Robert "Dean" (BA '90) and **Leslie (Jewett/BA '91) Kuest** planted Pathways Church in Mill Creek, WA in 2005. They have five boys, Kyle (18), Joshua (16), Andrew (12), Brett (11), and Jamie (6).

Elizabeth Kumbera (Watkins/BA '90) recently moved with her family to Clearwater, FL. This spring they launched Swiftsure, a real estate franchise focusing on the multi-family marketplace.

Susan (Beeson/BA'90) and **David Rudberg** announce the birth of their first child. Their daughter, Ella Isabelle, was born on December 5, 2010. The Rudberg's are currently residing in Canby, OR.

John Vandenberg (BA '90) currently teaches in a very small school in Rowland Heights, CA, at Pacific Rim Language Institute, and at Aims Academy in Walnut, CA. John is married Rachne Pumarachai. They have two children Miles (5) and Eunice (3). Rachne's son, Chati (20) came to the US from Thailand in 2009. John enjoys spending a lot of time with family, going to the park, swimming, or going to the beach or snow. John still enjoys soccer, running, and chess in his free time.

Marie Eletise (BA '91, MA '93) is on staff at Kaimuki Christian Church in Honolulu, HI as the Children's Pastor. Her husband, Nofaoiga, is an associate pastor in charge of men's ministry. They are both members of South Seas Christian Ministries, traveling often. Their two children Keilani (15) and Michael (13) are loving life and spending all their free time playing volleyball and football. They feel blessed with the opportunity to minister in and throughout the South Pacific.

Steve (BA '91) and **Nancy Hampton** live in the Seattle, WA area, where Steve ministered in a variety of churches and ministries. Currently they lead a group of believers called The Circle of Worship. Together, the Hampton's own and operate several successful businesses including a jewelry business called Hummingbird Creations, and an event production company called Pyramid Staging & Events. They have 10 grandchildren. Steve continues to write worship songs and has authored several books that are awaiting publication.

Jeff (BA '91) and **Jodi (Moore/BA '91) Harris** live in Fremont, CA with their three boys (12, 10, & 2). Jeff is a pastor at Inroads Church that the Harris' planted 10 years ago. "God has been doing amazing things through our little church".

Isaac (BA '91) and **Elizabeth (Wakio/BA '92, MF '96) Methu** are involved with establishing Kingdom Interdenominational Community Church in San Bernardino, CA. The Methu's travel to Kenya every two years with the US Church of Christ Connect with Africa.

Cyndi (Shrader/FS, '91) and **Jorge Pantoja** are proud parents of Tobias "Toby" Shrader Pantoja, born 7/13/2010, who was 5 lbs and 18 1/4 inches long at birth.

Robbie Phillips (BA '91) recently became Associate Professor of Preaching at Mid-Atlantic Christian University in Elizabeth City, NC. **Leanne (Haan/BA '93)** teaches at OakTree Academy in Virginia Beach. Robbie and Leanne have been married 19 years and have 3 children, Carter (15), Will (10) & Maggie (7).

Daun Slauson (FS '91) is currently a missionary in Australia.

Curtis (BA '92) and **Jennifer (Scates/BA '93) Batchelder** have been married for 18 wonderful years and have three children, Katie (15), Elijah (11), and Noah (8). They are blessed to work with the children at Rochester Christian Church in Illinois.



Rich (BA '92, '93) and **Heather (BA '94) Davis** are the proud adoptive parents of London Ainsley Davis born March 5, 2011. The Davis' are proud to say that "she is very cute and clearly intelligent."

Graydon Jessup (MA '92) is the interim pastor at Boulder Valley Christian Church in Boulder, CO. He continues to serve as a coordinator/connector for THE JONATHAN PROJECT, a ministry designed to train "global Jonathans" how to plant multiplying churches among the least reached people groups. In the process, Graydon has developed HEART AND SOUL90, a ministry of prayer and financial support for the church planters.

Kirsten Lunsford (Kemp/BA '92) is a stay at home mom while husband Matt continues to work for Intel. The Lunsford's are in their second year of home schooling daughter Ella (7) and hope to continue home schooling with Olivia (3 1/2) and Jack (2). Kirsten and Matt recently became certified to adopt and are waiting for God to bring them the perfect baby and birth family.

Jason Murray (BA '72) married his wife, Katherine, in 2000. He graduated from Emmanuel Christian Seminary in 2006 and then served vocational ministries in North Carolina, California and Arkansas before becoming the preaching minister at Draper Park Christian Church in Oklahoma City, OK.

Tracie Ward (BA '92) is finding her ministry to be right in her own home. After caring for her grandmother for 10 years, who passed away on New Year's Eve, Tracie now cares for her blind mother. She feels fulfillment in being able to give back to the women who did so much for her.

Stephen Burger (BA '93) has served as a senior pastor, youth pastor, Christian education director and associate pastor, on staff at a Christian counseling ministry, as well as planting two churches. Stephen and Tammie Burger serve at Commision to Every Nation (CTEN) providing emotional and spiritual support to missionaries and their families in Central America.

Randy Dawkins (MA '93) served at Community Christian Church in Hemet, CA until October 2001. Randy then moved to Florida to serve at First Northside Christian Church, and then at First Christian Church of Cape Coral as Creative Arts Pastor, where he continues to serve. Two of his children still live at home. The Dawkins' have 5 grand children.

Charles "Chuck" Wigton (MA '93) is a guest pastor at Real Life Ministries in Post Falls, ID. He is also the owner and voiceover talent for TargheeVoice.com.

Adam Young (BA '93) moved with his family to Colorado to help plant a church in 2008. They returned to Ohio in 2009 where Adam became the worship minister at Miamisburg Christian Church, a growing church of 650. He also recently helped form a Love146 task force with 30 other people to help fight human trafficking. Adam and his wife Debby have one daughter, Noelle, who is 7 years old.

Lynnel Bryson-Davis (BA '94) has been married to her husband, Reid, for 16 years. They have two boys, Logan (11) and Peyton (9). Lynnel teaches 8th grade History and Government. She is also the choral director at Clifton Middle School in Monrovia, CA.



Byron (BA '94) and **Brenda Burns** celebrate 13 years of marriage. Their daughters Anya (10) and Alexis (7) are home schooled by Brenda.

The Burns' moved to St Louis, MO, last May, where Byron is a full-time Worship Minister at First Christian Church Florissant, MO.

Troy Dean (MA '96) has recently become the Campus Pastor/Assistant Professor in the School of Christian Ministry at Northwest Christian University at Eugene, OR. Troy has been a lead pastor of two church plants: University Praise in Southern California, and One Life Christian Church in Northern California. Troy and Dawn have been married for 17 years and have three boys, Tanner (13), Dakota (11) and Chase (10).

Jason (BA '96) and **Shawna (Fraleay/AA, BA '97) Seeger** have been married for 17 years. They have 4 children, Preston (13), Peyton (11), Paige (10) and Paisley (9 mos). Jason has worked for the AZ State Police, Department of Public Safety for 10 years. Shawna worked for CCV in Peoria, AZ, prior to staying at home and taking care of the family.

Deborah (BA '97) and **Matthew Fellows** have been married for 13 years and have two children, Andrew (5) and Melissa (3). The Fellows' attend Knott Avenue Christian Church. Deborah completed her teaching credential at CSULB and will begin her Masters in Educational Leadership. Deborah is the administrator at Opportunities for Learning Public Charter Schools.

Loren (BA '98) and **Carly Bass** live in Carpinteria, CA, where he is a firefighter.



Lance Brooks (BA '98) recently made Partner at the Law Firm of Smith Freed & Eberhard in Portland, OR. Lance is married to his wife, Visnja, and they have two children, Aleks and Lachlan.

Galen Howard (TC '98, MED '99) is teaching multi-challenged 17-22 year old young adults in the North Orange County SELPA program located on the West Esperanza High School campus in Anaheim, CA. Students come from Brea, Fullerton, Anaheim, Placentia and Yorba Linda, CA.

James "Ron" Shoemaker (BS '98) has moved with his family to Fresno, CA, after experiencing cut backs as a Special Education Teacher in Hesperia. His daughter will be attending CSUF in the Fall of 2011 and the youngest son will be a senior in high school. Ron is still searching for a ministry position.

Paul Taylor (BA '98) began serving as Senior Pastor at Montebello Christian Fellowship, in

October of 2010. Paul is excited to see what the Lord is doing and will do in the Southern California communities of Montebello and East Los Angeles. www.mcfellowship.org.

Kelley Brewster (Scott/BS '99) relocated to Atlanta, GA, for a job opportunity and has found a wonderful career. She is blessed to have a healthy, beautiful baby girl, Ella Victoria.

Mark (BA '99) and **Diana (Miller/AA '99) Campbell** are teaching in Arizona. Mark teaches high school and coaches soccer, Diana teaches middle school and sponsors a drama club. They have two sons, Christopher (8) and baby Camden born this past January. The Campbell's are active in their church, participating in both the worship and drama ministries.



Sara (Endicott/BA '99) and **Todd (FS '98) Emmerson** welcome a new addition to their family, baby Lila Hope Emmerson, January 14, 2011. They decided to give her the middle name of Hope since that is where the couple met. They also have a son, Lincoln Stanton. The Emmerson's live in Geneva, IL.

Christian Farago (BA '99) currently lives in Kelowna, British Columbia, where he married his wife, Carolyn, in July 2005. They have a daughter, Bria Christianna, born June 30, 2010. Christian is a Controller for a property management/construction company.

Jason (BA '99) and **Jenny (Close/BA '99) Herbert** are pleased to announce the birth of their son, Phillip Andrew. He joined the Herbert family on June 19, 2011. The Herbert's live in Gilbert, AZ.

Richard Knofsky (BS '99, MA '02) started a new role as an executive pastor in September, 2010 overseeing a staff of eight. Richard celebrates 14 years of marriage to his wife Carrie. The couple are blessed with three children.

Jennifer Manavi (Cross/BS '99, MFT '08) welcomed a new daughter, December Jean, into the family on January 1, 2009. Her 18 year old daughter graduated from Newport Harbor High School and has been accepted to SFSU and the University of Washington. Jennifer is in a PsyD program at Alliant University in Forensic Psychology. She considers her time at Hope as one of the most special times in her life.



Erica McNeal (Love/BA '99) has battled cancer three times, experienced the death of a child, and a failed adoption. She is in the process of finalizing her book, *Finding God's Fingerprints*. She challenges people to look at their circumstances as ministry opportunities to bring others into a relationship with God. Her blog can be found at: <https://findinggodsfingerprints.wordpress.com/>.

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Josh Wenig (BM '00) is in his 5th year as the Worship Minister at Chino Valley Community Church in Chino Hills, CA. He and his wife, Jess, have a 2 year old son named Britain.

Rebecca Briesacher (Plumb/ BA '01) and her husband Steven welcomed their first child, Aiden Ray, into the world on July 21, 2010.

Justin (BA '01) and **Jen (Noga/BA '01) Powell** moved to Barcelona, Spain in August of 2009 to continue their work as church planters with Christian Associates International. The Powell's had their second child, Matias Cutler Powell, on December 9th, 2009. They live in the city center of Barcelona and hope to begin service initiatives (sports camps, English lessons, refugee service, etc.) and start a new community of faith among those they serve and serve with.

Christina (Tucker/BA '00) and **Chad (BA '01) Presley** are proud parents of Autumn (8) and Mark (3). Christina enjoys being a stay at home mom. Chad just finished his M.A. of Divinity from Brite Divinity School. He will begin his second Masters program in the fall and will finish with a PhD in Biblical Interpretation in 2014. Chad will be ordained as a Presbyterian Minister in March 2012. The Presley's love Ft. Worth and all the ministry they have been involved in.

Mark Reiswig (BA '01) lives in Arizona with his wife, Kim, and their two daughters, Julia (3) and Rebekah (2). For two years, Mark has been the Ministry Catalyst at Catalyst Church in West Phoenix, AZ.

Kandace Savela (BS '01) obtained her M.Div. from Fuller Theological Seminary, and was ordained in August 2003 with the Real Life Christian Church in Valencia, CA. She has relocated to Minneapolis, MN where she is currently a Chaplain for the Minnesota Masonic Elder Care Services. Kandace helps the residents of a 225 bed facility and their families in their final chapter of their lives.



Sharyn Guminiak (BA '02, MED '05) and her husband, John, welcomed a new baby girl, Selah Elizabeth, on June 20, 2010. Sharyn continues to teach high school mathematics at San Jacinto High School. John cares for Selah in the morning, and Sharyn takes over in the afternoon when John teaches piano and drum lessons. The Guminiak's feel they have truly been blessed by God this year.

Norm Hamre (BA '02) is loving his work in the Jr. High ministry at Eastside Christian Church.

Heather Hocking (Pizza/BA '02) is living in San Juan Capistrano, CA with her husband and two children, Jesse (6) and Noah (2).

Tad (BS '02) and **Kimberly Johnson** moved to Tennessee in 2002 to attend Emmanuel School of Religion. They have been ministering at Lone Oak Christian Church in Johnson City, TN since 2005. The Johnson's have two children, Abigail (5) and Aaron (3).

Anthony Morse (BA '02), is the host for the History Channel's flagship series, "Hidden Cities." The premiere was October 24, 2010. As the host, Anthony takes viewers on exciting tours of Beijing and other exotic cities in Malaysia, Indonesia and Taiwan.

Rebecca Schwarz (BS '02, MFT '04) opened her own private practice in Cerritos, CA in October, 2009. The Schwarz's will celebrate their 34th year of marriage in July 2011. Both of their sons are now married, so they now have 2 lovely daughters-in-law and 4 wonderfully delightful grandchildren. Becky is also celebrating 4 years of freedom from recurrence of breast cancer.

Jennifer Diedrick (BS '02, MED '03) is living in Hanford, CA, where her husband is in the National Guard. Jennifer has two beautiful boys is currently working as a substitute teacher.

Lesby Flores-Castro (BS '03, MFT '05) is working for the Fresno County DBH Children Division as a Licensed Mental Health Clinician. Lesby is currently writing her dissertation for a Doctorate in Clinical Psychology.

Betty Odak (MFT, '03) has worked with different organizations as a Clinician, Mental Health Therapist, and Social Worker. Betty wrote the book *Before, After, And Beyond Bankruptcy* <http://www.babbankruptcy.com> then started a PhD program in 2009 for Industrial Organizational Psychology. After taking a short break, Betty became a foster

parent for teenagers in 2011. <http://www.ccaafp.org>. Betty is currently in the process of starting transitional housing for abused and neglected children.

Nariman Rahmon (BS '03) started work as a teacher in public middle schools. Since then, she has pursued a career as a realtor and personal investor of real estate property and property management. She still continues to substitute teach and tutor students in grades K through 8th. She also offers a service of finding qualified staff referrals for private medical offices.



Ric Reyes (FS '03) is teaching English and coaching volleyball at Bradshaw Christian High School in Sacramento, CA. The Reyes' welcomed their first child in late May.

Yona (BA, '03) and **Eric Roberts** proudly announce the birth of their first child, Isabel, born on Oct. 30, 2010 and weighing 7.9 lbs and 23 inches long at birth.



Deborah "Debbie" Vinall (BS '03, MFT '05) worked as a therapist at Canyon Acres Children & Family Services and at Hathaway-Sycamores Child & Family Services in the In Home Family Services department. She became licensed

in 2007 and had a precious baby boy named Luke in mid 2008. At the end of 2008, Debbie resigned to spend time with her son and enjoy traveling and living in India. Shortly after Luke turned 2, in August 2010, Debbie opened a part-time private practice in Upland, CA, called Tamar Counseling Services, which specializes in providing faith-informed services to survivors of trauma and loss. www.faithbasedtherapy.com. Debbie remains joyously married to husband Shane for 13 years and counting.

Janelle Amperse (BS '04) earned a business degree at HIU, where she says God did some amazing things in her life. In 2007, she switched careers and is currently teaching a 1st/2nd grade combination class in Compton, CA. She loves her job and praises God continually for helping her to see where her true passion lies.

Kathy Bourland (Lancaster/BS '04) is currently working as a preschool teacher at First Christian Church of Huntington Beach, CA.

Cynthia Brown (MED '04) moved to Tennessee with her husband, Jeff to be closer to her parents in 2008. Cynthia has taught both 5th and 2nd grades. The Brown's have three married sons, ages 32, 31, and 30, and 7 grandchildren.

William "Bill" Carmignani (BS '04) moved to Florida in 2002 with his family. Bill worked for the Dept. of Juvenile Justice and the State Dept. of Corrections. Currently he is the Reading/English teacher for a juvenile residential facility outside of Naples, FL. In 2007, Bill began broadcasting the radio program "God Wants You Back" live on Sunday evenings. After his separation and divorce 5 years ago, Bill is looking forward to marrying again this September.



Laura Chandler (MA '04) was able to establish and become Director of Children's Ministries and Servant Development at the The Rock Community Church. She has authored correspondence courses on the Gospels for Women's Ministries and curriculum for the Old and New Testaments, as well as Spiritual Gifts and Serving. Laura and her husband Ralph celebrate 32 years of marriage and live in Newport Beach, CA, with their sons, Elijah (16), Jeremiah (13), and great-grandmother Kyoko (82). Their daughter lives in Chicago, IL, with her husband and 3 grandchildren.

Tyler (BA '04) and Tabatha (Nielsen/BA '04) Colson are pleased to announce the birth of their son Zachary, born on March 3, 2011. The Colson's live in Tigard, OR.

Robin Felix (MFT '04) oversees a mental health program for infants and toddlers at a non-profit mental health agency in Los Angeles, CA. Robin has also been an adjunct assistant professor in Hope's MFT program since 2005.

Melodie Fox (BS '04) moved to Vermont in 2009 to pursue writing children's books. Melodie currently runs an after school program at a local preK-8th grade school. She also has her own business, Enthusiastic Books, which provides children's books and teaching materials for new and experienced educators. Melodie is currently working on anti-bullying materials for the classroom.

Jenni Ingram (BA, '04) is the Youth Program Manager for Northern California Urban Development. She was the lead writer of a recently published curriculum called

FutureProfits, designed to teach high school students in low-income areas about Life Economics. Jenni has served for the last 6 years with the high school group at Peninsula Covenant Church.

Jason (BA '04) and Kristin Parks are expecting their first child in September. They currently live in Colorado Springs, CO, where they attend St. Constantine and Helen Holy Theophany Orthodox Church.

Jared (BA '04) and Alizabeth "Liz" (Johnston/BA '03) Schotten proudly announce the birth of their daughter, Maci Isabella, born on May 12, 2010.

Abigail "Abby" Van Wormer (BA '04) has been working at Harvest House Publishers in Oregon for the past 5 years as a Marketing Specialist.

David Gonzales (BS '05) is working in law enforcement as well as a Criminal Justice Instructor. He has returned to school to earn a doctorate. David attends Mosaic in Whittier.

Lindsey (Frechette/BA '05) and Tim Harden have a three year old son, Alex. Lindsey ministers at The Refinery Christian Church in Goodyear, AZ, as the Women's Ministry Director.

Jamie Holguin (BS '05) went upon graduation to work at the Jet Propulsion Laboratory in the Library, Archives and Records Section. Jamie then entered San Jose State's Library Information Science Program where she graduated in May 2010.

Mathew (BA '05) Phelps is the Head Men's Soccer Coach at Chowan University in Murfreesboro, NC since 2009. His wife **Joy (MA '07)** is the Athletic Business Manager at Chowan University. Their daughter, Abigail, is now 2 and the Phelps' have a new baby daughter, Eden, born December 2010. Mat was able to travel to Israel and Egypt this past May.

Eric (MA '05) and Andrea Powell are planting a new church in Helena, MT. Encounter Church is a small but growing church that seeks to 'Encounter God, Experience Community, and Engage Culture'. Their website is <http://www.encounterhelena.org>.

Tom Schermitzler (MA '05) is currently serving as a Pastor in a church for the homeless, called "A Prodigal's Home" in Arizona. Tom also serves as a music therapist and chaplain for Legacy Hospice.

Jason (BA '05) and Elizabeth (Creech/BA '05) Shafer are in their second year serving at Southwest Community Church and enjoying the privilege of being used in the Kingdom while striving against the challenges life throws their way. The Shafer's have recently started a process to adopt through Riverside County's foster/adopt system. Elizabeth is training for her 2nd 1/2 marathon, and Jason is

enjoying mountain and road cycling in Indio, CA. Elizabeth recently launched a ministry called Vantage that focuses on teaching youth about the value of abstinence. Her website is www.thisisvantage.com.

Anissa Villagomez (BS '05) returned to school and received a degree in Ed. Counseling and a PPS credential in December of 2010. Anissa is currently working at the college level as a Personnel Services Specialist while seeking school counseling positions.

Mary Bawden (MA '06) has been choreographing dance in church worship for over 15 years. She is currently teaching 6 choreography sessions to help churches and dance leaders set up biblically based programs for ministry settings. This material is being prayerfully translated into a book which Mary hopes to have ready for publication within the year. www.sonlightdance.org.

Jon Clasen (BS '06) just completed his 3rd year as the assistant coach with the Men's Basketball team here at HIU. This past season the team qualified for the NCCAA National Tournament in Indiana where they placed 7th. Jon is looking forward to an even better season this year.

Claudia Faison (MBA, '06) has earned designation as a Certified Community Association Manager (CCAM®) through the California Association of Community Managers (CACM®).

Zena Fisher (Martin/BS '06) is working for the California Virtual Academy as a multiple subject K-8 teacher. Zena currently lives in Riverside, CA.



Larry Garrett (BA '06) and wife Jessica celebrated the birth of their first child, Katelyn Eliana, on November 2, 2010. Larry is the senior pastor at Sunset Beach Christian Church on the Northshore of Oahu, Hawaii.

Jennifer Nosker Gebauer (BA '06) was the student speaker for the University of Southern California May 2010 graduation ceremony, where she received a graduate degree in social work. She was awarded three honors during the ceremony: Dean's Scholar, Phi Kappa Phi, and one of five student recognition awards.

Erin McKinney (BA '06, MED '08) is teaching 4th grade at Brea-Olinda Christian Elementary school.

Sandra Oravetz (MED '06) works for two online universities. She is teaching Christian Studies at Grand Canyon University, and teaching prospective teachers and administrators at the University of Phoenix. She continues to provide consulting service for educational accreditation for Christian colleges.

Ryan Reed (BA '06) recently completed a Master of Arts in Theology program at Fuller Theological Seminary. Ryan is the Youth Pastor at the Graham Campus of Rainier View Christian Church, WA.

Elijah (FS '06) and Jessica (Baresel/BA '06) Ridgley have been living in Thailand for the past four years. Elijah is starting up a car business and Jessica teaches at an international school. The Ridgley's have two children, Paige (2) and Asher (6 mos.). Their lives are busy with family and doing BAM (business as mission).

Michelle Van Dalsem (Hodgers/BA '06) and her husband Andy are excited to announce the arrival of their first baby. Her name is Olive and she was born in February 2011. Andy is working as an animator and Michelle is now a stay at home mom.

Derek (BA '07) and Krista (Mullally/BA'07) Beaudoin and their dog, Marty McFly, are living in St. Johns, a community of North Portland. Derek is a part time Youth Pastor at St. Johns Christian Church as well as a school bus driver in the Portland Public School District. The church just celebrated the one year anniversary of recreating the youth ministry called The Crossing. It has been a blessing for the Beaudoin's to live and serve in their community and help students to become followers of Jesus.

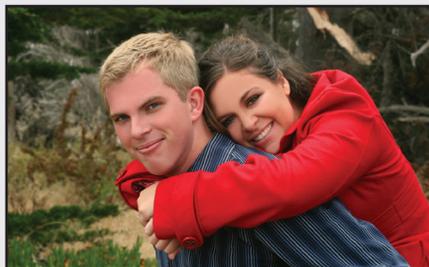
Natasha Rumsey (BS '07) received a Special Education Teaching Credential for students with mild-to-moderate disabilities. She is fulfilling a life long dream of owning her own educational learning center, offering tutoring services for students from preschool to college.

Jolene Torres (Schoenert/MSM '07) was married in 2010 to her husband, Juan. They are currently living in San Diego, CA.



Chris (MFT '07) and Ember (Land/BA '00) Williams welcomed their first child, Tyler Reid Williams, on May 16, 2011. Tyler weighed 6 lbs, 12 oz and was 19 inches long at birth. Chris is the lead therapist and program designer for the Links Program at National Therapeutic Services in Costa Mesa, CA. Ember directed her 6th musical production at HIU this past

March and continues working in the HIU Music Department.



Sarah Wilson (Buck/BA '07) is working at Creative Learning Center in Los Altos, CA. She is an intern teacher at a non public school for children with Autism. Sarah received her education specialist credential in June 2011. In February 2011, Sarah married David Wilson, a youth pastor at a small Chinese church where they minister together.

Jeff (BS '08) and Jessika (Doolittle/BA '05) Ahlberg announce the birth of their first child. Their son, Wesley Carter, was born on June 17, 2011. The Ahlberg's are currently residing in La Mesa, CA.

Susett Anderson (MFT '08) continues to work with her first love, a career with young children. Susett is looking forward to stepping out into the counseling arena with children and young families.

Amanda Bellamy (BA '08) is working as the Community Services Specialist for the City of Mission Viejo.

Michael Berryman (BA '08) married Andrea Wildermuth (BA '10) on October 9, 2010, in the beautiful Ponderosa Pine Forest in Flagstaff, AZ. The couple continues to live in Arizona and plans on teaching English overseas.

Shannon Huard (BA '08, MA '11) worked at a church in Corona, CA, while finishing up her MA in Ministry in Intercultural Studies. Since graduating from HIU, Shannon has lived in China, taught English at a university, and volunteered in youth groups as a worship and youth leader. Now that her graduate program is finished, she plans on teaching intercultural studies and working with international students.

Robin Joyce (MA '08) recently became the Men's Pastor at Canyon Ridge Christian Church in Las Vegas, NV. Robin was ordained on Super Bowl Sunday in 2009 and has been serving as Pastor of Marketplace and Church Relations. He will continue to serve in those roles, as well as help with missions outreach and marketing. He and his wife Patty have two children, Jillian (21), a junior at Azusa Pacific University, and Miles (18), a graduate from Faith Lutheran High School in Las Vegas.

Diane (Thompson/BS '08) McCarthy finished her Masters degree in Education and teaching credential in May 2011. Her husband, Patrick, is an engineer and adjunct college professor.

Destaney McKinnie (BA '08) is working on her Masters degree at CSU Stanislaus. She is currently a case manager for a mental health facility and serving Jesus as a youth minister and the community outreach leader for the Greater Christ Temple Church in Stockton, CA.

Allison Rodgers (BA '08) is the Student Involvement Coordinator at Washington State University, Tri Cities. She will be overseeing student government and clubs, facilitating student leadership, organizing New Student Orientation and other social activities throughout the year. Allison previously worked at Hope in 2006 as a student and then full time in 2009 in the Registrar's Office. Her new job brings her closer to her family in Washington.

Lynda Rosiles (MA '08) is working as a Hospice Chaplain. She feels that Hope helped prepared her to serve those who are facing the end of life or that of a loved one.

Michael Soderling (MBA '08) lives in Guatemala and is involved in organizational development, governance, networking, building partnerships between the north and the south, and being a Barnabas to the local leadership. He also works with a Christian school, a shelter for abused women, and two community health and development projects.

Mary Trujillo (MFT '08) welcomed a new addition to her family, Adelyn Lou, born May 1, 2010. She joins her big sister, Grace (3). While Mary is not practicing professionally, her degree has helped her as a wife and mother. She does plan on returning to the intern process once the children are in school.

Jennifer (Nagle/BS '09) and Chris Childers announce the birth of their first child. Their son, Jack Riley, was born on August 2, 2010. Chris works as a cardiovascular tech and Jenn is a personal trainer and aerobics instructor. The Childers' currently live and work in Orange, CA.

Rick (MBA, '09) and Sherry Gregory went to Uganda in January to represent Water for All, International (WFA) to fulfill a grant to deliver 10 water wells to one of the poorest counties. They were in Uganda until June, when they returned to Huntington Beach, CA.



Walter Hintz (MBA '09) has been able to see the benefits of his International Development MBA in his work with Compassion International. He says he misses the regular interaction with other students and professors on relevant topics, and really appreciates the education that he received from HIU.

Michael Johnson (BA '09) finished his first school year as a Special Education Teacher at Leuzinger High in Lawndale, CA. This year, Michael plans on completing his Masters of Education (with an emphasis in Special Education) from Azusa Pacific University.

Dawn Macchiavello (Sin/MFT '09) remarried and had a baby. While she was waiting for the job market to improve, Dawn was offered a position to work at the school where her children attend.

Georgina Niemeyer (BS '09) continues to enjoy being a homemaker. Since starting at Hope, her family has grown from 2 children to 4. She is very involved in her children's homeschooling.

Michael (FS '10) and Bethany (Christian/ FS '09) Allen were married on September 9, 2010. They are living in Fayetteville, AR working for Campus Crusade for Christ at the University of Arkansas.

Emily Antisdell (Jones/BA '10) and her husband, Kody, moved to Tacoma, WA after she graduated. Kody is working for a church as a youth/worship/administration pastor. Emily is working for a mission's organization called Go, Inc. and recently returned from a mission trip to Haiti. They are expecting their first child.

Joel (BA '10) and Carissa **Bockhahn** announce the birth of their first child. Their son, Levi, was

born on August 20, 2010. After working at HIU since 2006, Joel accepted a position with an aerospace company. The Bockhahn's reside in Grover Beach, CA.

Alex Jackson (BA '10) started working at Park Avenue Christian Church after leaving Hope. His role is to plant a youth ministry and recruit volunteers to keep it growing. They have grown to 40 students on a regular basis. He is also in charge of the church's after school tutoring program.

Stephanie Schick (BA'10) is currently working as an After School Program Leader.



Shanna Wilson (BS '10) is currently a stay-at-home mother of a newborn daughter and working as a Mary Kay Independent Consultant. Shanna is also working on starting her own

line of baby clothing. She plans on starting the process to become a certified NANC counselor www.nanc.org. She is also busy co-leading a mom's group as well as teaching a women's small group. In the future, Shanna plans on returning to school to earn a Masters in teaching theatre for secondary education.

Brittany Wright (FS '10) is the Minister of Music at MacArthur Blvd. Christian Church in Vancouver, WA.

Sarah Smart (Paulsen/BA '10) is working as a Course Maintenance Specialist for Allied Business Schools in Laguna Hills, CA. Her husband, Chase, is deployed in Afghanistan with the US Marine Corps.

Krystle Lisenby (MBA '11) is working at the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society, OC/IE Chapter, as the Campaign Manager of Special Events.



Sophenia Wade (BA '11) has enrolled in an online Masters program at Tennessee Baptist Seminary with a concentration in Women's Ministries.

Spring Musical

Guys & Dolls Delights Crowd

Once again the Hope International University Music Department put on a production in the spring, this time with their rendition of the Tony Award winning musical *Guys & Dolls*. Featuring original music and lyrics by Frank Loesser, *Guys & Dolls* is a set in 1950's New York City and is considered by many to be the perfect musical comedy.

Matinee tickets and several of the evening performances were sold out as HIU students, alumni, staff and faculty as well as people from in and around Orange County turned up to see a Broadway hit brought to life in the Pacific Auditorium. Audience members were also treated to a special raffle on opening night. As is tradition, the cast gave a matinee performance for free to local K-12 schools whose students got to enjoy a meet and greet with cast members after the show.

Directed by Ember Williams, the storyline featured a cast of vivid characters and revolved around smooth-talker Sky Masterson (Andrew Field, '12) trying to woo the reluctant Sarah Brown (Kelsey Shaw, BA '11; pictured at right). While down-on-his-luck businessman Nathan Detroit (Cameron Benton, BA '11) tried to use Sky's love interests to his own advantage, Detroit's long-suffering fiancé Adelaide (Sierra Green, '13) and his sidekicks Nicely-Nicely (Andrew Pervorse, BA '11) and Benny (Christian Koshay, '13) provided perfectly timed comic relief. Perhaps best known from the 1955 film adaptation starring Marlon Brando and Frank Sinatra, *Guys & Dolls* featured hit song and dance numbers like the title tune and "Luck Be a Lady."

Plans for the 2012 spring musical, *Bye Bye Birdie*, are already underway. Be sure to take advantage of complimentary tickets offered to alumni and friends of the University.



EASTSIDE PASTOR GENE APPEL AWARDED HONORARY DOCTORATE FROM HIU

Spring Commencement 2011 at Hope International University (HIU) was certainly a big day for the graduates, but also for their featured speaker, **Pastor Gene Appel**, who was awarded an Honorary Doctor of Divinity at the ceremony.

“I was sincerely humbled by this gracious gesture by President Derry and Hope International University,” Appel said. “It was an honor that really deserves to be shared with so many great people and colleagues whom I have served with over the years. Everything worthwhile I’ve ever done, I’ve done as a part of a team.”

After receiving the degree, Appel spoke to the Class of 2011 about making every day count. He joked that, since nobody would remember who spoke that day, he decided to share something close to his heart. Appel talked about his late father, who died when Appel was just 14, and the incredible impact his dad had on him. “In a brief 5200 days, he shaped my life,” Appel said. “Life goes by so quickly and I wanted to inspire the graduates to make the most of every day.”

In many ways, Appel’s presence at Commencement signaled that he had come full circle in his ministry and his relationship with HIU. When he was only 20 years old and serving as an intern at Eastside Christian Church in Fullerton, CA, Appel became acquainted with HIU and enrolled for classes in the fall of 1980. He then went on to spend 18 years at Central Christian Church in Las Vegas, NV where he saw firsthand

how the gospel could change and transform people of all backgrounds and lifestyles. Next, he served at Willow Creek Community Church in Chicago, IL and felt God directing his attention toward helping the poor, sick, under-resourced, and disenfranchised persons in the world.

Now as the senior pastor at Eastside, Appel is thrilled to be a part of a ministry that focuses its efforts locally and globally. When asked about his most memorable ministry experiences,

Appel recalled sitting with an AIDS-infected mother of six in a poor village in Zambia, Africa. “It absolutely wrecked me,” he said, “and moved me to be a global Christian addressing compassion and justice issues.” He calls this type of love “beyond me” and it was the main theme of his message in November 2010, when he was a featured chapel speaker at Hope (see page 5).

Having developed such a connection with HIU over the past 20 years, including five years of service on the Board of Trustees, Appel

has a unique perspective of how HIU has evolved. “Time brings change, growth, new programs, and a responsiveness to the challenges in our communities and world,” Appel said. “HIU has been progressive and responsive, and yet anchored to the core values and Biblical vision of its founders.”

Pastor Appel and his wife, Barbara live in Orange County, CA and have three children, whom he affectionately calls “the ‘Appels’ of my eye.”



HIU President, Dr. John Derry and Vice President of Academic Affairs, Paul Alexander award the Honorary Doctor of Divinity to Gene Appel (center)

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