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# Alumni News

Class Notes from Alumni of Moody Bible Institute

Then...



...and now.



**125** YEARS **MOODY**  
BIBLE INSTITUTE

Bold  
Legacy.  
Dynamic  
Future.

Dear Moody Alumni,

I remember it like it was yesterday. Evening service at church had ended, and I stood alone at the communion table, anxiously counting the offering received to help send me to Moody. Suddenly, I realized the exact amount for the Chicago flight lay before me. “And my God will supply all your needs according to His riches in glory in Christ Jesus” (Philippians 4:19). God and my church family had answered my prayers. I was going to Moody.

After forty years of pastoral ministry, I’m still filled with awe at that miracle and what God is doing at the school D. L. Moody founded.

You can imagine how honored and humbled I felt in 2008 when I was asked to serve on the alumni board knowing that members of the board help select the Alumnus of the Year and honor outstanding Moody alumni with the Distinguished Service Award.

As you reflect on your days as a student at Moody, what fills you with awe? We’ve all seen tremendous change in the campus and facilities, and yes, we have seen staff and even presidents come and go. But through it all God’s hand is upon this place.

One thing that has not changed is Moody’s focus: *As a higher education and media ministry, Moody exists to equip people with the truth of God’s Word to be maturing followers of Christ who are making disciples around the world.* Moody’s core values also remain the same.

I am honored to serve on this board representing nearly 40,000 alums. And because I hold dear those who sacrificed so I could attend Moody, I will continue to pray and support my alma mater, so others can also attend. Will you join me and my family? If you can help financially, please make use of the enclosed envelope or go to Moody’s Web site [www.moody.edu](http://www.moody.edu) to make an online gift.



A handwritten signature in dark ink that reads "David Gallagher". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Dr. David Gallagher '67  
President, Moody Alumni Board

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## Moody Radio Global Partners Project

As part of its fall 2010 Global Partners Project, Moody Radio conducted two on-air fundraising campaigns for international Christian radio ministries HCJB Global and TWR. These partnerships, one focused on Africa and one on Asia, align with Moody's vision statement—*Biblical Mission. Global Vision.*

“The purpose of our annual Global Partners Project has always been to advance our listeners’ knowledge of world missions and stir greater support for them,” Bruce Everhart, manager of marketing and development for Moody Radio, said. “This year, we were once again reminded of the provision of God and the amazing generosity of our wonderful listeners.”

Some Moody Radio stations around the country joined HCJB Global in promoting their *Turn the Radios On in Africa* program, raising funds for hand-held, solar-powered radios that will be distributed throughout Ghana to prisons, nursing homes, hospitals, and remote villages. These radios are

pre-tuned to local Christian stations and broadcast the gospel and biblical teaching programs.

Other Moody Radio stations raised funds to replace two radio transmitters that TWR has used for 30 years to broadcast Christian programming from the Pacific island of Guam into China and around Asia.

This year's campaigns garnered a larger listener response than the previous four fall missions campaigns. More than 6,100 Moody Radio listeners participated in the campaigns, giving approximately \$351,050 to supply 7,021 radios and an estimated \$223,000 to fund the replacement of the transmitters.

A portion of the gifts raised from both campaigns funded Moody Bible Institute Global Leaders Scholarships. These awards are offered to two students pursuing missionary careers in radio communications from the regions where HCJB and TWR minister in Africa and Asia.

### Walter White Completes Service at Moody

Former Executive Director of Alumni, Walter White, left at the end of December 2010. Deeply committed to Moody Bible Institute, its students, and its alumni, he cared for staff and served in his role with great enthusiasm and godly character. During his seven-and-a-half years with Moody, Walter helped numerous alumni connect again with Moody by facilitating and hosting more than 100 alumni events in the U.S. and abroad, as well as by expanding the Alumni Association outreach via the Web site and social media.



2011 Founder's Week



Ian Leitch '69, 2011 Alumnus of the Year

## 2011 Founder's Week

### The Riches of His Grace

Alumni, students, staff, faculty, and friends gathered Jan. 31–Feb. 4, 2011, in Chicago for Founder's Week. Bible teaching and music throughout the conference explored the theme, "The Riches of His Grace," reflecting on God's gift lavished upon us through Jesus Christ.

Speakers included Paul Nyquist, James MacDonald, Bryndan Loritts BA '03, Gary Chapman '58, Joni Eareckson Tada, Chip Ingram, Josh Moody, Haddon Robinson, James Ford '84, BA '87, Erwin Lutzer, and others.

The conference continued despite one of the worst blizzards in Chicago history on February 1–2. Founder's Week was broadcast on Moody Radio, and audio and video were streamed live online at [www.foundersweek.org](http://www.foundersweek.org).

If you would like to order the complete recordings of the conference or individual messages on CD or MP3, visit [www.moodyaudio.com](http://www.moodyaudio.com).

### 2011 Alumnus of the Year: Ian Leitch '69

Ian Leitch '69 was named the 2011 Alumnus of the Year by the Alumni Association. He was deeply moved as he received the reward, commenting that it was all the more meaningful in light of the cardiac arrest he suffered last year.

Leitch was honored for 40 years of pioneering international ministries of evangelism and training. Since 1970, he has served as an evangelist, Bible teacher, and author with The Heralds Trust, a Scottish ministry aimed at equipping individuals and churches to proclaim the gospel. He also pioneered New Life Seminars, Each One Bring One evangelistic events, and the Rock Solid Apologetics course.

### 2011 Faculty Citation Award: Dr. Robert MacRae

Dr. Robert MacRae, professor in the Educational Ministries department, received the 2011 Faculty Citation Award. Dr. MacRae, married to Pam (Kistler '79), has taught courses in youth ministry, marriage, and family programs at Moody since 1995, is best known for his passion for student spiritual formation and for his dedication to helping students deal with the challenges of college life.



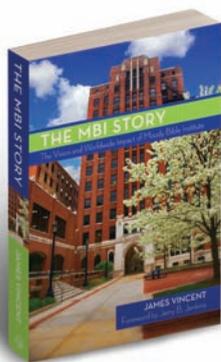
Dr. Robert MacRae, recipient of the 2011 Faculty Citation Award

### 125th Anniversary Kick-Off

Founder's Week kicked off the year-long celebration of the 125th anniversary of Moody Bible Institute. Five new videos were shown, highlighting the life and ministry of D. L. Moody, the history and future of Moody's educational ministries, Moody Publishers, Moody Radio, as well as Moody's global vision. To watch the videos (averaging five minutes in length) and learn more about the history of Moody and the anniversary celebration, visit [www.moody125.org](http://www.moody125.org).

### Release of *The MBI Story*

Moody Publishers announced the release of *The MBI Story: The Vision and Worldwide Impact of Moody Bible Institute* by James Vincent '78 and held a book signing. *The MBI Story* examines Moody's mission, growth, and world-wide impact during its first 125 years and also looks at new strategic initiatives that promise to shape a dynamic future of fruitful ministry. For more information about this book, visit [www.moody125.org](http://www.moody125.org) and click on the News tab.



For additional Founder's Week highlights and photos, visit the [Your Moody Alumni Association fan page on Facebook](#) or [wwwFOUNDERSWEEK.org](http://wwwFOUNDERSWEEK.org). Plan to join us next year for Founder's Week 2012, Jan. 30–Feb. 3.

## Celebrating 125 Years of God's Faithfulness

### **Bold Legacy. Dynamic Future.**

This year, Moody Bible Institute celebrates the bold legacy God has given us, beginning with the vision of our founder, D. L. Moody, and the subsequent 125 years of fruitful education and media ministries. We look forward to a dynamic future, in His service, by His grace, for His glory.

### **Moody Bible Institute's History**

1886: D. L. Moody—an evangelist known for leading urban revivals in the U.S. and U.K. and opening Christian schools in Northfield, Mass.—calls for the establishment of a Bible training school to equip men and women to serve predominantly in cities. This idea becomes The Chicago Evangelization Society, later named Moody Bible Institute.

1894: D. L. Moody founds the Bible Institute Colportage Association, the precursor to Moody Publishers.

1899: D. L. Moody dies at his home in Northfield, Mass, on Dec. 22. Dr. R. A. Torrey becomes president.

1901–1903: Moody Correspondence School and Moody Evening School begin.

1926: WMBI, Moody's first radio station, goes on the air.

1946: Mission Aviation program begins.

1982: Moody Radio begins satellite-feed broadcasting system.

1986: Moody Graduate School begins.

1993: Moody Northwest Center for Extension Studies begins in Spokane, Wash.

2001–2002: Moody begins to offer online courses and Moody Correspondence School becomes Moody Distance Learning.

2003: Moody Aviation moves to Spokane, Wash.

2006: Moody Northwest Center for Extension Studies becomes Moody Bible Institute–Spokane. *The Five Love Languages* makes the *New York Times* bestseller list.

2008: Moody Broadcasting Network becomes Moody Radio.

2009: Moody Graduate School becomes Moody Theological Seminary.

2010: Michigan Theological Seminary merges with Moody Theological Seminary.

### **Looking Forward**

We believe God has called us to share the unchanging message of hope in Christ with an unprecedented number of people globally by leveraging intercultural training and advances in media and technology. By God's grace, we look forward to a dynamic future.



Proclaiming the gospel in the streets of Chicago in the early days of Moody Bible Institute.



Student Lisa Collins ministers to children during a missions trip.

# 125 YEARS MOODY BIBLE INSTITUTE

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Dynamic Future.

## How You Can Get Involved

As alumni, you know Moody well. You have seen how God has used your alma mater in your own life, in the lives of others, and in the lives of the people you minister to. We invite you to join in the celebration through participation, creativity, and attendance.

- Submit a photo, essay, poem, drawing, or painting that represents Moody's 125<sup>th</sup> anniversary theme—**Bold Legacy. Dynamic Future.**—to be included in the 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Commemorative Book.
- Participate in the Make a Difference video contest by creating and submitting your own three- to five-minute video documentary about how Moody has influenced your life or your ministry.
- Attend Moody Week at Maranatha Bible and Missionary Conference, July 2–8, in Muskegon, Michigan.
- Participate in the global 125-Hour Prayer Initiative in August.
- Attend the luncheon celebration in Chicago on October 1.

For details about how to be involved in all these opportunities, please visit [www.moody125.org](http://www.moody125.org).

## Moody Theological Seminary

### Dr. Berlean Miller Burriss MABS '99

has recently published a book *Just Stand: God's Faithfulness Never Fails*. The book details her spiritual growth through the challenges associated with her husband's involvement in politics. Burriss has pursued careers in nursing and theological education. She has been awarded numerous awards and fellowships, and has earned degrees from Northwestern University, University of Illinois at Chicago, and Loyola University. She continues to serve the citizens of Chicago through community efforts and her faithful service at St. John Church-Baptist, where she has been a member for 40 years.

**Benjamin MAMin '09 BA '06** and **Heidi BA '06 Turkalj** are Pioneers missionaries who have recently returned from a six-week trip to Croatia, where they enjoyed opportunities to serve and reconnect with friends and fellow missionaries. Benjamin taught a New Testament Greek class at Theological Bible Academy. Heidi had a chance to fly to Belfast, Ireland, and spent time with family. They currently reside in Chicago, Illinois.

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## Undergraduate School

### '00s

**Andrew Hanson BA '05** is the founder of Men Against the Trafficking of Others (MATTOO). The group uses educational seminars, support groups, and organized walks to raise awareness and funds to prevent trafficking, rescue individuals, influence public policy, and educate men specifically on the realities of human trafficking. Currently stateside, MATTOO will be expanding to include international chapters in Spain, Romania, Holland, Uganda, Cambodia, and El Salvador from January into the summer of 2011.

Andrew is currently raising awareness and involvement through a national rally, culminating with a group walk and benefit concert. The event, featuring a performance by Nicole C. Mullen, will be held at Minnesota's State Capitol in May.

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 [www.MATTOO.org](http://www.MATTOO.org)

**Caleb BA '05** and **Erin (Crawford BA '05) Howard** and their two children have recently moved to Baltimore, Maryland. Caleb is completing a Ph.D. in Assyriology and Hebrew Bible at Johns Hopkins University.

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**Dustin '07** and **Miranda (Benefield BA '08) Mahoney** are serving with Avant Ministries in Genoa, Italy, on a church planting team. Miranda had previously worked as the Human Resources and Public Relations Manager for the Arc of Jackson County in Scottsboro, Alabama. The two met for the first time while Miranda was visiting her roommate **Laura Machado BA '08**, also working with Avant in Italy. Miranda



Dustin and Miranda Mahoney

has now been approved as a missionary candidate with Avant and upon completion of a support raising tour, the couple will be returning to Genoa to continue church planting work.

[www.teamitalyone.org](http://www.teamitalyone.org)

**Ben BA '02** and **Heather (Hedge BA '03) Richey** and their children Mikaela (5) and Christopher (3) have recently moved to accept the position of Assistant Pastor of Heritage Baptist Church in Prattville, Alabama. Ben graduated from Beeson Divinity School with his Master of Divinity in May 2010 and was also honored by Beeson faculty with the Pastoral Ministry Award. He is now working with the church's music and college ministries as well as preaching, while Heather is able to stay home and concentrate on being a mom.

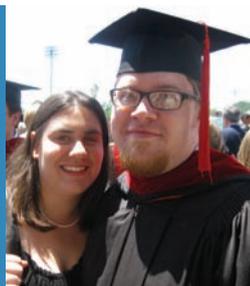
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## MARRIAGES

**Kai BA '05** and **Libby (Luginbill GC '10 BA '04) Elmer**, July 31, 2010, Peru, Indiana.

Alumni in attendance: **Danica (Elmer BA '06) Abisoror**, **Lauren (Viss BA '04) Elban**, **Steve Hiller '96**, **Andrew BS '04** and **Tanya (Sollenberger BA '04) Hirschy**, **Karisa Schlehr BA '03**, **Adam**

Ben and Heather Richey



**Stevenson BA '06**, **Josh Zabel BA '05**. MBI staff in attendance: Dr. and Mrs. John Jelinek (MTS), and Mr. and Mrs. Kevin Mahaffy (Distance Learning).

Kai is currently working as Manager of National Promotions for INO Records in Brentwood, Tennessee. Libby finished her Graduate Certificate in Spiritual Formation and Discipleship from Moody Theological Seminary in May 2010 and is currently employed as a part-time private tutor. While they are living in Nashville, they are both involved with the young married group at their church.

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Kai and Libby Elmer

**Steven BA '03** and Heather (Crichton) **Hutchison**, February 2009, Edinburgh, Scotland.

Alumni in attendance: **John Edwards BA '04**, **Kenneth (Randy) Ertman BA '02**, **Alex BA '96** and **Sheryl (Kooistra BA '98) McLellan**. Steven and Heather were blessed with the birth of Karis Ruth on August 8, 2010. Steven now serves as a Pastoral Assistant at Niddrie Community Church in Edinburgh.



Steven and Heather Hutchison

## BIRTHS

To **Dan BA '05** and **Bethany (Tietjen BA '03) Park**, a daughter, Clio Eunbi, January 1, 2011. Clio was the first baby of 2011 to be born at OSF Saint Francis in Peoria, Illinois. She joins a sister, Layla (1). The family lives in Seoul, Korea, but returned to Bethany's hometown for Clio's birth. Dan is a lawyer who is joining the South Korean navy as a JAG (judge advocate general). He is currently finishing his nine-week basic training in South Korea, while Bethany and their daughters remain in the States with family. They will return to live in Seoul upon the completion of Dan's military training.

## '90s

**Josh BA '99** and **Lisa (Fox BA '99) Amstutz** recently moved to Lake Geneva, Wisconsin, where Josh is serving as the Senior Pastor at Lakeland Community Church. Lisa is involved in the church ministry as well, helping regularly with worship music as well as serving in the children's ministry. They have six children: Reese and Hailey (9), Kelsey (7), Braden (5), Kylee (4), and Arol (2), and are expecting their seventh child.

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**Peter Koens (BSMT '99)** and his wife Carrie spent four and a half years serving overseas as aviation missionaries and now live in the mountains of East Tennessee. Peter works full-time as an avionics inspector for Bell Helicopter and has started his own electrical business, ZIP Contracting, LLC. The Koens have also published a children's book, *Mashed Potatoes: A Little Brother Story*.

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Peter  
and Carrie  
Koens

## MARRIAGES

**Luann Yarrow BA '94** and Kenneth Doman, February 20, 2010, Fort Lauderdale, Florida.

Alumni in attendance: **Deborah (Yarrow '83) Kemper, Shelby Ortez '89, Gregory Pirrie '84, Jenna Pirrie (current student), Ruth (Yarrow '88) Pirrie, Jerry BA '08 and Melissa (Pirrie BA '09) Siewert, and Melody Yarrow '88.**

Luann works part-time at a Christian elementary school and also owns a freelance communications business. Kenneth works for the City of Plantation in the IT department. They are both actively involved at Coral Ridge Presbyterian Church in Fort Lauderdale.

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Luann and  
Kenneth  
Doman



## BIRTHS

To **Kirk BA '99** and **Robin (Spurlock BA '01) Vukonich**, a daughter, Iris Estella, April 25, 2010. Iris joins a sister, Mila Louise (5). The family is living in Wheaton, Illinois, where Kirk works in the Advancement department at Wheaton College.



Mila and Iris  
Vukonich

## '80s

**Bill '85 and Norma Jean '85 Jancewicz** have been serving in northern Quebec, Canada, with the Naskapi people for 22 years, working with Wycliffe Bible Translators and the local language community on a Bible translation project. Since they completed the New Testament in Naskapi in 2007, they have been working to prepare over 900 verses of Naskapi Old Testament lessons for publication and distribution. One lesson has been completed, while Bill continues to train young adults in basic Naskapi literacy, reading, and typing.

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Bill and Norma Jancewicz

**Paul Ramsey '86** completed his B.A. at Trinity International University and moved to China soon after. He and his wife Carolyn have been serving in China for 16 years. They lead local Bible studies and are careful to extend invitations to local churches. They are presently teaching English at a college in Kunming, in addition to homeschooling their two children, Bradley (14) and Julie (12).

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**Robert Repke BA '88** is now the Vice President of a new ministry, Global Freedom Concepts, in Gainesville, Georgia. The ministry works with Latin American and Spanish-speaking people in order to teach them biblical perspectives of economy and finances. Robert's role is to develop a system for their online education courses called Cultura Financiera. His wife **Laurice (Beckers '90)** is working as an occupational therapist in the public school system. Their son, Robert Truman, is in first grade, while their daughter, Rachel, is in fourth.

www.globalfreedomconcepts.org

**Sacrificio Charles Yuayan BA '82** graduated from Faith Evangelical Seminary in Tacoma, Washington, with his M.A.T.S. on June 28, 2010. He has worked over the years as an office worker and accountant, a church-planter and pastor, and was also a self-employed Licensed Nursing Assistant. He and his wife **Fe (Juanico ES '77)**, a Registered Nurse, are currently retired, but are looking forward to future ministry opportunities. This includes the teaching position that Sacrificio recently accepted at Davao Alliance Bible College in the Philippines for the 2011-2012 school year.



Sacrificio Charles Yuayan receives M.A.T.S. from Dr. Michael Adams, President of Faith Evangelical Seminary.



John LaShell

## '70s

**John BA '70** and **Heather (McGee '70) LaShell** have been serving Grace Community Church in Allentown, Pennsylvania, since 1994. In August 2010, Christian Literature Crusade published John's first book, *The Beauty of God for a Broken World: Reflections on the Beauty of the God of the Bible*. The book grew out of conversations with a young ex-Christian who insisted that the God of the Bible is ugly. The book draws heavily on insights gained as he studied Jonathan Edwards during his Ph.D. research at Westminster Theological Seminary.

www.godisbeautiful.com

**Tim Walberg '73** is serving in the U.S. House of Representatives from the Seventh Congressional District in Michigan. Before being elected to the U.S. Congress, he served in the Michigan House of Representatives.



Tim Walberg with his wife Sue, along with family and Moody friends, at his swearing-in ceremony for the U.S. House of Representatives.

L to R: Wendell Anderson (former MBI employee); Dr. Richard Epps '64; Renee Haugen ES '80; Lonnie Bone '74, MA '10; Sue [Polensky '74] Walberg; Tim Walberg '73; Kristen Walberg (current Moody student); Dr. Wesley Willis. Back row: Brad Meeder '79; Paul Walberg '74.

He was elected to the Michigan House of Representatives in 1983 and served until 1999. Tim's previous work includes service as a pastor for nearly ten years. Tim has also served as a division manager for Moody until January 2006. Tim and his wife **Sue [Polensky '74]** have been married for 35 years and have three grown children, including son and daughter-in-law **Matt '97** and **Erin (Habegger '04) Walberg**, and daughter **Heidi Walberg '08**. They also have two grandchildren.

through time in Trinidad and Israel. After 30 years of Army, Guard, and Reserves, Hal and Brenda continue to participate in a chapter of the Military Officers Association of America, where Hal is serving his second year as secretary and legislative representative. The Hostetlers recently returned from a nine-day trip to Israel. They spent time in fellowship with other missionaries, friends, and musicians.

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## '60s

**Dr. Harold "Hal" Jr. '64** and **Brenda (Skelton '66) Hostetler** have been married for 42 years and are currently living in Portsmouth, Virginia. The couple sings in their church's senior choir and both perform with various local music ensembles. They continue their evangelism work through the church missions council, Eastern Shore Latino involvement, Native American ministries in South Dakota, and also

**Jim '61** and **Opal Frances '61 Lines** have been missionaries in Italy since 1963 with Bible Centered Ministries International (formerly Bible Club Movement). Their ministry involves evangelism, discipleship, and teaching. Jim is a teaching elder of the evangelical church in Rimini and preaches throughout Europe. He served as West European director for the mission for ten years. In 1980, they founded Camp Maranatha in Badia Tedalda, Italy, and directed the activities there for many years. Today they are still involved with the camp's growth and development.

Fran is deeply involved in their publication work, which furnishes materials for the growth of believers, teacher training materials, as well as materials for the Sunday schools. She also speaks at women's conferences



Dr. Harold Hostetler

throughout the region. Both are involved in teacher training conferences throughout Europe. Presently, they are giving their efforts to the establishing and training of future leaders for the ministry in Italy and Europe.

**Linda (Earl '66) Miller** and her husband, John, live in Congress, Arizona. After over five years as church secretary, Linda became a teacher's aide in the kindergarten class at the local elementary school. She is enjoying getting to know the local families and using her Spanish skills with many of the students and parents. Since 2007, John has been a member of the local chapter of Veterans of the Korean War Veterans Association, attending monthly meetings with a group of 40-50. He was recently appointed as chaplain to the group, responsible for leading in prayer and conducting outreach. John has also been writing his memoirs since 2004, with over 200 pages completed on his life and reflections up to 2007.

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**Fred '60** and **Delores (Yockey '59) Plastow** celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary this summer with an open house at Pleasant View Bible Church in Warsaw, Indiana. The event was hosted by their children, including **Kurt BA '83** and **Lori (Plastow BA '83) Strietzel**, and **Larry BS '85** and Sheryl **Strietzel**.

Fred and Delores have served with Avant Ministries for 48 years, working closely with Muslim outreach and discipleship. Kurt and Lori are with Avant Ministries as well and serving at the Black Forest Academy in Germany. Larry and Sheryl are serving with MAF in the Democratic Republic of Congo.

Their Moody heritage is also shared among their grandchildren: **Jeff BA '07**

and **Julie (Atkins BA '07) Strietzel**, **Jonathan BA '09** and **Ashley ABS '09 Strietzel**, **Jason BA '09** and **Rachel (Shedd BA '09) Strietzel**, and **Stephanie Strietzel (current student)**.

**Bill Swanger '61** is currently serving as Interim Pastor at West Bend Bible Church in downtown West Bend, Wisconsin. This is his sixth interim assignment since retiring from his full-time ministry in January 2000.

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## MARRIAGES

**Karla (Altmaier '62)** and Paul Say, October 10, 2009.

Karla served the Camp Forest Springs in Westboro, Wisconsin, for 45 years as a single missionary. Paul served in Argentina and the Dominican Republic as a missionary builder. His first wife passed away, survived by their three married children and six grandchildren. Karla and Paul met at il Villagio, a Christian ministry retirement village in Brandenton, Florida. With support and prayer from within their community and families, Paul proposed to Karla while visiting Camp Forest Springs in July 2009. They currently reside at il Villagio, volunteer in various ways in the community, and look forward to traveling together this year, visiting national parks in the west.



Paul and  
Karla Say

## '50s

### **Reverend Richard (Dick) Fuller '55**

and his wife Muriel have moved from their home in Snohamish, Washington, to the SIM retirement village in Sebring, Florida. They are enjoying the opportunity to reconnect with missionary friends from West Africa and to meet new friends as they ease into this new community.

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**Adrian Kooijmans '57** and his wife Tina celebrated 63 years of marriage in January. They served in Buenos Aires and Paraguay from 1958 to 1964. Then they spent four years in the Netherlands, leading Bible studies and working with Spanish migrant workers, also extending their ministries to Germany. They served 27 years in the province of Barcelona and the Balears Islands, establishing three churches. They returned to Holland in 1994, where Adrian preached regularly in several churches.

Due to their health, Adrian and Tina have not returned to Spain for two years, and Adrian is no longer preaching. But they are encouraged by the continuous growth of the churches and continue correspondence with those on their extensive prayer and ministry partner lists. Adrian also leads small group Bible studies and writes meditations in Dutch and Spanish for a monthly church magazine and has been compiling an archive of his accumulated Bible study and sermon notes.

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**Alfred '57** and **Alice (Puariea) '61 Moore** are in Kiev, Ukraine, where they have been serving for 15 years with Ambassadors for Christ International.

Alfred and  
Alice Moore



They are working closely with a national church to provide specific care and outreach for the elderly. Their current project involves raising finances to build a home for those in their care.

## '40s

**Martha Becker '41** celebrated her 99th birthday on December 27, 2010. Martha recently wrote her autobiography, including memories of her time at MBI: "For chapel time, the faculty had the tradition of sitting in front on the stage in one long row. We saw those men of God who were devoted to the Lord. A thousand or more students singing our school song, was enough to make anybody resolve to be loyal to that school." Martha served with Gospel Missionary Union (now Avant) in Ecuador from 1949 to 1976, and now resides in Freeman, South Dakota. Over a dozen family members have followed Martha's example and studied at Moody.

Martha  
Becker

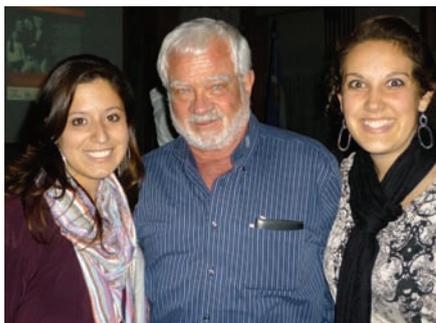


**E. Ruth Grimshaw '46** was born in the former Belgian Congo to missionary parents working with the Africa Inland Mission. She attended a school for missionary children in Batesburg, South Carolina. She attended Moody in 1946 for several months to receive missionary training. She served under Serving in Mission (SIM) in Nigeria for forty years, teaching in a Bible School. Ruth is presently living in the SIM retirement village in Sebring, Florida.

## Gatherings

**August 2010, Ciudad del Este, Paraguay**

**Kendra Cervantes BA '07** and **Rebecca Zurbrick BA '08** work with CAM International in Paraguay. During a conference in August 2010, they introduced themselves to one of the speakers, Bill (William) Jones '62. The group was able to spend time exchanging stories about their years at Moody and ministries in Paraguay.



Kendra Cervantes, Bill Jones, and Rebecca Zurbrick



1960s alumni gathering in Cedar Lake, Indiana

**September 2010, Cedar Lake, Indiana**

**Mitzi (Palmquist '64) and Luke '62 Schowalter** arranged for a group of alumni to stay at the Cedar Lake Bible Conference Center and hosted meals in their home. Throughout their three days of reminiscing and praying together, they also took various sight-seeing trips around the area, including a visit to Moody. The group included **Pat (Moore '66) and Bob Breuker '65 BSMT '66**, Tom and **Judy (Lewis '64) Kishbaugh**, Cheri and **Paul Klaassen '64**, **MaryAnn (Igrisan '64)** and Dale Lewis, **Mike ABS '64** and **Carolyn (Kooistra ABS '64) Somogyi**.

**October 2010, Chicago, Illinois**

While visiting Chicago, **Irene (Monteclaro BS '03) Phillips** and her husband Shay were able to reunite with friends after many years apart. They met with, at different times: **Benjamin BA '03** and **Emily (Edmonds BA '05) Rowe**, **Angela (Jones BA '04) Franklin**, **Sara Grace Jalandoni (current student)**, **Melissa (Dale BA '03)** and **Justin Bailey BA '02**, **Lisa (Crouch BA '03)** and **Sajid Chohan**.



Front: Sara Jalandoon, Melissa and Justin Bailey; Back: Shay and Irene Philips, Lisa and Sajid Chohan



Houghton Hall alumnae in Cookeville, Illinois

### November 23-26, 2010, Mexico

Each year the CAM Mexico missionaries gather for a conference. Each year the MBI alumni find one another and spend time reminiscing and talking about their current ministries. In November 2010 the alumni included: **Tim '89** and **Debbie (Smith '90) Blycker**, **Mark Boardwine BA '93**, **Kevin BA '97** and **Andrea (Magallon BA '98) Bult**, **Rod Fry ASP '90**, **Stu Grewatz '94**, **Beth (Phillips '65, BA '00) Hanna**, **Brian BA '95** and **Maryanne (Libby BA '95) Nancy**, **Bryan Smith '89**, and **Terry '81** and **Helen (Rego '81) Vanderwerf**.

### June 2010, Cookeville, Illinois

Six Houghton Hall alumnae gathered for a mini-reunion: **Cathy (Fuller '76) Morton**, a Social Security judge in Cleveland, Ohio; **Sherry (Spurlock '76) Schoenwald**, a homemaker in Tyler, Texas; **Dana (Hayden '79) Snyder**, a full-time homemaker in Indianapolis, Indiana; **Becky (Williams '76) Servi**, the Director of Children's Ministries at Calvary Baptist Church in Neenah, Wisconsin; **Carolyn (Newell '76) Covert**, the Director of Children's Ministry in Oak Hill, Virginia; and **Robin Jones '76**, the director of Office of Faith-Based & Community Initiatives in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.



Front: Beth Hanna, Tim and Debbie Blycker, Andrea Bult; Second row: Terry and Helen Vanderwerf, Maryanne Nancy, Rod Fry, Mark Boardwine, Kevin Bult; Back row: Brian Nancy, Stu Grewatz, Bryan Smith

## '00s

**Benjamin Uskert BSMT '05**, November 7, 2010, Sumatra, Indonesia.



Benjamin was a pilot and mechanic serving in Indonesia with MAF (Mission Aviation Fellowship) and was killed in a swimming accident.

He is survived by his wife Katie and their son, Jeremiah (4).

## '70s

**Sandra Jean Cook BA '76**, October 30, 2010, age 58, Naperville, Illinois.

Sandra was born and raised in Rochester, Illinois, and was a 1970 graduate of Freedom High School. She attended the Community College of Beaver County and later studied at Moody. Sandy was a devoted homemaker, a church daycare director, and junior high Sunday school teacher. She also served on her church's missions committee, worked with Child Evangelism Fellowship, and volunteered at the Green Harvest Food Pantry.

Sandra is survived by her mother, husband David, daughter and son-in-law.

**Dr. John (Jack) Kolenburg '70**, November 3, 2010, age 82.

Jack was born in Chicago in 1927. Jack was an Eagle Scout and served in the Army and the Air Force Reserve and later graduated from Wright Junior College. He attended MBI evening school in the 60s, graduating in 1970 and later serving with the MBI Correspondence School (Distance Learning) faculty in the late 70s. He was a member of the Chicago Journeyman Plumbers Local Union #130 for more than 50 years.

In middle age, Jack returned to school, earning a B.A. and M.A. in religious education from Zion Theological Seminary and a Doctorate of Theology from Berean Christian College. Dr. Kolenburg taught correspondence and evening school at Moody Bible Institute, and served as a chaplain for the Lightbearers and Chicago Alcoholic Treatment Center. He served in the pastorate at Mayfair Bible Church and Foster Avenue Baptist Church.

Jack was preceded in death by his wife **Joleene Kolenburg** (former MBI employee). He is survived by his two daughters, **Patricia (Kenneth '74) Perry** and Pamela Barden; three grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

**Linda (Wood '70) Lundeen**, December 10, 2010.

Linda married John Peter Lundeen on August 1, 1970. Most of Linda's life was spent in various forms of children and orphan outreach.

She is survived by her husband, three children, and eight grandchildren.

Linda (Wood)  
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## '60s

**Dr. Arthur Brazier '61**, October 22, 2010, age 89, Chicago, Illinois.

Bishop Brazier attended Moody and was honored with a Distinguished Service Award in 2001. Bishop Brazier was lead pastor of Apostolic Church of God for 48 years, helping grow the congregation to nearly 20,000 members. In the greater Chicago community, he is remembered for bringing Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., to the city in 1964 and helping start the Woodlawn Organization to shepherd his South Side community through racial conflict and neighborhood disorder.

**Daniel Kendal '60**, March 10, 2010, age 71, Alamo, Texas.

Daniel's father, **Frederick Kendal '28**, labored in Jewish ministry outreach and involved his family in Messianic congregations and Christian schooling at the same time. While at Moody, Daniel was involved in Send the Light (now Operation Mobilization) and, after graduating, married **Beverly (Wilkinson) '60** before they joined the Central American Mission (now CAM International) in 1963. They spent

17 years in Guatemala, where they focused on leadership training in rural churches. The Kendals also spent a number of years holding evangelistic campaigns with a team of missionaries in Guatemala and other countries of Central America.

They moved with their three daughters to Celaya in the state of Guanajuato, Mexico, in 1983. They moved to Texas in 1993, after establishing a church in Celaya, and helped with a new church plant. They later moved to North Carolina to work with another young church. After eight years there, Daniel and Beverly moved to central Mexico, teaming up with their children to nurture a church plant in San Juan del Rio.

Daniel also wrote many Bible studies and other materials in Spanish for pastors and Christian leaders ([www.obrerofiel.com](http://www.obrerofiel.com)). His autobiography, *70 Years of God's Loving Kindness*, published in 2008, has also been translated into Spanish.

Daniel is survived by his wife Beverly, three daughters, three sons-in-law and 12 grandchildren. His daughter, **Priscilla (Kendal) '86) Clark** and her husband **Ted Clark '85** are missionaries in Morelia, Michoacán, Mexico. His daughter, **Rachel (Kendal) '88) Reaser** and her husband **John Reaser '87** are serving in Mazatlán, Sinaloa, Mexico. His daughter, **Ruth (Kendal) '89) Yingling** and her husband **Scott Yingling '88** recently left Mexico for a year of home assignment and are living in Wills Point, Texas.



Larry Mayfield

**Larry Mayfield '64**, December 20, 2010, age 66, Brentwood, Tennessee.

Larry received his diploma from Moody in 1964 and went on to receive his B.Mus. in 1967, the first student to be awarded a degree from Moody. As a student, he joined the WMBI music staff as a pianist/organist and soon became the primary arranger for many radio shows, including *Sunday Nite Sing*, eventually becoming the music director. He married **Diane (Mays '67)** the day after they graduated. He earned a Master's in Music (trombone) from Roosevelt University Chicago Musical College and served as Minister of Music at Circle Church from 1968 to 1977. Larry and Diane eventually moved to Nashville, where they raised their four children.

His music career included work with 16 Singing Men, Billy Graham's Crusader Men, and the Day of Discovery Singers, as well as in many congregations in the Nashville area. He taught as an adjunct professor at Belmont University, Trevecca University, and Williamson Christian College. Throughout his music career he wrote music and arrangements for the Benson Company, Word, Brentwood Music, Provident, Lillenas, Gaither Music, Glory Sound, Shawnee Press, Hal

Leonard, Hope Publishing, LifeWay, Broadman Press, Lexicon, Re-Generation Music, Star Song, Good Life, Lorenz, FourMost, Zondervan, and Singspiration.

**Dan Rigney '67**, September 28, 2010, age 73, Stewartstown, Pennsylvania.

Born and raised in Baltimore, Dan graduated from Mergenthaler Vocational-Technical High School in 1954 and worked as an auto mechanic, later owning a Reisterstown gas station. He pursued a degree in Jewish studies from Moody and went on to work closely with Chosen People Ministries and Ariel Ministries.

Dan and his wife **Arlene (Physioc '68)** were dedicated to Jewish evangelism and discipleship and spent time in Chicago, San Francisco, New York, England, Italy, Germany, Russia, and Ukraine. They moved back to the States in 2004, where Dan taught at Camp Shoshanna, a youth camp for Messianic Jews, in the summers.

He is survived by his wife Arlene, a sister, and a nephew.

## '50s

**LaVerne (Mezner '53) Grizzel**, June 26, 2010, age 79, Toledo, Ohio.

LaVerne graduated from MBI and had ambitions to go to China as a missionary. When God closed the doors to missionaries entering China, she worked with insurance and real estate groups, cared for her mother, and was an administrative assistant at her church for 19 years. She also was a dedicated supporter of her two brothers, who were missionaries to Brazil.

**Irmgard (Wolf '54) Heath**, October 19, 2010, age 77, Barnstable, Massachusetts.

After graduating from Moody, Irmgard went on to attain her nursing degree from Springfield Hospital School of Nursing and worked there for 10 years. In June 1962, she married Archie Heath. They moved to Jupiter, Florida, in 1988 and later to Cape Cod in 2009 to be with family. Irmgard was an active member of her Baptist church, where she was the church organist for many years, sang in the choir, and taught in Sunday school, Awana Club, and vacation Bible school. Along with serving at church, her interests included walking, bicycling, reading, and traveling. She will best be remembered for devoting many hours of time listening to and encouraging family and friends in need.

Irmgard is survived by her husband, daughter, son-in-law, and grandson.

**Mary Jean (McKinley '51) Witter**, June 20, 2008.

Mary Jean grew up wanting to study at Moody, with many of her family members involved in Moody ministries and studies. After graduation, Mary Jean went on to complete her studies in Christian Education-Music at Bryan University. She was married to Alton Witter on August 24, 1954, in Pennsylvania, with the ceremony conducted by her father **James McKinley '17**, the pastor of their congregation. Soon after, they moved to Texas where her husband attended Dallas Theological Seminary. They ministered in several churches in Texas, where she was active in the children's and women's ministries.

## '40s

**Lillian (Snyder '43) Canterbury**, June 17, 2010, age 95, Port Townsend, Washington.

Lillian was born and raised in Port Townsend, Washington. While at Moody, she started a radio broadcast and sang with a ladies' trio on air and at hospitals. In 1948, she moved to Seattle to teach music and advise the glee club at Simpson Bible College. Through the 1950s, she worked as a secretary at a church in Bremerton, Washington, and then at the sanitation department in Port Townsend, Washington. She married a widower in 1957.

Lillian is survived by one daughter, four stepchildren, seven grandchildren, and four great-grandsons.



Eva Lodgaard

**Eva Lodgaard '41**, October 7, 2010, age 93, Hindman, Kentucky.

Eva served with Scripture Memory Mountain Mission since 1945.

Over the years, Eva taught Bible stories to thousands of children, first in small country schools and later in the consolidated schools. She conducted Bible classes for ladies and youth and also began Sunday schools in the Dry Creek and Rockfork communities. The Rockfork Sunday School grew into what is now the Rockfork Bible Church.

Eva was also very involved at Camp Nathanael. She taught Bible classes, led the handcraft program for a time, and served for several years as dining room hostess. She was largely responsible for beginning the popular senior citizens fellowships. She served on the Board of SMMM for many years, part of that time as Board secretary. Eva was also editor of SMMM's newsletter, *Light in the Hills*, for several years.

**Rev. Bernard Niekerk '49**, October 7, 2010, age 95, Stanton, Michigan.

Bernie was born in Iowa in 1915. He was a World War II Navy veteran by the time he began studies at Moody. Bernie married Ruth Jingst shortly after graduating in 1949. They went on to work with migrant workers in Bakersfield, California, and pastor churches in Iowa, Nebraska, and Michigan.

He is survived by his three children and their spouses and six grandchildren.

**Lizetta (Gerhardt '42) Williams**, September 10, 2010, age 94, St. Anne, Illinois

Lizetta took evening classes at Moody for five years and married **Reverend Marshall A. Williams '35**, 1989 Alumnus of the Year, in January 1943. Lizetta worked as a comptometer operator for Illinois Central Railroad in Chicago for ten years, while waiting for Marshall to finish college and seminary. Her ministry as a pastor's wife included serving congregations in Illinois and Michigan. Together she and Marshall directed the Bible Witness [Youth] Camp in 1955-2002. After Marshall's death in 2002, she continued ministry at the camp, which included writing newsletters, coordinating correspondence courses, and intercession. Earlier years

found her cooking countless meals in her home and in the camp kitchen, driving camp busses, sorting donations to distribute among the church, and mentoring people of all ages.

She was preceded in death by her husband, a daughter, and a brother. Lizetta is survived by three daughters, one son-in-law, 32 grandchildren, and 54 great-grandchildren. Of her lineage, 15 are Moody alumni.

## '30s

**Nelle (Vandenberg '32) Elvee Beachman**, September 7, 2010, Grand Rapids, Michigan.

Nelle attended MBI, met her first husband, **Dr. Richard Elvee**, and was married in 1933. Together they served in churches in Michigan, New York, Indiana, Minnesota, Arizona, and California. Dr. Elvee followed Billy Graham as President of Northwestern College. Nelle enjoyed her years as a minister's wife and was consistently involved with visiting and developing Sunday schools.

After the death of her husband, and while serving in the role of Christian Education Director at Grace Church, Nelle met a widower, Edwin Beachman. They were married in August 1972. In 1989 they retired to Sun City and became active members of Grace Bible Church. Ed and Nelle were married 25 years when he died in September 1977. In 2003 Nelle moved to Freedom Plaza.

She was preceded in death by her two husbands, two sisters, and a son-in-law. Nelle is survived by six children, ten grandchildren, fourteen great-grandchildren, and a sister.

**Irene (Sprunger '37) Rein**, October 6, 2010, Mason, Ohio.

Irene was born in Berne, Indiana, in 1913. She was a 1941 nursing graduate of The Christ Hospital School of Nursing, in Cincinnati, Ohio, and a 1948 graduate of the Teachers College – Columbia University, in Columbia, New York.

She was employed as a registered nurse and instructor of nursing at The Christ Hospital School and Queen's Hospital in Honolulu, Hawaii, and served as Senior Head Nurse at Cincinnati

General Hospital (now University of Cincinnati Hospital). Irene also taught as a public school substitute teacher in Clermont County, Ohio.

She married Herbert Rein in October 1949 and was the co-founder of the Bible Institute of Cincinnati in 1951. Irene was active in the East Fork Home-Makers Club, church Sunday school teaching, Child Evangelism Fellowship Bible clubs, and the local Bible Memory Association.

Irene is survived by her husband Herbert, two sons, and their wives.

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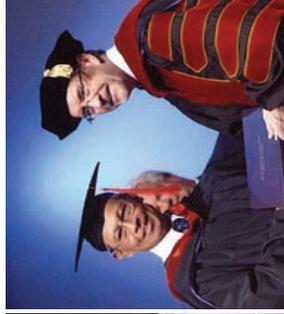
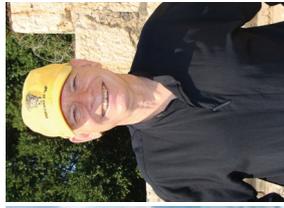
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