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From the Executive Director



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Dear friends,

I love when believers partner together, praying and working to achieve a goal. The results are exciting and God-glorifying.

In this issue, we've included several stories of Moody alumni and faculty who are working together for the cause of Christ. For example, two Moody alumni lead Russian Ministries, which recently sent evangelistic teams to major cities in Russia during the Winter Olympics. Five alumni from our seminary operate two growing counseling practices together. And 30 Moody faculty have collaborated in writing *The Moody Bible Commentary*, which alumni may purchase at a discount.

Spring marks a time of graduation, and we rejoice that more than 500 ministry-minded students graduated this May. Have you considered furthering your education through Moody Distance Learning? Let me encourage you to check out the new master's degree programs available to our alumni (see page 21).

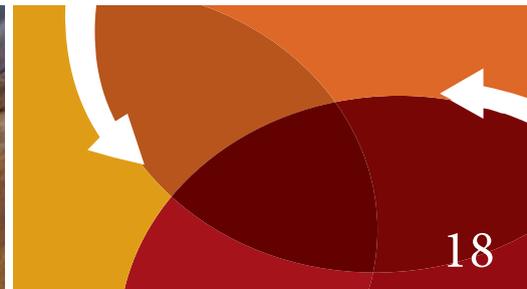
Summer will soon be here, so why not plan a visit to Moody Bible Institute in Chicago and drop by our new office on the first floor in Smith Hall? We'll update your information and assist you with securing an alumni photo ID.

Serving Christ together,

Nancy (Andersen '80) Hastings
Executive Director, Moody Alumni Association

On the cover: Russian students pose enthusiastically on Red Square in Moscow after Wally Kulakoff '88 of Russian Ministries (back row, third from left), and Pavel, the Russian director (in back, wearing a dark hat), gave each student a Gospel of John. "We are in front of Lenin's tomb giving the next Russian generation something their parents were denied," Wally says.

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Moody Introduces New Logo Design and Website



In February, Moody introduced a new logo design and website that reflect the uniqueness of Moody’s ministries.

The new symbols link each individual ministry to the Moody family as a whole. The two pillars on either side of the “M” represent our primary areas of expertise in education and media. Central to the symbol is the image of the “open book” representing the Word of God. The oval symbolizes Moody’s global ministry outreach and impact.

The design was developed at the end of a two-year, prayer-fueled project. A team was commissioned to examine the ways people perceive Moody today. They concluded that Moody is often best known for its individual ministries: Moody Bible Institute, Moody Radio, and Moody Publishers. They pursued answers to a key question: “Who is Moody as a whole?”

The study revealed that Moody is known by four distinctive traits:

1. We continue to be practical, compassionate pioneers.
2. We are a source of wise, approachable expertise.

3. We work best using relevant, effective collaboration.
4. We offer knowledge, clarity, and application of Scripture.

These traits represent Moody’s continuing legacy of equipping believers in God’s Word to impact the world for Christ. Moody also engages generations and cultures through new technology, social media, and global partnerships. Moody’s president, Dr. Paul Nyquist, says, “The truth of God’s Word remains our central, constant foundation, and we recognize that our world is rapidly changing. It is our responsibility to evaluate what God has called us to do and how we need to grow.”

As part of the project, the name Moody Global Ministries was developed to reference all of Moody’s ministries together in one family. The names Moody Bible Institute, Moody Theological Seminary, and Moody Distance Learning will continue to identify our educational ministries.

Explore the new website at www.moodyglobal.org where you will find helpful information, resources, and stories of God’s work through Moody’s ministries.

New Book by Alumna Features Eight Faithful Christian Women



Jamie (Storms '86) Janosz was curious about the story of Emma Dryer, for which Dryer Hall, one of Moody’s residence halls, was named. Her research soon turned

into a book, *When Others Shuddered: Eight Women Who Refused to Give Up* (2014, Moody Publishers).

The book tells the inspiring stories of eight turn-of-the-twentieth-century women—rich, poor, single, married, black, white—who followed God’s leading to meet a pressing need, whatever the cost, and impacted the world for Christ. Their lives intersected with each other and with D. L. Moody.

Emma Dryer, a single teacher who ministered to the urban poor after losing all her belongings in the Chicago Fire, had a major role in the formation of Moody Bible Institute, now 128 years

old. When Sarah Dunn Clarke founded Pacific Garden Mission in Chicago, D. L. Moody suggested the name for the Christian homeless shelter, which is still in operation today. Virginia Asher, a student at Moody, went into Chicago’s brothel district and prayed with women who had been pulled into prostitution. Continuing this legacy, Moody students today can major in Ministry to Victims of Sexual Exploitation. Mary McLeod Bethune, born to former slaves, attended Moody in 1894–1895. She started a school for African American girls in Florida that became Bethune Cookman College, and she worked as an advisor for two U.S. presidents.

“Sometimes we might think, my life is too hard and I can’t do anything,” says Jamie, content strategy manager at Moody Bible Institute in Chicago. “Yet I saw how God transformed each of these women through quiet obedience. That encouraged me.”

Alumnus Speaks at NRB on Moody’s Use of Social Media

Moody alumnus Chris Burdick '12, web marketing specialist at Moody Radio, was a featured speaker at the first NRB Digital Media Summit, a pre-conference event held on February 21, 2014, at the National Religious Broadcasters International Christian Media Convention in Nashville, Tennessee. The one-day summit, which attracted nearly 350 attendees, focused on social media and digital trends and included representatives from some of today’s most prominent platforms including Facebook™, Google™, Twitter™, and Instagram™.

During a 30-minute session, Chris, along with Noelle Bud, Moody’s social media specialist, discussed Moody’s use of digital and social media to expand our outreach and engage better with audiences. Examples range from offering *Today in the Word’s* devotional content on Facebook to running online adventure games like *The Global Trek* in 2013.

“Essentially, we are taking what Moody has always done in empowering people with biblical truth and using creative ways of moving that into the digital environment,” Chris says.

Snapshots from Founder’s Week 2014

More than 19,000 people from every state and 86 countries were spiritually challenged and edified at Moody’s 113th annual Founder’s Week Conference, February 3–7, 2014, in Chicago. In addition, 63,000 people viewed sessions online through video streaming. Conference speakers, including alumni **Wess Stafford ’70** and **Gary Chapman ’58**, delivered biblical messages based on the theme “Be Holy.”

Moody Bible Institute–Spokane held its Founder’s Conference February 23–24, with preaching by Rev. Charlie Dates, senior pastor of Progressive Baptist Church in Chicago. About 600 people attended.



Speakers at Founder’s Week in Chicago included Paul Nyquist, Leith Anderson ’65, Priscilla Shirer, Crawford Loritts, Jim Cymbala, and others.



In a tradition that started 20 years ago, more than 50 students and adults traveled from Cuyahoga Valley Christian Academy in Stow, Ohio, to attend Founder’s Week.



A Few Faces (left to right): Georgia Waters ’93 of Chicago, Jeff Chandler ’78 of Springfield, Massachusetts, with son Josh, class of 2014, and Mary (Stevens) ’74 Chester of Ontario, Canada, enjoyed the Founder’s Week festivities.

To see more pictures of alumni and class reunions, visit the Moody Alumni Flickr page at www.flickr.com/photos/moodyalumni.

2014 Alumnus of the Year Award—Harold Willmington

On Alumni Day, February 4, Dr. Harold Willmington, a 1955 graduate of Moody Bible Institute and dean of the Willmington School of the Bible at Liberty University, was named the 2014 Alumnus of the Year by Moody’s Alumni Association. “Dr. Willmington has served the Lord well and it’s our prayer that his ministry will continue to bear fruit for the glory of God,” said Nancy (Andersen ’80) Hastings, executive director of the Alumni Association.

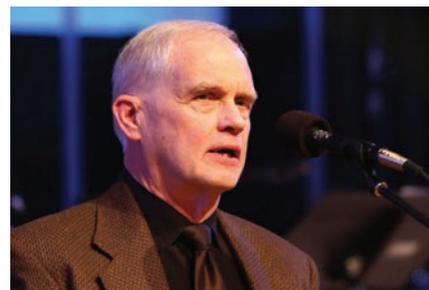
While teaching at Liberty University, Dr. Willmington compiled the bestselling *Willmington’s Guide to the Bible*. He has written 20 books and has also served as a contributing editor to several Bibles such as *The Topical Study Bible* and the *Daily Devotional Bible*. In 1976



Dr. Harold Willmington ’55

he helped co-found the Liberty Home Bible Institute with Dr. Jerry Falwell, a distance learning program that has trained more than 100,000 students around the world. At Dr. Falwell’s request, the name of the Institute was changed to the Willmington School of the Bible.

2014 Faculty Citation Award—Ronald Denison



Ronald Denison ’70

Ronald Denison, professor and administrator at the Music department of Moody Bible Institute, received the 2014 Faculty Citation Award on February 4. “For more than 25 years, Ron has played a significant role in the lives of students who are preparing to serve the Lord through music ministry,” said Cynthia Uitermarkt, chair and

professor of music in the undergraduate school at Moody. “The ability to make complex theoretical topics understandable, while communicating love for the Lord and love for people, makes Ron a most worthy recipient of this award.”

He taught at Moody from 1971 to 1975, then returned in 1990 to help plan ensemble tours as the assistant to the director of the Music department. Since 1994, he has taught second-year Music Theory and has served as the executive producer of Moody’s Candlelight Carols.

He received a diploma from Moody in 1970, along with a B.Mus. and M.Mus. from the American Conservatory. In addition to teaching, he has served as a minister of music, conductor, pianist, and arranger. Currently, he is the pianist at his home church in Oak Lawn, Illinois.

Moody Bible Institute Names New General Counsel



Janet Stiven joined Moody Bible Institute as the new vice president and general counsel in January 2014. She replaced Elizabeth Brown, who retired after more than 30 years at Moody.

“Janet’s extensive experience in a wide range of legal activities and her strong character are an excellent fit for Moody’s ministries,” said Dr. Paul Nyquist, president of Moody Bible Institute.

Stiven comes to Moody from the Chicago office of Dykema, a national firm with more than 350 lawyers. She brings more than 25 years’ experience as United States general corporate counsel for a diverse group of U.S. and multinational clients. Stiven has a strong background in technology law, particularly the legal implications related to technology use in business

operations and the legal issues related to cloud computing and associated privacy and cyber security considerations.

She holds a Juris Doctor degree from DePaul University College of Law and a Bachelor of Arts in Speech Communications from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.

While leading the legal department and serving as a member of Moody’s executive team, she oversees all legal matters of the organization, including contracts, regulatory compliance, employment matters, corporate governance, real estate, and litigation.

“My life has been positively impacted as a long-time Moody Radio listener,” says Stiven. “I am excited for the opportunity to use my legal experience to serve at Moody.”

Stiven and her husband, Bernie, have been married for 26 years and have two adult children.

Students Serve During Spring Break

Moody students used their spring break in March to minister in the Philippines, England, Florida, Oklahoma, Haiti, and India during trips sponsored by the Practical Christian Ministries (PCM) department. Students served with churches and ministries through Bible studies, vacation Bible school, sports camps, homeless ministries, and other activities.

“We go to some of the same locations every spring, which builds beneficial relationships,” says **Unity (Oliveria ’97) Ostaycamp**, PCM coordinator. She has led all but one of Moody’s 11 trips to England, where students lead the

worship services and ministries of Formby Baptist Church for two weeks. “Students discover what things they are good at and what gifts God has given them,” she says.

Moody’s four music ensembles also toured nationally and internationally. The Men’s Choir traveled to India, singing in churches, Bible colleges, and schools in conjunction with the 50th anniversary of the Indian Evangelical Mission (IEM). “It was an honor for Moody Bible Institute to be identified with IEM, which was founded and is led by Indian evangelicals,” says music professor **H. E. Singley III ’71**.

Dr. Tony Evans Honored with Robert Neff Award



Dr. Tony Evans, whose daily Moody Radio program, *The Alternative with Dr. Tony Evans*, is heard on more than 500 stations in 40 countries, was honored by Moody

Radio with the Robert Neff Award. The award was inspired by the ministry of former Moody Radio vice president of Broadcasting **Robert Neff ’62** to honor those who have demonstrated “Distinguished Spiritual Excellence in Religious Broadcasting.” An award

reception was held for Dr. Evans on February 24 at the National Religious Broadcasters’ International Christian Media Convention and Exposition in Nashville, Tennessee.

Dr. Evans is the founder and president of The Urban Alternative, a national ministry dedicated to restoring hope in personal lives, families, churches, and communities. Bestselling author of more than 50 books, Dr. Evans has served as senior pastor of Oak Cliff Bible Fellowship in Dallas, Texas, for more than 34 years.

Moody Week AT MARANATHA

SATURDAY, JUNE 28 – FRIDAY, JULY 4

Attend the alumni reception on Sunday, June 29, 4:00 p.m., at the Maranatha Bible and Missionary Conference in Muskegon, Michigan. Enjoy the sandwich buffet (\$12) at 5:30 p.m. and stay for the biblical teaching of Moody’s president, Dr. Paul Nyquist, at the 7:00 p.m. evening session. RSVP for the reception at 312-329-4412 or email mbialum@moody.edu.

Stay all week to hear Pastor Chris Brooks and Dr. Eric Moore of Moody Theological Seminary—Michigan. Visit www.vacationwithpurpose.com to register for the week.

Distinguished Service Award: Patrick Neff

A Distinguished Service Award was presented to **Patrick Neff '90** at Palm West Community Church in Sun City West, Arizona, on November 24, 2013. Pat and his wife, Ruth, serve as the national representatives of the Friends of Israel Gospel Ministry.

Dr. Charlie Dyer, Moody Radio host of *The Land and the Book*, made the presentation on behalf of the Moody Alumni Association for Pat's more than 30 years of faithful service to the Lord. Pastor Bruce Schipul, senior pastor at Palm West, read a letter from current Alumni Board member **Dr. David Gallagher '67**, who initiated the nomination.

Pat was raised on a Michigan dairy farm and received Jesus as his Savior at age 17. His high school sweetheart, Ruth, was saved at an evangelistic meeting. Pat earned a bachelor's degree in Religious Education from a Baptist college in 1974 and a Master of Arts in Ministry from Moody Graduate School (now Moody Theological Seminary) in 1990.

Over 32 years, Pat served as the pastor of three churches, the last 25 as senior pastor of Porter Baptist Church in Constantine, Michigan. While serving there, Pat and Ruth developed a deep love and burden for the Jewish people.

A turning point for Pat came after the terrorist attacks on the World Trade Center on September 11, 2001. Knowing that terrorism is a daily concern for the people of Israel, he felt prompted to write a letter of concern and prayer support to several rabbis. The response was overwhelming. He began visiting Jewish rabbis and speaking to Jewish people.



Ruth and Patrick Neff '90

Over the next four years, as representatives from the Friends of Israel spoke in the church he pastored, he sensed God calling him to Jewish ministries. In 2005, he joined the staff of the Friends of Israel in their Church Ministry department, organizing "Thank God for Israel" gatherings and representing Christ through his deep compassion for the Jewish people. He graciously shares his faith and has seen some Jewish people come to believe in Jesus the Messiah.

Pat and Ruth live near Phoenix, Arizona, representing the ministry to the rapidly growing Jewish population in the Southwestern states. They have four daughters and ten grandchildren.

The Alumni Association honors select graduates who have distinguished themselves through faithfulness to the Lord, perseverance in service, and contribution to the cause of Christ. To nominate alumni for this award, contact mbialum@moody.edu.

Sweeting Named Fellow of the Centennial Institute



Dr. Donald Sweeting '76, alumnus of Moody Bible Institute and a Moody Publishers' author, was named fellow of the Centennial Institute at Colorado Christian

University (CCU) last October. The institute is a think tank that sponsors research, events, and publications to enhance understanding of important issues relating to faith, family, and freedom facing Colorado and the nation.

Sweeting, the son of former Moody president **Dr. George Sweeting '45**, is president of Reformed Theological Seminary in Orlando, Florida. With degrees from Oxford University and

a Ph.D. from Trinity Evangelical Divinity School, Sweeting is a policy advisory board member of the Centennial Institute, assisting with writing, speaking, research, teaching, outreach, and strategic planning. For his area of policy specialization, he serves as a fellow in contemporary thought.

He serves on the boards for both the National Association of Evangelicals and Colorado Christian University. He also serves on the executive committee of the Fellowship of Evangelical Seminary Presidents. Sweeting has published several books with Moody Publishers, including *Acts of God*, *Lessons from the Life of Moody*, and *How to Finish the Christian Life* (coauthored with his father).

Moody Publishers Acquires Publisher of A.W. Tozer

In a landmark moment in its 117-year history, Moody Publishers has acquired WingSpread Publishers, the publishing division of parent company Zur, Ltd. Of the 138 titles acquired by Moody Publishers, 57 were written by pastor and prolific author A.W. Tozer, including inspirational classics such as *The Pursuit of God*. In fact, WingSpread, the current name of the division, is taken from the title of one of Tozer's books.

The WingSpread division started as a missionary periodical in 1880 under the name *The Gospel in All Lands*. The company, which expanded and developed a line of Christian publications and books, today has an extensive backlist of titles.

"We recognize this is a great opportunity for our authors to engage with one of the leading Christian

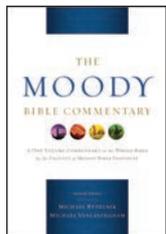
publishers," said Raymond Paton, vice president of operations for Zur, Ltd. "We are certain Moody Publishers will carry on our legacy of printed Christian publications with impeccable integrity."

After signing the contract on November 4, 2013, **Greg Thornton '81**, senior vice president of Media at Moody Bible Institute, said, "Moody Publishers was honored to be approached by WingSpread with this opportunity, and it will be our great joy to continue the widest possible distribution of these life-changing messages from A.W. Tozer and others."

The newly acquired WingSpread titles will now be integrated into the Moody Publishers' Spiritual Life and Ministry Team led by **Duane Sherman '06**, associate publisher. Sales of the former WingSpread titles will continue to be available at bookstores and online.

Alumni special!
30% off!

Moody Faculty Collaborate to Create *The Moody Bible Commentary*



The Moody Bible Commentary, a great resource for gleaming truth from God's Word, also captures the biblical teaching of some favorite Moody professors in one volume.

General editors **Michael Rydelnik '77**, professor of Jewish Studies, and **Michael Vanlaningham**, professor of Bible, assigned a different book of the Bible to 30 faculty members who then authored sections of the commentary. Together, the Moody faculty produced a quality Bible resource tool that will be a tremendous help to teachers, pastors, missionaries, and lay people in their study of God's Word.

Rydelnik said the motivation for the project was to create a commentary that would help people develop a broader context and deeper understanding in their study of Scripture. "I've always felt that to understand the Bible and start reading it, people need a clear explanation," he says.

Moody faculty members commented on what this project has meant to them:

Dr. John Goodrich '03, assistant professor of Bible

"The project was meaningful to me because of the way it brought so many Moody faculty together to contribute to a single project. The commentary is truly a product of Moody."

Dr. David L. Woodall, professor of New Testament and Greek, Bible, and Theology Department chair, Moody Theological Seminary

"I've been teaching the Corinthian letters for over a decade, and *The Moody Bible Commentary* gave me the opportunity to explain the Word beyond the classroom so that others might understand it better and live its message."

Dr. David Finkbeiner, chair and professor of Theology

"For me the best part of doing the commentary (on Proverbs in particular) was the opportunity to study the book in more detail than I had ever done before. In doing so, I have been constantly reminded that wisdom is a lifelong project and well worth the effort."

Dr. John F. Hart, professor of Bible/ New Testament and Greek

"The privilege of contributing to a project that may minister to pastors and lay leaders for years to come is astounding. With the Moody name and the caliber of our professors who contributed, this resource will be sought out for a long time."

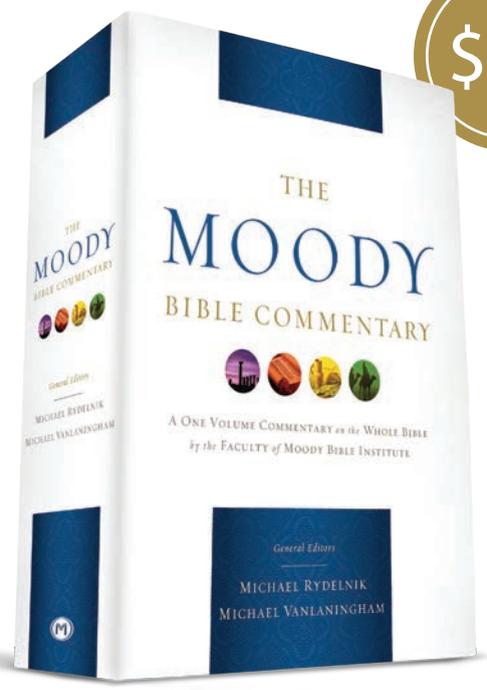
Dr. John Koessler, chair and professor, Pastoral Studies

"One of the first commentaries I owned was the one-volume *Wycliffe Bible Commentary* published by Moody. I am so pleased to be a part of this new project, which features the scholarship of Moody Bible Institute faculty."

For more information or to purchase a copy of *The Moody Bible Commentary*, visit www.shopmoodypublishers.com.

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TO RUSSIA WITH GOD'S LOVE

TWO MOODY ALUMNI TRAIN YOUNG RUSSIANS TO
REACH THEIR OWN PEOPLE



Above: Russian Ministries' Wally Kulakoff '88 and two students from School Without Walls share the gospel in Moscow. Right: Students from School Without Walls witness in a village near Sochi during the Winter Olympics.



In May 1990, Sergey Rakhuba '95 and five other young pastors from the Soviet Union stood on the platform of Torrey-Gray Auditorium in front of a thousand pastors during Pastors' Conference. Joseph Stowell, then president of Moody Bible Institute, introduced the "young Christian heroes" who had come to study at Moody. He said how privileged Moody was to give them the opportunity to prepare for ministry so they could take the gospel to the Russian people.

"That's when everyone jumped up," Sergey recalls. "We were shocked by the nonstop standing ovation."

Raised in a communist country without a Bible school or evangelical seminary, Sergey never imagined he would come to the United States and attend the school founded by D. L. Moody, whose biography he had read as a child. "My dad gave it to me," he remembers. "It was hand-printed and mimeographed and distributed secretly."

Sergey, who grew up in the only Christian family in his Ukrainian town, remembers being mocked at school by his atheist teachers and "treated like a leper" by his peers. As a teen, he rebelled against his Christian upbringing and came home late one night to overhear his parents crying by their bedside, praying to God on his behalf. After a restless night, he went with them to church the next day, Easter Sunday, and committed his life to Christ at age 16.

To Moody and Back to Russia

Another 15 years passed, including two years in the Soviet Army, before he was able to leave the Soviet Union to study at Moody, a dream come true. "I am so grateful. The spiritual impact was great. Moody helped me lay the foundation for my future ministry," he says.

In 1991, the Soviet Union was dissolved and a new era of religious freedom began. Sergey, who studied International Ministries and Evangelism at Moody, returned with his wife and children to Moscow, Russia, in 1995. He began working with Peter Deyneka Jr., the man most responsible for getting him and the other five Russian men into Moody.

When Peter founded Peter Deyneka Russian Ministries (its affiliate inside Russia is called the Association for Spiritual Renewal), Sergey helped organize the ministry by recruiting and hiring all of its national workers. Russian Ministries trained church planters who planted more than 1,000 evangelical churches across the former Soviet Union. "We enjoyed the freedom that suddenly came—freedom to preach the gospel, to evangelize people, to start new churches, to bring in Bibles," Sergey explains.

Bible schools and seminaries began to spring up in Russia, yet a new crisis was developing. "About eight years ago, we realized a gap was growing between the older generation and the younger generations," he says. With the rise of consumerism and materialism in Russia, fewer young Russian Christians were pursuing ministry.

To make matters worse, Russia pushed out all foreign missionaries and agencies about five years ago. Who would equip the next generation of church leaders? Russian Ministries began the School Without Walls (SWW), a non-traditional, church-based program for Russian young people that now has 2,500 students who meet in 65 regional locations in 12 countries across the former Soviet Union. Its students and graduates are equipped to use their spiritual gifts and abilities to creatively engage communities through sports and Bible camps, Christmas gift

programs, visits to prisons and orphanages, workplace evangelism, and ministries to unreached people in remote areas.

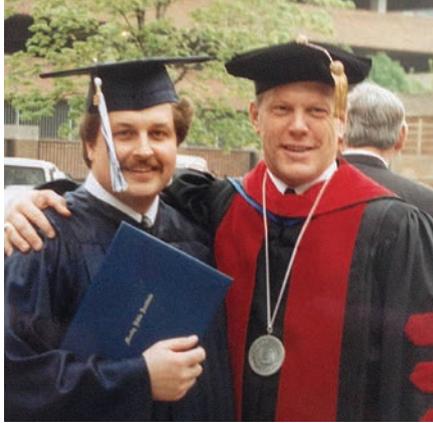
“We train students to be true leaders so that if there’s religious persecution or economic difficulties or political struggles and turbulence, they will still be there,” says Sergey, who became the president of Russian Ministries in 2010.

With ethnic conflicts and persecution of Christians on the rise, Sergey established a new initiative in 2012 to provide advocacy for persecuted Christians. Russian Ministries also encourages national adoption and orphan care in Russia, especially since U.S. adoption of Russian orphans was banned several years ago.

Winter Olympics Outreach

While suicide bombings and Islamist terrorist threats put Russia on high alert leading up to the February Winter Olympics, Sergey was working with partnering organizations to print 650,000 copies of Scripture and gospel literature for distribution in 21 major Russian cities. Nearly 500 local evangelical churches across the former Soviet Union joined forces with Russian Ministries to become “fan zones” for the community during the games. They purchased and aired live Olympic events on large cable television screens, then shared the gospel and offered evangelistic literature.

During the Olympics, vice president and Moody alumnus **Wally Kulakoff '88** traveled to five major cities in the dangerous Northern Caucasus with two evangelistic teams from the United States and Russia. He worked with SWW students and graduates to distribute Russian/English editions



Sergey Rakhuba '95 with then Moody president Joseph Stowell, 1995

of the gospel of John as well as New Testaments and other literature.

Wally, who graduated from Moody in 1988 with a master’s in Christian Ministries, credits his Moody training with helping him develop leadership training programs and workshops for evangelical Christians in the former Soviet Union. A former radio broadcasting missionary to Russia, he says, “Moody gave me the boldness to step out and do programs that the church was interested in.” Recently he received an honorary doctorate from the seminary of the Evangelical Baptist Union of Ukraine. “It wouldn’t have happened without Moody, I assure you,” says Wally, who is married with two grown children.

Despite growing challenges such as Muslim hostility toward Christians in the former Soviet Union, Sergey and Wally are passionate about Russian Ministries’ mission to train and equip young Christians to reach their homeland for Christ. “The hope of Russia is in the hands of this next generation of Christian leaders who will bring the transformational gospel into their communities, families, and the entire nation,” Sergey says. “I believe this is God’s vision for us.”

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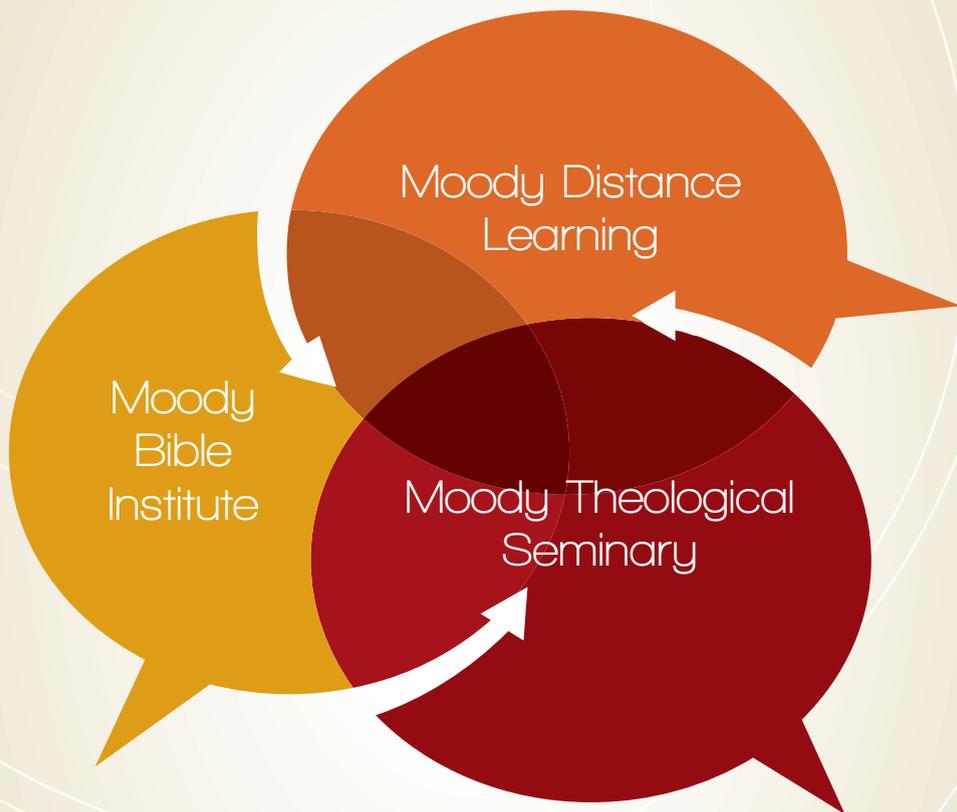
WITH DAVID PLATT

RADICAL WITH DAVID PLATT, a half-hour national teaching program, airs daily on Moody Radio. Bestselling author, sought-after conference speaker, and pastor, David Platt brings to each program solid, passionate Bible teaching aimed at equipping and mobilizing Christians to make disciples among the nations so that the Lord receives the glory due His name.

Current or past programs of *Radical with David Platt* are available at www.radicalwithdavidplatt.org.



Moody Integrates Faculty to Better Serve Students



In 2011, Moody began a strategic move to integrate the faculty of its undergraduate, seminary, and distance learning schools with positive results. The integration has led to collaboration on curriculum and the creation of new programs and courses aimed at better equipping today's students and alumni to serve Christ.

"We wanted to design seamless programs where we were not repeating material but actually building on each other's work; that was the motivation for integrating faculty," says Junias Venugopal, provost and dean of Education.

B.A./M.A. in Pastoral Ministry

One result is the five-year Bachelor of Arts/Master of Arts (B.A./M.A.) in Pastoral Ministry, first offered in fall 2012. The fully accredited degree, developed through a grant from the Kern Family Foundation, integrates undergraduate curriculum with seminary requirements. It allows current Moody Bible Institute students to begin taking courses from Moody Theological Seminary in their fourth year of study. Students save time and tuition costs as they complete their bachelor's degree and then a master's degree in as little as one additional year. It also allows Moody alumni who graduated with a B.A. in Pastoral Ministry to return for a fifth year of study toward a master's degree. About 80 students are currently enrolled in the program.

The details of the combined B.A./M.A. curriculum were worked out in weekly meetings comprised of the undergraduate Pastoral Studies department of Moody Bible Institute, two faculty members from Moody Theological Seminary in Chicago, and a faculty member from Moody Distance Learning. Pastoral faculty from Moody Bible Institute in Spokane, Washington, and Moody Theological Seminary in Plymouth, Michigan, also attended via LifeSize technology or Skype.

"When faculty from each school are in a room together, it gives everyone a chance to speak about what's working

well or what the goal of a class should be," says Ryan Cook, B.A./M.A. program director. From this collaboration, the B.A./M.A. program created three new graduate courses to benefit pastoral students: The Theology and Practice of Congregational Worship, History of the Care of Souls, and Contemporary Issues in Pastoral Ministry. These pastoral studies courses clearly advance upon the training students had in their undergraduate degree program.

M.A., Intercultural and Urban Studies

The Master of Arts, Intercultural and Urban Studies (M.A.[IUS]), was redesigned to allow students to do focused ministry research that serves local communities, churches, parachurch ministries, and mission organizations. Andy Pflederer, program head for the M.A.[IUS], received input from undergraduate faculty so that the M.A. builds on the undergraduate missions curriculum at Moody. The redesigned program allows Moody graduates advanced standing credit so there is no redundancy and the M.A. can be completed in a year. Alumni who have experience in the field and would like to give focused attention to an issue they have encountered—with the support of the seminary community—are invited to inquire about this program.

Intercultural Studies Department

Integration enabled the Undergraduate Missions and Evangelism department to change its name to match the seminary's Intercultural Studies department. "Some of our graduates are TESOL (Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages) majors who are going to 'closed' countries," says Tim Sisk, professor and chair of the Intercultural Studies department.



Dr. John Koessler (left) leads an integrated faculty meeting with the help of telephone and LifeSize technology.

Having a degree transcript that says “missions major” made it difficult for students to enter countries whose governments restrict or forbid Christian workers. “We’re not trying to hide who we are, but we wanted to highlight that our TESOL majors are professionals,” he says. Similarly, Jewish Studies majors had difficulty gaining admission to graduate schools in Israel.

Another result of integration was to move the modern foreign language teachers of French, Spanish, and German from the Communications department into the Intercultural Studies department, which houses the language-related TESOL and Applied Linguistics majors. “This gives us some momentum for how to spur language learning on the campus in a better way,” Sisk says.

Collaboration with Moody Distance Learning

Dr. John Koessler, chair of the department of Pastoral Studies, is excited about how integration helps Moody consider both traditional and nontraditional students and stay relevant with the times. “We have a wonderful opportunity for developing new programs and thinking about contexts where we can resource the

church with our ministry of education,” he says. For example, Moody Distance Learning, in conjunction with **Dr. Pam (Kistler ’79) MacRae** and the Pastoral Studies department, began offering a free MOOC (Massive Open Online Course) this spring that introduces online students to the global crisis of sexual exploitation.

Moody Distance Learning, previously a department of Moody Bible Institute, was made a third school of Moody Bible Institute in fall 2013. Along with hiring two new faculty dedicated to serving adult students, the school has redesigned the curriculum for the B.S. in Biblical Studies and the B.S. in Ministry Leadership. Both of these degrees are also available as degree completion programs through part-time evening classes on Moody’s Chicago campus. Students can transfer up to 80 hours of previous college coursework into the program, finishing in about two years. New for fall 2014, graduate students can earn an M.A. in Christian Leadership (including personalized leadership coaching) or an M.A. in Bible Exposition (with integrated Logos Bible Software training).

To receive more information about any of these programs, please visit www.moody.edu/moodyalumni.



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Ryan Delvecchio '08, Debbie Little '06, and Rick Janka '07 began Solid Ground Counseling in 2008. They opened a second location in 2011.



MTS-MICHIGAN GRADS SERVE TOGETHER AS COUNSELORS

Solid Ground Counseling, a Christian counseling practice with two centers in Plymouth and South Lyon, Michigan, has close ties to Moody Theological Seminary-Michigan. Five of its seven licensed partners are graduates of the Master of Arts in Counseling Psychology program.

Together, Rick Janka '07, Ryan Delvecchio '08, Debbie Little '06, Tara Reed '08, and Kimberly Cooper '08 combine their Christian faith and training to serve as God's instruments to help bring hope and help to hurting people. Stacey Gerhart and Kim Voyer recently joined the staff after serving yearlong internships at Solid Ground.

Rick Janka, Solid Ground's clinical director, is grateful to MTS-Michigan for helping him fulfill his call to counseling.

"I had a desire to have a Christian background balanced with psychology," Rick says. "MTS had that balance. They really taught the students how to use principles from Christianity and psychology to help people heal."

Rick's close friend Ryan Delvecchio, co-founder of Solid Ground, pursued biblical counseling and psychology in college and then looked to his friend for advice about graduate school. Rick highly recommended MTS-Michigan. Ryan liked the intimacy of the small class size at MTS-Michigan and that he could work full time to support his family while taking classes at night.

After completing their studies, Ryan and Rick opened Solid Ground in the fall of 2008, soon bringing MTS-Michigan graduate Debbie Little on board. In December 2011, they opened a second location in South Lyon, near Ann Arbor.

The counselors give credit to MTS-Michigan Counseling Program Director Dr. John Restum for the depth of his experience as a counselor and his practical, faith-steeped teaching. In particular, they note the importance of being mentored by a professor who is active in private clinical practice and

can offer advice about relating to clients and running a counseling practice.

Every course in the Counseling Psychology program, from research methods and assessment to Marriage and Family, Integrated Psychology, and Group Therapy, comes into play daily in Solid Ground's practice. They also appreciated the hands-on practicum course, supervised by Dr. Restum, which allowed them to work in the field as counselors.

"The program was tailored to incorporate our faith; we were trained to use the Word of God effectively," Ryan says. "Also, Dr. Restum and Dr. Jim Wood are well connected here in southeast Michigan, so we got to start networking early and fellowship with people who would open doors for us."

Moody training also opens doors, he adds. "It says a lot about character, integrity, discipline. And hopefully, churches and other ministries in the area don't have to worry about our worldview or whether we are going to handle God's Word carelessly or cautiously. Some of the bigger local churches are our best referral sources."

The Solid Ground counselors share a strong enthusiasm for their work. "When I see a client growing and changing and God using a vessel like me to help them, it just blows my mind," Debbie says. "It's just such fulfillment."

Ryan agrees. "Our passion in life is to serve God well and to help bridge that gap between people who are hurting and the love of the Lord," he says. "We don't change lives here. God changes people's lives through us, and we just want to help make that connection."

TEACHING TRUTH REACHING YOUTH

MOODY LAUNCHED DANN SPADER INTO GLOBAL
YOUTH TRAINING MINISTRY



Dann Spader '75, alumnus and author of *Walking as Jesus Walked* (Moody Publishers), credits Moody Bible Institute with launching him into ministry. But his strong relationship with Moody almost ended before it began.

Dann was a new Christian when he applied to Moody in 1971, but the admissions counselor told him Moody accepted only students who had been Christians for at least a year. Dann's disappointment was short-lived, however. After briefly serving alongside Campus Crusade for Christ (now Cru), he was able to enter Moody in 1972.

One of 16 children in a South Dakota family, Dann had trusted Christ in engineering school when one of his fraternity brothers shared the gospel with him. The two of them began sharing the gospel with the whole fraternity, and soon 10 more guys were saved. After that school year, Dann participated in a Cru summer project in New Jersey. While there, one of the work teams found an old issue of *Moody Monthly* in the wall of a room they were demolishing. When Dann read it and saw that Moody was tuition-paid, he figured it must be God's will for him to attend.

Dann learned quickly at Moody. After his first semester, he took a part-time youth pastor position at a church. Meanwhile, a course on the book of John under Stan Gundry "turned my view upside down," he says. Gundry explained that Jesus' disciples could have been teens themselves. What a model of youth ministry! The course set his heart toward learning and emulating the life of Christ, a pattern that has shaped his ministry ever since.

After he graduated from Moody in 1975, Dann became youth pastor at Chicago's Judson Baptist Church. In

four years, his ministry, called Sonlife—modeled after the life of Christ—grew from a few dozen students to nearly 200. Dann started training other local youth pastors and then was asked to bring Sonlife's ministry into Moody's Practical Christian Ministry program. "Without Moody and [former president] **George Sweeting '45**, Sonlife probably wouldn't have gotten off the ground," he says.

Sonlife kept growing and making a national impact with conferences and seminars. In 1990, with the blessing of Moody, Sonlife became independent, providing discipleship training to 20,000 youth leaders across the country.

Sonlife impacted tens of thousands of youth and youth pastors through training materials, SEMP (Sonlife Evangelistic Missions Project) conferences, and training seminars. At one point Sonlife was holding 300 seminars a year for pastors and church leaders across North America as well as eight to ten youth conferences. The ministry even sent staff to Europe and Latin America to oversee expansion in those areas, including some countries closed to the gospel.

Besides directing Sonlife, Dann currently serves as the president of Global Youth Initiative. This alliance of more than 30 organizations in 90 countries is committed to reaching and mobilizing young people for the cause of Christ. In addition, he serves as a training consultant on disciple-making at Southeast Christian Church in Louisville, Kentucky. His passion for connecting young people to Jesus and making disciples is as strong as ever.

Dann and his wife, **Charlene (Blair '75)**, the daughter of missionaries who were also Moody alums, have been married for 34 years. They have three daughters, all involved in ministry.



Don MacKay '87 took this picture of his team rebuilding a church in Tacloban City, Philippines.

After the Storm: Alumnus Sees God's Hand in Typhoon Relief Efforts



When Typhoon Haiyan struck the Philippines on November 8, 2013, the winds were 3.5 times as strong as Hurricane Katrina. **Don MacKay '87**,

the campus pastor at Faith Academy in Manila for the last 18 years, witnessed the devastation on the news from Wheaton, Illinois, where he and his wife, Kristen, were on a yearlong home assignment. As the death toll rose and millions waited for relief, Don began raising support and a team to go to the heart of the damaged area and help.

"It was really cool how God put it all together," says Don. "It's nothing I could have orchestrated." In less than five weeks, God's people gave \$25,000 toward the relief efforts, and four men committed to the trip. One was a mentor from church, another a 2002 Faith Academy alumnus, the third a

teacher at Faith Academy, and the last was Don's brother-in-law, **Steve Clark '91**.

"God really glued us together, and we worked hard," Don says.

Tacloban City, about a 45-minute flight southeast of Manila, was one of the areas hardest hit by the massive storm. "The devastation was overwhelming," Don recalls.

One of Don's former coworkers at Faith Academy had developed some close relationships with city officials and church leaders in Tacloban City. As a result, Don's team was able to get into the city and connect to Kalipayan Baptist Church, which lost its roof and part of a wall. With the help of local believers, they added a roof and about 300 square feet to the church in just eight days. The donated money allowed the team to purchase supplies and bring power tools to help future teams who will continue restoration work in the area.

Don says his team saw God do more than just physical rebuilding in the Philippines. When Andrew, a man from England, saw news footage of a man carrying a dead baby girl after the typhoon, he felt compelled to go help. Leaving behind a life of daily marijuana use, bar fights, and jail time, he sold his main possession, a laptop, to buy a ticket to the Philippines. Not knowing what he would do or where he would stay, he boarded the plane and met Kevin, a member of Don's team. Kevin invited Andrew to join them in the work. While in Tacloban, Andrew stayed in a tent with Joseph, a laborer from Manila, who shared the gospel with him. Andrew asked Jesus to save him and be his Lord. Now back in England, Andrew is working to rebuild his life.

Another story is that of Pastor Rey, a Filipino pastor who was sucked out the door of his coastal house as the storm surged. Battling his way past swimming cobras and other obstacles,

he managed to cling to a tree. Tragically, he saw the body of his brother float by and later found the bodies of his father and 18-month-old child. His wife and infant daughter have not been found. Yet Pastor Rey connected with the people at Kalipayan Baptist church and participated in rebuilding.

One day Don heard Pastor Rey softly singing, "On Christ the solid rock I stand, all other ground is sinking sand." Don was amazed. That young pastor had lost everything, yet he clung to Jesus and kept serving His church.

The infrastructure in the Philippines is still broken, and many people still lack electricity, Don says. Mission organizations in the Philippines (such as First Love, Samaritan's Purse, the International Mission Board, and others) need financial and prayer support. The MacKays, whose son, David, is a communications student at Moody, look forward to returning to their ministry in the Philippines this June.

Undergraduate School

2010s

Kristin K. Walberg '12 is working full time as a nanny, taking care of two children, which gives her a unique opportunity to influence them positively and share Christ. She is currently seeking the Lord for what might be the next step for her. She is passionate about youth and inner city ministry and is waiting to see where God leads, whether in Washington, D.C. or elsewhere.

Kristin is a part of Capitol Hill Baptist Church in Washington, D.C., and expresses how the encouragement and accountability that comes from committing to a local body of believers has been a blessing to her in this time of transitioning to a new season of life.

2000s



John E. Knight

John E. Knight '09 joined the College of Biblical Studies, Houston, Texas, as senior vice president of Enrollment Management and Distance Learning on July 1, 2013. "My years at Moody, the city of Chicago, and 25 years in senior leadership positions have clearly prepared me and my family for this exciting opportunity."

In addition to earning an M.Div. in Pastoral Studies from Moody, he

holds an M.B.A. in Strategic Market Management, an M.A. in Applied Mathematics, and a B.S. in Math and Physics. He is a Doctoral Candidate for an Ed.D. in Higher Education and Organization Change.

John served five years at Moody, leading the design and implementation of the undergraduate and graduate online and non-traditional programs, as well as leading tours to Israel. Prior to Moody, he was appointed the Commissioner of the Chicago's Mayor Richard M. Daley in 2005. He helped build the first Troubled Building Program, designed to eliminate crime in vacant buildings.

John's wife, Leah, is a medical practitioner in the Sugar Land area where they live with their two daughters.

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Sean Pickett '07 received the Emerald Award from Northwestern Mutual McTigue Financial Group in July, 2013, at their annual meeting in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. He received the award based on an outstanding year of helping clients achieve financial security. The executive vice president of Northwestern Mutual, Todd M. Schoon, said, "We're proud of financial professionals like Sean who are helping so many people develop plans to achieve financial security."

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Sean Pickett



Paula Hendricks

Paula Hendricks '05 recently published her book *Confessions of a Boy-Crazy Girl: On Her Journey from Neediness to Freedom* (Moody Publishers, September 2013). The book offers gospel-centered, biblical wisdom to young women, as Paula shares personal stories and honest truth about her search for a boyfriend and her journey to the lasting love young women are looking for, ultimately found only in Christ. Paula hopes this book will inspire and help young women on their journey from neediness to freedom.

Paula graduated from Moody with a degree in Print Communications in 2005. Shortly after graduation, she started working at *Revive Our Hearts* in Niles, Michigan, where she currently serves as writing and editorial manager. She also writes a blog for teen girls and women.

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Matthew '00 and **Karen (Ogran '01) Huber** and their three children, Jackson (10), Ella (6), and Asher (4), returned to Dublin, Ireland, in January, 2013, to continue their ministry with Greater Europe Mission. Part of their work includes disciple-making, an arts ministry, and working alongside *Serve the City Dublin*. They invite anyone to email them or follow along as Karen chronicles life, ministry, and culture on their blog.

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1990s

Joel Badal '99, a Moody Distance Learning professor, successfully passed his dissertation defense in October 2013 as part of his Ph.D. program at Lancaster Bible/Capital Seminary. His dissertation, "A Qualitative Study of Pastors' Devotional Practices across Two Generations and Three Denominations," is a descriptive historical analysis of devotional practices among pastors from Reformed, Wesleyan, and Baptist heritages in their present ministry life.

Dr. Badal has taught more than two dozen courses at Moody since 2006, mostly in Bible, Theology, and Christian Ministry.



Mike Lathrop ES '84 (far left), Robert Rivera '99 (fourth from left), and his wife Ruth (King) Rivera '01 (far right) met with Haiti missionaries Shane Gauthier '99 (third from left), Joshua King '02 (third from right), Matt McCormick '01 (second from right), and their children during a Moody PCM trip in March 2014.

Robert Rivera '99, who leads Practical Christian Ministries (PCM) trips every year for Moody Bible Institute, led 10 Moody students and alumni on a PCM trip to Haiti during spring break this year. Before the trip, Robert contacted

some Moody alumni living in Haiti, but upon arrival, he had no Internet available for reaching them. What a surprise to see his college buddies pull up on motorcycles! **Shane Gauthier '99**, **Joshua King '02**, and **Matt McCormick '01** had traveled five hours to find the Moody group and spend the day with them in the little village of LaGrange.



Ron August Allchin

Ron August Allchin '97 was recently on the production team of a documentary film about North Korea, *Land of Kim* (Burning Heart Productions, September 2013). The goal of the film is to educate and inform the general public about the history of North Korea and the current realities facing its citizens. The team expresses their desire to spark conversation, provoke thought, and urge the world community to ask difficult questions about our global neighborhood through the film.

Ron is also the producer of *Praying the Hours*, an eight-segment film based on the traditional Benedictine hours of prayer, beginning with Vigils and ending with Compline, observed by the Abrahamic faith traditions. The film tells the story of a man who, in the midst of facing his death, reflects on eternity. The film was screened at Biola University's Torrey Media Conference and at the recent inauguration of Fuller

Theological Seminary's new president, Mark Labberton.

Ron began working in the advertising side of motion pictures in 1997 after graduating from Moody. He worked on various national commercial campaigns including Carl's Jr., Chevrolet, Comcast, L'Oreal, and T-Mobile. In 2007, Ron moved to Europe with his wife **Dolores (Stef '96)** where he founded a coffee importing roasting and retail company, Three Bean Coffee Co. In 2010, he transitioned from advertising to filmmaking, producing *Not That Funny* with Kinema Commonwealth, as well as *Praying the Hours* and *Regarding the Holidays*. Additionally, he has produced many short films, including *The Return* and *Stop Traffick*. Ron serves as chairman of the Board of Directors at Ecclesia, a church in Hollywood, where he currently resides with his wife, Dolores, and their two children, Olivia and William.

www.landofkim.org

www.prayingthehours.com



Charles Eby

Charles Eby '96 recently published his first book *The Alien Letters* (Wheatmark, September 2013). His dream of one day writing a book was born 25 years ago, when he was in his early 20s. While the book represents many years of observation, reflection, and life experience, the plot and idea of an alien writing a series of letters to a human came to Charles

within the past four years. The letters deal with certain aspects of the human's life that need her attention. The alien writes from a Christian perspective, while the recipient is only nominally Christian. The aim of the alien is to encourage and challenge the human to more consistently align herself with what she claims to already believe about God, the Bible, and Christianity.

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Matthew Mitchell

Matthew Mitchell '95 recently published his newest book *Resisting Gossip: Winning the War of the Wagging Tongue* (CLC Publications, September 2013), which addresses the scriptural warnings against gossip and demonstrates how the truth of the gospel can deliver believers from this temptation. The book is endorsed by the former president of Moody, Dr. Joseph M. Stowell, who writes, "With clarity and the precision of a spiritual physician, Matt cuts deep into the cancerous disease that produces words that hurt and defame. Not only will this book help you keep your tongue in check, but it will also be a helpful navigational tool in guiding your speech toward the joyful discipline of using words to help and heal others to the glory of God!"

Matthew graduated from Moody with a B.A. in Evangelism and Discipleship. He married **Heather (Lundeen) '95** in 1994 and they have four children: Robin, Andrew, Peter, and Isaac. In 1998, Matthew received his D.Min. in Biblical Counseling from Westminster Theological Seminary under the leadership of the faculty of the Christian Counseling and Educational Foundation. Matthew currently serves as pastor of Lanse Evangelical Free Church in Lanse, Pennsylvania.

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1980s

Ron Hartwig BA '87 was appointed acting executive director of North America Indigenous Ministries (NAIM), Canada, on July 1, 2013. NAIM's statement notes, "Ron brings with him a strong understanding of our vision and mission, as well as good rapport with his colleagues on the field. Please pray for Ron and NAIM as we proceed into the future of God's Kingdom work."

Ron and his wife **Sharon (Schmidt '85)** have been serving as full-time missionaries with NAIM since 1990.



Chris Fabry

At the 2013 Christy Awards ceremony on June 24, 2013, **Chris Fabry ASP '84** received a Christy Award in the Contemporary Standalone category for his novel *Not in the Heart* (Tyndale House Publishers, January 2012).

Chris is an accomplished writer and host of the daily program *Chris Fabry Live!* on Moody Radio. He is the author of more than 65 books, including nonfiction and novels for children and young adults, several of which have won awards. Chris has published six novels for adults, including his newest book *Every Waking Moment* (Tyndale House Publishers, August 2013), which recently won the 2014 *Christianity Today* Award of Merit.

Chris is married to **Andrea (Kessel '84, ES '85) Fabry**, and they are the parents of nine children. In 2009, they left their home in Colorado due to a toxic mold problem which caused illness in the family. They moved to Tucson, Arizona, where they sought medical help, and are still seeking full recovery.

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1970s

Susan Heck



Susan (Pack '79) Heck is the author of *With the Master* Bible study series for women. She recently wrote *With the Master before the Mirror of God's Word* (Focus Publishing, September 2013), an expository work on 1 John and a guide to self examination of one's faith. The book is endorsed by **Phil Johnson '75**, executive director of Grace to You radio ministry,

Justin Peters of Justin Peters Ministries, and Chris Williams of Grace to You, India.

Susan is a certified counselor and author and can be heard weekly on the radio show *Women with the Master*. She lives with her husband of 38 years, **Douglas Van Allen Heck M.A. '75**, in Tulsa, Oklahoma, where she heads the women's ministry, *Ladies with the Master*, at Grace Community Church.

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Mark and Carolyn Williams

Dr. Mark Alan Williams '76 currently serves as the executive vice president of Global Church Planting Materials and Partnerships with Dynamic Church Planting International (DCPI) based in Oceanside, California. The organization has a vision to plant five million churches worldwide, and to this end, Dr. Williams has written a book on church planting, *Winning the World for Christ: The Untapped Potential of Mother-Daughter Church Planting*. Additionally, he co-authored two books, *The New Dynamic Church Planting Handbook* (CreateSpace Independent Publishing Platform, November, 2013) and *The Dynamic Daughter Church Planting Handbook* (CreateSpace Independent Publishing Platform, 1999).

Dr. Williams is the founding pastor of two churches and has planted several daughter churches and partner churches. In addition to graduating from Moody,

he holds a B.A. from Biola University, an M.Div. from Talbot School of Theology and a D.Min. from Fuller Theological Seminary. In 2010, Mark was named Moody's Alumnus of the Year. He has trained leaders on five continents and in many countries. Mark and his wife Carolyn were married in 1979 and have three sons: Gabriel, Daniel, and Benjamin.

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John and Lola King

John R. King '70-'71 received an M.A. in Christian Apologetics from Biola University in May 2013. He also holds an M.S. from Butler University, Indianapolis, Indiana.

While attending Moody, he worked in the WMBI news department, and afterward served three years in the U.S. Army in educational TV. He taught high school broadcasting and journalism for 33 years.

John and his wife Lola are members of Geist Chapel in Indianapolis, Indiana, where he currently teaches adult Sunday school. They have three children and six grandchildren.

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Nashville gathering

1960s

Four friends, **Julie (Mays '69) Frye**, **Ruth Ann (Baker '68) Lauer**, **Diane (Mays '67) Mayfield**, and **Glenda (Baker '68) Mielke** recently gathered in Nashville, Tennessee, to share stories of life at Moody in the 60s.

Alex Turoczi '63 and his wife Sallie celebrated 46 years of marriage on August 5, 2013.

They were married in August 1967 at Grace Baptist Church (now New Beginnings Community Church) in Ambler, Pennsylvania. This church was one of the first (and still continues) to support the couple in their retirement ministry with Trans World Radio (TWR).

Alex became an ordained pastor the year they were married. He began his service as a pastor at Brigantine Baptist Church in Brigantine, New Jersey, close to where they lived in Ocean City. In 1967, they



Sallie and Alex Turoczi

were appointed missionaries with TWR, and starting in 1969, they served for nine years in Monte Carlo, Monaco.

Alex and Sallie now serve together at Evangelical United Methodist Church in New Holland, Pennsylvania.

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Sharon Heldman

Sharon (Brock '61-'63) Heldman has been involved in nursing home ministry for 35 years, mostly in Woodstock, Illinois. When her husband Ken passed away seven years ago, she started an organization called ShiningLight2Seniors that operates in the Belvidere, Rockford, and Woodstock area. The organization holds church services twice a month for 10 nursing and assisted living homes, as well as ministers through hospital visits and one-on-one time with seniors. Sharon notes, "In an amazing way, God is moving among the elderly; many are being saved and are eager to grow in the Lord!"

Sharon has published the first of her five Christian romance/mystery novels, *The Resurrection of Sarah Finfield* (CreateSpace Independent Publishing Platform, October 2013), the story of a young widow who hides away from everyone, but suddenly finds herself caught up in a baffling mystery in which she is the lead player.

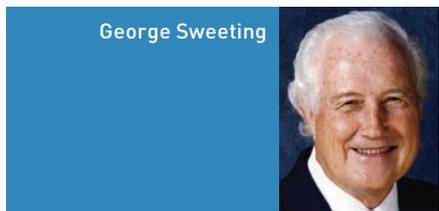
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1940s

George Sweeting '45 recently revised and updated his books, *How to Begin the Christian Life* and *How to Continue the Christian Life*, and last year added *How to Finish the Christian Life* to the series, in collaboration with his son **Donald Sweeting '76**. The book is an encouragement to mature believers to finish well.



George Sweeting

Florence J. Miller '45 has written her life story about serving as a missionary to Japan with the North American Baptist Conference from 1951 to 1989. *Sowing in Tears, Reaping in Joy: The Life Story of Florence Miller, Missionary to Japan* (Bookstand Publishing, June 2013) was released in August 2013.



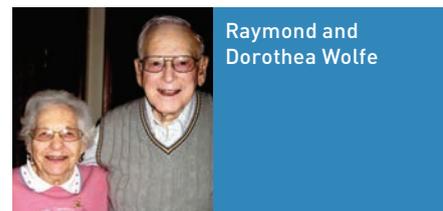
Florence Miller

Raymond Wolfe '41 came to Moody in 1938, in his own words, "as a 19-year-old poor Oklahoma farm boy who didn't have any ideas for his future. [He]

came to love it all, and had the desire to continue learning." He graduated from the Pastors' Course three years later, having met the love of his life, **Arlene (Johnson '43)**, whom he married in 1943. In 1950, they sailed for Kenya with their five-year-old son to pursue their calling to missions. During their years in Kenya, they had two more sons. The family left Kenya in 1972 because of Arlene's health problems. In 1973, Ray started an evening school in Ohio. Over time the school expanded to six locations.

Ray retired in 1985. Arlene passed away a few years later on the evening of their 44th anniversary. In 1990, on his birthday, Ray married **Dorothea (Goodrich-Boyd '41)**, the widow of one of his former teachers, **James Boyd '41**. Dorothea recently had colon cancer surgery at Elmhurst Hospital.

Ray is now 94 years old. Thinking about his days at Moody, he can't help exclaiming, "Indeed, 'God bless the school that D. L. Moody founded!'"



Raymond and Dorothea Wolfe

Births

To **Anders '08** and Amy Rasmussen, twin boys, October 29, 2013.

The family is currently on leave in the U.S., but hopes to return to serving in Central Asia later this spring.

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Anders and Amy Rasmussen family

To **Rebecca (Zurbrick '08)** and Kyle **Koval**, a daughter, Giada Lynn, July 21, 2013, Ancona, Italy.

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Giada Lynn Koval

To **Dan '04** and **Laura (Barr '01) Swanson**, a daughter, Lily Joy, September 23, 2013.

Dan and Laura picked the name from Jesus' reference to lilies in the book of Matthew: "And why are you anxious about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin, yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these" (Matthew 6:28-29).

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Lily Joy Swanson

To **Steve** and **Debbie Ottaviano '77**, a granddaughter, Audrey Mae Gizzo, July 31, 2013, to their daughter Andrea and her husband Mark.

Audrey Mae Gizzo



Marriages

Paul Carmi Guiley '69, '92 and Ernestine Gaddy, the widow of a local pastor, were married on April 13, 2013, in Tecumseh, Missouri, where they currently reside.

Paul is retired from a career in aviation. His first wife, **Judith (Davis '69)**, passed away in 2007. Both of his parents, **Paul C. Sr. '31** and **Viola (Newcomb '31) Guiley** also attended Moody.



Ernestine and Paul Guiley

Gatherings

Alaska Gathering

On October 15, 2013, several Moody alumni living in the Soldotna/Kenai area of Alaska gathered with **Daniel Ward '97**, the dean of Student Services at Alaska Christian College where **Sean Hoffbeck '07** is the vice president of Student Services. After a time of introductions, an Institute update was

given. Each alumnus received a Moody Aviation balsa wood airplane as a gift. The group is making plans for **Cecil Bedford '78** of Moody Aviation to join them at this event next year. We will keep you posted on the date and location via Facebook and the *Moody Alumni News* magazine.

Alumni in attendance included **Robert Martin '01**, **Kyle Braband '10**, **Sean '07** and **Shannon (Branney '07) Hoffbeck**, **Jacob '12** and **Amanda (Boyle '11) Hoekstra**, **Travis McCullough '99**, **Mark '97** and **Michele (Deaven '94) Swensen**.

Iowa Gathering

Alumni gathered at the Blair family farm in Iowa in the summer of 2013. **Martin '59** and **Eva (Wernegreen '57-'59) Miller** served seven Methodist churches in Iowa over a span of 40 years. They are now retired and live in Marion, Iowa. **John Oscar Wernegreen '56** taught physics at a state-supported university for 38 years, and his wife **Joanie (Fleishman '60)** worked as a registered nurse at a student health center. They are enjoying retirement in Kentucky. **Bill Blair '56-'59** retired after 35 years of employment in the engineering department at Rockwell-Collins in Cedar Rapids, Iowa. He and his wife **Joyce (Wernegreen '57-'59)** continue living and working on a farm located near Troy Mills, Iowa. All have celebrated 50 years of marriage.

OMF International Gathering

Six retirees and one current staff member of OMF International, all Moody alumni, took time out for a group photo while attending their national conference at Estes Park, Colorado, in July 2013.



Phoenix, Arizona, gathering—November 2, 2013



Atlanta, Georgia, gathering—February 22, 2014



Alaska gathering—October 15, 2013



Iowa gathering—summer 2013



OMF gathering—July 2013

1980s

Harry H. Horn '84, age 75, August 20, 2013, Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri.

Harry was a retired United States Air Force veteran. He is survived by his wife **Amy Doreen (Sapp '67)**; three daughters, Amy Louse Albarran and husband Cipriano, Susan Lynne Schnauffer, and Elizabeth Dawn Carver; and nine grandchildren.

Robert V. Schultz '81, age 77, October 9, 2013, Forreston, Illinois.

Robert was born July 2, 1936, to Wilbur and Eleanor Schultz. On February 12, 1971, he married Shelly Shaw. He held an Associate Degree in Christian Education, was a self-employed business owner, and was a member of the Living Word Christian Center in Forest Park, Illinois. He was a U.S. Army veteran.

His daughter, Cherie, says of her father, “[Moody], I believe, gave him a solid foundation which he carried with him during his life.”

Robert was preceded in death by his parents and several siblings. He is survived by his wife; a son, Rob; two daughters, Trina Duffy and Cherie Schultz; a grandson, Andrew Schultz; five granddaughters, Morgan, Peiton, Luca, Cassidy, and Isabelle; and a great grandson, Jaxon.

1970s

Mary Lou (Dominguez '76,) Hawley, age 57, June 6, 2012, Elgin, Illinois.

Mary Lou was preceded in death by her father Manuel Dominguez.

She is survived by her mother, **Jean Dominguez '75-'75**; two children, Jesse

and wife Lupe Hawley and Bethany and husband Tim Bubis; her sister, Betty, and husband Bill Moliter; her brothers, John and wife Chris Dominguez, and Steve and wife Risa Dominguez.

Cynthia Rudden



Cynthia (Prins '74) Rudden, age 62, October 5, 2012, Flagstaff, Arizona.

Cynthia was born in Miami, Florida, on March 7, 1950, to Muriel VanLenten Prins and Ralph Prins. She was a resident of Raritan Township, New Jersey, at the time of her death. She attended Moody and Philadelphia Bible College, in addition to being a cum laude graduate of Bloomfield College with a degree in accounting. She attended Three Bridges Reformed Church in Three Bridges, New Jersey.

Cynthia is survived by her mother; her husband of 35 years, Mark M. Rudden; a son, Steven; two brothers, Edward Prins and Rick Prins; and a sister, Laurie Edewaard.

1960s

Rita (Renner '68) Hoyt, age 64, August 17, 2013, Jackson, Michigan.

Rita grew up on a farm in Hanover, Michigan. After graduating from Hanover Horton High School, she went on to get her B.A. degree at Spring Arbor College. She married Mark Hoyt on August 10, 1968. They had a daughter, Melissa, on May 6, 1979. Rita worked as an RN in the mental

health department at Foote Hospital in Jackson, Michigan, for many years. She was a member of Bethel Baptist Church.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Bryce and Ruth Renner; three sisters, Ruth Theisen, Mary Ann Gregg, and Jo Earley; and two brothers, Harold and Tony.

1950s

R. Phil Deavel '58, age 81, September 3, 2013, Lancaster, Pennsylvania.

Phil was born on January 29, 1932, to Harold R. and Mary Ellen Deavel. He was a graduate of La Paz High School and Moody. He worked for Indiana Carton Company for 33 years, and was a veteran of the Korean War.

His obituary reads: “His life had many trials, but he faced them not merely with a sense of humor but a deep trusting obedience to Jesus Christ.”

He is survived by two brothers; a sister; his wife **Anne (Swank '58) Deavel**; two sons, David and Daniel; and nine grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, an infant sister, an elder sister, his first wife **Frances (Tait '59) Deavel**, daughters Susan and Nancy, and his second wife Karen Sowers Deavel.

Wayne Howard Kiser '57-'58, age 74, August 17, 2013, Traverse City, Michigan.

Wayne was born on May 19, 1939, to Russell and Dorothy Kiser. He grew up in the Detroit area until he moved to Traverse City with his family. Here he graduated from Traverse City Central High, and later earned a B.A. from Grace College, Winona Lake, Indiana, and an M.A. from Wheaton College, Wheaton, Illinois.



At the age of 25, Wayne became the pastor of Zion Bethel Church, Monticello, Indiana, where part of his ministry was to write a weekly column for the local paper. After five years at Zion Bethel, he moved to Wheaton, Illinois, with his family to become the managing editor of *Brigade Leader*. After a few different editorial positions, Wayne and his wife **Ruth Anne (Lemcool '57-'59)** started a family business, Graphic and Editorial Services, producing printed material for missions, churches, and colleges, including Moody. They produced the *Moody Alumni Magazine*, and Wayne also served as an adjunct professor.

Wayne also served as an interim pastor for churches needing temporary help, authored several books, and volunteered with the DuPage County Office of Emergency Management in Illinois. After their retirement, Wayne and Ruth Ann moved to Traverse City, Michigan, and in 2009, he joined the chaplaincy program at the Grand Traverse Metro Department.

Wayne is survived by his wife of 55 years; their children, Daniel Kiser, Debra Gunther, and Timothy Kiser; two granddaughters; and two sisters. He was preceded in death by his parents and his younger brother.

Arnold Parker '57, age 88, September 15, 2013, Wisconsin Rapids, Wisconsin.

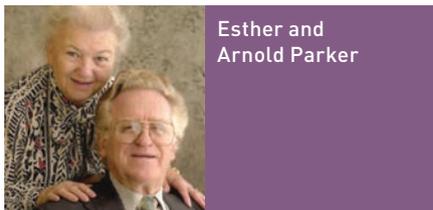
Arnold was born on October 13, 1924, to Edgar and Grace Parker. After he graduated from high school in Pittsville,

Wisconsin, in 1942, he served in the Merchant Marine on ships that carried American goods across the Atlantic Ocean to allied soldiers during WWII. In 1945, he married Esther-Jean Nichols.

Arnold felt called to the ministry one night in the North Atlantic while he stood alone on the bow of a ship. In 1957, he graduated from Moody and then served as a chaplain to the sailors that entered Chicago Harbor and the patients at Chicago's Marine Hospital. From 1965 to 1990, he pastored churches in Milwaukee, Chicago, and Northwest Indiana. In 1990, he returned with his wife to Wisconsin where he accepted a position as superintendent of the nondenominational school, Community Christian Academy.

Arnold retired in April 2002, and moved with Esther to Huntington House, where he became the caretaker for 11 years. Residents remember Arnold for his kindness and gentleness to all who lived and worked there.

Arnold is survived by a son, Jonathan; two daughters, **Winnie (Parker '67-'68) Jeffers** and husband Gary, and **Claudia (Parker '73) Kikuta**; three brothers; two sisters; and many grandchildren and great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by two brothers.



Esther and Arnold Parker

Mario Cimbaro '56, age 85, July 3, 2013, Bradenton, Florida.

Mario was a retired missionary with

TEAM in Venezuela, South America, where he served with his wife Carolynne. He is survived by his wife; his three children, John, Dan, and Miriam; and two grandchildren.



Mario Cimbaro

Richard W. Johnson '56, age 80, January 24, 2014, Waterloo, Iowa.

Richard was born on April 30, 1933, in Indianola, Iowa, to Walter and Grace Catlin Johnson. He married Beverly Ann Collins on July 31, 1954.

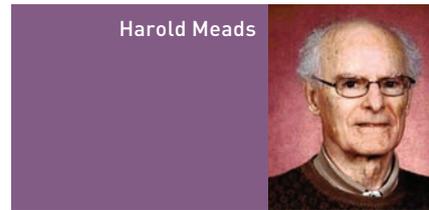
He received his education at Moody, Grand Rapids Baptist Seminary, and Cedarville College.

He served as a pastor at the First Baptist Church in New Hartford, Iowa, the First Baptist Church in Kasson, Minnesota, Temple Baptist Church in Lincoln, Nebraska, interim pastor in Waukon and Tipton, Iowa, and as a chaplain at Friendship Village.

Richard is survived by his daughters, Mary Grace Mowry and Sara Ostransky; five grandsons; and two great grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his two brothers and a sister.

Harold Ross Meads '56, age 85, July 16, 2013, Green Township, Michigan.

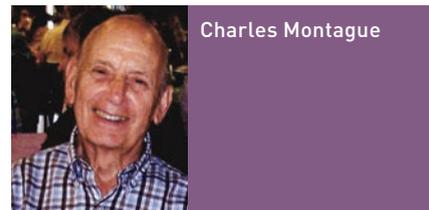
Harold was born on September 9, 1927 in Wingham, Ontario, Canada, to Roberts and Ethel Meads. He met **Marilyn (McLachlan '56)** at Moody, and they married shortly after graduating in Big Rapids, Michigan. They served



Harold Meads

as missionaries with Gospel Missionary Union (now Avant Ministries) in Brazil for 35 years, after which they retired to Cadillac, Michigan, in 1995, eventually moving back to Big Rapids. He was a member of Faith Bible Church.

Harold is survived by his wife Marilyn; a daughter, Elizabeth Bennett; two sons, R. Ross Meads and David Meads; five grandchildren; and a sister. He was preceded in death by his parents.



Charles Montague

Charles H. Montague '56, age 79, May 19, 2013, Eckerman, Michigan.

Chuck was born in 1933 into a pastor's family to **Ralph '24** and **Jennie Montague**. He was named after the great preacher, Charles Haddon Spurgeon.

After graduating from Pontiac High School in Michigan in 1951, he attended Moody. Shortly after graduating, he married **Janet (Miller '54-'56)**. He was drafted into the U.S. Army and served 15 months in the Third Armored Division in Germany. After being discharged from the army in 1958, he earned his B.A. from Eastern Michigan University and his M.A. from Michigan State University. In 1963, he moved

to Eckerman, Michigan, to become a caretaker for the Piatt Lake Bible Conference Association. He also began his teaching career at Brimley High School in Michigan. Over the next 27 years, he served as a teacher and a principal and is described as an "outstanding spiritual influence in that high school." He retired in 1989.

Chuck and Janet served the Lord in many capacities, particularly in teaching Sunday school. At the time of Chuck's death, he had built or remodeled more than 100 homes around Lake Michigan and the Upper Peninsula of Michigan.

He is survived by his wife of 57 years; his daughters, Heidi Sloan and Jenny Kruger; his son, **Randy Montague '84**; five grandchildren; and two sisters, **Donna (Roger '52) Rose** and **Mary Jane Montague '63**. He was preceded in death by his parents.

Lloyd Gordon Salness '56, age 92, July 1, 2013, Bradenton, Florida.

Lloyd was born in Buhl, Minnesota, on September 23, 1921, and was raised in L'Anse, Michigan.

He pursued music at North Park College, and then served as a corporal in the Army Air Force during WWII. He was saved after attending a service at Midwest Bible Church in Chicago. He began a life of ministry starting at the Adeus Center in Chicago and later at the Neighborhood House in Kokomo, Indiana, where he was known as "Pastor Lloyd." He was also affectionately known as "Uncle Whistle" at the children's summer camps he directed.

Lloyd, his wife **Lois (Sacher '53-'55) Salness**, and their kids were known as the "Musical Salness Family" as they traveled and performed musically in

ministry. Lloyd's greatest joy was to share the gospel with children and teenagers everywhere he went. He served with Child Evangelism Fellowship for over 20 years beginning as director of six counties in Indiana and then as vice president and director of Missions at the national headquarters in Grand Rapids, Michigan. His wife, Lois, died of cancer in 1970, leaving Lloyd with their two children.

In 1971, Lloyd married Barbara Guttridge, who was a CEF missionary in Germany. They worked together for CEF in Grand Rapids and later in Warrenton, Missouri. Afterward, Lloyd served as the CEF director of the five boroughs of New York City and then in Manatee/Sarasota, Florida. In his later years, he served at Bethel Baptist Church in Bradenton, Florida, as a children's pastor and AWANA leader.

Lloyd is survived by his wife Barbara; a son, David Salness; a daughter, Ruth Addison; a sister; four grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his first wife, Lois, a sister, and his brother.

Will M. Davis '52, age 83, August 18, 2013, Kalamazoo, Michigan.

Will was born on May 9, 1930, to Howard Aaran Davis and **Grace May Davis '51-'53**. He grew up in the Wrigley Field neighborhood in Chicago, aspiring to one day play major league baseball. Besides a degree from Moody, he earned a B.A. from Greenville College in Greenville, Illinois, in 1955, and an M.A. in Religious Education, graduating summa cum laude, from Grand Rapids Baptist Seminary in 1980. In 1955, Will married Greta Charlene Randall.

Will served as a pastor for over 60 years at Grace Baptist Church in Gary, Indiana,



Ridgewood Baptist Church in Joliet, Illinois, Euclid Nottingham Baptist Church in Euclid, Ohio, and most recently at Berean Baptist Church in Portage, Michigan. He was the vice president at the Association of Baptists for World Evangelism in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, where he was serving on the Foundation Board at the time of his death. From 1951 to 2008, he participated in approximately 20 missions trips all across Europe, Africa, Asia, and North, Central, and South America.

Will is survived by his wife; a sister; four children, Delores Malone, Debra Daam, Paul W. Davis, and Diane Bowman and their spouses; 20 grandchildren; and six great grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents and a brother.

Loren E. McCall '52, age 90, October 16, 2013, Shoreline, Washington.

Loren was born on February 25, 1923, to Elmer and Anna McCall and raised in Hollidaysburg, Pennsylvania. Loren was a navy veteran of WWII.

From 1954 to 1988, Loren and his wife **Janice (Dogger '48)** served as missionaries to Japan with the Evangelical Alliance Mission. After retirement, they lived in Edmonds, Washington, and then moved to Crista Senior Living in June 2001.

He is survived by two sons, Marshall and Mark; two sisters; a brother; and a granddaughter. He was preceded in death by his parents and his wife.

Mary (Havird '51) Clouse, age 90, August 11, 2013, Augusta, Georgia.

Mary was the daughter of Oliver John and Kate Melissa Havird. After graduating from Moody in 1951, she stayed to serve as assistant dean of women. She later earned her B.A. from Grace College and Theological Seminary and her M.A. in Elementary Education from Indiana University. She married **Raymond E. Clouse '55-'57**, with whom she worked in ministry after leaving her position at Moody. She retired as a second-grade teacher in Warsaw, Indiana. She was a member of the Bible Church in Augusta, Georgia, where she taught Sunday school.

Mary is survived by one brother and one sister. She is preceded in death by her husband; a brother; and six sisters, including **Leila Havird '48** who also graduated from Moody and was active in ministry until her death in 2008.

1940s

Donald Van Wynen '49, age 89, January 31, 2013, Dallas, Texas.

Donald was born on January 26, 1924, in Grand Rapids, Michigan, to Gilbert and Jeannette Van Wynen. He graduated from Holland High School in 1942. Almost immediately he joined the army. His music background as choir president in high school qualified him for special training in Morse code at the University of Missouri, after which he went on to serve in Germany.

After graduating from Moody in 1949, Donald served briefly as a pastor in Minnesota. In 1950, he was ordained, and within that same year became a junior member of SIL and Wycliffe. He went on to work at jungle camp in



Mexico where he met Mabel Garrard, whom he later married in Holland, Michigan. The family served in missions in various locations, including Mexico, Peru, and Brazil, but mainly in Bolivia and Tacana, Guatemala. In 1959, Donald completed his B.A. in Biblical Literature at Seattle Pacific University.

In 1962, Donald and Mabel, after studying the Tacana language for six years, completed a Tacana dictionary. Later that year, Donald was elected the branch director in Bolivia, where he served in various leadership roles over the next 30 years. During the next nine years, Donald continued his ministry in Brazil where he served as SIL regional director and in other roles.

In 1998, after the death of his wife Mabel, Donald started corresponding with Vivian Forsberg whom he had met at jungle camp in Mexico in the early 1950s. They were married in Everett, Washington, in 1999 and started serving together in the Philippines, where Vivian had previously served for 50 years. In the Philippines, they helped complete the translation of the Tboli Old Testament. They retired to America in 2006.

Donald is survived by his second wife, Vivian; two sons, **Thomas Van Wynen '77** and **John Van Wynen '75-'77**; two daughters, Alice Houston and Esther Cordill; and a sister.

He was preceded in death by his parents, his first wife Mabel, daughter Ruth, two

sisters, and three brothers, including **Philip Van Wynen '55** who worked at Moody as dean of enrollment management and registrar in the 90s.

Beulah I. Weston '45, age 90, June 2, 2013, Strawberry Point, Iowa.

Beulah was born on April 25, 1923, in Madison Township near Lamont, Iowa, to Cutler and Mable Brown Weston. She attended Moody and Trinity College, where she studied Bible, Hebrew, and Jewish Missions.

From 1947 to 1953, she served in Morocco, North Africa, with Gospel Missionary Union (now Avant Ministries). She also served on the American Board of Missions to the people of Jewish faith in New York, Arizona, and California.

In 1984, she retired to Lamont, Iowa, where she assisted elderly people in their homes in the Oelwein area.

Beulah is survived by her five siblings, including **Marilyn (Weston '60-'61) Smith** and husband **Lowell O. Smith '60-'61**. She was preceded in death by her parents and one brother.

Lauren W. Gerber '44, age 92, June 28, 2013, Princeton, Illinois.

Lauren was born on July 29, 1920, in Tampico, Illinois, to Frank and Laura Gerber.

He served as an evangelist, a home missionary, and a pastor for 65 years.

His first wife, June, and two of his children were killed in a car accident in 1956 while he worked with the Conservative Baptist Home Mission Society. In 1958, he married **Mary (Bakalar '54)**, and they continued planting churches in rural Iowa and

Nebraska. Lauren served as pastor of the First Baptist Church in Bradford for 24 years and, after retirement, as senior saints pastor at Bunker Hill Church of God in Buda, Illinois.

One of Lauren's favorite Bible verses that he studied, taught, quoted, and lived by was Nahum 1:7: "The Lord is good, a stronghold in the day of trouble. And He knoweth them that trust in Him."

He is survived by his wife Mary; five daughters, Rose Wilson, Debbie Pease, Marilyn Jensen, Carol Smith, and Cheryl Gerber; a son, Daniel Gerber; a sister; and numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, his first wife June, a daughter Ruth Ann, a son David, two brothers, and a sister.



Hilda Hoffman

Hilda (Ortmann ES '41-'44) Hoffman, age 92, September 11, 2013, Juneau, Alaska.

Hilda was born on February 20, 1921, in Marion, South Dakota, to Hellmuth and Helena Ortmann. When Hilda was eight years old, the family moved to Munich, North Dakota, where her father pastored the Salem Mennonite Church, and in 1941, he officiated at the wedding of Hilda and **Jacob Hoffman '44**.

Soon after, they attended Moody. Hilda took night classes while Jake attended school and worked for Montgomery Ward. Hilda worked as a nurse's aide in the hospital where their first child, **Dellene (Hoffman '66) Love** was born.

Upon Jake's graduation, they moved to Lustre, Montana, and pastored a church there for nine years. Afterward, they moved their family, now two sons, Paul and Verlin, to Juneau, Alaska. There they assisted their friends, the Nickels, in managing the Minfield Children's Home. After two years, the family moved to Auke Bay to begin Sunday school and church services which turned into the Auke Bay Bible Church, where they ministered for many years.

In 1960, Hilda and Jake officially became full-time missionaries with Gospel Missionary Union (now Avant Ministries), and in 1964, they led their first camp at Echo Ranch Bible Camp. Hilda would cook meals over a wood stove in the little log cabin. Later they served at churches in Douglas, Haines, Ketchikan, Petersburg, and Metlakatla. For seven years, they lived in Craig on Prince of Wales Island holding church services, Bible studies, and children's clubs in Craig, Thorne Bay, Naukati, and other island communities.

Over the course of her life, Hilda led women's Bible studies and taught Sunday school and served countless meals for campers, missionaries, friends, and family in her home. Even after they retired in 1982, Hilda served faithfully on the church missions committee, in prayer ministries, hospitality, and the library. She was known as a loving, caring prayer warrior whose influence was felt all over Southeast Alaska and the world.

Hilda is survived by her children, Dellene and son-in-law **Stanley Love '67**, Paul, Verlin, and Daryl, as well as grandchildren, including **Karen (Love) Lange '93**. She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband Harry, and her siblings.



Gladys Gray

Gladys (Charlton '42-'44) Gray, age 93, September 28, 2013, Des Moines, Iowa.

Gladys was born and raised in Des Moines, Iowa.

After graduating from Moody, she returned to Des Moines and worked at Farm Bureau as a junior underwriter. While working at National Travelers, she became one of the first women to become a certified life underwriter.

She was also an active member of Grandview Park Bible Church. One of her pastors there, Carl Elgena, went on to become a vice president of Baptist Bible Seminary in Johnson City, New York, where he recommended that Gladys become the assistant dean of women, which she did. After serving at Baptist Bible Seminary for several years, she returned to Des Moines. In 1965, she became the supervisor to the life underwriters at Central Life Insurance Company and served in this capacity until her retirement in 1976.

In 1972, Gladys married **Harry B. Gray '39**, who was a professor and dean of Education at Faith Baptist Bible College in Ankeny, Iowa. She became a faithful partner to Dr. Gray, a loving mother to their three children, and a dedicated volunteer worker at Faith Baptist Bible College. Although she did not graduate from Faith, in 2012 she received the title of Honorary Alumna "for her sacrificial labors at Faith for many years...a beloved lady on the Faith campus."

Gladys was a faithful member of Grandview Park Bible Church and Slater Baptist Church, served on the Ladies Missionary Fellowship Committee, and was a lifelong member of the Christian Business Women's Association, where she served one term as president.

Gladys is survived by her stepchildren, Paul Gray, Jenetta Gain, and Melody Cato; 14 grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband Harry, her sister, and three brothers.

Alice (Hocking '40) Saardeh, age 96, August 23, 2013, West Palm Beach, Florida.

Alice was born on August 11, 1917, in Mohawk, Michigan, to Simon and Hilda Hocking. In addition to Moody, she was also a graduate of Moline Public Hospital School of Nursing in Illinois. In 1945, she served as a nurse with Sudan Interior Mission in Ethiopia where she met her husband, William Saardeh. They were married in Ethiopia in 1947. The couple later moved to Wilmington, Delaware, where Alice worked as a nurse, raised five children, and served in her church community through Bible studies and outreach.

In 1982, she and her husband joined the Peace Corps where Alice served as a community nurse in Antigua, Guatemala. Then the couple moved to Hanover, New Hampshire, and eventually retired in Lake Worth, Florida, in 2009.

Alice is survived by her husband, William; two sons, Samir and William; two daughters, Ruth Swing and Faith Kuhn; 13 grandchildren; and 17 great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her son, David Saardeh.

1930s

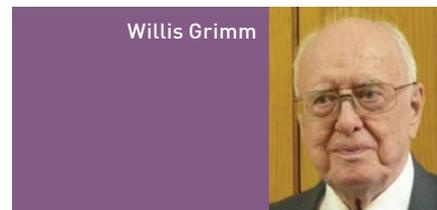
Shirley (Brandt '39) Elifson, age 91, August 3, 2012, Carol Stream, Illinois.

Shirley was born on December 27, 1920, in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, to Henry and Helen Brandt.

She was a pastor's wife and a homemaker for 42 years. She was a member of Norwood Bible Church in Chicago where she taught Sunday school and served alongside her husband **Donald Elifson '39** until his death in 1981. In 1999, she moved to Windsor Park Retirement Community in Illinois.

Shirley loved reading and participated in the Windsor Park Manor book club in her later years. She had a special love for the Word of God and the Lord Jesus, which influenced every area of her life.

Shirley is survived by her daughter Pauline; three sons, **Calvin Elifson '63**, John, and Daniel; nine grandchildren, including **Deborah (Elifson) Earnst '92** and husband **Todd Earnst '90**; 10 great-grandchildren; and a brother. She was preceded in death by her husband Donald.



Willis Grimm

Willis C. Grimm '39, age 96, August 17, 2013, Tahlequah, Oklahoma.

Willis was born on February 2, 1918, in Pavillion, Kansas, to Louise Burt and Clyde Grimm. Willis grew up in Idaho where the family moved soon after his birth. While attending Moody, he

met **Florence (Martin '40)**. They married in April 1941, and later that year he started studying at Northern Baptist Seminary in Chicago. After he finished his studies, he pastored three churches in Michigan, Illinois, and Iowa.

Feeling called to lay ministry, Willis began working for Scripture Press Publications in 1952. The family lived in Williamsburg, Pennsylvania, for three years before they settled down in Lombard, Illinois. Florence died in 1962.

Later that year, Willis married **Elaine (Springborn '47)**, and they lived in Glen Ellyn, Illinois. After their retirement in 1983, they moved to Hot Springs Village, Arizona, and then to Go Ye Village where Elaine died in 2002. He married Lorraine Ackley in 2010.

Willis is survived by his wife, Lorraine; his son, George; daughter, Phyllis Wehrle; six grandchildren; and 12 great-grandchildren.

John Peter "Pete" Hamel '38-'39, age 92, July 26, 2013, Rockford, Illinois.

Pete was born on April 2, 1921, in Marquette, Michigan, to **Rev. John Christian '17** and **Roberta (VandenHoek '16-'17) Hamel**. After his high school graduation in 1938, he spent a year at Moody. He then attended Northern Michigan University for two years before enlisting in the navy in 1941. After a year at the U.S. Navy Laboratory School in Newport, Rhode Island, he was assigned as a medic to the USS Alabama. From 1943 to the end of WWII, he served on the USS Waterman, a destroyer escort in the Pacific, as chief pharmacist mate. In 1945, he married Wilma Jayne Berklund while he was home on leave in the spring. Later that year, he received his honorable discharge.

In 1956, Pete returned to northern Michigan University where he trained to become a medical technologist, and in 1959, he joined the American Society of Clinical Pathologists. He then worked as an administrator at a number of hospitals. After they retired, Pete and Jayne served for two years with the Christian Mission of Pignon, Haiti, setting up and improving Pignon Hospital services.

Pete is survived by his three sons, William, Peter, and Timothy; his daughter, Wilma Akright; two sisters; 13 grandchildren; and 14 great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his wife Jayne, three brothers, and one sister.



H. Raymond Bayne

H. Raymond "Ray" Bayne '35, age 98, October 3, 2013, Dearborn, Michigan.

Ray was a valued member of the Board of Trustees of The Friends of Israel for decades. In addition to Moody, he graduated from Northwestern University and McCormick Theological Seminary.

Over the course of his life, he served as a faculty member of the Detroit Bible Institute, a pastor, Bible teacher, longtime director of Camp Michawana in Michigan, and author to a commentary on the book of Hebrews, *From the Cross to the Mercy Seat*. From 1970 until his retirement in 1982, he pastored Grace Bible Church in Owosso, Michigan.

Ray is survived by his wife, **Echo (Pierson '38) Bayne**; three sons, Douglas, David, and Phillip; seven grandchildren; and 20 great-grandchildren.



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