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**Alumni Association
Celebrates 100 Years**

**Founder's Week 2016
Moody Chorale Reunion**

From the Executive Director



Founder's Week is one of my favorite times of year.

Dear friends,

Founder's Week is one of my favorite times of year, not only to hear excellent preaching but to connect with so many of you at Moody.

This year was particularly exciting because of the Alumni Association's 100th anniversary celebration and the unveiling of our new Alumni Missionary Display. Visitors can search for missionary names from the 1890s to the present on digital touch screens against a globally inspired background. This is just the first phase. Our desire is to further develop the display to include stories and photos of the alumni featured, communicating more about their ministries.

In this issue you'll read stories of how God has worked through faithful alumni, such as **Cecil Bedford '78**, an introvert who makes people a priority at Moody Aviation. Also, learn about the rare Torah scroll that Moody received as a gift. And check out how the Chicago skyline has changed since you were a student.

Please keep in touch and provide updates to keep our missionary wall current at mbialum@moody.edu, or call (312) 329-4412.

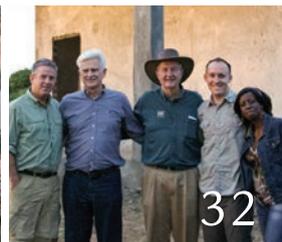
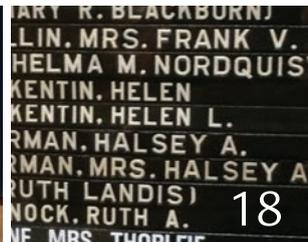
Serving Christ together,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Nancy K Hastings". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

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

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Elouise Peace Leaves a Legacy and Many Memories



Elouise Peace, head cashier for Moody Food Service and a mainstay in The Commons for more than 26 years, passed away on January 2, 2016, having worked right up to Christmas break. She was 74.

Elouise was remembered for greeting every customer with “What’cha got, baby?” at the cash register, even Moody’s president. And in a drawer beneath the register she kept a study Bible and a New Testament that she read every morning. Both held pictures of people she prayed for and loved.

Many people from Moody attended her funeral at St. John’s Baptist Temple in Chicago on January 9, including **Roy Patterson ’81**, special assistant to the president in community relations, who gave remarks during the service on behalf of Moody.

“Elouise Peace impacted Moody Bible Institute by her biblical insight, service, and kindness,” Patterson said. “She will be long remembered as a mother, friend, and confidant. Her impact on students, faculty, and staff will continue to inspire us to press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus.”

One alumnus impacted by Elouise’s generosity is **Chenier Alston ’04**, pastor of New Israelite Missionary Baptist Church in Chicago, who spoke during the service. As a pastoral studies major at Moody, he said he would sit in a booth and study every day in The Commons. One day Elouise asked his name and whether he was hungry. “No,” he told her, but “I was really hungry,” he admits. This went on day after day until she finally ordered him to go in and get something to eat. “I have no money,” he protested.

She said, “Don’t you worry about it. As long as you are here as a student, I want to feed you.” Their relationship grew and he became like a son to her.

After Chenier graduated, he came back one day and put a \$100 bill in her hand. “I can’t repay you for what you’ve done for me, but here’s a down payment on it,” he told her.

Making sure people didn’t go hungry was something Elouise excelled at. Every year she recruited several Moody employees to help her prepare a Thanksgiving meal for hundreds of needy people. She also volunteered in her church’s prison ministry every week and prayed often with people, earning her the title of evangelist.

Photos of Elouise are hard to come by (she didn’t like pictures), but her Bibles are still in the drawer underneath her cash register, a reminder that she loved the Word of God and is now with Him.

Elouise was preceded in death by her husband, George, and two brothers. She is survived by seven children, 15 grandchildren, two brothers, and many nieces, nephews, and great grandchildren.

Moody Professor Speaks on Dignified Living



Dr. Rosalie de Rosset '80, Moody professor of communications and popular speaker, has had a flurry of speaking engagements since

she published her thought-provoking book *Unseduced and Unshaken: The Place of Dignity in a Young Woman's Choices* (Moody Publishers).

Last year she was the keynote speaker at Mount Hermon in northern California for a women's conference and at a family camp with evangelist Luis Palau. She just recorded a podcast on "A Theology of Beauty" for the Fellows Program of Chuck Colson Ministries, and closer to

home she spoke at Moody's Student Wives Fellowship, at a Northshore Women's Book Club, and at a pastors' conference in Grand Rapids, Mich.

De Rosset speaks about dignity as a deliberate way of life. She encourages theological thinking for all of life's choices, including self-image, friendships, sexuality, and leisure time. During a question-and-answer time at one conference, young people asked her about media fasts, good reading, and how to form a theology of technology.

De Rosset, who teaches literature, English, and homiletics at Moody, is grateful for every speaking opportunity but says, "There is nothing like the classroom which has been my joy and honor for 45 years."

Moody Remembers Martin Luther King Jr.

"Let Freedom Ring" chimed from the Alumni Student Center clock tower on Moody's Chicago campus during events honoring Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. on Friday, January 15.



Faculty, staff, and alumni gathered midday to remember King's courageous accomplishments. Moody Radio's *Treasured Moments in Black History*

was produced and voiced by **Roy Patterson '81**, special assistant to the president for community relations. Patterson also played video clips of King's "I Have a Dream" and "I've Been to the Mountaintop" speeches.

Several employees spoke, including Moody President Paul Nyquist, who shared one of King's unforgettable statements: "Injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere."

Annie R. Brooks '86, who ministers to the elderly in Melrose Park, Ill., said, "It's important to me that in today's age Moody would take time to reflect, remember, and motivate us to do better for peace and for unity."

The evening student program included a Q&A session with **Melvin Banks Sr. '55**, 2008 Alumnus of the Year, founder and chairman of Urban Ministries, Inc., which publishes Christian education resources for churches in the African American community.

Orbelina Eguizabal Newest Member of Board of Trustees



Orbelina Eguizabal was appointed to Moody's board of trustees in February. She currently serves as professor of Christian Education at Talbot School of

Theology in La Mirada, Calif., where she also earned a PhD in Educational Studies.

Dr. Eguizabal "has a commitment to holding the truths of the Bible central, experience in education and international perspective, and prayerfully approaches her service to the Lord," says Randy Fairfax, Moody's board chairman.

In addition to her faculty position at Talbot, Eguizabal has served in teaching and academic administration for more than 20 years at Central American Theological Seminary in Guatemala City, Guatemala. CATS is one of the largest evangelical seminaries in Latin America and the Caribbean.

"We live in a global context that requires us to be innovative and serve

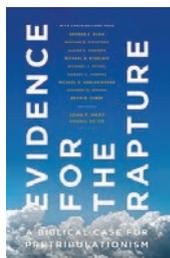
strategically," says Eguizabal, who is also a visiting professor and consultant to other Latin American institutions of theological education. "I look forward to the opportunities I will have to support and help propel Moody's vision to globally equip people with God's Word through Christian higher education and media."

Since 2008 Eguizabal has volunteered with the International Council for Evangelical Theological Education and its Latin American accrediting agency to help train academic leaders in institutions of theological education in Latin America. She serves as editor of ICETE's Academic Leadership Series, which consists of three books, the first of which was published in 2013. The second and third book will be released in 2016.

In addition to theological and leadership training, she's been active in evangelism and chaplaincy within the law enforcement community and in youth correctional centers. She has also discipled women incarcerated in Guatemala.

Moody Professors Contribute to Prophecy Book

Four Moody professors contributed chapters to *Evidence for the Rapture* (Moody Publishers), explaining prophetic events with exegesis of key biblical texts. John F. Hart, professor of Bible, was general editor and contributed a chapter on Jesus' view of the Rapture. Other chapters were written by **Michael Rydelnik '77**, Michael Vanlaningham,



and Kevin Zuber.

Comprehensive in scope and accessible in tone, the book is a valuable resource for pastors, teachers, and Bible study leaders. Available for a 20 percent discount at moodypublishers.com.

Moody Holds Media Ministry Training in East Africa

Moody Radio held a Global Partners Training conference for Christian media professionals November 10–13, 2015, in Nairobi, Kenya, East Africa. The event attracted 125 participants from seven countries, including Kenya, Uganda, Tanzania, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Burundi, Eritrea, and Ghana.

Twenty-one facilitators, including 14 Moody staff, alumni, and students, led sessions on radio production, on-air work, digital media, video, and leadership. **Dr. Winfred Neely '12**, professor of preaching and pastoral studies at Moody Bible Institute, taught daily Bible sessions. One of the most popular classes was “Better Church Audio,” taught by **Chris Segard '95**, manager of production services for Moody Radio Network in Chicago.



“A highlight was seeing people from Christian ministries and secular organizations light up when they began to understand what was being shared,” says Collin Lambert, vice president of Moody Radio, who taught on interview skills and other topics. “It was exciting to see the passion of so many who have so little but so passionately want to share the love and message of Christ.”

James Mutisya '08, head of



Chris Segard teaches “Better Church Audio,” one of the most popular classes.

communications at Theovision International in Ghana, West Africa, helped manage the conference details. He says Christian media challenges in Africa range from outdated church PA systems to limited training for Christian radio. “The people who attended said they really benefited from the training and are putting what they learned into practice,” he says. One result is that a group of 60–70 attendees now meet once a week in Kenya to work on applying the video skills they learned at the conference.

Theo Asare, a pastor and president of Theovision International, said, “I get excited when I see African nationals coming to receive training and seeing that here we are mobilizing the young people, the next generation to reach Africa with the gospel.”

Several alumni had a part in the conference. **Stephen Asare '08**, Theo’s son, organized the conference for Moody Radio. **Eric Coleman '13** used his communications degree and video production experience to teach video classes, and **Elizabeth Doogan '14**, social media administrator for Moody, taught on digital media. **Jim Elliott '83**, vice president of

Moody Highlights

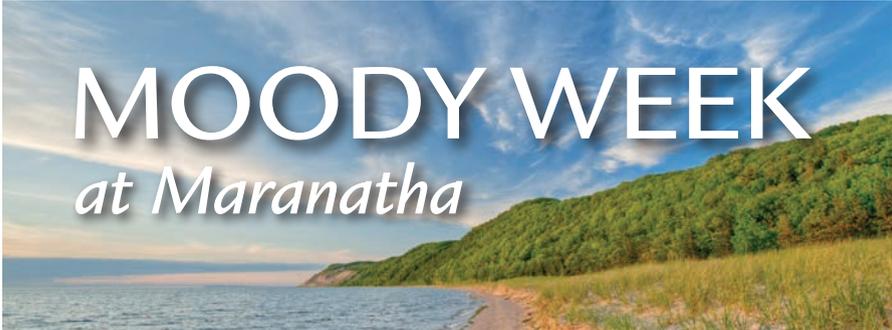
Stewardship at Moody Global Ministries, taught on leadership and, along with his wife **Karen (Clark) '83**, was also able to visit **Phil '87** and **Mari (Van Swol '89) Manning** and **Rodney Unruh '02** at Rift Valley Academy in Kenya, **Hope Carter '02** of Kijabe Hospital, **Kevin Paszalek '98** of Moffatt Bible College, and **Julie Anderson '04** of Timbali Crafts in Swaziland.

A few students also accompanied the Moody Radio team, including John Holst, the station manager for the student-run Moody Campus Radio, Hadassah Lachmann, a blogger who has worked in event planning and project management with a creative agency, and Hannah Lechmann, who

works part-time for Moody Radio and hosts a freelance podcast.

Moody Radio launched the Global Partners Project in 2012 to forge international relationships with media ministries and train media professionals to advance the gospel through radio. Global Partners Training conferences have been held in Sofia, Bulgaria; Buzias, Romania; twice in Ghana, and now in Kenya.

Onesimus Ngoboko, a participant from Uganda, expressed thanks for the most recent training on a video produced by **Jon Gauger '80**. "The way we came is not the way we are going back. We are going back energized, empowered, refreshed to reach more people for Christ."



MOODY WEEK

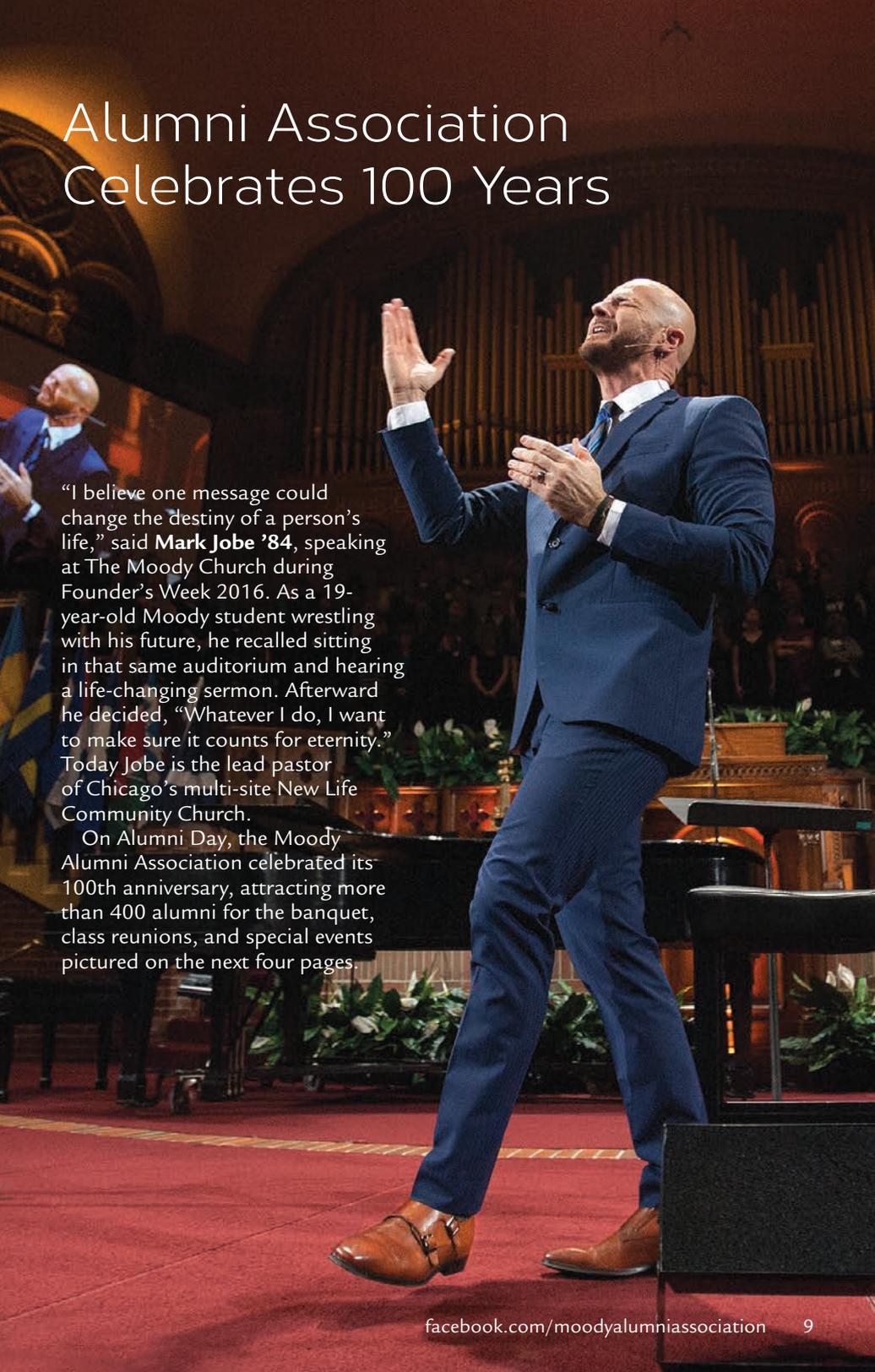
at Maranatha

SATURDAY, JULY 2–SATURDAY, JULY 9

Join us for Moody's alumni reception on Saturday, July 2, 4:00 p.m., at the Maranatha Bible and Missionary Conference in Muskegon, Michigan. Attend the dinner (\$15) at 5:30 p.m., then enjoy a concert featuring Avalon at 7:00 p.m. RSVP for the reception at (312) 329-4412, or email mbialum@moody.edu.

Stay all week to hear messages from Dr. Paul Nyquist, Pastor **Chris Brooks '10**, and Dr. John Trent. Register for the week at vacationwithpurpose.com.

Alumni Association Celebrates 100 Years

A man in a blue suit is speaking on a stage, gesturing with his hands. He is bald and has a beard. The background is a large, ornate auditorium with a red carpet. There are other people on the stage, including a man in a blue suit on the left. The lighting is warm and focused on the speaker.

“I believe one message could change the destiny of a person’s life,” said **Mark Jobe ’84**, speaking at The Moody Church during Founder’s Week 2016. As a 19-year-old Moody student wrestling with his future, he recalled sitting in that same auditorium and hearing a life-changing sermon. Afterward he decided, “Whatever I do, I want to make sure it counts for eternity.” Today Jobe is the lead pastor of Chicago’s multi-site New Life Community Church.

On Alumni Day, the Moody Alumni Association celebrated its 100th anniversary, attracting more than 400 alumni for the banquet, class reunions, and special events pictured on the next four pages.



New Alumni Missionary Display Unveiled. Touch screens on an interactive digital display located near the D. L. Moody museum in Smith 1 allow visitors to locate Moody alumni who've served all over the globe. Students updated alumni information from mission agencies and the existing display in the Torrey-Gray lobby. "It's a work in progress," says **Nancy Hastings '80**, executive director of the Alumni Association, who welcomes your missionary updates. Read more about the missionary wall on page 18.

The Moody Choral's 70th Anniversary. Many alumni reunited with the current Choral for the Tuesday evening session. Choral conductor Dr. Xiangtang Hong directed two songs, "Evening Hymn" and "Prayer Before Singing" (composed by former Choral director Dr. Donald Hustad).



Gerald Edmonds '57, retired director who conducted the Moody Choral for 32 years, led the choir in his 1980 arrangement of "Holy, Holy, Holy." During a rehearsal Dr. Edmonds said, speaking of himself, "I know the guy who wrote this piece, and when he was arranging this section, he was thinking about entering the throne room of Jesus. Some of us are going to get there before you know it."



2016 Alumnus of the Year Award

On Tuesday night, the Alumni Association honored **Dr. Don Sweeting '76**, president of Reformed Theological Seminary in Orlando, Fla. "His ministry, his heart for God and His Word, along with his long-standing history with Moody Bible Institute, are worthy of celebrating in this manner," Hastings said.

Moody President Paul Nyquist added that Don is "the epitome of the excellent Christian leader Moody is seeking to produce." In the 1980s Don served at Moody as special research assistant to his father, former Moody President **George Sweeting '45** (1972 Alumnus of the Year). In 1987 Don left to pastor Chain of Lakes Community Bible Church in Antioch, Ill., for 11 years. After graduating with his PhD in church history from Trinity Evangelical Divinity School, he became senior pastor of Cherry Creek Presbyterian Church in Denver, Colo., for 12 years, while also teaching



church history at Denver Seminary.

Don has co-authored several books for Moody Publishers, including *How to Finish the Christian Life*. He hosts *Take 5*, a daily five-minute radio program and podcast. He has served on the boards of the National Association of Evangelicals, John Stott Ministries, and Colorado Christian University. Don and his wife, Christina, have four grown children who are serving the church locally and globally.



2016 Faculty Citation Award. The Alumni Association honored Cynthia Uitermarkt, chair of the music department, for her distinguished service to Moody Bible Institute since 1985. An accomplished pianist and skilled administrator, Dr. Uitermarkt has served as a mentor and role model to music students. As an accreditation evaluator with the National Association of Schools of Music, she was instrumental in Moody's accreditation being renewed in 2013. Interesting fact: She and her husband, Larry, are both licensed pilots.



Winning Theme Song. *Diana Lebar '14* (left) won a Moody songwriting contest for her song “None Like You,” adapted from Isaiah 40. Diana, who graduated from Moody as a vocal performance major and works part-time in Donor Development, is completing an MA in Biblical and Theological Studies at Moody Theological Seminary and hopes to serve as a church worship leader. “What brought me to Moody was the excitement of knowing that you could do full-time ministry as an occupation,” she said. “I love the idea of giving your heart and soul to the Lord and doing it as a job.”

Alumni Association in Congressional Record.

Tim Walberg '73, U.S. congressman from Michigan, gave special recognition to the Moody Bible Institute Alumni Association’s 100th anniversary in a declaration presented to the House of Representatives on February 1, 2016. Hastings read excerpts from a plaque presented to the Alumni Association Tuesday evening.

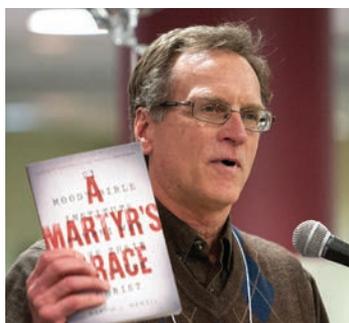


Faculty Travel Endowment Fund. **Larry Davidhizar '74**, vice president and dean of Moody’s undergraduate school, introduced faculty who received funds for overseas travel this summer: (from left) Jonathan Armstrong, Bangkok, Thailand; **Bradley Baurain '93**, South Korea; Un-Young Whang and **Elizabeth (Faul) '72) Naegle**, Hong Kong; Tim Sigler, Germany; **Andrew Pflederer '87** (not pictured), Albania.





Alumni Banquet. Donna (Baskett '81) Butler, who led worship with her husband Charles '81 on Wednesday night, visits with classmates of 1981, including Cliff Gardner '81 (left).



Dr. Marvin Newell '73, author of *A Martyr's Grace* (Moody Publishers) and former professor of missions at Moody Theological Seminary, spoke at the banquet about the 21 alumni who gave their lives for Christ.



Alumni Association Directors. (Left to right): Tim Ostrander '62, Dick Epps '64, Nancy (Andersen '80) Hastings, Rollie Lindstrom '76, Tom Shaw '81, and (not pictured) Walter White Jr. '78.



Enjoying Their Class of '66 Yearbook.

(Left to right): Bonnie (Bernard) Partyka, Betty (Bernard) Stende, ClarLyn (Nelson) Morris (who housed her former classmates plus six others during Founder's Week), Dolly Dickinson, and Jan (Snyder) Whisler.

See more reunion photos on Moody's Flickr site. To view award presentations, visit moody.edu/alumni-awards. For Founder's Week sessions, visit Moody Bible Institute's YouTube channel.

A photograph showing a man in a dark suit and tie, identified as Dr. Scott Carroll, holding a large, unrolled Torah scroll. He is looking down at the scroll. In the foreground, the back of a student's head and shoulders, wearing a blue and white striped shirt, is visible. The background features a brick wall, a wooden podium with a microphone, and an American flag and an Israeli flag on a stand. The scene is set in a synagogue or a similar religious building.

Moody Receives Rare 18th-Century Torah Scroll

*Dr. Scott Carroll gives students
a closer look at the Torah scroll.*

A rare 18th-century Torah scroll was presented as a gift to Moody Theological Seminary on December 2, 2015, during a dedication ceremony on the Chicago campus. Originally crafted in Tunisia by Jewish scribes of the Diaspora, this scroll is now displayed in the Crowell Library and will be used for biblical instruction.

“We are very grateful to the Larson family for donating this rare Torah scroll, which is a tangible reminder of how God has preserved His Word throughout the centuries,” said Moody President Paul Nyquist to faculty, staff, students, and guests.

Ken and Barbara Larson, owners of Slumberland Inc., a home furnishing retailer based in Minnesota, chose the scroll with the help of Dr. Scott Carroll, an ancient/medieval manuscript specialist who has built the two largest privately-held collections of Bibles and biblically-related materials in the world. “He has been called the Indiana Jones of the Christian antiquities world,” says Christy Cherney, Moody’s theological reference librarian.

The Moody Connection

The Larsons were glad to gift the Torah scroll to Moody. “I’ve always loved Moody’s commitment to training up people in the ministry and honoring God’s Word,” Barbara said at the ceremony. A Chicago native, Barbara grew up listening to Moody Radio and attending Founder’s Week with her mom. Her youth pastor and Sunday school teachers were Moody graduates, and as a girl she remembers reciting her favorite verse, Psalm 19:1, on a Saturday children’s program on Moody Radio.

While Barbara has led Bible studies for more than 40 years, Ken has served on the boards of several Christian organizations and their church. Their mutual interest in the Torah began a

few years ago after taking a family trip to the Holy Land, followed by a missions trip to South Korea with Josh McDowell, who uses Torah scrolls in his ministry. Josh told Ken that very few people teaching Hebrew have ever read from a Torah scroll.



Ken and Barbara Larson present the gift of the Torah scroll to Moody.

That’s when the Larsons began gifting Torahs to evangelical seminaries across the United States and Canada. “This is our fifteenth, and it is exciting to see the enthusiasm and awe and wonder,” said Barbara. “Our goal is that the Torahs will never be put away. They will be read and studied and used in a very special way. We want you to use this, to experience the Torah, and to experience God’s Word.”

The dedication ceremony included music presentations in Hebrew and in English by Moody students, Dr. Desirée Hassler, and Dr. David Gauger. Moody Theological Seminary student Ajit Christopher read from the week’s Torah portion (Gen. 37) in Hebrew, and Roey Gilad, Consul General of Israel to the Midwest, gave special remarks.

The matter of donating a scroll to an evangelical seminary is considered controversial to some Jewish people, which Gilad acknowledges. “We are very opinionated people, and yet I believe that such an event like the one today can really unite Jewish people,”



Roey Gilad, Consul General of Israel to the Midwest, speaks about the Torah.

he said after the ceremony, adding, “He who reads this book, he who studies this book, he who knows this book, will eventually be a better human being. I have no doubt.”

Dr. Michael Rydelnik '77, Moody Bible Institute professor of Jewish Studies, expressed gratitude for the gift of the Torah and for the Jewish people who were “entrusted with the oracles of God” (Rom. 3:2). “We couldn’t read the Hebrew Bible today were it not for those Jewish people who had written, who had preserved, and then taught us about these books.

After the ceremony, the Hebrew scroll was unrolled to give attendees a closer look at the first five books of the Bible. The scroll was then carried to an environmentally controlled, glass-walled enclosure in Moody’s library. The Larsons also arranged for digital copies of the scroll to allow for in-depth study. “It’s a holy moment as people encounter God’s Word that’s hundreds of years old,” Barbara Larson commented.

The Scroll’s Origin

Based on the style of writing and the materials used in its composition, Carroll says the Torah scroll originated in the 1700s in Tunisia, Africa, where the Jewish people had settled in the dispersion after the Babylonian captivity. The scroll was made from the skins

of 60 animals, “a big investment by a Jewish community,” he says.

The scroll was used liturgically for about 300 years and was likely transported to Israel by Tunisian Jews who returned there, according to Carroll. He estimates that about 100,000 Jews lived in Tunisia as late as the 1960s but that the population dwindled to about 1,500 as of 2013. The retired scroll was probably sold to a collector, museum, or university before it made its way into the hands of the Israeli Ben-David family, which has one of the largest private collections of Torah scrolls in the world. It later was acquired by the Larsons.

“It is in superb condition,” says Carroll, who has examined thousands of Torah scrolls in his work with the Larsons and with Torah collectors and universities. “The number one most striking thing about it are the large number of corrections on it,” he says, pointing out that he has never seen a scroll without corrections. In the process of copying, “some skip lines, reverse word order, have spelling differences and other minor things that are of enormous importance to the Jews.”

When a scroll needs a correction, the Jewish community has 30 days to fix it. If not, it is taken out of circulation, at least until corrected, Carroll explains. The scroll donated to Moody may have been retired when a synagogue closed or for other reasons. Nevertheless, “it has been made 100 percent accurate by the community that’s leaned into it,” Carroll says.

“My hope would be that you would develop a deep appreciation for the people who composed and carefully preserved this Torah for hundreds of years in very difficult situations . . . and that it will give you a deepened appreciation for your faith commitment to God’s wonderful Word,” he said.



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not just NAMES on the WALL

One memorable story from the Alumni Missionary Display

by Jonathan Goldthwaite

With more than 7,000 names on the Alumni Missionary Board at the back of Torrey-Gray Auditorium (and hundreds more on the new, updated display), it's easy to miss the impact—the adventure, the struggle, the triumph—of the individuals included there. Every name represents the story of someone who took the risk to bring God's Word to an unfamiliar culture. Here's just one of those stories.

In the late 1930s a medical doctor invited Moody students to help him in his mission work in Assam, northeast India. **Rachel Funk '36-'39** joined the doctor, along with **James '39** and **Joyce (Spohn '38) Garlow**.

Others soon followed, yet after years of hard work and sacrifice, the missionaries saw little fruit. A few people from tribal and Hindu backgrounds trusted Christ but no Muslims converted. After relocating



Paul and Lahizan Ahmed next to Rachel Funk holding Ishak Ahmed.

to the village of Alipur in the early 1950s, Rachel contacted some villagers to help her translate Christian literature into the local language. One who agreed to help was Paul Ahmed, the only son of a prominent Muslim imam among the Manipuri people.

As Paul was translating a Christian tract, its truth gripped his heart and he

became convinced that Jesus Christ was his Savior. The group was ecstatic about Paul's conversion but persecution soon followed. Villagers tried to take his life more than once, yet the missionaries helped protect Paul from danger and became his new family.

Paul and his wife, Lahizan, raised eight children and helped the Garlows in their work to establish Northeast India Baptist Bible College and Seminary in the early 1970s. Today, all but one of Paul's children are Christians, working in full-time ministry.

Paul's oldest son, Ishak, earned a PhD in chemistry in Mumbai, then conducted post-doctoral research at the University of Helsinki in Finland. Despite a promising career in science, Ishak (now Dr. Ahmed) felt called to return to India, a calling confirmed by Jeremiah 42:10: "If you will remain in this land, then I will build you up and not pull you down; I will plant you, and not pluck you up. . . ."

Dr. Ahmed wanted to serve God and be a witness to the Muslim people in Assam. The door opened when he became president of Northeast India Baptist Bible College and Seminary in 1996. Currently the college has about 80 undergraduate and graduate students from more than 20 ethnic and language groups. More than 600 graduates are serving in ministry in India, Nepal, and Myanmar. He and his brother, Jacob, also started Grace High School in Tarapur, attended mostly by students of Hindu and Muslim backgrounds.

During a ministry trip to the United States, Dr. Ahmed was invited to stay in the home of **Mark and Betsy (Cole '84) Davidhizar '83**, who direct Camp Beechpoint, a Christian youth camp in Michigan. Soon they partnered together to start youth camps at Grace High School, resulting in many students hearing the gospel.

On another trip Dr. Ahmed joined Mark to visit Moody Bible Institute in Chicago. He was eager to see the place where some of the first missionaries to his community had been trained and sent. During his visit Dr. Ahmed searched the missionary board in the foyer of Torrey-Gray and was overjoyed to find familiar names: **Rachel Funk, James and Joyce Garlow, Thomas '43 and Mary (Blackburn '44) Walker, and Joyce Moody '53**. He knew firsthand the impact these missionaries had had on him and his community through their life and service. Assam now has two Christian schools, an orphanage, and a Christian book store, with more people hearing the gospel every year.



Mark Davidhizar and Dr. Ishak Ahmed in front of the missionary board in Torrey-Gray Auditorium.

The connection between the Ahmed family and Moody will come full circle this fall as Dr. Ahmed's daughter Rachel, named after the very woman who brought the gospel to her grandfather, is planning to attend Moody Theological Seminary.

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It's about People, Not Planes



How God used a mechanically inclined introvert to build
Moody's Missionary Aviation program

Cecil Bedford '78 never expected to devote his entire career to training students at Moody Aviation, but he says, "It's been an interesting ride!" After 37 years, Cecil is retiring in June as program manager. "I couldn't think of a better way I would have invested the majority of my life."

Cecil says a highlight of his Moody career was visiting graduates in jungle areas of Ecuador, Peru, and Brazil in 1999. The pilots were supporting Bible translators and church planters in areas mostly inaccessible except by air. “It was a real encouragement to see graduates out there that I’ve instructed doing what they were trained to do and really representing our King well.”

His biggest challenge occurred during an economic downturn in 2003 when Moody made the difficult decision to move the aviation program from Elizabethton, Tenn., to Spokane, Wash. With 37 full-time Moody employees in Tennessee and a subsidy approaching \$2 million a year, the aviation program had become too expensive to sustain. Cecil was one of only four employees who made the transition to Spokane. To make the program affordable, Moody Aviation adopted a new paradigm by partnering with missionary aviation user organizations including JAARS, MAF, New Tribes Mission, AIM AIR, Samair, and Proclaim Ministries, most of which provided instructors free of charge. “The majority of the people we have here are on loan from mission organizations that we supply graduates for,” he explains.

The move breathed new life into the Moody Bible Institute Distance Learning site in Spokane that had 30 students and was slated to be closed. Renamed Moody Bible Institute, the campus would serve undergraduate students in all majors, including missionary aviation technology. The hangar space was located at a nearby community college.

Cecil was integral in that transition. Since then, the campus has grown to about 700 students, including 115 missionary aviation technology majors. “This year we have our largest freshman class coming into the

aviation program since we have been in Spokane,” Cecil says. With six other ministry-related bachelor’s degrees, Moody’s Spokane campus now ranks within the nation’s top 10 enrollments of Bible colleges. “To see what God has done to both maintain the aviation program and preserve that biblical component here in the northwest corner of this country is pretty phenomenal,” he says.

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Sent to Moody

Cecil’s role in Moody Aviation history started when he came to Moody as a student. God redirected Cecil and his wife, **Joyce Bedford ’75**, from foreign missions to Moody ministry. Cecil, an MK from British Columbia, Canada, desired to apply his electronics degree and private pilot’s license to missions, either in radio or aviation. “Our heartbeat was to get on the field and be engaged in the Great Commission,” he explains. “We applied with JAARS, and they told us to go to Moody.”

After graduating from Moody Bible Institute in Chicago and training as a pilot mechanic at Moody Aviation in Tennessee, Cecil was asked to stay on in the avionics department, upgrading electronic equipment in their aircraft. He agreed to stay for only one year, citing visa requirements. But as the year wound up, the director, Dirk Van Dam, asked Cecil to consider staying longer. “We can’t; it’s impossible,” Cecil said, adding that he and Joyce were more interested in international missions.

“Pray about it,” Dirk urged. Cecil agreed to pray that if they were approved for a green card before they left town, they would take that as God’s leading to stay.

They were packed to leave when the call came stating that their green card had been approved.

Although it wasn’t the mission field Cecil had in mind, he poured himself into the work at Moody Aviation. “So my one year has been a long year—37 years,” he says.

Cecil, a self-proclaimed introvert who built his first radio at age eight, says he originally wanted a technology-based ministry that didn’t require him to work with people. “The last thing I wanted was to be in front of people,” Cecil admits, “although God has obviously used that backwardness.”



Moody Aviation receives FAA commendation. From left: Jim Conrad, Minard Thompson, Cecil Bedford, and Jay Bigley '92.

Early on he was pushed into the classroom, teaching basic electricity and maintenance courses. As he taught he began to realize that his ministry was to people, not only for the use of equipment. When the aviation program moved to Spokane, he and Joyce helped with student services and even housed students in their home. “Our empty nest has never been empty since we’ve been at Spokane,” says Cecil, who has three

grown children, including one Moody graduate. “God could care less about the mechanics, the sheet metal, and the equipment we use,” he says. “God’s concern is for the people with whom we relate and with Him.”

Cecil encourages his students and staff that “this is about relationship—first vertically, then horizontally. If we can’t work together, we have no right to be on the field representing the Lord Jesus.”

Changing with the Times

Missionary aviation is no longer limited to a landing strip in a jungle, although “that will continue to be a need until every tongue has heard in their own language the good news of the Lord Jesus Christ,” Cecil says. Planes have become larger and more expensive (he says a turbine class aircraft costs \$2–\$5 million compared to the \$200,000 required for a jungle plane). In addition, aviation used for humanitarian causes and disaster relief has become a primary means of entering creative access countries.

“We now have graduates who are engaged in frontline ministry in closed Muslim countries because of the need for aircraft, and the pilot mechanic is the frontline missionary,” he says. “They’re the ones building relationships and presenting the gospel as the opportunity arises.”

Cecil says Moody Aviation is the gold standard in missionary aviation training. “Moody Aviation provides more mission aviators than any other organization, period,” he says. “It’s just really neat to be part of what God is doing here”—which is why Cecil plans to stay involved, perhaps as a part-time instructor or fundraiser.

“Retirement is not quitting, it’s being retreaded and refocused,” he says. “We’re working on what that looks like.”



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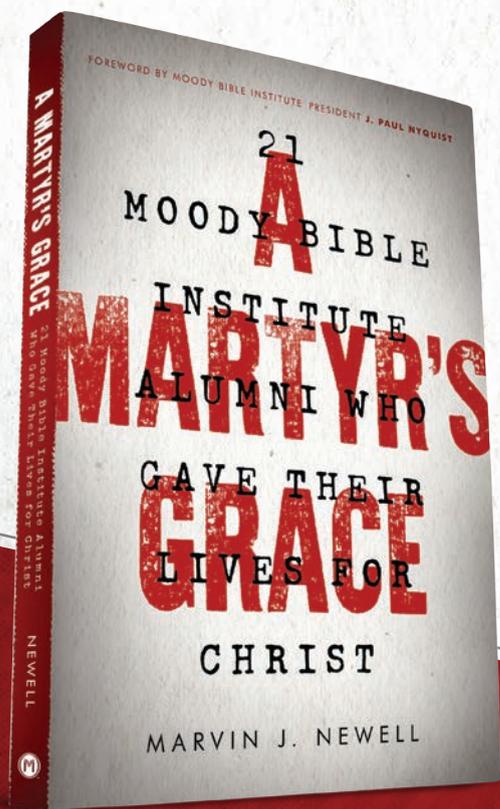
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Don Wise



Don played the accordion, trumpet, and French horn in a gospel team with Harold Richards accompanying.



Margaret (Andersen) Wise

A Streetcar Romance

Looking back on their years of marriage, **Don '44** and **Margaret (Andersen '44) Wise** tell a typical tale of Moody romance: two freshman arrive on campus, are randomly assigned the same Practical Christian Ministry, and then end up sharing a streetcar on the way back to campus. Yes—a streetcar. This was back in 1942, when Chicago's electric trolley was still running, with seats wide enough to accommodate Moody's famed "five-inch rule."

"That was the beginning of our romance," says Don, recalling that first conversation and their happy discovery of having grown up just 25 miles apart, Margaret in Racine, Wisconsin, and Don in Zion, Illinois. They would marry soon after their 1944 graduation and have now celebrated their 71st anniversary. Don explains the secret to their long marriage by quoting Matthew 6:33: "Seek ye first the kingdom of God' . . .

That's the answer to what God did for us."

Don, the son of a carpenter, was introduced to Moody during a Saturday boys' club led by a Moody student. Don thought, *I'd sure like to be like that fellow*. When a gospel team from Moody came to the church, Don decided, *I want to go to that school*.

With plans to work full-time in Christian service, Don enrolled in the Pastor's Course and especially enjoyed taking Greek from Dr. Kenneth Wuest. "I was really impressed by his thrill in understanding the Greek New Testament," he says. For his Practical Christian Ministry assignment, he traveled throughout the Midwestern states on weekends with evangelistic partner **Harold Richards '44**. After Moody, Don earned a master's in New Testament Greek from Wheaton College and also studied at Northern Baptist Seminary and University of

Chicago Graduate School. After eight years as the pastor of Union Grove Baptist Church in Union Grove, Wisconsin, he and Margaret moved to his hometown of Zion, Illinois, in 1956.

Don began working at Moody, teaching courses like New Testament Greek Grammar, Greek Exegesis, and Bible Introduction. He set up Moody's original summer school studies program after leading several trips to Israel. His first trip was in 1967, just three weeks after the Six-Day War. "That was quite an experience," he says. "It's amazing how the Jewish people actually gave the honor to God for helping them to be so victorious in that war of '67. They recognized that God's hand was in it."

On later trips, two Moody professors went along and each taught a course. "I felt it would help the students to know the geography of the Holy Land but it was also important for the professors," he says. Don has been to the Middle East 10 times and ran the program until 1985.

Moody became a familiar place for the Wise family. Don and Margaret raised two sons and a daughter, all of whom graduated from Moody and went into full-time Christian work. "We never told them where they were going to go to college; that was something they needed to settle with the Lord," Don says.

"Those were some of the best years of my life." —Margaret Wise

But Moody was a natural fit. "Whenever I had a day off from grade school, I wanted to go to school with my dad," daughter **Ruth (Wise '76) Storvik** recalls. She liked to sit in classes taught by Ruth Beam, **Omar Brubaker '50** and **Rosemary Turner '45**. "They were Christian education teachers, so naturally I later chose Christian education for my major."

Margaret was a frequent volunteer at Moody, teaching Bible and sewing classes in the wives' guild from 1957 to 1988.



Don and Margaret demonstrate Moody's five-inch rule.



Don and Margaret in Israel in 1967.



Don and Margaret celebrate Don's 30th anniversary at Moody.

“Those were some of the best years of my life,” says Margaret, who also spent many years teaching Sunday school at church and Child Evangelism Fellowship classes in the neighborhood.

She stays in touch with many of the women who have been serving on foreign mission fields, and her children’s classes yielded a number of full-time Christian workers. One of her former Sunday school students is **Darrell Storvik ’76**, who later graduated with a degree in pastoral studies at Moody and married their daughter, Ruth. “We met in the church nursery and grew up as friends in the church, so we always joke it was an arranged marriage,” says Ruth, whose husband is pastor of Victory Baptist Church in Scottville, Michigan.

Don and Margaret are thankful that their children are living out their faith. Their older son, **Tim ’70**, married **Jean Murphy ’74-’74** and worked at Moody for years after serving as a pastor. Son **Larry ’72** married **Becky Dodge ’73** and pastors Community Bible Church in Highland, Illinois.

Their grandson **Tim Wise II ’97-’97** attended Moody for one year and another grandson, **Nathan Storvik ’11**, got his biblical studies degree through Moody Bible Institute Distance Learning. In addition, Don’s late sister, **Loma (Wise ’46) Larson**, and Margaret’s younger sister **Ruth (Andersen ’47) Larsen** are Moody graduates.

When Don was asked to make the eight-hour Greek Grammar course available by correspondence, he recorded his teaching on reel-to-reel tapes in a Moody classroom during a cold Christmas break. The popping noises from the heat registers sounded like a barking dog, he says.

Besides teaching day school, Don spent two or three nights a week teaching courses such as historical geography of the Bible and exegesis of the books of the Bible in Moody’s evening schools in Chicago, Zion, and in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. He spent almost all of his Sunday mornings in pulpit supply ministry or as an interim pastor in a number of area churches. During several summers Don took his family with him across the country, preaching in camps and churches and visiting Moody alumni. In 1984, he received the Faculty Citation Award.

Don had a long commute to work (they live 60 miles from Moody), sometimes returning twice in one day to bring Margaret to an evening event. But they didn’t mind.



Don and Margaret Wise and family

“We chose a small town rather than living right in the city,” Margaret says.

Don, who retired in 1988 and completed a doctorate in Practical Ministry in 1999, enjoyed his work and family time. “We kept from getting burned out simply because the Lord was taking care of us,” says Don. “We were doing what the Lord wanted us to do.”

Chicago in Transition, Again



In December, a construction crane demolished three buildings adjacent to Moody's Chicago campus. A new high-rise apartment building will occupy the corner of Chicago and Wells, directly across the street from Fitzwater Hall. Business as usual, hardly a "Moody Tradition."

Then came January, when Lake Michigan disappeared.

The lake has always been visible from Moody's campus, if you knew where to look—a luminescent sliver of blue-green horizon at the end of Pearson Avenue, past the rows of Gold Coast condos and office buildings.

The lake was there in 1889, when D. L. Moody prayed on the corner of Chicago and LaSalle, claiming the land for a Bible Institute. It remained visible during Chicago's greatest building boom, the early 1900s, when Chicago doubled in size and then doubled again, bustling forward as the City of Big Shoulders. And the lake view somehow survived after the other booms—the 1950s, 1980s, and 1990s.

But not anymore. Working through the winter, construction workers added floor upon floor to a new apartment tower on Clark Street. By mid-January the building was tall enough to block Moody's view of the lake.

Chicago is in the middle of another building boom, this time concentrated in Moody's Near North neighborhood. When the dust settles, Moody will have an unprecedented opportunity to articulate its commitment to an urban campus. But at first glance it seems like a lot of student traditions are being obliterated by \$500 million in new construction.

“When the dust settles, Moody will have an unprecedented opportunity to articulate its commitment to an urban campus.”

Ed Debevic's diner (Wells and Erie streets), the tourist spot famous for its sassy wait staff, was flattened in December, to be replaced by a residential complex (workers searched for the restaurant's time capsule buried by magicians Penn and Teller,

which apparently vanished during the excavation).

The giant pizza slices were peeled off the side of **Gino's East** (Ontario and Wells Streets) just before it was razed in November, with a 29-story apartment complex rising in its place.

The very retro and very orange **Howard Johnson's** motel and diner (Superior and LaSalle) was torn down to make room for a 35-story apartment building.

On Clark Street, just a block east of the Moody campus, **three long-vacant parking lots** are disappearing. New developments include a strip of luxury row houses, a six-story complex for the Mormon Church, and that lake-blocking apartment project.

The **Jewel-Osco** grocery (Clark and Division), a popular spot for late-night snack runs, was demolished last July. Yet another 35-story apartment building is planned (dubbed “The Tower of Jewel” by grumpy neighbors).

What do all of these projects have in common, other than a demolition derby for our nostalgic memories of the neighborhood? And how will this trend affect Moody?

Several factors have contributed to the urban transformation.

First came a new wave of tourism, a leap of eight million new visitors in three years, predictably followed by new hotel projects to add 1,000 rooms downtown. Then Mayor Rahm Emmanuel announced his ambitious goal to add 55 million visitors by 2020, coupled with plans to add another 2,500 rooms.

Next came the Millennials, the young adults who graduated from college and moved into the city, valuing the amenities of urban life. After the 2008 housing bust, high demand caused Chicago rents to soar. Now the Near North has the most

expensive apartments in Chicago (one bedroom for \$2,000, if you can afford it). North Side rents are rising by 11 percent a year.

For the Moody campus, the changes are a remarkable shift. Decades ago Moody was known as a North Side oasis, famously situated between a Gold Coast retail mecca and the Cabrini-Green housing projects. When the city demolished much of Cabrini-Green in the early 2000s, the neighborhood dynamic shifted

“For 130 years Moody has called Chicago ‘home,’ and we are here to stay.”

—Paul Nyquist

in predictable ways, both good and bad. The economics of land ownership were subjected to unique pressures—upward pressures—where 30-story buildings became the new neighborhood standard.

For real estate developers it was the magic formula: high rents plus high demand plus historically low mortgage rates. Suddenly it made sense to demolish a one-story grocery, replacing it with a gigantic tower and a new grocery on the first floor.

And by this point the reader might pause to ask, “How is this a Moody Tradition? It sounds more like an article about radical change.”

Don Martindell, Moody’s director of Practical Christian Ministry, looks past the new construction to see a fundamental value.

“Moody was one of the few Bible colleges that started out in the city and committed to stay there,” Martindell says, describing other colleges who sold their urban campuses in the 1960s and 1970s.

“Moody stayed the course.”

It has been this way since 1871, when the Chicago fire destroyed nearly every building in the Near North neighborhood, including D. L. Moody’s Illinois Street Church and his own home. Zealous to demonstrate his commitment to Chicago and to urban ministry, Moody responded within weeks by building his North Side Tabernacle at the corner of Ontario and Wells. The temporary wood-frame building, one of the first to appear after the fire, sent a clear message about Moody’s commitment to rebuild the neighborhood.

And yes—by some odd quirk, this site later became Ed Debevic’s parking lot.

Meanwhile, Moody administrators have been working behind the scenes to position Moody’s Chicago campus for the future. In his role as Moody’s executive vice president and chief operating officer, Steve Mogck works with city planners and various neighborhood groups, all of whom seem to ask the same basic question. In a rapidly changing real estate market, is Moody for sale?

“We’re not leaving Chicago,” Mogck says, but he uses these opportunities to emphasize the stability and contributions Moody makes to the neighborhood.

Moody President Paul Nyquist underscores Moody’s commitment to maintain its urban roots.

“For 130 years Moody has called Chicago ‘home,’ and we are here to stay,” Nyquist says. “Moody’s location gives our students amazing opportunities to reach people who have come here from all over the world, meeting real needs and gaining experience for future ministry.

“Buildings rise and fall—our neighborhood is ever changing. We’re excited and challenged by the new potential for ministry in Chicago.”

Taking Off on a New Mission

How a flight attendant feeds children in Africa

Gib Rapp ASP '81 has a good reason to keep his day job as a flight attendant. Every three months he flies standby to Kenya, Africa, to help establish Kapu Africa, a program feeding 16,000 Christian school children in Nairobi's most impoverished neighborhoods.

"I've taken a very unorthodox path," says Gib. After getting a degree in animal science from the University of Illinois, Gib enrolled in Moody (Advanced Studies Program), a one-year biblical studies program for college graduates that later evolved into Moody Theological Seminary. Since then, he has worked in food service, counseled juveniles in Chicago jails, and plowed snow at a Colorado ski resort. His current position with Southwest Airlines provides discounted transportation to his ministry in Kenya.

Gib's trips to Africa began two years ago after his mom passed away. "The parental chapter was closed, and I remember thinking and praying, I've got a little more time here," he recalls. "And I'm single, which gives me a little more flexibility." He asked God where he should get more involved in ministry. "Boy, you pray those prayers and hang onto your hat!"

One day a buddy was showing him a new distribution warehouse in his hometown of Morton, Illinois. Midwest Food Bank, a faith-based organization, uses the building to distribute food to not-for-profits. When Gib found out the organization, which operates in six U.S. locations,

was going to start something similar in Kenya, he decided to join the volunteer effort. When he met the Nairobi team in January 2014, they bonded instantly.

"They just wanted to be available and open to however God would lead," Gib explains. "That's what attracted me to the group."

Their attention quickly centered around the many children and orphans who couldn't afford to attend school and lacked adequate nutrition. "Poverty, various diseases, and frequent drought and famine conditions take their toll," Gib says of Nairobi slum areas.

The team met with Christian school and orphanage leaders and asked, "If we could lower your food costs by about 20 percent, what would you do with the extra money?" They all said, "We'd take on more kids."

"That's what we wanted to hear," says Gib, who was then asked to join Kapu Africa's board. Major projects emerged, beginning with finding a Kenyan partner who could make Midwest Food Bank's nutritious dry-food packets (cooked with hot water) for the schools. "We wanted it to be Kenya product, Kenyan ingredients, run by Kenyans. That was our prayer," Gib recalls.

After plans with a large corporate farm didn't work out, they partnered with a Christian manufacturer to supply the dry food packets. Now a local fruit and vegetable company donates 700 pounds of green beans to the schools every week. And high-



Gib Rapp (left) with Kapu Africa team Ralph Endress, Denny Mott, Chad Parker, and Christine Mutsoli, in front of a new building for processing crocodile meat.

protein meat will soon be donated by a Kenyan woman who runs a crocodile farm.

Gib has encountered various challenges along the way. During one trip, he and other board members were arrested for a supposed traffic violation and had to pay an exorbitant sum to avoid jail. While walking through a slum on another occasion, they encountered a gang who announced they would be “tour guides” and demanded money. Instead Gib and the team turned around and left the slum.

“It was awkward and alarming, but when things like that happen, I tend not to get excited,” Gib says. “I can see how God has pulled together past experiences which have equipped me for the challenges of today.”

Moody’s Impact

Gib, who grew up working for farmers, credits Moody Bible Institute with opening his eyes to cross-cultural ministry and steering the direction of his life.

“Little did I know the kind of impact

those years at Moody would have on the rest of my life,” he says. “Through course work and various other activities related to being a student living in Chicago, Moody helped lay a Christ-centered foundation and launching pad for me.”

While he was at Moody, he volunteered at the federal Metropolitan Correctional Center in downtown Chicago, then at various state-run facilities. He worked for 15 years with the chaplaincy programs and recreation departments, playing ball and doing Bible studies with inmates. He also volunteered in a tutoring program for children from the former Cabrini Green public housing projects near Moody. That led to jobs as a social worker and later as a counselor of juveniles in the Illinois Department of Corrections.

Gib marvels at how God has used his Moody training and eclectic career to equip him for service in Africa. “It’s a great thing to be involved with,” says Gib. “We’ve got this team that’s just off the charts.”

2010s



Chelsea Buchwalter '14

is apprenticing with the Christian and Missionary Alliance in Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia. She

teaches English classes twice a week as she studies Mongolian and leads game nights to give Mongolians practice in English. She serves in a house church made up of teenagers as well as an international church. Last summer, she traveled across the country working with kids and teenagers at summer camps. In September Chelsea performed in a televised Mongolian singing competition, “My Voice.”

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received his associate’s in music from the University of North Georgia. In 2013 he and Melissa had twins, Mikayla and Micah, and currently live in Schofield, Wis. They are ready to follow God’s plan for them in future ministry.

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2000s



Jonathan Mast '09 serves as senior pastor at First Baptist Church of Paden City, W. Va. His wife, **Precious (Wynn '06-'08)**, serves as the church secretary and helps him lead worship. Jonathan and Precious have three children: Zoe (5), Jesse (3), and Addie (1). They are burdened to see members of their church community grow into mature disciples of Christ.



Franklin King '12 dramatically performs memorized Scripture and leads workshops that help believers memorize. Franklin says pastors have encouraged him to perform and teach these skills to others. Franklin and his wife, Melissa Joy, began Walk to Talk Ministries soon after he graduated from Moody, where Dr. John Hart encouraged Franklin to memorize and internalize the Bible.

Before Moody, Franklin performed professionally as an illusionist and

In 2011 **Luke Thomas '05** joined the staff at Holsby Bible School and Retreat Center in Sweden as the principal of the Bible school. He plans the yearly curriculum, teaches Bible courses, and engages with students. Before that he worked in Mongolia for four years teaching English with English Language Institute China. While there he met **Cheryl (Busenitz '03)**, who had joined Pioneers and was serving in China and Mongolia after



teaching for two years in the United States. Luke and Cheryl were later married and have three young children.

In 2011 the Liscoms moved to Omaha, Neb., to plant Changed Life Church. Before that Craig served as a senior pastor for 11 years following his graduation from Moody. Craig and Elizabeth have four children and one foster child with special needs.

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1990s



Jeff De Vries MA '00 won a Chicago/Midwest Emmy in Outstanding Achievement for Documentary Programs. He

worked as an associate producer for INK 180, a documentary that features a tattoo artist who covers or alters tattoos left on sex-trafficking victims or ex-gang members.



(Left to right): Carol Harding; Joe Harding; Tim Rogers '96; widow and daughter of Scott Nesbitt '96, Holly (Wall '97) and Emma Snell; Mark Nesbitt '93; and Brian Davis '96.



Craig '02 and Elizabeth (Goertzen '02) Liscom are celebrating 15 years of marriage. Craig recently accepted a position as a church-planting catalyst with the North American Mission Board, helping to develop new church planters in the Midwest. He also recently received his MA in Theological Studies from Southwestern Seminary.

Tim Rogers '96 recently spoke at the 2015 Moody Soccer Banquet. He helped present the **Scott Nesbitt '96** Award, given to a member of Moody's soccer team who exemplifies Christian character, compassion, and integrity. The award was named for Moody's 1994 NCCAA national championship soccer team member who passed away in 2000.

Tim works as a K-8 technology teacher at Evergreen Christian School in Olympia, Wash., and as one of the media staff with the Seattle Sounders professional soccer team.

Michael Wallenmeyer '95 recently began serving as senior pastor of New Life Evangelical Free Church in

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Watertown, S.D. He says, “As a pastor I am excited about focusing on the gospel, building a strong sense of community, making disciples, and reaching out to our community with the love of Jesus Christ.” Michael and his wife, **Marcie (Holman ’96)** have three children: Justice (14), Audra (12), and Noah (9).

1980s



Mike Lookenott ’88 recently reunited with his Moody roommate, **Gary Riendeau ’92**, for the first time in 26 years. Mike

pastored in Pennsylvania and Ohio for eight years before moving to an Atlanta suburb to become regional manager for Resisto, a waterproofing manufacturer. He has been married to his wife, Donna, for 22 years. They have six children: Jillian (20), Justine (19), Jorie (17), Jenna (16), True (14), and Thys (12). Mike and Donna serve in the children’s and college ministry of Sanctuary in Him Church, Acworth, Ga.

After Gary graduated from Moody, he went on to work in the business world. He also teaches Adult Bible Fellowship at Life Bridge Community

Church in Wauconda, Ill. Gary and his wife, Robin, were married for 20 years before she passed away. They have one son, Justin (17). Gary remarried, and he and his wife, Melody, continue to serve the Lord together. Gary is an administrator with Europa International, an eyewear manufacturer.

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Chuck Fry ’88 recently published *A World Upside Down: Four Essays on the Life and Theology of Martin Luther* (Cruciform Press, 2015). Jerry Bridges wrote the foreword. This book explores the freedom of grace and the wonder of the gospel. Chuck says, “I tried to make the story of Martin Luther’s life and his theology so easy to understand that the reader may be strengthened in God’s grace.” Chuck’s interest in church history and historical theology developed at Moody during Church History with Dr. Gregg Quiggle.

Chuck lives in West Virginia with his wife, Lisa, and three-year-old daughter, Heidi. He is on staff with The Navigators. Each year Chuck and Lisa host The Majesty of God Conference, sponsored by The Navigators of Huntington, W. Va.

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1970s



J. Michael Dixon '76 works full-time as a wedding officiant ministering to couples who find him on the Internet. He has

had the opportunity to counsel past wedding clients who come to him with their trouble and pain. Michael and his wife, **Beth (Gordon '76)**, attend The Orchard Evangelical Free Church in Barrington, Ill. Their daughter, **Laura (Dixon '04) Strickling**, is an opera singer in New York City. After graduating from Moody Bible Institute, Michael and Beth attended Trinity College in Deerfield, Ill. Michael then continued on at Trinity to receive his MDiv and his Master of Theology in Old Testament in 1982. They served in church pastoral ministry for 24 years in five Midwestern churches before retiring in 2005.

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Paul Lambert '72 attended Moody after seeing a Moody Chorale concert at his small Baptist church. He was moved by their excellent performance and obvious love for one another.

During his time at Moody, Paul joined the Moody Chorale and also served as the music director at Mount Hermon Christian Conference Center in California during summers. After graduation, Paul worked professionally for a few years, then started his own promotional graphics company in the Chicago suburbs. Eventually it evolved into a boutique advertising agency that led him to New York City where he produced more than 600 network

and regional television commercials in 20 years.

A turning point in Paul's life occurred when he saw the hit Broadway musicals *Jersey Boys* and *Mamma Mia*. He was amazed by the performances and production values, as well as their global success. Sold on the potential success of theater works as a force for ministry, he produced a short-run musical in Chicago last year, with plans to take it to Broadway.

In addition to his busy career, Paul attends small groups and Bible studies at his home church in Northern California, participates in a monthly Bible study for entertainment industry professionals in Los Angeles, and writes a weekly blog of spiritual encouragement.

"Moody definitely gave me the foundation for everything I do today," he says.



John Poysti '75 served 25 years with Russian Christian Radio after graduating with his BS in Missionary Radio Technology. In

2005 he became the director of Holsby Bible School and Retreat Center in Sweden. Besides teaching several courses, John directs his staff and seasonal volunteers at Holsby, a one-year international school that provides biblical and evangelistic training. During the spring and summer months, Camp Holsby welcomes church groups and students to reach hundreds of people with the gospel. Holsby is affiliated with Torchbearers International, an evangelical organization with 25 Bible schools around the world.

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Several Holsby students continued their education at Moody, including **Rebecca Froehlich '14** and current student Alfred Ottosson.

John and his wife have three daughters, two sons-in-law, and four grandsons.

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After graduation from Moody, **Karen (Bowyer '73-'75) Wells** moved to Ontario, Canada, with her husband, **Ian Wells '73**.

Ian served as a youth pastor at Calvary Baptist Church in Toronto while Karen completed her ARCT in Piano Pedagogy at the Toronto Conservatory. In 1982 the Wells moved to Ian's home country of Australia where Ian worked with the Baptist Union and the South Australian Police Department psychology unit.

In 1995, while Karen was visiting family back in the U.S., Ian passed away from a heart attack. Karen says this trying time made her more aware of God's comfort and gave her "a sense of urgency to spend her remaining days focused on pointing people towards God."

Karen moved her family back to the U.S. so her children, Jesse and Whitney, could attend college. Karen completed her missions training, raised support, and departed to Kazakhstan where she served with the South Australian Baptist Mission Board until 2006.

After returning to Australia, Karen worked as a hospital chaplain

and operated her own clinical counseling practice. She received her MA in counseling and focused her attention on spiritual resilience in cross-cultural workers. Karen eventually moved to Brighton, Mich., where she is raising prayer and financial support for her new role in serving United World Mission's 400 missionaries.

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Christine (Womelsdorf '72) Swanson retired from UCLA after 35 years. She has been married to her husband, Dane, for 36 years. They established Swanson Radio Theatre in 1991. They write and tell their own humorous and dramatic stories that share the gospel and have practical application for believers and unbelievers. Dane and Christine are members of ACTS Church in Venice, Calif.

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Dr. Kathleen (Graham '67, '70) Robinson

is the recipient of the Chancellor's Alumni Excellence Award from Texas Women's

University. She was honored for her career in non-traditional education and community development. Kathleen worked as a professor at the University of Hawaii at Manoa, the University of South Carolina, and Clemson University. Kathleen cofounded the Institute on Family and Neighborhood Life, the Center on Neighborhood Development, and South Carolina Center for Nonprofit Leadership.

Kathleen testified several times before the U.S. Congress and the United Nations. She is a recognized leader in rural, integrated community development in a variety of natural and cultural contexts. She is the author of 32 books, numerous articles, and hundreds of technical reports.

Since her retirement in 2009 from Clemson University, she served on the board of directors for three nonprofits and engaged in various projects with former students. She says she sought to be a Christian witness in secular jobs and a contributor to missionary and church-based enterprises worldwide.

Kathleen credits Moody with preparing her for graduate school and employment opportunities. “My training as a whole allowed me to stay the course in highly competitive, secular environments, while dealing with government, private business, and nonprofit leaders around the world who often had very different worldviews and moral compasses.” Currently residing in Pawleys Island, S.C., Kathleen still mentors and prays with many faculty and students from Moody.

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1960s



While he attended Moody Bible Institute, **Tom Chandler '65, '67** lived in the nearby Lawson YMCA, where he was also appointed dorm manager. During his second year at Moody, he became YMCA chaplain.

He held Wednesday evening vesper services as well as Sunday morning Bible breakfasts. He grew spiritually as he prepared his weekly Bible studies. After God used him to lead several men to Christ, Tom continued to disciple them for the next two years of his chaplaincy. Tom and his classmates also formed a basketball team that practiced in the YMCA.

Tom was the first person to receive a BA degree from Moody when they began the program. Before attending Moody, Tom received his associate's in mechanical engineering from LeTourneau University. He later attended Wheaton College, Dallas Theological Seminary, Fuller Theological Seminary, and a seminary in India. Tom and his wife, **Clare '66-'67**, went on to serve as missionaries in Asia for 40 years. Tom says, “I'm extremely grateful and indebted to Moody for giving me a love for the Bible and the training and experience to share Jesus Christ with those who don't know Him.” The Chandlers currently live in San Jose, Calif.

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Sherman '64 and Martha "Marti" (Ladner '64) Williams recently celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary.

They also visited

Chicago to commemorate the first time they met at Moody. While attending Moody, Sherman and Marti, along with **Larry Mayfield '64** and **Wendell Borrink '61**, started WMBI's *Sunday Night Sing*, held weekly in Torrey-Gray Auditorium. After

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graduation, the Williams began Radio Bible Class/Day of Discovery television and helped start Circle Church in Chicago. They ran their own media business and talent agency, FourMost Productions, in Wheaton, Ill. In 1973 they moved to California to start Fremont Community Church, where Sherman pastored for nine years.

Sherman took executive positions at Mount Hermon Christian Conference Center and Focus on the Family. He is founding president of CityServe, a coalition of 60 churches in TriCities, Calif., whose purpose is to serve in the name of Jesus. Sherman provides consulting services for pastoral leadership and parachurch ministries with Sherman Williams Consulting. In 1990 Sherman returned as senior pastor at Fremont Community Church. Marti has released 10 piano albums. She continues her music ministry with Peninsula Covenant Church as well as leading worship in music conferences and retreats. They live in Castro Valley, Calif., near their children, **Christine (Williams '94) Ingebretson** and Sherman IV, and their five grandchildren.

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Births

To Albert and **Sarah (Wimbley '11) Marri**, a daughter, Ruth-Joy Hosanna, born July 13, 2015. Ruth-Joy joins her big sister, Anna-Rose, who was born in 2013. Albert and Sarah currently live and work in Eureka, Mont. They are



active members of their church and are praying about one day becoming missionaries to Japan.

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Weddings

Tricia Stutzman '12 married Luke Turley on October 24, 2015. Tricia works in the creative communications ministry at her church, Chicago Tabernacle. Luke works with campus ministry at Loyola.

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Jesse '15 and Trisha (Garrido '14) Peters were married on August 14, 2015. Trisha and Jesse teach at Orbus House in Salem, Ore.

Jesse also serves as youth minister for Central Baptist Church in Monmouth, Ore. Together they work with their church's college group ministry and middle school Awana program.

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Gatherings



Dr. Jim Spertzel '78 served with **Jon James '94** on a medical mission trip with ReachGlobal. They provided medical care to 12 Shipibo

villages in the Amazon River Basin. Jim is from Gettysburg, Pa., and Jon is from Tampa, Fla.

SonSet Solutions Gathering— August 29, 2015



During a ribbon-cutting ceremony and building dedication of SonSet Solutions, formerly HCJB Global Technology Center, many Moody radio technology students gathered together. Pictured are **Jim Wagner '62**, Moody Radio employee Ron Kinzie, **Ted Miller '75, '76**, **Hank Zeck '75**, **Franklin Swan '57, '70**, **Wayne Huhta '55**, **Orbra Bliss '57**, **Larry Burk '63**, **Michael Axman '65**,

and **Bob Springer '77**. Everyone photographed was either a classmate or student of Franklin Swan.

Dallas Area Alumni Gathering— November 9, 2015



Oklahoma City Alumni Gathering— November 10, 2015



Houston Area Alumni Gathering— November 11, 2015



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James E. Draper Sr. '45, age 92, December 13, 2015, Carol Stream, Ill.

A former director of

Moody's Alumni Association and Moody Broadcasting, Jim first came to Moody as a student in the Music and Pastor courses. He met **Delores (Erickson '45)** and married her on September 15, 1945. He also earned a Bachelor of Theology degree from Burton Seminary. Jim worked at WMBI until 1947 when he accepted the position of assistant pastor and music director at Church of the Open Door in Philadelphia. Dolores served as organist.

Several years later Jim and Dolores were called to the Hawthorne Gospel Church in New Jersey, and in 1951 they moved to Racine, Wis., to serve a church as assistant pastor, music director, and organist. Four years later Jim accepted a call to work with Dr. M. R. DeHaan at the Radio Bible Class in Grand Rapids, Mich.

In 1962 he became director of

Moody's Alumni Association and in 1966 he was named director of Moody Broadcasting. He later founded and operated a radio time-buying agency and recording studio called Broadcasters Associates for several years. He joined Wheaton Bible Church and served as the associate minister to seniors until his retirement. Throughout his long ministry career, Jim conducted countless weddings, baptisms, and funerals and was a tireless and devoted visitor to the sick in hospitals and homes.

He was preceded in death by his wife of 68 years, Dolores, his sister-in-law Darlene Smolen, and his brother, Robert. He is survived by a son, James (Janna) Draper Jr. of Geneva, Ill., a daughter, **Melody '64-'65, ES '65-'66 (Alan) Curtis** of Pinehurst, N.C.; four grandsons, including **Rev. Jason '98 (Jaimee Harbeck '99) Draper**, and five great-grandchildren. He is also survived by sister-in-law June (John) Homes, a brother-in-law Ted (Karen) Erickson, sister-in-law Lois (Robert) Draper, and many nieces and nephews.

1990s



Sandra J. (Paulson '90) LaFlamme, age 75, November 5, 2015, Damariscotta, Maine.

Sandra devoted her life to serving the Lord and people in need. She was a

nurse for several years in Chicago and Florida, and was actively involved in Teen Challenge, a ministry that helps teens and adults struggling with addiction. Sandra later moved to Maine and married Ray Thompson. She served in the children's ministry at Orff's Corner Community Church in Waldoboro, Maine. After Ray passed away, Sandra married Edward LaFlamme.

Sandra was preceded in death

by her infant son, William. She is survived by her husband, Edward; children Larry, Edward, and Theresa; and several grandchildren.

1980s

Rafael Gonzalez '86, age 58, June 2, 2013, Vestavia, Ala.

Rafael met **Suzie (Britton '85)**, his wife of 29 years, at Moody. Rafael passed away after an eight-year battle with cancer. He is survived by his parents, wife, five siblings, six children, and four grandchildren.

1970s

Harold Shelley ES '71, age 82, July 31, 2015, Warsaw, Ind.

Harold worked with the youth group at Bethany Evangelical Free Church in Rensselaer, Ind., volunteered with the Jasper County police, and taught Sunday school. A graduate of Moody and Purdue University, he served with the Indiana National Guard. Harold read the Bible every day and faithfully listened to the Word as it was read aloud to him even through his illness. He was committed to praying for his children and grandchildren.

Harold is survived by his three children: Karen Shelley, Frank (Luann) Shelley, and Kathleen Shelley, and his grandchildren.

Irene (Drown '70) Derksen, age 66, September 25, 2015.

Irene grew up a missionary kid and graduated from the Alliance Academy in Quito, Ecuador, before attending Moody Bible Institute.



After committing her life to missions at Moody's Missions Conference her freshman year, she completed her studies, then

returned to Ecuador with her husband, **Stanley Derksen '69**. They returned to the United States after two terms in Ecuador and lived in southwestern Minnesota. They later began working at Rio Grande Bible Institute in Edinburg, Texas. Irene served as secretary to the director of the language school. While she was there, she continued her education by studying Spanish. She even studied Greek in Spanish.

In 1994 Irene and Stanley moved to Kansas City, Mo. Irene worked as a medical transcriptionist and part-time at Christ Community Church. She later worked as administrative assistant for the Global Ministry Center of the Nazarene Church in Lenexa, Kan.

Irene was preceded in death by two siblings. She is survived by her husband **Stanley '69**; her three sons, Jim, Timothy, and Daniel; two siblings; and multiple nieces, nephews, and cousins.

1960s



Jerry Raquet '61, age 80, November 15, 2015, of Parkinson's Disease.

As director of the Music Department from 1977 to 1994, Jerry helped Moody achieve music accreditation with

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the National Association of Schools of Music. Saved during a Youth for Christ rally, Jerry graduated from Moody in 1961, received a master's degree from the American Conservatory of Music, and was employed at Moody for 34 years. He also taught piano and led worship at Lorimer Baptist Church in Illinois, as well as other churches. Through his leadership, hundreds of Moody students graduated and are now in music ministry. Jerry's colleagues at Moody honored him by setting up a composition scholarship in his name for music students. Jerry was beloved by all who knew him for his ready smile and encouraging words as well as his administrative gifts.

Jerry is survived by his wife of 20 years, Carol; two children, Debra (Lance) Raquet-Safford and David (Tory) Raquet; three grandchildren; two half-sisters; a niece and two nephews; and two stepchildren.



Myron "Mike" Harrison '63, age 74, September 9, 2015

Mike began studying engineering at

Central State College in Stevens Point, Wis., before he was redirected into full-time Christian service through a book he read about the martyred missionary Jim Elliot. He completed ministerial training at Moody, where he also met his wife, **Betty (Dickey '62-'64)**. He earned degrees at Fort Wayne Bible College and Trinity Evangelical Divinity School.

In 1966 Mike and Betty were accepted into Overseas Missionary

Fellowship to serve in the Philippines. They began a 40-year partnership among Tagalog-speaking communities. They later undertook administrative duties and began work with the urban poor in Manila. After retirement, Mike and Betty moved to Toronto in Ontario, Canada, to be near their children. They continued to minister to the Filipino community in Toronto.

Mike was preceded in death by his sister Lynn Harrison. He is survived by his wife of 51 years; his sister; his three children, Timothy, Daniel (Kristen), and Melody (Matt); his sister Lois Wilson; and six grandchildren.

1950s



Leslie Purl Madison '50, age 88, October 13, 2015, Whitney, Texas.

Leslie attended Moody Bible

Institute, Rockmont College, and Dallas Theological Seminary, where he obtained his master's and doctorate of theology. He pastored at Kendrick Bible Church in Rush, Colo., for six years. Leslie then became the first pastor of Northwest Bible Church in Fort Worth, Texas. From 1974 to 1991 he was president of Calvary Bible College in Kansas City, Mo., and also served as its chancellor for several years. Calvary recently honored him by naming the administration building Madison Hall. Leslie also held several offices, including president, in the Independent Fundamental Churches of America.

Leslie and his wife, **Florence (Ross '49-'49)**, spent their retirement in the

Black Hills of South Dakota before Florence passed away in 2002. After Leslie married Sally Wingard, he and Sally split their time between South Dakota and Texas. Leslie spent his last years in an assisted living home near his family in Texas. He ministered to many people and faithfully served God.

He was preceded in death by his first wife, Florence, and adopted sister, Geraldene. He is survived by his second wife, Sally; five siblings; his two daughters, **Joanne (Madison '68) Burkett** (Warren), and Ruth Burkett; seven grandchildren; and 27 great-grandchildren.

1940s



Jennie (Mosure '49) Chase, age 95, November 21, 2015, Washington, Mich.

After graduating from high school, Jennie worked at a factory making war materials during WWII. Later she graduated from Moody as well as Michigan Child Evangelism Fellowship Institute in Muskegon, Mich. Jennie helped start the work of Child Evangelism Fellowship in two counties.

In 1953 Jennie married Lloyd Chase and moved to Washington, Mich., where Lloyd pastored a Baptist church. After her husband became pastor of First Baptist Church in Romeo, Mich., she served as church secretary for 40 years. Jennie enjoyed visiting a home for mentally challenged adults to offer them the joy of salvation. She conducted ladies' Bible studies and taught children's classes. She was an

example to everyone who knew her of love and faithful devotion to Jesus.

Jennie was preceded in death by her husband, three brothers, and two sisters. She is survived by four foster children, eight grandchildren, and 10 great-grandchildren.



Ruth (Atkinson '49) Roper, age 90, November 20, 2014, Seneca, S.C.

Ruth and her husband, John A. Roper, were both

medical doctors who served for 35 years in Gaza and Jordan with the Southern International Mission Board. Ruth practiced medicine, sang soprano in Arabic and English, and taught the Bible. After her retirement, Ruth rang handbells, sang in the church choir, taught Sunday school classes, promoted the prayer ministry, and volunteered at a food bank. She graduated from Penn State College, Moody Bible Institute, and Temple School of Medicine.

She was preceded in death by a brother. She is survived by her husband of 62 years; her brother, Walker (Lori); sisters-in-law, Virginia and Miriam; her sons, John (Valerie) and David (Dori); her daughters, Keren (David) Willmon and Lydia (Daryl) Cobranchi; 11 grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

Barbara (Weaver '48-'50) Winn Montgomery, age 91, August 6, 2015, Raleigh, N.C.

Barbara worked as a medical technologist at East Carolina University's Student Health Services

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Department until her retirement in 1989. She taught Sunday school and was actively involved at Memorial Baptist Church in Greenville, N.C. Barbara was married to **Wilkins B. Winn '48-'50**, a professor of history at ECU, until his death in 1987. In 2003 she married John Montgomery.

Barbara was preceded in death by her first husband, Wilkins, and second husband, John. She is survived by her three children, Barbara (Rodney), John (Linda), and Albert (Marlene); three grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

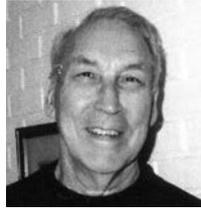
Donald Bjork '48, age 87, September 24, 2015, Heathrow, Fla.

Donald served as a pastor, soloist, teacher, counselor, artist, home remodeler, and prayer warrior. He traveled the world to uplift missionaries and help the poor and displaced. He devotedly studied the Bible and had daily devotions with his family. Besides sharing Scripture with unbelievers, Donald is remembered for loving His Savior and devoting his life to helping others do the same.

Donald is survived by his siblings, Commander Kenneth (Avanelle) Bjork, **Rev. Clifford Bjork '58-'59** (Joyce), and Dr. Robert (Dr. Elizabeth) Bjork; his wife of 64 years, **Barbara (Lindquist '50)**; and their children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren.

Nels Andersen '45, age 91, March 4, 2015, Saginaw, Mich.

After graduating from Moody, Nels earned his BS in Group Work Education from George Williams College in Williams Bay, Wis., and his MA in Education from New York



University. In 1957 he married Judith Stein, his wife of 58 years. He worked as the director of religious education in

churches in Ohio, Wisconsin, New Jersey, and Michigan. Nels established and directed parent cooperative nursery schools in three of those churches. In 1968 he was one of the founders of Saginaw County Child Development Centers, an agency that grew to serve 1,000 children in 17 childcare centers throughout Saginaw County. He served as director there until 1992.

Nels authored several projects including the READ program, a childcare feeding program, and an emergency food and shelter program. He taught child development and children's literature at multiple colleges as well as language arts enrichment at an elementary school.

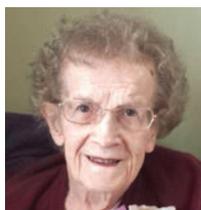
In 1998 the SCCDC Board of Directors founded the Nels Andersen Scholarship Fund with the Saginaw Community Foundation, which supports students pursuing careers in early childhood development or elementary education. Nels was a delegate to the Michigan White House Conference on Handicapped Children. Nels also served as treasurer for the Fair Housing Commission of Saginaw County as well as serving as a member for numerous professional organizations.

Nels was also a civil rights activist. After Nels and Judith sent a telegram of support to Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. in response to the events occurring in Selma, Dr. King sent back a telegram encouraging the Andersens to join him

in marching to Montgomery, Ala. Nels advocated for the underprivileged with humility and conviction.

Nels was preceded in death by his brother, Ward Junior Andersen. He is survived by his wife, Judith; his two daughters, Belinda Andersen and Nancy Owsianowski; his sisters, Barbara Andersen and Mary Winieswski; sister-in-law, Stephanie Tolan; brother-in-law, Joseph (Carole) Stein; two grandchildren; and numerous nieces, nephews, and cousins.

Ruth (McBurnett '44-'46) Thompson, age 92, June 4, 2015. Ruth ministered in her church



as financial secretary, church clerk, pianist, and Sunday school teacher using the gifts God gave her.

Ruth was preceded in death by her husband, Donald, and her sister and brother-in-law. She is survived by her children, Kenneth (Kathy), **Richard Thompson '72-'73 ES '73-'74**, and **Rebecca (Thompson '79) Awdykowyz**; her grandchildren, and great-grandchildren.

Submissions

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Correction



In "How the Arch became an Icon" (Winter 2015), the name Henry C. Crowell should have read Henry P. Crowell. The middle initial is important—Henry P. was the father of Henry C. (who also had a long career at Moody). To correct the record, here's a photo of Henry P. Crowell, for whom Crowell Hall is named.



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