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# Bergwall Residence Hall Dedication

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Taylor University  
October 29, 1989  
2:00 P.M.

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# Service of Dedication Bergwall Residence Hall

## Prelude

*Sonata #3* ..... Johann Pezel  
*Canzona Bergamasca* ..... Scheidt-De Jong  
*Welcome Fanfare* ..... George Fredrick Handel  
 Albert Harrison, Professor of Music  
 Brass Quintet

**Greetings and Remarks** ..... Jay L. Kesler, President

**Recognition of Special Guests** ..... Charles R. Jagers  
 Vice President for Advancement

**Litany of Dedication** ..... Timothy W. Herrmann  
 Associate Dean of Students/  
 Director of Residence Life

**Prayer of Dedication** ..... Walter E. Campbell  
 Associate Vice President for  
 Student Development/  
 Dean of Students

**Comments by General Contractor** ..... Austin E. Knowlton Companies

**Ribbon Cutting** ..... Mrs. Jean Bergwall  
 David L. Talley  
 Residence Hall Director  
 Bergwall Hall

**Taylor Hymn** ..... Richard J. Stanislaw  
 Vice President for  
 Academic Affairs

## *How Firm a Foundation*

**Benediction** ..... Wynn A. Lembright  
 Vice President for Student  
 Development and Services

**Postlude** ..... Dr. Harrison

*Farewell Fanfare* ..... George Fredrick Handel

## *Brass Quintet:*

<i>Trumpet</i>	<i>Tuba</i>	<i>Trombone</i>	<i>French Horn</i>
Steven Upton	David Wehrle	Albert Harrison	Andy Peterson
Layne Ihde			



# Litany of Praise, Thanksgiving and Dedication

**Mr. Tim Herrmann, Director of Residence Life:**

We praise You, Father, that you have met us along the way with mercy and love and new life in Christ.

**Mr. Paul Zurcher, Board of Trustees:**

With praise and dedication we offer ourselves to you.

**Mr. Paul Cox, President of the National Alumni Council:**

We thank You for our responsible calling to be stewards of life in Your kingdom.

**Mr. Richard Gygi, Vice President of Taylor University Parents' Association:**

Help us to be good stewards of this educational facility, Bergwall Residence Hall, which You have placed in our care.

**All:** We thank You, Lord, for the ability to learn and to do countless, creative tasks.

**Miss Shawn Mulder, Student Body President:**

Motivate us to develop our skills and to use them in accordance with the teaching of Jesus. May this new residence hall be a center for this development.

**Mrs. Deloris Stratton, Buildings and Grounds Representative:**

We thank You for the many skilled and generous individuals who have made this facility a reality.

**All:** In honor and memory of the Bergwall family and with praise and thanksgiving to God, we dedicate this place of living, discovery, learning and enjoyment to the honor and glory of God. Amen.

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## How Firm a Foundation

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| <p>1. <i>How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord,<br/>Is laid for your faith in His excellent Word!<br/>What more can He say than to you He hath said,<br/>To you who for refuge to Jesus have fled?</i></p> <p>2. <i>Fear not, I am with thee; O be not dismayed,<br/>For I am thy God, and will still give thee aid;<br/>I'll strengthen thee, help thee, and cause thee<br/>to stand, upheld by thy righteous, omnipotent<br/>hand.</i></p> | <p>3. <i>When through fiery trials thy pathway shall lie,<br/>My grace, all sufficient shall be thy supply:<br/>The flame shall not hurt thee; I only design<br/>Thy dross to consume, and they gold to refine.</i></p> <p>4. <i>The soul that on Jesus hath leaned for repose<br/>I will not, I will not desert to its foes;<br/>That soul, though all hell should endeavor to<br/>shake,<br/>I'll never, no, never, no, never forsake!</i></p> |
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## **Evan and Jean Bergwall**

Twenty-eight years ago, a young, reluctant leader accepted the summons of his fellow Trustees and journeyed to Upland—accompanied by his wife, Jean, and two sons—to assume the presidency of Taylor University. It was a role for which Evan and Jean Bergwall were well suited, and they served with distinction for eight years.

Under the guidance of the Holy Spirit, their leadership was characterized by keen intellectual and spiritual integrity, distinctives which have remained constant and are today permanently symbolized by the twin pillars of the Rice Bell Tower.

With this dual thrust of intellectual as well as spiritual leadership, Evan and Jean Bergwall brought to the institution's constituencies a renewed confidence in the stability of the University, as evidenced by the tripling of alumni support. During their tenure, an ambitious development program was launched, resulting in the construction of the Morris Hall complex and a 39-unit housing development for married students, as well as the liquidation of the Ayres Alumni Memorial Library debt. Taylor University was removed from the grip of financial crisis, molded and shaped into a vital, growing, academic institution with an active, "whole-person" approach to education.

The Bergwalls were beloved by students and faculty, and their influence extended beyond the campus into the community where they became valued contributors, cultivating strong relationships between "town and gown." They brought with them a background of meritorious ministry in the United Methodist Church, ministry deepened and enhanced in the years following their Taylor service. In all, their lives have borne witness to their commitment to God's Kingdom. Taylor stands where she is today through the efforts of her faithful leaders across the fourteen decades of her life. Dr. and Mrs. Evan Bergwall are prominent in this elite company of presidents and first ladies.

Evan Bergwall went to be with the Lord on January 27, 1979.

### **Bergwall Hall Design and Construction**

General Contractor . . . . .	Durable Building Company affiliate of A. E. Knowlton Companies Bellefontaine, Ohio
Mechanical Contractor . . . . .	Shambaugh & Son, Inc. Contractors-Engineers Bellefontaine, Ohio
Architect . . . . .	Donald N. Lee Bellefontaine, Ohio