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On the Cover...

*TUFW students
 give themselves to ministry.*



Perspective



Clockwise from top left: Estefana Ponce, Dr. Nienhuis, Rick Merrill, Joy Davis, Natalie Brown

I began a chapel address recently by asking students for a show of hands of all those who have traveled outside of the United States. Frankly, I was surprised as over half of the students raised their hands indicating some sort of international experience.

Probe a bit more deeply, and you will quickly discover that many of our students

have traveled abroad as a part of a high school youth group or Taylor World Outreach mission trip. Add to the fact that some of these young people have been on several, both domestic and international, missions experiences, and you gain a whole new appreciation for the level of ministry involvement that students have, even during high school and college.

I applaud young people for being involved in ministry. As a high school student, I was privileged to be involved in two mission projects in Puerto Rico. As a college freshman, I was asked by Youth for Christ International to travel for six months as part of a ministry team in the land of Brazil. Those were life-shaping experiences for me, experiences that have contributed greatly to my sense of mission and my call to ministry.

Our students are no longer content to wait until graduation to involve themselves in hands-on ministry. Rather, they want to be involved in ministry now, where they are, while they are learning. In addition to our international trips, which frequently happen during the January term, we have trips of a week's duration during Spring Break where students travel to various settings for a focused time of ministry. And during the semester, students are involved in ministry at the Rescue Mission, at Wood Youth Center, as tutors in various elementary schools, and the list goes on and on.

I am grateful for our students and their heart for ministry. With news reports filled with stories of college students who engage in binge drinking and sexual license, I trust your hearts will be encouraged as you read of some Taylor Fort Wayne students whose hearts are wholly given to ministry.

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The three-year baccalaureate will not replace the traditional approach, but will be available for capable and committed students wishing to finish college early. Students will need to declare this preference in study before their freshman year and seek admittance into the program. *Once accepted, students will have the opportunity to lock in a tuition rate for the entire three-year period, which will cover the additional cost for overload hours and summer study.*

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The proposal came following inquiries received from Ivy Tech and its students concerning transferring credits to Taylor. Initial meetings began in February 1994, with personnel from both colleges; a decision to proceed came in the fall of 1997. The two institutions are working together to explore possibilities of developing a hybrid curriculum that will increase flexibility for Ivy Tech students to target courses required by Ivy Tech and meet Taylor's requirements.

A second motivation for the articulation came from a 1992 Act mandated by the Indiana State Legislature requiring the transferability of certain liberal arts courses among Indiana state institutions. To be eligible for the transferability program, Ivy Tech State College upgraded its curriculum and faculty credentials and raised its standards to a level that allowed for its articulations with several private institutions in Indiana.

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All associate of arts degrees require 64 credit hours of study. The breakdown of general education, discipline and elective hours vary, based on the program of study. Each degree has been reviewed and approved by the appropriate university departments on the Fort Wayne campus. Degrees will be granted through the College of Lifelong Learning.

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Students Over



Wrestling with God

Terry Marker owned a family business. He had worked there for 30 years and had owned it for 17. What else could he ask for? He had a successful business and the privilege of working side by side with his wife and family. Well, it wasn't Terry who asked for more, it was God.

It was at an Emmaus Weekend Retreat that Terry felt called to serve the Lord on a higher level. He was already very involved at his church; he did not know what more he could do. Over the next year, through much prayer and discipleship, he concluded that God was calling him to the pastorate. Terry wrestled with God. "I'm too old! My high school grades are not good enough [for me to attend college]. My speech isn't good enough [for me to preach]!" Through the encouragement of his pastor, wife and congregation, Terry took the first step toward pursuing additional training for the pastorate. Although he started at TUFW as a part-time student and never intended to pursue a degree, he soon found himself attending classes full-time.

Terry graduated with his degree in pastoral ministries in December and is a second career pastor, serving as a licensed pastor at two churches. His wife, Nikki, will be pursuing her pastoral ministries studies full-time in the spring. They're keeping the business in the family.



An Engrafted Branch

A lot of young people want to grow up to be a famous actor or musician, but not many seriously pursue that dream. For Dave Arnold, that dream was more than a fantasy; music (his guitar) was his identity.

College was always certain in his future, but attending a Christian college was not. Even after he became a Christian at the age of 17, he planned to attend a music school near his home in Virginia. So, it was quite out of the ordinary for him to even think of a liberal arts college in the midwest, let alone attend one.

Dave visited Taylor in Upland and fell in love with the University. The Lord closed a lot of opportunities for him to attend the fine arts colleges, and even the door to Taylor had a hinge...he was sent to the Fort Wayne campus. A little disappointed at first, the Lord changed his heart. "I got involved in the worship team. And I fell in love with the people. Even though I hadn't grown up in the Christian scene, God made this my family, since my own was so far away. I've learned what the body of Christ is all about."

Dave plans to serve in the church, ministering in music and to those who did not grow up in Christian homes.



A Future and a Hope

It is hard enough to be a teenager in the 90's and wonder where your future lies, but it's even more difficult to wonder if you will *have* one. Charisa Piety was in the middle of her first semester as a high school freshman when it was discovered that she had tumors on her thyroid. What happens when your present also becomes your future? "It was right before Thanksgiving my freshman year that I was in the hospital and had the tumors removed. Now when Thanksgiving rolls around each year, it takes on a special meaning for my family."

Charisa does have a lot to stand up and cheer about; in fact, that's one thing she does on campus. She is a second year cheerleader and loves the opportunity she has to encourage her friends in this way. Her friendships are very important to her. "I learned a lot through my freshman year. I grew a lot in God and I learned how to be a friend. I have the best girl friends. I know these are friendships that will last forever; we're sisters in Christ."

Charisa's plans for the future include becoming an elementary school teacher. "I love kids. I've never wanted to do anything else." A child of God whose future was once in question is now planning on impacting the future of the next generation.

come Obstacles



A Safe Place

Shanon Reeves grew up in a broken home, which left the family members hurting and lonely. Some even tried to fill their emptiness with drug abuse. Despite her home environment, Shanon received Christ as a young girl, and He gave her the hope for a better future.

At age 18 Shanon moved in with her aunt and uncle. She had spent most weekends with them during her childhood years. It was from them that she received her stability and preparation for life.

As she approached high school graduation, her uncle suggested she apply to Taylor. During her campus visit Shanon learned she had been accepted to the University. "God has taught me to lean on Him. I always knew He'd take care of me."

About her Taylor experience, she says, "God has given me this time to deal with the stuff I haven't dealt with. It's like the poem 'Footprints.' God has been carrying me all along. Now that I'm in this safe place, He's set me down to walk alongside Him and not be carried along anymore."

Shanon uses her musical talent to tell others that "His eye is on the sparrow and He watches over [her]."



Across the World

Hop Bard was born in South Vietnam and was a young woman when the country fell in 1975. In 1978 she and five of her siblings escaped to the United States, where an aunt and uncle were residing.

The first thing on the agenda was to learn English. Her cousin's roommate, Gary, was teaching at a university and Hop joined him there to learn English. Through those times together, a romance developed. When Gary was called to active duty in the air force six months later, he proposed to Hop, and they were married. Over the next 15 years they moved around a lot and built a family of three boys. Her family was her stability and her life.

Gary retired from the military in 1994. It was natural for him to return to the classroom; he was hired at Taylor Fort Wayne. Hop had never worked outside of the home; fear had stifled her hopes to do so. However, she applied for a position on campus with the encouragement of her husband. She was hired, developed friendships and grew in confidence. Her experiences gave her courage to fulfill yet another dream: to go back to college. Hop is now a full-time student, studying psychology. "Psychology helps me to understand people. God is love. He has no boundaries. If I want to spread God's love, I need to understand people without boundaries."



A New Creature

From the ages of 12 to 24, Bruce Prosser's life was full of drug abuse, alcohol and everything that goes with it. He began dealing drugs at 13 in order to support his newly found love. It all ended when he was met at his front door by a policeman....

Before he was sentenced, Bruce visited with the prison chaplain. During one visit, he shared with Bruce the story of David and Bathsheba. Bruce went away angry, thinking, "How could a man after God's own heart get away with murder while I'm looking at possibly spending 40 years in prison?" In his cell he felt the Lord telling him, "My ways are not your ways." At their next meeting, the chaplain turned to Isaiah 55 where that passage of scripture is found. Bruce could not believe it! After that, his life began to change.

He was sentenced to 12 years in prison. During his incarceration, he became very involved in the chapel ministry and helped develop a religious library. On May 18, 1992, he was called to the ministry. Bruce enrolled at TUFW in the fall of 1994, after being released from prison.

Today, Bruce is a junior at TUFW and plans to serve the inner city of Fort Wayne in ministry when he completes his degree. Ironically, his wife, a former policewoman, also serves the inner city as a social worker.

Faith At Work: Building a Heart for Missions



Lauren Dylhoff, freshman, puts a gospel bracelet on a neighbor boy while evangelizing.



W.O.W. speaker Adrian Despres meets one-on-one with Adam Doiron, freshman.



John Eckrote, junior, looks at a missions display.

Faith at Work: Building a Heart for Missions," was the theme of World Opportunities Week (W.O.W.) on Taylor Fort Wayne's campus. Taylor World Outreach (T.W.O.) brought together representatives from over 15 various mission agencies and fields for a week of missions focus during the week of November 3-7. T.W.O. is the student directed ministry outreach program designed to assist students in reaching the world with the Gospel.

The featured chapel speaker for W.O.W. week was Adrian Despres. Despres is an associate itinerant for Kingdom Building Ministries, Denver, CO.

Despres began the week with questioning the student body. "It's relatively easy to die for Christ. The question is, are you really willing to live for Him?" WOW! What a challenge. It was one that was not taken lightly by the students. "I've never thought before how living for Christ is so much harder than dying for Him," said senior psychology major Deb Fox. "It made me question myself as to whether I was not only willing to die for Christ, but if I was truly willing to live for Him."

Despres was not always focused on ministry. During his college career at Furman University, his emphasis was athletics. It was not until his college roommate challenged him to read the Bible that his focus began to shift; soon after, Despres gave his life to Christ. Upon completing his degree at Furman, he furthered his studies at Columbia Biblical Seminary. "I wanted to be the best at whatever I did. I found out that I was doing the same thing with Christianity."

He now travels around the country preaching the Word, challenging

students to evaluate their relationships with Christ and sharing the Gospel.

W.O.W. week was organized by co-chairs Jeff Spence II and Jim Horning, as well as the T.W.O. office. Their mission statement for the week was: "It's our desire that the events of this week, under the direction of the Holy Spirit, will change and refine each one of our hearts in a way that we will have a deeper passion for seeing lost souls come to Christ."

Throughout the week, Despres challenged students to share the gospel with others in and beyond the community. The week was so powerful that additional chapel services were held and door-to-door ministry opportunities were arranged for students throughout the week.

Students were also challenged by the missions representatives who came for the week. Organizations represented include: Arab International Ministry, Arab World Ministries, CAM International, CB International, Child Evangelism Fellowship, Christian Service International, English Language Institute China, Gospel Missionary Union, InterVarsity Christian Fellowship, Jesus for Jamaica, Prison Fellowship Ministries, Reaching Urban Neighborhoods, Stillwater Ministries, The Evangelical Alliance Missions, World Partners, Worldwide Evangelization for Christ and Wycliffe Bible Translators.

Missions representatives shared their testimonies with students and shared their hearts during campus Bible studies. "I liked being challenged to evaluate how strong my faith is," said sophomore urban ministries major, Bethany Dudley. "It made me take a look at what direction my life is going and what I'm doing about it."

Students Minister Locally and Abroad

J-Term Missions Trips

During the month of January at Taylor students had the opportunity to immerse themselves in an intensive time of classroom study or participate in a ministry project. This January, two ministry teams went out from Taylor Fort Wayne to minister to the countries of Trinidad and Africa.

Fourteen students, led by Dr. Roger Ringenberg, associate professor of missions, and Ron and Laura Williams of Kingdom Building Ministries, evangelized the Indian and Black cultures of the country of Trinidad. They participated in vacation Bible school, school assemblies, and market and open-air evangelism through drama, mimes, music, preaching and sharing of testimonies. The group spent 13 days in Trinidad, and stayed in the homes of nationals. The team worked with Wycliffe Bible Translators, Jesus Ministries and Saint Anne's Evangelical Church.

The second student ministry team headed to Kenya for 18 days. Dr. Joseph Jones, associate professor of justice education, led the 14 member team. The team divided its time between Kipkaren and Ilula, small "bush" villages. Students were involved in children and adult outreaches through skits and Bible stories, crusades, prayer and construction projects. The team also had the opportunity to visit a local prison and learn about the country's criminal justice system.

New Traveling Music Group



From l to r: Erin Varnell, Natalie Grillo, Jozi Miller, Mandy Wilson and Kassie Dittmer

Harmony is the name of the newest Fort Wayne campus traveling music group. The group chose the name because of their harmony in the body of Christ and for their singing talents. Dr. Jay Platte, professor of music and director of the Community School of the Arts, directs the singing group. Jozi Miller, sophomore cross cultural ministries and music major, sings soprano and plays keyboard; Kassie Dittmer, junior criminal justice major also sings soprano. Natalie Grillo, freshman, sings second soprano. Erin Varnell, senior public relations major, rounds out the harmony with her alto voice. Mandy Wilson, sophomore education major, is the group's pianist. *Harmony* travels around the tri-state area singing for churches, various clubs, Taylor chapel services and special seasonal events.

Youth Conference '98



Running the narrow road is something all Christians struggle with at one time or another. This year's youth conference, April 17-19, will focus on equipping teens to run the narrow road of faith. The theme is based on Hebrews 12:1, "Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles, and let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us. (NIV)"

Four hundred conferees from all over the Midwest are anticipated for the weekend. Guest students will bunk with current Taylor students for the weekend. Conferees will benefit from hearing first hand how college students run the narrow road of faith. Students attending the conference will also hear a guest speaker, Bill Gravell, take part in small group sessions and attend an exciting concert. Bill Gravell is a youth pastor from Georgetown, Texas, who has spoken in the United States and abroad. Concert performers are *Geoff Moore and the Distance, Small Town Poets and Out of Eden.*

To register for youth conference contact Corey Laster at 219-456-2111, x32218 or 800-233-3922.

Missions: A Way of Life for Roger Ringenberg

For some, their call to ministry is like that of Samuel or Saul—a direct and audible voice; but for most, it is more subtle, like that "of a gentle wind" as when God spoke to Elijah. Yet for others, it is following a "Joshua declaration," that "for me and my household we will serve the Lord." And so it is with the Ringenberg family.

Dr. Roger Ringenberg has taught on the Fort Wayne campus for 15 years as associate professor of Bible and missions. Having a strong Christian heritage, he always desired to go into ministry. His father was a pastor and his aunt and uncle were missionaries to Ecuador. It was on a seven-week visit to his aunt and uncle's when he was 11 years old that he got his first glimpse of missionary service. While there he was strongly encouraged by his uncle to consider missionary work. The seed was planted and came to fruition after he graduated from college.

Ringenberg's parents, **Gerald 645 and Violet 645**, graduated from Fort Wayne Bible College and so Roger made many visits to the campus for youth conferences and other activities. Like his parents, he too attended and graduated from Fort Wayne Bible College. After graduating in 1969, he went to Israel for a year of cross-cultural experience.

After he returned from Israel he got married and headed off to Trinity Evangelical Divinity School, near Chicago. He and his wife, Carol, decided against living in the plush suburb where the seminary was located and opted for the city, where they could engage in meaningful ministry opportunities. It was there in Chicago that they received hands on training for the mission field. Although Chicago is a far cry from

mission fields abroad, it brought the elements of many diverse cultures and revealed the need for Christ. While at Trinity, he debated which area of ministry to pursue. Would it be pastoring, teaching or missionary work? He would some day realize he would do all three.

Roger's first pastoral ministry experience was while he attended Trinity. He served as associate pastor of an urban church for three years and served as senior pastor for one year. While at Trinity, he received a letter asking him to teach at Jamaica Theological Seminary. He and his family spent nine years there. Wanting to further his studies and continue teaching, he returned to Fort Wayne to teach at FWBC and begin his doctoral studies.

The years spent in Jamaica have been invaluable to his teaching. "Missions is not something you can teach from textbook knowledge," says Ringenberg, "it has to be taught from personal experience." He continues to gain mission experience by sponsoring short term mission trips during the month of January each year. He has taken teams to Guatemala twice and took a team to Trinidad this month (see page 7 for more details).

Ringenberg feels that short term mission trips, including a semester abroad, are good for students considering full-time missionary work. "Short term trips can, to a certain extent, help

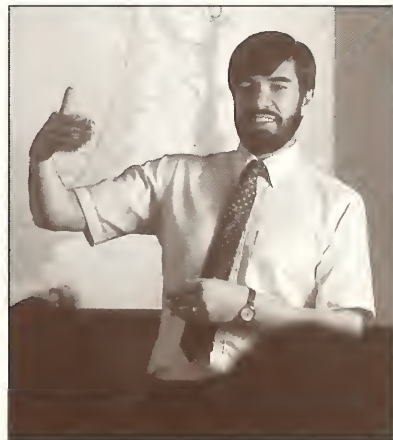
students answer the question, 'Could I live in a foreign country and be content there?' Whether or not that answer is yes, short term mission trips are also beneficial in that they bring an awareness of other cultures—that there is more than life inside the United States. They also increase interest in missions. Most students are more likely to pray or support missions after they return from their own mission experience in a way they had not done before."

A benefit to missionary work in this day and age is that you do not always have to go overseas to share the gospel cross culturally. With more and more international diversity, the mission field has come to us.

Ringenberg works with Fort Wayne campus graduate Nick Johnson. Johnson works with InterVarsity, reaching out to international students who attend other area college campuses. Fellowship events are hosted where international students, from various beliefs, can meet together. Christianity is always presented.

Other outreach opportunities assist refugees, helping them to settle in to American culture. By showing the love of God through friendship, many hearts have opened to receiving the gospel.

The Ringenbergs have discovered in their own lives that missions work can be done abroad or right here in the states. As for the Ringenberg house, they will serve the Lord.



Ringenberg shares his love for missions, to his students.

Taylor Fort Wayne Proposes Plan to Balance Budget

"Taylor Fort Wayne can achieve a balanced budget by 2001-02," said Dr. Bob Nienhuis, vice president of TUFW, who shared a report of TUFW's four-year plan with employees on both campuses on October 30, 1997. Nienhuis emphasized that through proper and appropriate investment in new facilities, new programs, new staffing and new publications, TUFW's budget will stand positive at \$16,000 at the end of the four years of the plan.

"We view it (the plan) as an important element for us to be responsible stewards of the resources and the ministry opportunities that are ours in Fort Wayne," said Nienhuis. "It was a lot of work to put it together, and it will be a lot of work to bring it to reality. We intend to work hard to make this work."

The Fort Wayne administrative council that put the plan together consists of Nienhuis; Brent Baker, dean of students; Mark Burritt, director of accounting services and bookstore; Dr. Randall Dodge, associate vice president and director of the Samuel Morris Scholars Program; Herb Frye, associate vice president for enrollment management; Sherri Harter, director of development and university relations; and Dr. Ron Sloan, associate dean for academic affairs. Since June, 1997, the council has met to develop and refine the plan, with the assistance of Dr. Daryl Yost, provost/executive vice president; Al Smith, vice president for business and finance; and Bob Hodge, vice president for planning and information resources.

According to Nienhuis, the administrative council has set two basic goals. "The first is to develop a balanced budget for the campus by the year 2001-02...and the second element has to do with focused program development." Several key issues follow:

Admissions, recruitment and retention. There is an increased need for advertising, travel for admissions recruiters, tele-counseling and direct mail contact with prospective students and their families. A goal of increasing the University's retention rate by five percent is set for this year, and one percent for subsequent years. Plans to increase retention include the extension of the New Student Orientation Program longer into the semester, a strong program for freshmen advising and the introduction of an early alert system that calls for intervention by the University for students encountering problems.

Facilities. Building projects, included in the Taylor Tomorrow capital campaign, on the Fort Wayne campus include the construction of a Student Union/Dining Commons and an expansion of the Lehman Library.

Academic Programs. The Fort Wayne campus is not planning on adding more majors but strengthening its current academic programs. TUFW seeks to expand its faculty-student ratio from its current 1-to-12 to 1-to-17 by 2001-02. The University has developed new ways to obtain degrees (see page 3 for details), as well as a new degree-completion program in justice administration. In the spring, TUFW will begin a semester-long urban program providing urban exposure and opportunities to Upland campus students. The Institute of Extended Learning is also moving toward courses and degrees being delivered over the Internet (see page 3 for details).

Student Development. With more than half of TUFW students living off campus, programs for commuters and non-traditional students will be developed. The council is also looking at areas of athletics that can help achieve the objectives of the plan.

Reaccreditation Granted

Taylor University has been granted another 10 years of unqualified accreditation by the North Central Association (NCA). Contained in the final report by the NCA team were the strengths of Taylor's programs. These strengths include the mission that permeates every aspect of the University's life and work, a commitment to the whole person carried out by the whole community, the ability of the financial condition of Taylor University to sustain the program into the future and its substantial improvement from the time of the last evaluation, the Upland campus' ability to attract and retain high quality students, the excellence of the facilities and student development on the Upland campus, and the distinctive role played by the Fort Wayne campus' urban environment focus.

Preparation for the accreditation began during the fall of 1994 with a self-study required by the NCA. In February, 1997, a six-member site evaluation team from NCA visited both campuses. The team, consisting of faculty, administration and student development personnel from six other liberal arts colleges in the Midwest, declared that Taylor attains all the standards set forth by the NCA.

Taylor Makes Rank

Taylor University gained some ground in the *U.S. News & World Report* annual guide to the best colleges and universities in America. Now ranked third as one of the best liberal arts colleges in the Midwest, Taylor gained two positions over last year's ranking.

The survey takes into consideration graduation rates, student selectivity, academic reputation, retention rate, alumni giving, tuition and financial aid. Taylor has been recognized ten times out of the last 11 years.

Grants and Scholarships

Scholarships

Academic Merit Scholarships

from \$750-\$3000 per year
renewable
based on SAT/ACT, class rank and financial need

Samuel Morris Scholarships

up to \$6000 per year

Endowed Scholarships

up to full tuition per year

Selected Departmental Scholarships,

Ramseyer Leadership Scholarships,

Multicultural Scholarships, and

Urban League Scholarships

from \$1000 up to 25% of tuition

Allen County Scholarships, and

Alumni Scholarships

up to \$1000

Athletic Scholarships

amounts vary

Valdictorian/Salutatorian

Scholarships

up to full tuition

21st Century Matching Scholarships*

from \$1800 to \$3000

Pastor Dependent Scholarships

up to \$1000

Transfer Student Assistance

from \$750-\$3000

renewable

based on academic performance and financial need

Grants

Taylor University General Grants

up to \$6500 per year

Church Matching Grants

up to \$1200 per year, half from your church, half from Taylor

Dollars for Scholars

up to \$1000, half from Taylor

State Grants*

Higher Education Award

up to \$2490

Freedom of Choice

up to \$3438

21st Century Scholarships

up to \$3080

Federal Pell Grant

up to \$2700

Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity

up to amount of Pell award

*Amount varies from year to year

(All Scholarships: Fort Wayne Campus only)

Financial Aid

Many important factors must be considered when choosing a college. Along with measuring academic strength, Christian focus and career opportunities, financial cost becomes a significant factor. The distinctive Taylor Fort Wayne experience provides excellent preparation for the challenges of the future and assists in the development of a mature faith that will withstand the pressures of life. Taylor University believes that the value of a Christian education exceeds the cost. *The goal of Taylor's financial aid office is to help make a Taylor education affordable for every student who qualifies.* A quality Christian education at Taylor University is within reach!

Last year over \$2,631,537 in financial aid from federal, state and institutional sources was distributed. The average need-based aid for full-time students was \$9,450. Sixty-five percent of Taylor Fort Wayne's full-time students receive financial aid.

It is important to know and comply with all deadlines and to complete all required forms. No aid can be awarded until the student has been accepted to Taylor Fort Wayne. Prospective and current students who wish to be considered for financial aid must submit both the Taylor Application for Financial Aid and the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). These must be postmarked by March 1 to be eligible to receive the maximum financial aid award. List Taylor Fort Wayne as the college to receive the FAFSA data. Taylor Fort Wayne's code is E00624.

Employment and Loans

Employment

Employment on campus provides up to \$1500+ per year. Numerous off campus employment opportunities are available as well.

Loans

Annual federal loans and Taylor loans provide up to \$1500 for the Perkins Loan, up to \$5500 for the Stafford and up to the remaining need for PLUS loans per year.

Transfer Student Assistance

A full-time transfer student may qualify for an Academic Merit Scholarship with a qualifying high school record and a minimum transfer GPA of 3.2 on a 4.0 scale. The amount will vary from \$750-\$3000 per year, based on academic performance and financial need. Transfer students may also qualify for other scholarships.

Alumni Impact Current Students

Meet Jeff Spence, II, TUFW sophomore. Jeff's father, **Jeffrey Spence g87**, graduated from FWBC, believed in the Christian training he received while a non-traditional student and wanted the same training for his son. Jeff considered both Taylor and Moody as possible colleges, but the deciding factor was his visit to the TUFW campus. "The attitude of the student body was God-focused," Spence says, "and that's what decided it for me." Jeff is a cross cultural ministries major, and has been active in campus ministry, having most recently served as co-director of World Opportunities Week under Taylor World Outreach, the student ministry organization on campus. Jeff plans to serve overseas in Nepal after graduation.



Jeff Spence II



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Office of the President Dr. Jay Kesler

president

During chapel messages I often refer to the “hinge principle” as I attempt to encourage students in their Christian walk. I refer to the present day and its opportunities as the hinge that connects the past with the future. The direction that the future moves is dependent on the decisions we make in the present. In a sense this is the overarching message of the Bible. God is totally dependable and has been shown to be faithful through the record of His workings with humankind in both Old and newer Testament accounts. Our response in fidelity or disobedience determines the level of our growth, progress, happiness and prosperity. The additional element in this cause-and-effect relationship is the offer of grace that emanates from the unique quality of God’s love that offers forgiveness, redemption and restoration as we fall short of our responsibilities. In the institutional sense we have been celebrating 150 years of God’s unwavering faithfulness and abundant grace.

Today, during the present chapter of Taylor history, we are forging the hinge that will determine the future. Fortunately there is an unusual unity around the mission of the university. Many institutions struggle to agree on core issues and have given up on any agreement except to agree to disagree in a civil and tolerant manner. Tolerance has become the only core value in a highly individualistic culture. For faith-based, Christian institutions the issues are certainly not simple, but there is a “place to stand” as we work not toward tolerance alone but toward truth in a tolerant and civil spirit. Taylor in the present is firmly committed to the same biblical Christianity of our founders. The world grows and changes, issues arise, mores and folkways come and go, but “God is the same yesterday, today and forever.” I can report to you with high confidence that the Taylor University board, administration, faculty, staff and students, though highly diverse, are unified around the historic Christian faith in the evangelical tradition.

The faculty have devoted the last three years of faculty retreats to the review, examination and affirmation of these core values often referred to by Dr. Milo Rediger as “anchor points.” Academic quality at both faculty and student levels is demonstratively growing in excellence. For a serious academic institution, this must be a primary goal. This growth in academic quality has been amply recognized by peer reviews

from many sources. Such recognition is unprecedented in our history. We must be ever diligent to maintain the congruence between our spiritual and academic commitments. In our view of the world, they are really one and the same.

Besides maintaining a clear vision of our mission and the relentless pursuit of quality and excellence, we must insure at this present age, the resources and financial strength to carry our vision and dreams into the future. The **Taylor Tomorrow Campaign** is the hinge pin on which the fulfillment of the long-range plan pivots. I am happy to report that at this writing, we are on schedule with \$30 million of the \$75 million first-phase goal committed. We will leave no stone unturned as we make calls to enlist partners in the dream. We are now in the strongest position financially that we have been; yet, the demands of maintaining excellence seem unrelenting.

The most important element to secure the future is the quality of the people who offer their individual stewardship to the present task. Dr. Yost has given yeomanly service to Taylor University as provost/executive vice president. His report represents the operational side of the daily task. He is a manager par excellence to whom it would be hard to give too much credit for our current position.

Dr. Dwight Jessup, Wynn Lembright, Bob Hodge, Gene Rupp, Dr. Bob Nienhuis and Al Smith round out our executive leadership team. As you read their reports, you will begin to grasp the magnitude of God’s blessing. These reports reflect the efforts of those charged with faculty and staff responsibilities at this present time of opportunity.

We are putting all of the strength we can muster into the hinge of the present. It is bolted to the past securely, and I believe will support the future as we are obedient and faithful. It is my prayer that this report will bolster your confidence and secure your loyalty to insure that the vision of a quality evangelical Christian college can serve collegially in the world of higher education for the betterment of humankind and in obedience to the great commission. The future hangs on the hinge of our response.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Jay Kesler".

PRESIDENT'S REPORT



Office of the President Dr. Daryl Yost

provost/executive vice president

The 1996-97 academic year was one of exhilaration and encouragement. It is always uplifting to have an opportunity to celebrate tradition and longevity, as was the observance of Taylor's Sesquicentennial. We have seen the fruition of some of our long-range planning. The construction of the new Samuel Morris Residence Hall is the most observable; the complete funding of the first academic chair in Taylor University's history is also noteworthy. We are now working on plans to build a new student dining commons/union on the Fort Wayne campus. This project will include a major renovation/addition to Lehman Library to accommodate the changing needs of the students.

In the spring of 1997, the University was the recipient of a wonderful collection of books authored by Owen Barfield, C. S. Lewis, George MacDonald, Dorothy L. Sayers and Charles Williams. This gift motivated the university to sponsor an annual symposium featuring C. S. Lewis and his friends. It also provided the motivation to define and design a space complementary and contiguous to the Zondervan Library to adequately display this collection for its best utilization. The collection is of significant quality and is surpassed only by one other in the United States.

This past year, Taylor University received one notable grant and will partner in a second. First, the Lilly Endowment granted Taylor University \$3,150,000 to help address the concern of the "brain drain" from the state of Indiana. Each year for the next five years, the University will be committed to the selection of at least 25 high school graduates from Indiana with financial need, but who show promise for academic success. Taylor has chosen to call this the Samuel Morris Scholars Program. When these students complete the four-year degree program, efforts will be made to keep them in Indiana and help them achieve employment.

A second grant of \$500,000 was received jointly with the Fort Wayne Police Department. The Center for Justice and Urban Leadership on the Fort Wayne Campus will be responsible for the administration of the grant. This grant will focus on the development of police officers for community-oriented policing.

Taylor University is quite healthy and continues to be optimistic about the present and future. Our greatest challenge at this time is to remain committed to the mission of this great institution and to avoid the tendency to allow the secularization of our society from becoming the standard by which we measure success.



Taylor University received the Edwin W. Brown Collection in the spring of 1997. The collection includes works by C. S. Lewis, George MacDonald, J. R. R. Tolkien, Charles Williams, Dorothy L. Sayers, Owen Barfield and G. K. Chesterton. Brown inspects the books as they are being shelved in the faculty lounge of the Zondervan Library.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT



Taylor University Fort Wayne Dr. Robert Nienhuis

vice president

How would you describe Taylor University Fort Wayne?

Time and again I am asked that question. Along the way, I have come to realize that I cannot describe the campus with one word, or even one phrase. Allow me, however, to attempt to describe the campus and the past year using three words.

Diverse. Take a walk across the campus and you will witness our diversity. An 18-year-old young woman and a 35-year-old mother of three sit side-by-side in the classroom, both starting their college careers with Dr. Cosgrove in "Foundations of Christian Thought." A young black man, born and raised in urban Gary, sits in chapel next to a white farm boy from southern Indiana, worshipping God together. In Lehman Library, a young man whose public high school graduating class numbered over 650 does an on-line reference search with a young woman who graduated from a small Christian high school in a graduating class of seven.



Jennifer Munns receives her Samuel Morris Scholar certificate from Dr. Robert Nienhuis, vice president, Taylor University Fort Wayne.

Diversity extends beyond age, race and background to include how students attend Taylor. This past year found us preparing Taylor University courses for delivery over the Internet through our Institute of Correspondence Studies, renamed the Institute of Extended Learning. Now, people unable to attend one of the Taylor campuses will be able to study with Taylor professors and benefit from a Taylor learning experience.

Engagement. As the "college for urban engagement," we desire to impact our community in positive ways. Each residence hall has a service coordinator who is responsible to assist resident assistants in planning service programs for students. In addition, each of our academic programs is including service components in the curriculum. Our goal, in this service thrust, is to create a "volunteer tradition" in the lives of students, which will continue well beyond their college education.

The idea of engagement, however, is not limited to students. Faculty are engaged as well, both on and off the campus. Numerous faculty are leading Bible studies and discipleship groups with students, not as a part of their faculty duties, but as an outgrowth of their heart for ministry. Some faculty have also been called upon to engage the Fort Wayne community through participation on community boards and service with community agencies.

Innovative. The Institute for Extended Learning and the "college for urban engagement" are both innovative expressions of Taylor Fort Wayne. But our innovative efforts extend beyond these two elements. The Samuel Morris Scholars Program, funded by a generous grant from the Lilly Endowment, provides scholarship assistance for academically-qualified, first-generation college students from Indiana to attend Taylor University. And the Center for Justice and Urban Leadership stands as a unique expression of Christian witness and service in two parts of the world—our prisons and our cities—where this expression is sorely needed.

Taylor Fort Wayne is diverse, engaged and innovative. By God's grace, we have accomplished much, and we continue to trust God for great things as we look to the future.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT



Business and Finance

Allan Smith

vice president

The 1996-1997 fiscal year contained many significant highlights including the largest grant in the history of the school, a major gift to endow an academic chair, the beginning of construction on the new Samuel Morris Hall, the improvements to many facilities on both campuses and the operation of the institution on a balanced budget. We would like to highlight two additional accomplishments: a bond issue was completed for Morris Hall and we crossed over the \$100 million threshold in total assets.

In May 1997, Taylor University issued a bond for two purposes. The major part of the bond, \$4 million, is to be used for the construction of the new Morris Hall. The total cost of the facility will be just over \$8 million. The balance of \$4 million is being raised by the *Taylor Tomorrow Campaign*. Another \$1.97 million was borrowed to take advantage of lower interest rates and to repay the 1990 bond issue.

It is certainly gratifying to know that the external public believes that Taylor University is a valid investment for their investment portfolios. The bonds were put out to the market on a late Monday afternoon in May 1997 and were completely sold by Tuesday evening. This quick sale of our bonds encourages us in our efforts to be good stewards of the resources that God has entrusted to us.

The second significant highlight is that those resources for the university and affiliates now total over \$100 million. See box at left for a summary of these assets, related liabilities and net assets.

Please understand that we take our stewardship role of these assets very seriously. We understand that many of you have entrusted your gifts to Taylor University, and we thank you for your partnership with us.

1996-97 BALANCE SHEET

(in millions of dollars)

Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 5.4
Receivables	7.0
Investments	10.4
Endowed Assets	26.1
Annuity/Trust Assets	18.5
Deposits with Trustees	5.0
Inventory	.5
Physical Plant	<u>33.2</u>
Total Assets	\$106.1
Accounts Payable/Accruals	\$ 8.1
Mortgages/Notes Payable	11.3
Government Financial Aid	3.1
Trust Liabilities	14.1
Other Liabilities	<u>.6</u>
Total Liabilities	\$ 37.2
Unrestricted Net Assets	\$ 39.5
Temporary Restricted Net Assets	5.2
Permanently Restricted Net Assets	<u>24.2</u>
Total Net Assets	\$ 68.9
Total Liabilities & Net Assets	\$106.1



Construction of the new Samuel Morris Hall began in the summer of 1997 and is expected to be completed in the spring of 1998.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT



Academic Affairs Dr. Dwight Jessup

vice president

A primary reason for Taylor's high ranking as an institution of Christian higher education is the quality of its academic faculty. They are at the very center of Taylor's Christian learning community. We look to the faculty for leadership, instruction and mentoring of students. Without them the University could certainly not carry out its mission.

Professors at Taylor are distinguished in at least four ways. First, they are teachers and scholars—men and women admirably qualified by virtue of their own study and experience to commit to others that which they have learned. In academic competence and professional standing, Taylor requires teachers who have a firm grasp of their subjects and who bring an excitement of inquiry into the classroom.

Second, Taylor professors must be generalists, possessing intellectual interests beyond their own specialties. Because we offer an undergraduate education, because we are a relatively small college and because we teach the liberal arts within a holistic philosophy of individual growth and development, Taylor professors must have a wide range of intellectual and cultural pursuits, connecting theory and practice, personal and professional.

Third, faculty at Taylor are called to be lay theologians, students of the scriptures acquainted with Christian doctrine; professing a Christian world view, they integrate their faith and their teaching.

Fourth, the Taylor faculty are called to demonstrate a growing personal faith in Jesus Christ while investing themselves in the lives of their students. Professors at Taylor are expected to join hands with their students in the learning process, helping them, under God's power and direction, to grow in wisdom and knowledge.

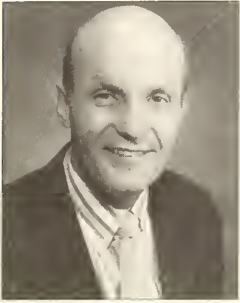
A glance at Taylor's 142 full-time academic faculty and their accomplishments during the past year gives evidence of their ministry and vitality. Three completed their Ph.D. degrees. Three enjoyed sabbatical leaves of absence in educational and mission settings outside the United States. Seven earned promotions in faculty rank and five were granted tenure. At least 16 faculty on the Upland campus alone were published authors, producing 32 books, articles, and creative works. Most importantly, the faculty collectively taught 2,671 separate courses, sections, labs, practicums,



William Fry, professor of English, receives the 1997 Distinguished Professor of the Year Award from George Glass, associate vice president for alumni relations, during the spring 1997 honors chapel. Fry is joined on the platform by daughter Kate and grandson Will.

discussion groups and independent studies in 1996-97 to 404 students on the Fort Wayne campus and 1,866 students on the Upland campus. They engaged in myriad related endeavors, chief of which were accreditation reviews by the National Association of Schools of Music (NASM) and the North Central Association (NCA).

Completion of the NASM review is yet to come, but the NCA assessment, the most comprehensive and highest educational evaluation of the University, has earned Taylor an unqualified ten-year accreditation renewal for both the Upland and Fort Wayne campuses.



Student Affairs Wynn Lembright

vice president

Steven Garber, in his book, *The Fabric of Faithfulness*, writes that “the movement from childhood to adulthood has been worthy of culture’s greatest attention and perhaps its finest education” (page 81). I am regularly reminded that my work here at Taylor University and the work of my colleagues are worthy of our greatest attention. To be involved with students who have high aspirations supported by strong academic competencies and a desire to serve Christ is both a great blessing and a sobering responsibility. These students are worthy of the best we can give them. My assessment is that we are delivering the kind and quality of education our students sought when they first enrolled at Taylor.

The North Central Accreditation team completed its review of our educational mission this past May and awarded us a ten-year extension of accreditation. Contained in their report were the following selected comments surrounding student affairs.

- “Taylor University has chosen to link the curricular and co-curricular objectives in a way that insures that the institution’s mission of integrating faith, living and learning is accomplished both in and out of the classroom.”

- “The student development staff connects with students before they arrive on campus and they provide a seamless web of support and direction for students during their academic and co-curricular experience at Taylor University.”

- “The University’s unique approach in educating the whole student through the commitment and good work of the faculty and the student development staff is appropriate and makes Taylor University an attractive place for students to learn, grow, play and prepare for life after Taylor.”

- “Admissions is staffed by a dedicated group of professionals who work well together. Admissions materials are of high quality.”

- “Virtually all student development programs are equally strong in terms of organization, support, resources and student involvement.”

- “There is a strong sense among all personnel interviewed that students and their growth as learners, Christians and people ready to engage the world are central to their work at the University.”

I am aware of the challenges highlighted in the North Central report relating to minority recruitment and the need for expanded recreational facilities. I further anticipate a heightened sense of cooperation with academic affairs and information resources as we together wrestle with how to best introduce new and evolving high-tech resources into the residential life environment so as to enhance community life rather than detract or threaten the community ethos.

The confirmation that we are indeed realizing our mission is cause for thanksgiving, and the acknowledgment of known challenges will deepen our resolve to honor God and serve our students more completely.



Student forums allowed members of the North Central Accreditation team to interact with both Upland and Fort Wayne students and to have a better understanding of student life at Taylor.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT



Development Gene Rupp

vice president

The University development staff have had the privilege of sharing Taylor's mission and vision with numerous friends in a public way this past year. We celebrated the 150th anniversary of Taylor University on both campuses by way of concerts, dinners and special events, all culminating in a great celebration during Homecoming on the Upland campus. At the conclusion of this celebration, the **Taylor Tomorrow Campaign** was inaugurated with the goal of \$75 million to be raised over the next seven years. Scholarship dinners, donor recognition and other activities permitted us to share Taylor University's story.

The **Taylor Tomorrow Campaign** of \$75 million will provide new buildings for each campus, greater impact on the academic life for students and financial aid for students through scholarships and a larger endowment. At this

time, we are pleased to announce that nearly \$30 million of the \$75 million has been identified. Much appreciation goes to donors who desire to become partners in continuing a strong, Christ-centered university.

The alumni department continues to influence individuals in a positive way on both campuses. More have returned for events like athletic meets, homecomings and concerts than at any previous time. Alumni on each campus continue to support their alma mater at a much higher rate than at the average four-year institution because they are grateful for the education they received at Taylor University.

The publications by the Fort Wayne and Upland campuses are important means of communicating the story of Taylor. Reader response

registers at a very high level. Constituents appreciate and look forward to the "latest word" from their respective campus. The story of Taylor continues to be shared through magazines, brochures, class newsletters, parent newsletters and department mailings. Alumni and friends can keep in touch with Taylor using the World Wide Web.

Giving this past year has hit an all-time high. The Taylor Fund and Annual Fund together raised over \$1.5 million that is used for student aid. Total giving on the two campuses was nearly \$12 million. This record was made possible only because of many individuals. The donor who gave \$10 is as important in God's eyes as the person who gave \$10,000.

University development is pleased to share this report with you. We thank each of you for being a part of the report and for your contributions of prayers and dollars. May we never lose the vision of a Christ-centered institution in Fort Wayne and Upland. Because God has blessed us, we are given a great responsibility of perpetuating the mission of Taylor University. To God be the glory!

FIVE-YEAR GIVING REPORT

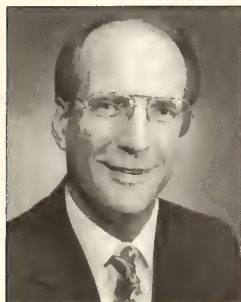
Upland and Fort Wayne campuses, fiscal years 1992-93 to 1996-97

	Taylor & Annual Fund	Special Projects*	Restricted**	Other***	William Taylor Foundation & WBCL	Total
92/93	1,214,280	957,080	492,890	705,756	917,759	4,287,765
93/94	1,344,975	2,484,087	1,271,369	1,092,368	1,158,082	7,350,881
94/95	1,510,185	827,797	2,665,547	1,323,031	1,064,241	7,390,801
95/96	1,410,150	594,584	633,657	1,265,106	1,081,593	4,985,090
96/97	1,391,569	7,427,821	703,070	1,074,216	1,363,485	11,960,161
Total	6,871,159	12,291,369	5,766,533	5,460,477	5,585,160	35,974,698

**Special Projects include Capital Campaign and Lilly Grant*

***Restricted includes annuities, endowments and scholarships*

****Other include planned giving program, church matching gifts and TWO-/TU Outreach*



Planning and Information Resources

Robert Hodge

vice president

Most of the long-range and strategic planning for the University is manifested in the ongoing *Taylor Tomorrow Campaign*. Two years into the plan, it remains a viable document that guides much of what we do. It is significant to know that with all the external forces upon us, the mission and vision for Taylor University remain intact with only minor clarifications over many years. How we educate may change, but who we are remains constant.

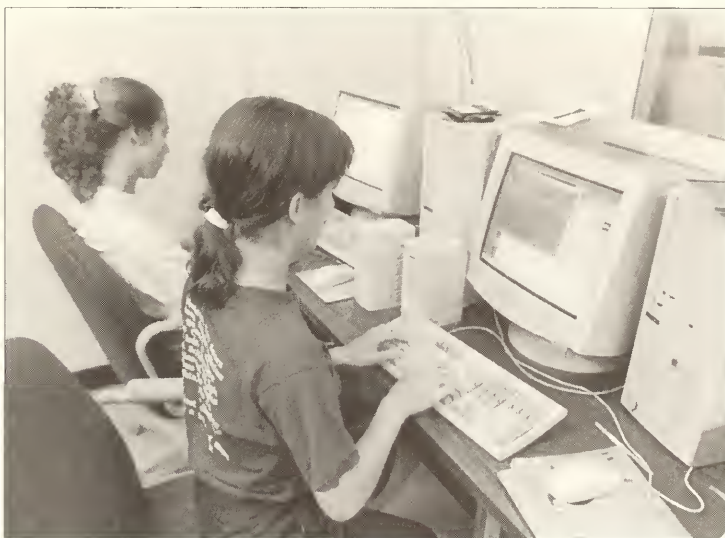
While maintaining the quality of education is the focus of its mission, Taylor provides ongoing attention to the inner workings of the institution as a whole. One mark of good administration at Taylor is its efficient, effective, yet transparent support of educational programs. These efforts have involved a broadening of the self-evaluation process throughout the administrative areas, repositioning the planning process to promote improved strategic budgeting and introducing project management to facilitate the timely and cost-effective implementation of new programs and services.

As we meet with others from private or state schools, I suggest that the Internet and World Wide Web may offer one of the single most applicable tools to help transform the way we teach students. It certainly has changed the way students learn. At the same time, there may be no greater risk to

the Taylor ethos than the Internet. Most serious students of these technologies agree. We must be committed to the appropriate use of technology to improve the education of our students without falling prey to the hype of the day.

The use of high-tech throughout the University continues to grow and broaden. Where computing helps us do what we are already doing without changing much of who we are, high-tech creativity tools allow us to expand and amplify who we are. If language and communication help define our community, new media of communication may actually affect who we are. As such, the expansion of the Internet and the World Wide Web have demanded substantial discussion about their impact on the ethos, culture and community of Taylor University.

Projecting extremely rapid growth in data communications, information services has developed an up-to-date long-range communications plan for both campuses. Nearly all faculty on both campuses will soon have a high-speed connection to the Internet from their offices. After many months of forums and discussions open to all those who were interested, the senior administration accepted a recommendation to implement Internet access to each desk in the Upland residence halls for fall 1998. To assure the intentional and appropriate utilization of existing and future media, a model educational program will be developed to update and educate all members of the Taylor community on the appropriate use of multiple media. In addition, an Internet "filter" will be installed to add a level of mediation to the use of Internet. In the upcoming year, the unique needs of the Fort Wayne campus will be identified, and a plan developed to meet them.



The Internet and the World Wide Web play a significant role in the lives of students, faculty and staff at Taylor University.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT



Taylor University Broadcasting Char Binkley

general manager

I remember, as a first-grade school teacher, looking at the clock during the morning reading circle and thinking that the hands had stopped and it must be afternoon. However, my 21 years at WBCL have been quite the opposite, and I often want time to stand still in order to accommodate all the exciting possibilities that come our way. Plenty of exciting activities fill every day; there is never a dull moment.

After two years of planning, the Wheels for the World summer project was launched in June. Wheels for the World is an outreach program headed by Joni Eareckson Tada, a quadriplegic who speaks directly and optimistically to physically-challenged people nationwide via her radio program, "Joni and Friends" (JAF). WBCL's goal of 150 mobility aids was far surpassed. Listeners donated a total of 415 used wheelchairs, folding walkers and other mobility aids during the four-week collection period. JAF Ministries will refurbish and distribute these items internationally to

people who otherwise have no means for mobility.

To kick off the project, Joni spoke and sang at both a dinner for families of physically-challenged persons and at a rally held at the Fort Wayne Coliseum. The cost of the entire Wheels for the World outreach program was underwritten by project partners: Brotherhood Mutual Insurance Company, Celina Moving and Warehousing, DeKalb Construction, Kruse International, Ed and Leone Neidhardt, and Taylor University.

Several large technical projects were also accomplished last year. The largest and most challenging was the construction of WBCJ in Ohio. A 500-foot tower and a 30-foot by 15-foot transmitter building now occupy our five acres on Route 117, a mile west of Spencerville. Because a sign-on is planned on Sept. 1, by the time you read this article, listeners in Lima, Celina, Spencerville, St. Mary's and Wapakoneta will be tuning in to 88.1 FM for the sounds of Taylor University Broadcasting.

Another project was the installation of a new transmitter at the flagship station, WBCL in Fort

Wayne. The original transmitter outlived its 12-year life expectancy to a ripe old age of 21 years. The \$90,000 project cost was explained to listeners via a special mailing, and in just 14 weeks, 100 percent of the project was contributed.

As of early spring, listeners in Muncie, Ind., began hearing WBCL on a translator at 106.1 FM. Atop the Radisson/Roberts Hotel is a 20-foot antenna that receives WBCL's Fort Wayne signal and rebroadcasts it to a 10-mile radius of Muncie. Unlike the stations built in Archbold and Spencerville for nearly one-half million dollars each, the translator is an \$18,000 venture. It is our hope to add a translator in Marion next year.

We are humbled at the faithfulness of God in supplying every need through loyal listeners. We realize that without God, the 21-year success of WBCL would not have been possible. In a recent conversation with a colleague, I commented that I was amazed at what God has done through WBCL. Then I realized that I ought not to be amazed when God acts like God by blessing, loving and touching lives for His glory.



Launched in June 1997, the Wheels for the World outreach program is headed by Joni Eareckson Tada who speaks through her radio program "Joni and Friends."



William Taylor Foundation

Ken Smith

executive director

The William Taylor Foundation is the charitable planned giving arm of Taylor University. Its primary mission is to receive property (real or personal, tangible or intangible, outright or in trust); to hold, invest and manage any such property; and to distribute such property by way of grants, scholarships and stipends either for the direct or indirect benefit of Taylor.

Last year, the Foundation participated in several projects that involved alumni. In May, several alumni and other friends traveled with us on an exciting trip to Israel and three Greek islands. The Foundation also sponsored a trip to the Rose Bowl in January. Many participants were Taylor alumni living in Ohio who were there to support their adopted team. While the Foundation provided such opportunities for people with Taylor connections, we also provided more concrete ways for them to support our mission. This past year, we worked with over 50 individuals and families setting up wills and living trusts; many of them were first-time estate plans. Additionally, we were pleased to establish five new charitable trusts and 12 charitable annuities totaling more than \$900,000. These tools provided income benefits and significant tax savings to the donors, but after a term of years or lifetime, the remainderment will come to Taylor.

Recently, we added another team player to our department—Joe Updegrave. Joe had been working in Fort Wayne's development office for 23 years. With Joe's move to the Upland campus, all planned giving efforts are now concentrated in our office, which is located in Sickler Hall.

Joe Updegrave, Nelson Rediger and I are excited about working with people who love Taylor. It gives us great satisfaction to know that we are not only providing them the tools they need to make wise estate-planning decisions, but also that we are helping them find joy in giving. We are committed to helping people invest tomorrow's dollars in tomorrow's students.

I encourage you to consider your own estate plan. Is it up-to-date? Will it carry out your desires? Do you even have a will, a trust, durable power of attorney, health care representative and/or a living will? All these are very important documents that need to be completed. If you don't have these documents, the state in which you live will decide how to care for you if you become incompetent or unable to make decisions, and it will also decide how to distribute your estate upon your death. Because we want to be of assistance to you, please contact us for your estate-planning needs.



Forty-one alumni, friends and staff members of Taylor University embarked on the first annual trip to Greece and Israel in May 1996 sponsored by the William Taylor Foundation. The group paused for a photograph at the Dome of the Rock in Jerusalem.

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Generations are Impacted by Couple's Instruction



*Freeman and Mary Kay
Burkhalter*

Down a quiet street in the town of Berne, Indiana, stands the cozy and inviting home of Dr. Freeman and Mary Kay (Myers '38TUU) Burkhalter. Each week they open their home to more than 30 music students. Even though Freeman celebrated his 89th birthday this past fall, he still teaches violin and voice. At 85, Mary Kay continues to teach piano.

The Burkhalters have been examples of perseverance and joyful service to many, whether it be in the 96 times Freeman has directed Handels' Messiah, the lifelong friendships they have built with other residents of Berne, or the personal interest and support they have given to Taylor University.

Freeman sang and performed music throughout high school. Later, while studying at Moody Bible Institute, he had his first opportunity to direct a choir. He received his bachelor of music education in 1934 and his master of music in 1941, both from Northwestern University. He then pursued a doctor of education degree which he received from Columbia University in 1954. Freeman spent most of his professional life in Berne, teaching music in South Adams Schools from 1935-75, with brief interruptions due to World War II, and later to pursue additional studies.

Mary Kay began studying at Wheaton College, but because of the Great Depression was unable to continue her education. When Dr. Robert Stuart offered her a scholarship, she came to Taylor and graduated in 1938. Mary Kay was teaching when a men's chorus, directed by Freeman, came to her school for a performance. She was asked to accompany the group on the piano. The two took notice of each other and there began a life-long relationship. They were married in 1946 and resettled in Berne, where Mary Kay taught in the local schools for several years. She later began teaching private lessons from home.

Despite the prestige he could claim for his long tenure at both the high school and at the First Mennonite Church in Berne, where he served as minister of music for more than 50 years, Freeman's satisfaction comes from sharing in the lives of the many students he and Mary Kay have taught and influenced. Some current students are now the third generation in their families to study under their tutelage. Mary Kay was also active in serving in their local church, directing an 80-member children's choir for many years.

The Burkhalters have also extended their service to Taylor where Freeman taught evening classes from 1960-64. He believes that a solid education is essential for Christian young people, and music is no exception. "A strong Christian university like Taylor should be the very best it can be," he says.

For that reason, the Burkhalters have decided to give Taylor a major portion of their estate. Fifty percent of their gift will be used to create an endowed scholarship in memory of the Burkhalters, which will be given to a music major; the remaining 50 percent will be used to fund an endowment for the Taylor Upland music department.

The Burkhalter's gift will add even more strength to the music department and to the academic program as a whole. "I'm very happy with the way Taylor has developed scholastically," Freeman says. "There are many things that have happened musically that I have appreciated."

Taylor Tomorrow Campaign Update

The Taylor Tomorrow Campaign total stands at \$33,604,000 as of December 31, 1997. This represents pledges, cash gifts and other estate commitments. A most often asked question is, "Is the Campaign on target?" The answer is not always easy. Commitments are made in varying amounts and in a rather sporadic manner. As a general rule, significant gifts are frequent at the beginning, with a flattening of the curve in the middle stages. Experience in these matters indicates anticipated accumulation near the end of the campaign.

What will it take to maintain the momentum established thus far? Simply, faithfulness on the part of volunteers and Taylor staff to ask people to support this important effort. Recently a Taylor Board member shared Taylor Tomorrow with a business acquaintance and friend and received the blessing of securing a \$1,000,000 commitment. Faithfulness, courage and reliance on God remain the essentials to achieve what may seem impossible.

See the Campaign's progress on-line: [Http://www.tayloru.edu/~ttomorrow/](http://www.tayloru.edu/~ttomorrow/) The Taylor Tomorrow logo has been added as an icon to Taylor's home page on the world wide web: the following information can be found:

- Message from the President
- Case Statement
- Campaign Goals
- Questions and Answers
- Ways of Giving
- Campaign in Progress

Progress of the campaign

Pledges Paid:	\$ 4,001,000
Pledges Unpaid:	\$13,084,000
Cash Gifts:	\$ 7,528,000
Deferred Gifts:	\$ 8,991,000

GRAND TOTAL (as of 12-31-97)
\$33,604,000

Faces of T.U.F.W.

Faculty/Staff Honors and Accomplishments



Rev. Bud Hamilton
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Miss Lisa Paul
Director of Conferences/
Assistant to University
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Dr. Jay Platte
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Brian Colby joins the staff as director of alumni/church relations. **Patti Favorite** began her duties as assistant director of the learning support center this past summer. **Leo Gonot** brings nine years of admissions experience from Malone College, Malone, Ohio, to serve as director of admissions at TUFW. **Beth Harrell**, a 1997 Taylor Upland graduate, joins the staff at the Center for Justice and Urban Leadership as conference coordinator.

Dennis Hensley, associate professor of English, has written six articles for six different magazines since summer and his newest nonfiction book, Millennium Approaches was released on January 8, by Avon Paperbacks.

Yvette Jones serves as assistant director for corporate relations for the Samuel Morris Scholars Program.

Pamela Jordan, assistant professor of English, presented "The Search for Meaning: Christian Values in Tennessee Williams' The Night of the Iguana," at the Southwest Regional



Dr. Pamela Jordan

Conference on Christianity and Literature at Harding University, Searcy, Arkansas. She also defended her dissertation entitled "Clergy in Crisis: Three

Victorian Portrayals of Anglican Clergymen Forced to Redefine Their Faith," on October 10, at Ball State University and earned her doctorate.

T. Neil Moore joins the Center for Justice and Urban Leadership as

police specialist. Moore served as chief of police for the city of Fort Wayne for over 20 years. **Dr. Ronald Sloan**, associate vice president for academic affairs, joined the Fort Wayne campus full-time, January 1. He has served part-time in this position for two years.



Dr. Ronald Sloan

Michael Smith, associate professor of journalism, is in the 1998-99 edition of "Marquis Who's Who in Entertainment" and "Who's Who in Media and Communications" reference books which include profiles of freelance writers.

Sonja Strahm, director of the learning support center, completed her term as president elect of Indiana Association for Developmental Educators (INADE) and spearheaded the conference held in Fort Wayne in October. As president she will assist in the planning of the NADE (National Association for Developmental Educators) conference which will be held in March in Atlanta.

Mark Sumney has been appointed director of the institute of extended learning. Prior to his appointment at Taylor, Sumney had done extensive marketing for Zondervan Corporation and most recently served at Fort Wayne Newspapers.



Mr. Mark Sumney



Barbara Artherhults (l) and Evelyn Schmidt g42 (r) have greeted you as you have called the University over the last several years. Both have decided to enjoy their retirement after many years of service to the Fort Wayne campus. We will all miss them!



Fort Wayne Biology Home Page Utilized as a Teaching Tool

Dr. John Schutt uses on-line technology as one of his teaching tools. A recipient of the internal web challenge grant, Schutt, associate professor of biology, finished the home page for his General Biology 100 class last summer. While Schutt did most of the work for the home page, he also received assistance from his son, Noel, a junior in high school, and Ben Goshow, a computer science senior on the Upland campus.

According to Schutt, the goal of the home page is to "hit the same materials from a variety of angles so that we can hit all kinds of learning styles for students to learn the content of biology. The [home page] is not a replacement to their (the students') textbook; this is an addition and a supplement to them."

Features of the home page not only include the course syllabus, study guides and their answers, lecture outlines and notes, but also "areas where students can post responses to help each other learn the materials and links on the World Wide Web to get other lectures, notes and demonstrations," Schutt said.

Schutt is planning to teach this way for a couple of semesters and see if using the home page as a teaching tool will make a difference in the average scores of students.

Although this project is Schutt's first full web site, it is by no means his first attempt at web creation. His first experience with web design took place last spring when he put a portion of his notes on-line for his astronomy class. He also put his General Biology 105 correspondence course notes on line last summer as well.

Taylor Sports

The Falcon soccer team ended the year with a record of 7-11, narrowly missing the regional tournament. Senior Rick Merrill led the team in goals scored, and senior Russ Gerber led the team in assists.

In volleyball action, the Lady Falcons played to a final record of 2-28. The team did provide for some exciting and close matches, including two



Minta Woll, sophomore, on the court.

intense five-set nail-biters ending in Falcon victories. Amanda Chapman, junior, led the team in assists while Jenny Wells, sophomore, led in kills.

The women's basketball team has begun its regular season hoping to improve upon its play last season. Kelly DeWald, sophomore, returns as leading scorer and rebounder. The Falcons also return three other starters: Shani Gray, junior; Estefana Ponce, junior; and Minta Woll, sophomore. Currently, the Lady Falcons are 2-9 with their lone victory coming over Ohio State-Lima, 53-33.

The men's basketball team has come roaring out of the gates by finishing second at both the Circleville Bible College Tournament and at the Cincinnati Bible College shoot-out the first two weeks of the season. Sophomore Kevin Damesworth and senior Kyle Zimmerman have led the team in shooting with a record of 9-2.

Upland Students Traveled to Hong Kong

Integrated studies offer different perspectives which enable students to grasp interrelated concepts across traditional disciplinary boundaries. This was the case for a group of history and business students who studied in Hong Kong and mainland China in January. Dr. Alan Winquist, professor of history, and Chris Bennett, associate professor of business, linked the two fields for the 14 students who studied in Asia.

The students were fairly evenly divided between history and business. Many of the planned activities for the group had mutual relevance for both disciplines.

"There was a lot of overlapping," Winquist says. "You had to bring in the business element to really understand the history of East Asia." Bennett also believes that the history and business of Asia are inextricably woven together. "You cannot separate international business from the history and culture of the people," he says. "I hope the history students saw that economic development has been a large player in the development of history, especially in developing countries. And I wanted my students to understand that successful business enterprise is dependent on more than just technical skills."

The trip had particular timeliness, as on July 1, 1997, Hong Kong was reacquired by the People's Republic of China after more than 100 years under British colonial rule. Bennett and Winquist were excited to observe the changes in Hong Kong, though neither expected to see significant visible changes this soon after the change in government. "The changes are behind the scenes," Bennett says.

Phonathon '98 - March 9-27

Goal: \$40,000

With the help of Fort Wayne Campus alumni, the Alumni Scholarship Endowment has now grown to more than \$400,000. Congratulations to Fort Wayne Campus alumni on this most significant achievement.

For 1997-98, the alumni have awarded more than \$20,000 in scholarships from the interest earned on the endowment. Alumni gave another \$20,000 from Phonathon receipts directly to scholarship aid. As Taylor Fort Wayne grows, it is the desire to award even more scholarships in the coming years. 1997-98 recipients say, "Thank you!" They are worthy students and most grateful for alumni participation.

Mark your calendars now for Phonathon '98: March 9-27. Details will be coming your way soon! Remember that our biggest goal is 100% participation. This year, Phonathon will offer a Matching Grant which will double new donations and increased pledges up to a defined level--so, new donations and increased pledges will take on a special meaning. Remember that successful application for major grants for institutions like Taylor University often depend upon certain annual percentage levels of alumni support--so everyone's participation (large and small) is greatly needed!

Sports Reunions

On Saturday, October 11, 1997, the annual fall athletic reunion took place in the Gerig Activities Center and on the soccer field. Seventy alumni and their families ate lunch together representing one of the largest athletic reunions on the Fort Wayne campus.



Alumni Volleyball players pictured: back row, 1 to r: Darcey (Zen) Threlkeld g93, Tammy (Kelsey) Wilson g93, Janelle (Gunsolley) Turner g96, Sarita Rubrake g93, Jamie McConnell g92. Front row, 1 to r: Shannon (Keller) Leichty fs and g96TUU, Cathy (Crowder) Miller g95 and Corrinne Mahorney g96.

Alumni Soccer players pictured:

back row, 1 to r: Ramon DeMond g87, Alan Eicher g90, Steve Gagnon g85, Tony Clausen g96, Graham West g88, Tony Miller g84, Brian Eicher g91, Greg Carlyle g92, Jose Castillo fs84 and coach, and Emily Wilber cs. Front row, 1 to r: John Hughes g85, Scott Haddix g94, Bob Hamilton cs, Greg Camp g95, Jeremy Malick fs93, Jim Hughes fs83, Nate Hoot g97, Lyn Schwartz, g88 and Mark Hammond g97.



Alumni Banquet

Friday, May 22, 1998

All alumni and friends are welcome.

HONORED GUESTS:

50th Anniversary Class of 1948
Class of 1998
Spouses and Parents

Don't Miss Your Class Reunion!

1938	1953	1968	1983
1943	1958	1973	1988
1948	1963	1978	1993

Area Gatherings

Area gatherings for alumni and friends are scheduled for this winter and spring. Our goal is to get to know you better and to communicate exciting updates on the unfolding vision and expansion of TUFW.

Brian Colby, alumni director, and other Taylor Fort Wayne personnel will be present at these gatherings to share what God is doing at Taylor in Fort Wayne and Upland. Detailed announcements will be mailed to those living in each area. Come and join us for a great time of reunion, fellowship and sharing. We'll see you soon in the following areas:

February 17	Indianapolis, IN
March 2	Gary, IN
March 28	Oahu, HI
April 2	Detroit, MI
May 4	Toledo, OH
Pending	South Bend, IN

Hawaii Gathering

Taylor Fort Wayne is sending a missions team of 14 students to the island of Oahu, March 20-28. Michael Mortensen, associate director of development, is leading the trip and will stay to host an alumni gathering. Those interested in participating may contact him at 1025 W. Rudisill Blvd., Fort Wayne, IN 46807. (219) 456-2111 or via e-mail: memortens@tayloru.edu

Colby Appointed Alumni/Church Relations Director

Taylor University Fort Wayne is pleased to share that on November 1, 1997, Rev. Brian Colby g94 joined the Taylor Fort Wayne community, accepting the position of alumni/church relations director, a position that became vacant due to the retirement of former director, Rev. Bill Gerig g61.

Search committee member, Joy Gerig g66, shares her thoughts concerning Brian's appointment:

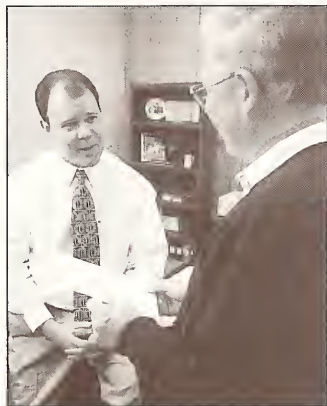
"In our committee interviews with Brian, I was impressed by his appreciation for the education he had received on the Fort Wayne campus, his commitment to the strong ministry emphasis he had received and his excitement for the future of TUFW. I believe that Brian's strong administrative skills and his commitment to serving Jesus Christ through building a stronger bond between our alumni, supporting churches and prospective students will enhance the ever-growing influence of TUFW in the years ahead."

Recently Brian answered informative questions to allow alumni and friends to know him better.

Q. Who is Brian Colby?

A. Brian Colby is a fun-loving person who enjoys working with people and interacting with a variety of personalities. Both at work and during free

time, I enjoy spending time with people. I am talkative, serious-minded, humorous, organized to a fault, and live my entire life out of a Franklin Day Planner. I enjoy reading, fly-fishing, art, starched shirts and coney dogs. Most of all, I enjoy spending time with my wife Nicci.



Brian Colby, left, talks with professor Dave Biberstein.

Q. Share about your salvation experience.

A. I made a first-time decision for Christ at age four while praying at home with my parents after a children's Sunday school class at Avalon Missionary Church. I made a rededication of my life to Christ at age 12 and sensed a call to Christian ministry while a freshman in high school.

Q. What have you been up to since graduation in 1994?

A. Professionally, I have served as the Associate Pastor for Christian Education at First Missionary Church of Niles, MI. One of the highlights of my wife's and my ministry there was the opportunity as a couple to lead a group of teens from the Missionary Church on an inner city domestic mission trip to New York City.

Q. Describe your Fort Wayne campus experience.

A. I experienced the Fort Wayne campus from a variety of perspectives. I came as a traditional student out of high school in 1988 and graduated in 1994 as a non-traditional married student who was working full-time and pursuing a degree concurrently. I came to Fort Wayne Bible College, experienced the transition to Summit Christian College and then the merger with Taylor University. I graduated from Taylor. The biggest impact on my life from my college days (next to getting married) was the Christian character modeled by the faculty.

Q. What have you appreciated the most about your Taylor education?

A. The Christian character modeled by the faculty and staff has influenced me the most. They influenced my life by the way in which they lived theirs. The academic and professional preparation for Christian ministry was challenging and thorough.

Q. What draws you back to the Fort Wayne campus?

A. Nicci and I have a great love for the Fort Wayne campus. We are both alums, both grew up in the Fort Wayne area, and met and married in Fort Wayne. For us there is an emotional commitment to the city and

to the Fort Wayne campus. The ministry focus and urban engagement emphasis are missions we strongly believe in. Taylor Fort Wayne is a winning team and we desire to be a part of its challenges and successes in the coming years.

Q. Merger has been the hot topic of alumni during the past five years. What are your thoughts on merger?

A. To be honest, I find myself energized by the partnership between Upland and Fort Wayne--confident that merger was constructive for us both. When I see programs in Bible and Christian Ministries, The Samuel Morris Scholars Program, the Center for Justice and Urban Leadership, The Institute of Extended Learning, and other departments, I am reminded of the distinctives of the Fort Wayne campus in its urban context. When the rich heritage and urban distinctives of the Fort Wayne campus come together with the great tradition of Taylor University, the resulting mix is a powerful one with endless potential for influencing our culture and world for Jesus Christ.

Q. What is your vision for the alumni/church relations office?

A. My approach to alumni/church relations is summed up in three words: prayer, communication and relationships. Prayer must be the foundation of all that we do. Secondly, communication is a key. We will listen to our constituencies as they update us on their lives as we also endeavor to keep them informed on Fort Wayne campus news. Relationship building is a thread running through all we do.

40's

Iola (Rousselle) Egle fs47 wrote with fond memories of FWBC. Currently she is a wedding consultant, a private piano teacher and an editor for Taste of Home, a cooking magazine. Although they are near retirement, Don and Iola are keeping quite busy in Nebraska.

50's

Keith g55 and Jeannine (Widmark) Davis fs53 have served churches as superintendent in the North Indiana Conference of the United Methodist Church for over 40 years. They have retired now and live in Wolcottville, IN.

60's

Bill g61 and Joyce (Wiggle) Gerig fs61 have relocated to Glendale, AZ, where Bill is serving as the resident manager of Glencroft Retirement Community. Joyce is working part-time as receptionist in the administrative offices. There are 950 retirees at Glencroft. Of the retirees, the following FWBC alumni are included: **Mildred (Eicher) g28 and Jared Gerig g29 and Verna (Magary) fs35 and Bob Strubhar g36 and former faculty member.** Bill and Joyce may be reached at: 6510 W Butler Drive #109, Glendale, AZ 85302.

Ralph g62 and Norma (Lehman) Brandenburg g62 have moved to Florida where they have established an office assisting with the Cuban ministry with the Missionary Church.

Nancy (Grace) Culbert fs64 and her husband, Tom, are ministering at the First Church of Shelter Cove on northern California's "lost coast." Tom is the senior pastor and Nancy is the Sunday school superintendent and preschool teacher. Their sons, David and Doug, are also serving in the ministry.

Patricia (Thistle) East g68 has completed her Doctor of Education

degree at Nova Southeastern University in Florida. She is a professor at Pensacola Christian College where her husband, **Gary g68**, is the corporate controller.

70's

George Kacena g72 earned an MA in Evangelism from Wheaton College Graduate School in May 1997. He is also the first recipient of the Robert Coleman Award from Wheaton. George is working on his Ph.D. at St. John's College at the University of Nottingham in England. **Linda (Stewart) g71** is the secretary at the Institute of Evangelism at the Billy Graham Center at Wheaton College. She teaches Sunday School and is involved with the Missions Committee at The Church of the Great Shepherd, Wheaton, IL. The Kacenas have two children, Julie and Jeff.

Joy (Ache) Reed fs75 is an assistant professor of nursing at Indiana Wesleyan University in Marion, IN. Joy and husband, Jon, reside in Gas City, IN.

Tom g76 and Jan (Stubblefield) Jonker g76 left early last fall for the Fortaleza Academy in Brazil. Fortaleza is a boarding school mainly for children of missionaries. Tom will teach seventh through tenth grades and Jan will teach fourth through sixth grades. Their eldest daughter, Kristi, will teach elementary physical education and serve as a teacher's aide. Their other daughter, Kim, will be in Jan's class.

Gordon Smith g78 is a customer service representative for Carlson Companies in Coon Rapids, MN. **Beth (Armstrong) fs78** is a day care provider. The Smiths have two boys and are very active in their local church.

80's

Randy Shafer g81 moved to Broadview Heights, OH (near Cleveland) where he is serving as

minister of education/small group discipleship at Cuyahoga Valley Community Church. He and his wife, Beth, have three children: Jennifer (9), Ian (7), and Emma (4).

Donovan Coley g85 is pursuing a Doctorate of Missiology at Concordia Theological Seminary in Fort Wayne, while pastoring the fast growing St. Andrew Evangelical Presbyterian Church in Auburn, IN.

Ted g86 and Lisabeth (Lay) Wilson g84 have relocated to Vancouver, WA. Ted is the minister of music at Glenwood Community Church, a fast growing nondenominational church. Lisabeth is a full-time homemaker and home schools two of their three children.

Cory Koos g88 was ordained for the work of Christian ministry by the Christian and Missionary Alliance on September 24, 1997. For the past three years, he has served as the minister of pastoral care at the Girard Alliance Church. Cory and his wife, Diane, have two daughters: Corynn Marie (9) and Janel Renee (5). They reside at 5489 Westgate Drive, Girard, PA, 16417.

Cliff McCalister g89 is the guest group coordinator at Camp Id-Ra-Ha-Je (I'd Rather Have Jesus), Bailey, CO. He is always looking for pastors/missionaries to speak during the summer. Cliff and Joy have two children: Molly (3) and Cailey (1).

90's

Brady Shaw fs90 is an assistant at Bradley University in the division of continuing education and professional development. She has also begun graduate work at Bradley. Brady works with the youth at her church and is an alumnus of one of the Inter-Varsity Christian Fellowship Chapters at Western Illinois University.

Carl Badertscher fs92 is a sergeant in the Army Corp. of Engineers and is stationed outside of Seattle, WA.

Phil Amstutz g93 is working for Operation Mobilization Literature, a Georgia-based ministry which buys used books and sells them at discount to countries with no money for new books. Phil is the assistant in the shipping/receiving department.

Janelle (Gunsolley) Turner g96 is the financial aid office manager at Grace College in Winona Lake, IN.

Mark Hammond g97 is serving with Youth for Christ full-time. He is the Campus Life director at Snider High School.

Weddings

Marceil (Sumney-Zehr) g52 and former alumni secretary married Dick Kryder on October 12, 1997, at First Missionary Church in Fort Wayne, IN. **Revs. Jerry Cramer g62 and Jim Johnson g50** officiated the ceremony. Marceil's son, **Dann Zehr g89**, and the rest of her children, stood up with them. The happy couple reside in Grabill, IN, where Dick is the owner of Kryder's Photography Studio.

Nancy Anderson g84 married Carl Bergstedt on July 19, 1996. Nancy began teaching second grade at Shiphewana-Scott Elementary School in August 1997. The Bergstedts reside in Shiphewana, IN.

Cathi Bodwell and Alan Eicher g90 were married on August 9, 1997, at Grace Missionary Church in Mooresville, IN. Alan's grandfather, **Cyril Eicher g32** and brother, **Brian Eicher g91** officiated the ceremony while other brother, **Peter Eicher g96**, served as best man. Cathi is a pediatric dental assistant and Alan is employed with Newcomer Lumber.

Cheryl Drake and Lonnie Stout g93 exchanged vows on October 4, 1997, at Parkview United Methodist Church in Peru, IN. The Stouts are house parents at a youth home in Cody, WY. Their address is: 1616 Draw St. Apt. A, Cody, WY, 82414.

Tara Pammett g94 and Scott Bowersock g93 were married on July 19, 1997, at Zanesville United Methodist Church in Zanesville, IN. Those participating in the wedding were: **Doug Morris fs91, Bobbi (Voght) Brokaw fs92, Nicole Grice g92 and g95TUU, Jason Hoffman g93, Troy Liechty g93, Mike Rice g93, Sharon (DeBolt) McMeen g94 and Kelly (Lerch) Wulliman g94.**

Kelly Lerch g94 and Wade Wulliman were married on August 2, 1997, at Tillman Road Church of God in Fort Wayne. **Kari Parker g94** participated in the ceremony. Kelly and Wade reside in Fort Wayne where Kelly works as a librarian at TUFW and Wade is employed at Indiana Microelectronics Center.

Wendy Blanchard married **Kenny Speakman g94** on February 22, 1997. Wendy's father, **Jerry Blanchard fs68**, officiated the ceremony. Wendy's mom, **Carol (Skinner) g68** and grandfather, **Robert Skinner g52** were also in the ceremony. Kenny is serving in his eighth year as the associate pastor at Dunfee Missionary Church. Jerry has been the senior pastor there for 23 years.

Naundus Zoll married **Chris Schwartz fs95** on May 3, 1997, at the West Missionary Church in Berne, IN. Chris owns Schwartz Construction in Bluffton, IN, where he and Naundus reside. They praise God for His faithfulness and for their happiness.

Tina Squires g96 and Jason Bell fs96 were married in June 1996. They reside in Missouri where Jason is a student at Logan College of Chiropractic. Tina is working with adults with developmental disabilities as vocational coordinator.

Births

To **John g81** and Julie Gerig a daughter, Megan Joy, born on July 11, 1997, in Fort Wayne, IN. Megan weighed 9 lbs. and 5 oz. and joins siblings Brandon John (5) and Andrew Joseph (3). The Gerigs are

now back in Russia serving with World Partners.

To **Bob g85** and Julie Herman a son, Josiah Christopher, born on August 19, 1997. Josiah weighed 7 lbs. and was 21 inches in length. He has two sisters: Jessica (10) and Rachel (9), and two brothers: Isaac (6) and Colson (4).

To **Kent g86** and Nancy (Watt) Ulman fs80 a daughter, Mary Melody, born on September 25, 1997. She weighed 7 lbs. and 2 oz. and was 21 inches long. Her happy siblings are: Sarah (15), Elizabeth (13), Timothy (12) and Ruth (5). Kent is the pastor of the First Baptist Church in Rantoul, IL.

To **David g87** and Dawn Fansler a daughter, Rebecca Dawn, born on September 15, 1997. She weighed 9 lbs. and was 21 inches long. David is employed at Southwest Allen County Schools.

To Gordon and **Cindy (Yeagley) Shuler g87** twin boys born on September 10, 1997. Wesley Ethan and Kyle Orlando join brother, Tyrel and sisters, Kelli and Erin. The Shulers reside in Kenai, Alaska.

To **Daren fs92 and Laura (McMullen) Armstrong fs93** a son, Zion Immanuel, born on August 4, 1997, at Caylor-Nickel Medical Center in Bluffton, IN. He weighed 8 lbs. and 2 oz. and was 20 3/4 inches long.

To **Van g92 and Teresa (Collins) Duitsman g92** a daughter, Monica Joy, born on July 13, 1997. She weighed 8 lbs. and 14oz. and was 20 3/4 inches long. She joins brothers, Timothy John and Benjamin Daniel. They reside near San Diego, CA.

To **Scott g94** and Anne Haddix, (both coach TUFW womens' volleyball), a daughter, Alexandria, born on August 20, 1997, at Parkview Memorial Hospital in Fort Wayne, IN. Scott and Anne continue to coach the women's volleyball team at TUFW.

To Philip and **Kristin (O'Malley) Calvert g95** a daughter. Kara Joy, born on August 9, 1997, at Rochester Hills Hospital in Auburn Hills, MI. She weighed 8 lbs. and 4oz. and was 21 1/4 inches in length. Kristin is staying at home with Kara; Philip is employed at Chrysler.

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Sherwood Green fs90 passed away on October 27, 1997. He taught part-time at Sienna Heights College while working on his master's degree in social psychology. Prior to working at Sienna, he was a cardio-respiratory technologist at Hillsdale Community Health Center. Sherwood was a member of the Camden Missionary Church. He is survived by his wife, Gail, and two sons.

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