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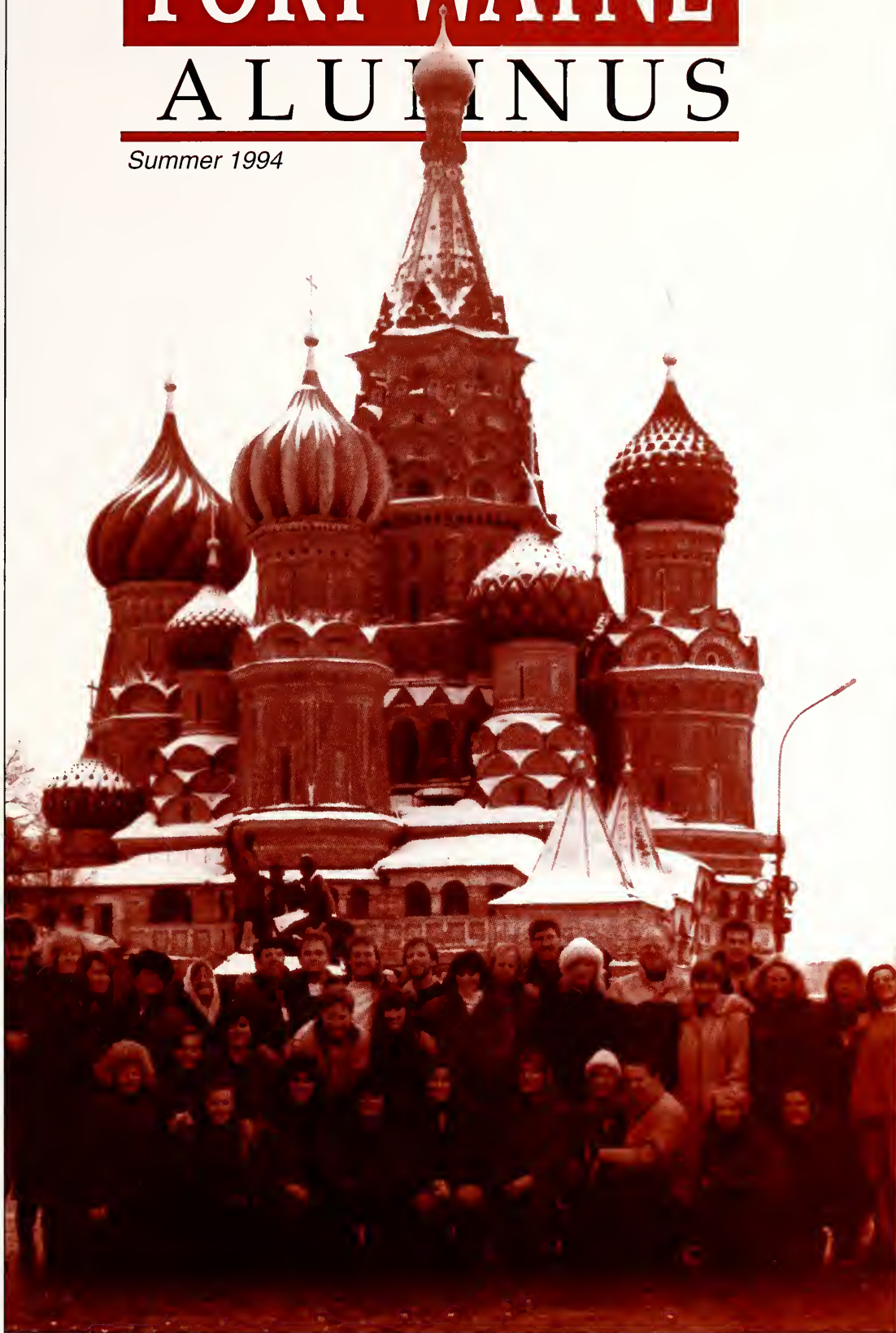
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FORT WAYNE

ALUMINUS

Summer 1994



... pray for us that the message of the Lord may spread rapidly
and be honored as it was with you.

II Thess 3:1

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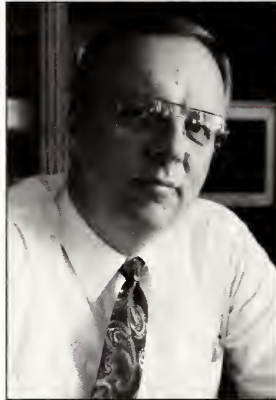
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On the Cover...

Three TUFW students traveled with Josh McDowell Ministries to spread "the message" to Russia.



PERSPECTIVE



I was eighteen years old and a freshman in college when invited to be a part of a music/evangelism team sponsored by Youth For Christ International. I took a temporary leave from college after one semester and, following a month of intensive training, spent four months ministering in the country of Brazil with five other college students. It was truly a life-changing experience.

Fifteen years later, as the pastor of a church in Michigan, I began training the members of our fellowship in evangelism. We learned how to share our testimonies and how to lead others to Christ. Then, after a time of prayer, we would go out and seek to introduce others to the Savior.

We discovered that the simple act of sharing the Gospel with another person was often an energizing experience in a Christian life which, all too frequently, had lost its ministry edge.

Taylor University Fort Wayne is committed to ministry. Even as we seek to provide a Christian education to young men and women, we also seek to equip them for a lifetime of ministry in the Kingdom of God. While not all of our graduates will head into full-time vocational ministry, we pray that all will seek a place to exercise his/her gifts in ministry to others in the years following graduation.

But, for many of our students, involvement in ministry begins long before they cross the platform and receive their diplomas. Whether it's teaching a Sunday School class, leading a service at the Wood Youth Center, or visiting a lonely "grandparent" at a nearby nursing home, students from Taylor University Fort Wayne are actively involved in ministry across the city.

And a growing number of students are taking advantage of special opportunities to travel to far-off places to participate in ministry. Moscow. Guatemala. New York City. These are places where Taylor University Fort Wayne students, through sponsorship by Taylor World Outreach (TWO), have gone to minister this year. What a privilege it was for us to commission these students to their ministries. And what a joy it was for us to hear of God's blessing as they gave their ministry reports in chapel services this spring. Now in the pages of this magazine, we gladly share their ministries with you.

As a college student, I was challenged and changed by participation in ministry in Brazil. As a pastor, I saw Christians refreshed and excited about their faith because of their participation in a ministry of evangelism. Now, as the Vice President for the Fort Wayne Campus of Taylor University, I am convinced that our students must be encouraged to participate in ministry, both in the community and around the world.

Ministry is not something reserved for a select few. Ministry, as the students you will meet in these pages would remind us, is the responsibility of each Christian. I trust you will find their stories to be an encouragement...and a challenge.

*Dr. Robert Nienhuis
Vice President Fort Wayne Campus*

“People Need the Lord”

TUFW Students Minister in Russia

Steve Green's song, “People Need the Lord” is universal in its message, but the words of the song took on new meaning as three Taylor Fort Wayne students ministered, fellowshiped, wept and prayed with the people of Russia.

Gary Rowland, pastoral ministries major, Susan Hamm and Vanessa Furlick, elementary education majors, surpassed the great hurdle of raising \$3000 each, with much prayer and support from Taylor World Outreach (TWO), and were on their way to Russia in January along with 322 other short-term missionaries from America, Great Britain and Canada.

The group, traveling under the direction of Josh McDowell Ministries, had a twofold purpose: 1) conduct mass evangelism through book and Bible distribution and 2) strengthen and encourage the present ministries of New Life Russia (similar to Campus Life) and Student Venture.

Gary, Susan and Vanessa's mission experience mainly entailed ministering to elementary students at designated schools. They spent two days at each school. Each bus group (30 people) would split up in groups of five with an interpreter. On the first day, the small groups would give their testimonies and share the salvation message. Susan observed, “The Russian children are so

inquisitive and so open to talk about Jesus and His love.”

On the second day, along with sharing the love of Jesus with the children, a school-box was given to each student. Mouths would open in wonder and eyes would sparkle as the children would look inside the boxes and see notebooks, pens, pencils, candy, vitamins, a calculator and other school supplies. The children were amazed . . . they had been given a treasure chest, for just one American ink pen in Moscow is worth \$20.00!

Also in each box was a Bible and two books, “*Deceivers*” and “*More Than a Carpenter*.” Gary shared, “The Russian people are hungry for hope and very open to Christianity. Statistics show that the books that are handed out are read and passed on to 20 other people.”

In addition to going to the schools, Susan and Vanessa had the opportunity to visit an orphanage. Vanessa's heart was captured by little four-year-old Constantine. By the time their visit was to come to an end, Vanessa had fallen in love with Constantine, and he with her. “It took everything out of me to leave him. I would adopt him in a minute, but I know that is not a possibility for me. It is my prayer that God will provide a Christian couple to adopt little Constantine and that he will grow to love the Lord.”

Gary and eleven other short-term missionaries had the privilege to travel with Josh McDowell to St. Petersburg to a Russian Orthodox Seminary. Josh had earlier supplied Father Georgia of the seminary with medications he desperately needed along with a three month supply of food for the seminary. Because of Josh's generosity, Father Georgia invited Josh to speak . . . the first Christian American ever to be invited into the seminary.

Gary shared, “Father Georgia joined us one evening for dinner. He commented on how Josh McDowell had disarmed his seminary students in answering their difficult questions by always referring to Christ.”

with ministry opportunities. They distributed books at the Metro Station and Red Square. The students also had the opportunity to attend the Moscow circus, a ballet and sight-see during the bus rides to the schools.

Susan reflected, “We did not have to look far for a chance to minister. The majority of our interpreters were not Christians. It was a neat experience to hear them interpret our testimonies and the salvation message. In fact, they were getting so good they would remind us of portions we had left out!” Susan knows of one interpreter who was led to the Lord through the testimony of a student missionary.



(l to r) Vanessa Furlick, Susan Hamm, Gary Rowland

No doubt the two-week short-term mission experience was life changing and one not soon forgotten. In the students' words:

Vanessa: “The United States could take a lesson from the Russian people in appreciation. They are so kind, so eager, and so thankful for what we were able to do for them.”

Susan: “The greatest impact the trip had on me is my way of looking at things. The people of Russia have so little and lack the security we take for granted in the United States. We have so much and desire so much more.”

Gary: “This was my second trip to Russia and my burden for the Russian people continues to grow. I plan to return to Russia soon and stay at least a year. The churches are growing . . . but there is so much more to do.”

The two-week experience was packed



The children were amazed . . . they had been given a treasure chest.

Seeing A City Through God's Eyes

Reaching Urban Neighborhoods (R.U.N.) is a mission organization committed to one of America's great mission fields, its inner city neighborhoods. Founded by the Pocket Testament League and veteran missionaries Ron and Hazel Matlack, R.U.N.'s seemingly overwhelming task, reaching America's inner cities, is made simple and attainable by reaching one neighborhood at a time.

R.U.N. experienced firsthand the repercussions of the "evangelical white flight," leaving the cities absent of any life-changing Christian presence. To compensate for this loss, R.U.N. turned to Christian college students with hearts for this unique mission field.

In the fall of 1988, the administration of Fort Wayne Bible College was approached by R.U.N. and accepted the challenge. Twenty-one eager students signed up for the course that was built around a week-long experience. Vicki Jacobs (student life secretary) was the instructor for the initial R.U.N. class and has traveled to NYC for the past three years on the College's spring break. She says the trip "makes me aware of needs I've never seen before. . .and shows me how to meet them."

Every year since that initial year, a group of students have traveled to New York's inner city during spring break with the challenge to see a city through God's eyes.

In March, eleven Taylor Fort Wayne students, sponsored by Taylor World Outreach (TWO) and R.U.N., went to NYC for a week filled with lectures, discussions, observations and ministry-in-action. They will never see a city with quite the same perspective. "We were all affected by the reality of poverty, especially the homeless. They are people just like us. Maybe young businessmen, college kids, people with families. . . but because of circumstances, [they] found themselves homeless," reflects Bethanie Urton, freshman.

She also commented that she would like "to save them from the cycle of poverty that traps them there."



The TUFW R.U.N. team helped to prepare and serve breakfast and lunch at The Lamb's. . .an urban ministry outreach program done by the Nazarene Church.

The group had many opportunities to see varying degrees of need in several neighborhoods. They spent a day in Greenwich Village, a very wealthy neighborhood financially, yet quite needy in evangelical terms. It is here where Carrie Rice ('94) gave a baby shower to a homeless couple one year. The Village is also a well-known gay community. At the end of a recent summer, the leadership of the community expressed to Ron, "Are you bringing your R.U.N. kids back again next year? We sure hope so! We decided that your kids are real Christians, and we want them back!"

The team also spent part of a day in Brighton Beach with the assignment to observe the city and ask themselves, "If I were to move into this neighborhood, how would I build my presence here?" Instead of separating themselves from the neighborhood, they responded that they would try to fit into the community, much like the efforts of overseas missionaries.

"This [trip] gave me renewed hope of the tremendous difference Christians can make in the world in the midst of hopelessness and despair," said junior, Rosemary Stelz. This verse came to her mind: "Religion that God our Father accepts as pure and faultless is this: to look after orphans and widows in their distress and to keep oneself from being polluted by the world (James 1:26)."

New York Subway

Faces,

Faces,

Faces -

on the subway

empty, lonely faces

Faces of fear

Faces of pain

Faces of hopes and dreams

lost and gone astray

Faces of loneliness

Faces of anger

Faces that dare you to cross the line

and step into their pain

Numb with fear

Numb with pain

"Is there a chance to live again?"

Faces that cry out for hope

but are afraid to try

Faces

given up

"Why even try?"

Faces made in the image of God

Faces marred by the scars of this world

Faces Christ died for

Faces God loves

Rosemary Stelz 3/94

SERVING IN GUATEMALA "AN AWESOME EXPERIENCE"

In addition to the R.U.N. team, Taylor Fort Wayne sent 10 students to Guatemala during spring break. The Guatemala ministry project was hosted by Missionary Ventures and T.W.O. (Taylor World Outreach). The missions team spent ten days in Guatemala during which they built over half of the walls and partitions of a Christian school/orphanage in San Lucas.

Tammy Brown shared her experience by loaning us her journal:

March 24
- We arrived in Guatemala after exciting flights filled with conversing with Guatemalans. It felt great to finally be on the ground. We got through customs almost without a hitch. Many boxes of clothing and computer paraphernalia had to be opened and inspected. For a small fee, we were able to get everything across and were out in the busy streets. My first impression: the drivers are crazy! First sights were: Chuck E. Cheese, Sizzler, Burger King.

March 25
- We started shoveling rocks and sand by buckets, which were taken to the roof for mortar.
- Started hauling blocks (550-600 of them, each weighing 15-20 lbs) up to the roof after lunch. It was very tiring.
- Three of the children, Manuel, Mario, Soila, were hard workers. They kept up with us all day and beyond; endless energy. It was neat to see the team members playing with the kids and singing songs with them. Everyone agreed that it felt good to work so hard for a good cause; it was a good day.
- Our evening devotions were great, filled with a good bonding time of singing and prayer. Early to bed - muy cansado.

March 26
- Another early morning, this time for a fun-filled day of shopping at Panajachel, Lake Atitlan. Sights along the way: we saw people washing clothes in a stream, narrow roads, men dressed in the traditional Indian Mayan dress, many women with baskets on their heads. When we stopped at a lookout, the van was immediately surrounded with vendors, most were children. They kept saying, "Perfect price for you - is muy bonita - perfect for you."
- The remainder of the day we gave away salvation bracelets, and shared about Jesus and prayed they understood.

March 27
- Today we attended church. The first half hour of the service was worship. There weren't many people to start with, but as the service went on, the church became packed.
- We were in charge of the following hour. We sang a couple of songs, both in Spanish and English. Angie and Carli shared their testimonies and we performed a drama skit on creation, it went over well; Henry spoke on how Jesus paid an incredible price for us. Eleven people were baptized and two babies dedicated. Afterward we sang and played with 15 children. It was fun even though we didn't have much conversation due to the language barrier.

March 28
- Back at the worksite. All day we hauled rebar to the roof, cut and wired it. We finished at 4:00 and were able to play soccer and kickball with the kids.

March 29
- We started laying block and digging a ditch for electrical cord today. We had help from a contractor, Rueben. It was slow at first, but we got about three rows laid all the way around the building. I dug the ditch for the first several hours and then went to lay block.

March 30
- What a beautiful morning. Every day has been beautiful. Yesterday was cooler and overcast, which was nice for many, since we were all sunburned.
- Sarah and I finished the ditch. Sarah did pick axe and I did post digger. My shoulders were sore from squeezing and lifting that thing.
- For lunch we went to Antonio Bolon's house (pastor of the church). His wife made us chicken, fries and salad. It was so sweet and good! They were so generous. The pastor said he wanted Joel (my husband) and me to stay. He could use a young couple in the church (and anyone else). Paul and Michelle told us tonight about their moving here, it was fun to listen to them. Michelle shared with us birthing stories, jungle stories... she's so funny.

March 31
- Our last full working day, there was a lot to do! We had a slight setback: we had to tear down three layers of a whole wall because it went up crooked. It wasn't until later in the afternoon that we surpassed that and started to gain ground. We got up to the U-block though, which is layer six all the way around.
- It was fun because we made it fun. I think everyone worked well together.

April 1
- After lunch we finished pouring cement and then went into the conference room to say farewell. We handed out coloring books and balloons. The kids were going nuts. We had a fun time and it was so sad. Rosa and I have gotten along really well all week long. We're going to write to each other. We took one last picture and headed out. They made cinnamon rolls for us, as a gesture of goodbye.
- We got cleaned up and met Kari at 4:30 at Mi Refugio - a place where she is storing all the materials for her school. She gave us a tour of the nearby dump; it was the most disgusting thing I'd ever seen. Just think, people live there! Then we went to see the school; it overlooks the dump, but the stench wasn't so bad. I could just imagine the millions of little footprints all over the floor.

Arriving home
- All went well on our flights home. When we got back to the College we had a praise and worship time. It went late for we had much to praise and thank the Lord. It was such a neat way to end an experience that can only be described as AWESOME!



Tammy and her new friend she met at the orphanage.

JOE'S SUMMER ADVENTURE

JOE BOWAY, Christian education major, has had a unique ministry the last few years in translating the New Testament into his native Liberian language of Krahn. Sixty-three percent of the Krahn New Testament still needs testing and reviewing. So, this summer Joe will be traveling to Ivory Coast (Liberia is still too dangerous) to do the testing among Krahn refugees. The testing will be done in a series of workshops where portions of the translation will be read aloud. Clarity and naturalness will be evaluated. In addition to the translation work, Joe will have many other mission opportunities such as preaching, evangelism, literacy classes and Sunday School teacher workshops.

While in Ivory Coast, Joe will be able to see his mother for the first time since his escape from Liberia four years ago. It is sure to be a joyous reunion! Joe's summer ministry and reunion will be featured in the fall issue of "Fort Wayne Alumnus."



Joe with his young Liberian friends. It is Joe's dream to return to his home village and begin a mission school.

SOUTH SIDE PROBATION CENTER

Every Tuesday, **JEREMY SHORT** helps to counsel juveniles who are currently on probation. He talks to them about correct actions, current issues, and controlling emotions. He also will accompany them on outings, like hockey games. Jeremy says, "This opportunity has helped me to realize how awesome the need is for youth workers. We need to show the kids early on the right way."

INTERN AT HARVESTER AVENUE MISSIONARY CHURCH

TIM CLAASSEN is preparing for his career in pastoral ministries by serving an internship at Harvester Avenue Missionary Church. He attends board and committee meetings, types bulletins, and occasionally will lead a service. "This has given me an aspect of the church I've never seen before and has helped me be more detailed and accustomed to parliamentary procedures in the church," explains Tim.

GET TO KNOW YOUR NEIGHBORS

Each Monday evening as **LANA ZICK** bakes a cake, **HANS KINDSGRAB**, **KEN SCHROCK**, and **ANN MAXWELL** select a house near campus that they can give it to and visit. Hans explains, "This has been a great chance to just reach out to our neighbors and share with them. And if they ask, I'm more than willing to tell them about Jesus Christ!"

*City
Rescue
Mission*

ERICA GALBRAITH teaches Sunday school at the Fort Wayne Rescue Mission to underprivileged children. Erica describes, "I have learned more than I could ever teach them. It has opened my eyes to a new way of life other than my own." The Rescue Mission is committed to helping the inner city community see God, and students like Erica are serving as a tool.

MINISTRIES

Aboite Missionary Church Internship

Even though **RHONDA GROSSMAN** is an elementary education major, the job requirements of a church intern fit in well with what she enjoys most . . . working with people. Rhonda shares, "My internship has allowed me to see the actual "inner workings" of the church. Although I have grown up at Aboite Missionary Church, there are a lot of "little details" that are done behind the scenes. The people who fulfill these jobs do them cheerfully and get little to no recognition for it. I have really grown to appreciate these workers. The part of the job I enjoy the most is helping to plan the fellowship events like skating parties, ministries banquets, and Walk-Thru-The-Bible."

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TEEN

NIGHT

MINISTRIES

"It's a long, challenging process. I'm learning about the teen culture and developing new ways to reach them. About eighty percent of the kids are from non-Christian homes and some are involved in gangs," explains **PAUL NEEL**. Two Friday nights each month teens from around the area are invited to the Community Center at Woodburn for recreation, food, and fun. They also take time to discuss issues that relate to them with a Biblical approach. Paul adds, "It's a great opportunity to minister to adolescents and show them that someone really cares."

Anthony Wayne Living Center

Some students visit the elderly at Anthony Wayne Living Center. Coordinator of the project, **SARAH MATHEW**, tells why this project is so essential, "The residents have experienced so much and are a great source of knowledge just waiting to be tapped." Students will often visit with residents, sing, or even lead them in an aerobic exercise program.

WOOD YOUTH CENTER



Henry Farr and Jon Leyse volunteer at Wood Youth Center

HENRY FARR is a sophomore majoring in missions who volunteers at Wood Youth Center. He plays games and helps out with a Bible study. Henry explains, "This opportunity to help with adolescents has broken my heart. I realized I need not just pray but get involved and give them love, something others may have neglected."

ONE CHURCH ONE OFFENDER

DR. RON POWELL, Criminal Justice Professor, serves on the advisory board for "One Church - One Offender." This organization allows a church to adopt one offender and work with him or her. Dr. Powell tells the benefits of the program. "It keeps an offender out of jail thus saving the taxpayer money. It also profits the offender by offering a realm of positive influence and spiritual growth, which allows a turnaround in his or her life."

Jewish Foundation

SHANNON KELLER volunteers at the Fort Wayne Jewish Foundation, where she is teaching a Russian refugee family English and social skills. Shannon explains, "I am so lucky to be chosen by God to minister to a Jewish family and show Christ's love. The laughter and smiles we share far outweigh the lack of communication. I hope that by my actions, they will dedicate their lives to Christ."

BASKETBALL

LEAGUE

"While helping with the Saturday Basketball League, I saw the need to share with others about God, so they could have hope. The kids changed and grew right before my eyes," explained **DAWN FETTER**, who volunteered each Saturday for the league. It also included a time for devotions and on occasion a snack was served or Bibles were distributed to spur physical and spiritual growth.

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*Dr. David Biberstein
Director of Pastoral Ministries*



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Director of Development*



*Kim Barrantes
Resident Director of Lexington Hall*



*Nathan Phinney
Director of Admissions*

SUMMER YOUTH INITIATIVE

As a part of the Allen County Higher Education Consortium, Taylor University, Fort Wayne Campus was the recipient of a grant from the Foellinger Foundation for the Summer Youth Initiative. Five colleges and universities are involved in the consortium (ITT, IPFW, Ivy Tech, St. Francis and TUFW) and the combined grant of \$73,176 was awarded to fund programs to help high school youth. Taylor Fort Wayne's Dr. Doug Barcalow, professor of Christian education, has been appointed to be director of the summer consortium program. The Taylor Fort Wayne portion of the program is being directed by Corey Laster, a 1993 graduate and current assistant to university relations.

The Taylor Fort Wayne program will have a focus on developing recreational leadership. However, more than just another summer sports camp, participants in this program will receive training that will enhance their athletic skills plus help them develop leadership potential. Not only will they be the recipients of skill development in basketball, volleyball and soccer, but they will provide leadership to approximately 40 neighborhood children by passing on their skills.

As an added bonus to the campus, TUFW was selected to serve as the fiscal agent for the grant. The campus will also host all the participants for an opening three-day workshop and a closing program and picnic. The Summer Youth Initiative program runs from July 6 - August 5, 1994.

URBAN MINISTRIES A Heart For The City

In recognition of the growing need for individuals with a heart for the city, Taylor University, Fort Wayne Campus has established a program in urban ministries. This program is a concentration within the Christian ministries degree program. It is designed to provide the foundation for ministry in an urban setting among a variety of ethnic cultures.

In addition to the general education requirements, students receive instruction in Bible, theology, and ministry-oriented courses. Specific courses focusing on the urban setting include:

- Cross-cultural Christian Education
- Urban Ministry
- Ministry to Youth
- Ethnic and Minority Issues
- A field work component in a local ministry

GRAY APPOINTED TO HEAD URBAN MINISTRIES PROGRAM

Rick Gray has accepted the University's invitation to serve as director of the new urban ministries program. Gray is currently supervisor for the Pasadena Urban League Employment Program and is completing his doctorate degree in Leadership Development and African American Studies at Fuller Theological Seminary.

Gray comes with an impressive background of experience in urban ministry. In addition to his responsibilities with the Urban League, he teaches courses in urban youth ministry and orientation to theological research at Fuller Theological Seminary. He has served as national director for Christian leadership development for World Vision US Ministries and national director for ethnic leadership development for the Lausanne Committee for World Evangelization.

Gray has earned a B.S. degree in criminal justice/sociology from Anderson University, a master of divinity degree from Fuller Theological Seminary and a master of theology in leadership development also from Fuller.



Richard Gray



Tony Kohler and Karen (Moore) Hoover give big smiles as 1994 TUFW graduates.

JUSTICE NOW!

Taylor Fort Wayne hosted on May 3 JUSTICE NOW! an action forum for educators and community leaders.

The event, cosponsored by Taylor University, Fort Wayne Campus, Fort Wayne Urban League and the Interdenominational Ministerial Alliance, brought in Dr. William Pannell, FWBC graduate and current Taylor board member, to address the issue of coordinating education with the justice system and urban ministry. Dr. Pannell is Dean of the Chapel at Fuller Theological Seminary and author of "My Friend, The Enemy" and "The Coming Race Wars? A Cry For Reconciliation."

The forum explored STRATEGIES for leadership development and youth ministry among African-Americans; DEVELOPMENT of a new generation of leaders for the justice system; PREPARATION of African-American students to be criminal justice educators; and A BOLD NEW VISION for responding to crime and violence among youth through new partnerships between justice education and urban ministry.

Dr. Ronald Powell, TUFW Criminal Justice professor reports, "We have been greatly encouraged and challenged by this pioneer effort to combine the efforts of education, the church and the justice system. I am confident Fort Wayne will benefit from the on-going efforts of this initial forum."

COMMENCEMENT 1994

Graduates were challenged to "stand firm" during commencement ceremonies on Saturday, May 21, in the Gerig Activities Center.

Dr. Robert Nienhuis, vice president for the Fort Wayne campus, presented the main address entitled "With Both Feet Firmly Planted." Speaking from the scripture passages of Phillippians 1:27, 4:1 and II Corinthians 16:13, he encouraged the graduates to stand firm in faith, integrity and excellence.

In keeping with the Taylor tradition, a towel, symbolizing Christian service, was given to each graduate encouraging him or her to live a life of service to the Lord and to others.

The Fort Wayne campus conferred degrees on 45 students . . . 27 bachelor of arts, 16 bachelor of science and two associate of arts.

LITWILLER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

In honor and in memory of Gary Litwiller, former FWBC faculty member and dear friend, the Gary Litwiller Memorial Scholarship has been established.

Gary's commitment to Fort Wayne Bible College was evident through his service and dedication. A 1979 graduate, Gary served at the college for over 10 years. In that ten year period he served as admissions counselor, director of financial aid, director of admissions, director of public relations, and the most dear to him, professor and director of the business program.



Gene Rupp (l) and Tom Gearhart (r) friends of the Litwiller Family, made the award to Chad Leichty.

After a courageous one-year battle with brain cancer, Gary went to be with the Lord on December 18, 1993. He is survived by his wife Anne and children Tiffany and Tad.

Gary's testimony and influence will continue on the Fort Wayne campus through the Gary Litwiller Memorial Scholarship, funded by an "Endowing the Future" insurance policy held by Gary. The scholarship is to be awarded annually with first priority given to business administration majors and second priority to Christian ministries majors.

The first Gary Litwiller Memorial Scholarship was awarded during the Annual Scholarship Luncheon, held April 19, and was presented to business major Chad Leichty.

WORKREATION

Taylor University Fort Wayne is collaborating with the Allen County Juvenile Probation Department in a Summer Youth Initiative, called WORKREATION! This interagency program, funded by the Foellinger Foundation, will match Taylor students from the TU Criminal Justice Program with teenagers from low-income and single-parent homes who have become involved with the Juvenile Justice system. The objectives of the program are to provide the judicial system with a dispositional alternative that will hold juvenile offenders accountable for their behavior, while providing the community with a mechanism that allows young people to contribute to society in a way that is healthful, constructive, and positive.

ACCIDENT CLAIMS THE LIFE OF TAYLOR STUDENT

Of the common activities that take place on a college campus, (going to class, studying, "all-nighters," talking with friends...) one experience cannot be left out... going to the dollar theater. As five Taylor Upland students embarked on their Saturday night movie adventure, April 16, none would have envisioned it to take the turn that it did. Three-quarters of a mile south of Matthews (a small town south of Upland), the Taylor students were struck head on by a northbound car driven by James R.A. Pershing, 20, of Muncie.

Dave Karhan, driver of the Taylor group, was taken to the critical care unit at IU Medical Center in Indianapolis and was listed in guarded condition. His front seat passenger, Kristin Short, suffered a broken leg and face and chest injuries. Ruth Semonian, who had been sitting directly behind Karhan, received cuts and bruises on her face and hands. Andy Plaster had been seated in the middle of the back seat. He was taken to Marion General Hospital, was listed in satisfactory condition, but then upgraded to good condition later that week. Jennafer Ruchlman had been sitting in the back seat on the passenger side. Jennafer was taken to Marion General Hospital and later lifelined to Methodist Hospital in critical condition. Jennafer passed away two days after the accident as a result of the injuries she sustained in the accident.

James Pershing also passed away as a result of the injuries he received from the accident.

In Karhan's car, only he and Ruth were wearing seat belts at the time of the accident. "Sgt. Arlan Johnson accident reconstructionist for Delaware County, said 'Alcohol had no bearing on this accident.'" (Quote taken from Taylor Upland's student newspaper, "The Echo," April 22, 1994.)

JOINT ACADEMIC PROGRAM BRINGS RUSSIAN FACULTY AND STUDENTS TO TAYLOR

As a result of a successful and growing relationship between Taylor University and Nizhni Novgorod University, Russia, 20 MBA students, nine business faculty members and three translators from the Russian university are studying under Taylor business professors and participating in a study of free market economics, June 8 - June 22, 1994.

The academic experience consists of specially designed lectures from the business professors of Taylor University, as well as carefully planned visits to businesses operating in Fort Wayne, Indianapolis, Chicago and Northwest Ohio. Some of the businesses and corporations to be visited include Perfection Bakery, Navistar, Sauder Woodworking, Chicago Board of Exchange, Ford Taurus Plant and ServiceMaster.

The joint academic program was constructed with three objectives in mind:

- 1) Russian faculty and students to observe an urban setting and study a western free market economy,
- 2) Russian faculty and students to learn from Taylor business professors' expertise in areas of current business knowledge and research, and
- 3) Taylor business faculty to learn from the Russian participants about the Russian business economy in transition.

The anticipated outcome of the project is also three-fold:

- 1) Learn free market business from individuals who integrate their Christian faith with academic learning,
- 2) NNU professors contextualize western business terms and practices, and
- 3) NNU exchange ideas and concerns with Taylor business faculty and business people.



Taylor business professor James Coe (l) with Ludmila Sukhodoyeva, director of the NNU MBA program, and Domitri Doronichev, vice rector of NNU.

This visit is truly a capstone experience for the participating Russian students. The MBA program at NNU officially began November 26, 1992. In October 1992, the Taylor business department sent 300 textbooks to NNU to start at their request, the TAYLOR/NIZHNI NOVGOROD BUSINESS LIBRARY.

Taylor business professor James Coe has visited NNU several times and has considerable experience in Russian university business curriculum and development. Professor Coe shares his excitement about the program, "I am confident our program offers a comprehensive exposure to free market enterprise based on Christian principles."

The Russian visitors will stay on the Fort Wayne campus during their visit. The Fort Wayne campus along with the Fort Wayne Chamber of Commerce sponsored a welcome luncheon Friday, June 10, with local business representation, educators and media in attendance.

In summary, Taylor believes this experience is a window of opportunity which presents itself at a time of political and economic upheaval in Russia. It allows Taylor to serve in an international arena, meeting a need and making a difference.

NEW FORT WAYNE ALUMNI COUNCIL

In the fall of 1994 a newly formed FORT WAYNE ALUMNI COUNCIL will meet for the first time. The new Council will have broader representation and more responsibility than the previous Alumni Advisory Board and will meet at least twice a year.

MEMBERS

It will include representatives of the three most recent graduating classes as well as older alumni. The members of this first Council will be appointed by the outgoing Alumni Advisory Board with future members to be elected by the Fort Wayne Campus Alumni Association.

RESPONSIBILITIES

The Council serves the Alumni Association and the University through the Alumni Office in the planning of alumni activities and events. It will advise the University in matters of alumni relations and Fort Wayne campus heritage and will serve as a liaison to the larger community.

If you have any interest in serving on this Council or would like to recommend someone please call or write the Alumni Office.

ALUMNI EVENTS



Steve and Maria Concert

The Steve and Maria (fs68) Gardner concert on April 30 was a time of ministry and alumni fellowship. This complimentary evening was provided by the Fort Wayne Development Department and was designed as a time for the alumni to visit together while enjoying the powerful music of the Gardner's.



Annual Alumni Scholarships

Sixteen \$1,000 Alumni Scholarships were presented during the Annual Alumni Chapel on April 29. Recipients (l to r)

1st. row Deb Colby, Joy Duncan, Shannon Houser

2nd. row Jeni Jackson, Brad Miller, Nathan Hoot

3rd. row Hans Kindsgrab, Kevin Bell, Carissa Shell, DeAnn Krider

4th row Matt Brown, Greg Tidwell, Gary Rowland, Frieda Marks, Sandy DeMoss

Not pictured Laurie Richwine

ALUMNI BANQUET

May 19, 1994

Reunions

50th - Class of 1945
25th - Class of 1970

5th - Class of 1990
10th - Class of 1985
15th - Class of 1980
20th - Class of 1975
30th - Class of 1965
35th - Class of 1960
40th - Class of 1955
45th - Class of 1950
55th - Class of 1940
60th - Class of 1935

Alumni Banquet

Dr. Nienhuis visits with Ada Hauser (member of the 50th year class of 1944) during the Annual Alumni Banquet.



HOMEcoming - PARENTS' DAY

October 8, 1994

All alumni, friends and parents of present students are welcome.

A special welcome to two reunion classes

Class of 1989 & Class of 1984

Soccer - Volleyball - Chicken B.B.Q.

Evening Program - Reunions - Inspiration

“TEACHER'S HOUSE” DESTROYED!

For Jan Nickel, a 1974 graduate and missionary in Sierra Leone, March 4, 1994 was a very special day. It marked the start of the annual MK Retreat. She was responsible for planning and leading the activities for 25 children, ages 6-16. She had spent a lot of time getting the dorm ready for the children and volunteers. She had taken her CD player, computer and printer, some spices, knives and electric mixer to the dorm for the special occasion. As it neared dusk, she ventured to her home, affectionately dubbed “the teacher's house,” to retrieve flashlights for the watchmen who guard the dorm at nighttime. As she approached her house, she “noticed from the main doorway a flickering glow in (her) living room and smelled something burning.” It was her house!

“Since it is the dry season with its scarcity of water, and the fire spreading



The “Teacher's House” after the fire.

very rapidly, there was nothing to do but try to remove as many things from the house as possible,” Jan said. Some of the people at the dorm had heard her cries for help (over the CB radio) and ran to help her recover as much as they could. While the fire was engulfing the far end of her house, where the kitchen

was located, she was able to retrieve her clothes basket, personal belongings from her closet, important documents (including her passport, alien registration card and driver's license), sinus medication and her Bible, all of which had been stored in her bedroom on the opposite end of the house. Eventually the smoke forced them to leave the house and the remaining items were completely destroyed.

Jan told us, “The apparent cause (of the fire) was something electrical -- possibly a coil water heater.” Thankfully, the fire did not occur while she was asleep, nor did it harm anyone. “Friends have generously given items to help me through this difficult time.”

Presently, Jan is living in the dorm and will be moving to a small guest house. There are no present plans for rebuilding the “teacher's house.”

“ROLE MODELS”



Lee and Christina Underwood

Lee Anthony Underwood, 1986 graduate, came to Fort Wayne Bible College to benefit from a higher education with a Christian perspective. His experiences at the College proved to be life changing.

As a freshman, Lee was unsure where God was leading him. He kept himself busy as he put his studies into practice by holding counselor positions at South Side Mission Camp and interning at Salem Children's Home and serving in other ministry positions. Although these experiences were substantial to his education, they were only a foundation on

which Lee wanted to build. He went on to graduate school at then CBN University and earned a Masters Degree in Counseling and Family Services, where he continued to learn in a Christian based atmosphere.

After Lee received his Masters degree, he was hired on staff at Rapha, a Christian counseling organization in Reno, Nevada. One-and-a-half years later, Lee decided he wanted to earn his doctorate and concluded that a state university would offer him the opportunity to round out his education. The experiences he gained there were quite different than those he had benefited from at the prior two institutions. The state university was filled with humanistic approaches, very little Christian staff and even less of a Christlike classroom focus. Those essential Christian needs, which had been addressed in his prior educational experiences, were now not being met. He sought to fill this void from Christians. . . and in doing so, met his wife Christina (Ned) Underwood.

In October of 1993 with his doctorate in Clinical Psychology he began to work at the Ohio Department of Youth Ser-

vices (juvenile corrections) as the Administrator of Psychological Services for the Department.

Lee attributes his firm Christian core to the strong values upheld and demonstrated to him by his professors, whom he deemed “role models,” at Fort Wayne Bible College.

He feels they served him during the most critical decision-making times in his life, resulting in a deep desire to work with youth. Another reason he would like to work with young people is to merge his faith and counseling. . . something he was able to do when he served as instructor at FWBC in the spring of 1992. He hopes to have another opportunity to teach in the future.

As he reflects back on his education experiences he recounts: “It's all a miracle. . . before I came to college I was interested in counseling, but was unsure of the related fields; I didn't know God's exact will. God has brought me through a variety of educational, spiritual and personal experiences all of which will enable me to better serve Him and those whom He has put in my care.”

ALUMNI NOTES

40's

Herald Welty g40 and 57, upon the advice of his physician, has resigned as associate pastor of visitation at First Missionary Church, Fort Wayne, IN. Please pray for Herald and **Miriam (Steiner) fs40** as Herald continues to battle cancer. The Weltys may be contacted at 7522 Leswood Court, Fort Wayne, IN 46816.

50's

Tom Florence g50 and his wife **Shermine**, of Cedine Bible Mission in Spring City, TN, experienced a fire in their home on the night of December 27. We thank the Lord they were able to get out without being injured. The fire was contained in the attic. Although their home was not completely destroyed there was considerable smoke and water damage.

Dave g54 and Gene (Palmer) Zimmerman g49 have retired and moved from Tucson to Mesa, AZ. They recently spent six weeks in Suriname, South America where Gene was involved in special testing primarily for missionary children at an American Cooperative School in the capital city of Paramaribo. Dave assisted with the accounting system of the school and helped out in any other way he was needed.

Harriet Fields g56 is back home to assist her mother after serving in Peru, South America with Wycliffe Bible Translators. Hattie and her helpers have recently celebrated the distribution of the newly revised Mase's New Testament that took years of hard work and perseverance to complete.

60's

Howard g61 and Ruth (Ringenberg) Moser g61 returned home from Ecuador in May for a year of home assignment (furlough with World Partners of the Missionary Church). The Mosers have now completed 30 years of missionary service in Ecuador.

Ralph g62 and Norma (Lehman) Brandenburg g62 returned to the Dominican Republic in January to begin a term of service after 20 years away. Ralph and Norma have been living and working with Hispanic churches in Chicago and assisting with churches in Mexico, Puerto Rico, and New York since their initial time of service in the Dominican Republic in the 1960's.

60's cont.

Jon g68 and Judy (Reavis) Sevall g67, after many years of missionary service in Ecuador, left March 23 for a new ministry in Venezuela. They will be working in church development with a number of churches in Venezuela that have identified with the Missionary Church.

Gordon Smith g68 graduated on May 14, 1994 with a Doctor of Ministry degree from Grace Seminary, Winona Lake, IN. Gordon and his wife **Kay fs67** have been pastoring the Grace Fellowship Church of New Haven for 22 years.

70's

Jan Nickel g74 lost her home and many of her personal belongings in a March fire. Faulty wiring was blamed for the fire that destroyed the teacher's house at Kabala Rupp Memorial School in Sierra Leone, West Africa. Jan is continuing her role as supervisory teacher to missionary children. See preceding page for more details.

Wayne g75 and Carolyn (Paxson) Allen fs71 have been invited to join the faculty of the Jamaica Theological Seminary and the Caribbean Graduate School of Theology in Kingston, Jamaica. They will be serving under World Partners of the Missionary Church and, if all support is raised, hope to begin ministry there by September 1. Wayne and Carolyn have served as missionaries in Indonesia, have taught missions here at the College, and most recently Wayne is completing a Doctor of Ministry degree at Concordia Seminary, Fort Wayne, IN.

Stan Kistler g77 and his family are living in Holiday, FL where Stan has a busy counseling practice in three different settings: a school for exceptional children, First Baptist Church as Minister of Counseling, and at a funeral home where he directs a "grief seminar" program.

Dick Sievers fs77 has been the director for a number of years at the New Life Christian Center here in Fort Wayne. In March of 1994, the Allen County Jail Ministry and the New Life Christian Center merged to form the Abundant Life Ministries. Dick's position with the new organization is Pastoral Director. The program includes ministries in the Allen County jail and youth detention facilities, the New Life Christian Center providing housing for long-term discipleship, an aftercare program focusing on the ex-offender and his family, and a vocational development program.

70 's cont.

Russell fs77 and Mary (Adams) Geyer fs78 are living in Colorado where Rusty is stationed at the US Air Force Academy. Mary completed her BSN degree this spring at Bethel College of Nursing.

Alan Yerke g78, formerly the pastor of the New Life Missionary Church, Bay City, MI has accepted a new position as the administrative assistant in the Michigan District Office. The Michigan District Superintendent is also an alumnus **Rev. Paul DeMerchant g61**.

Tim (former President, 1971 - 1980) and Eleanor (Waltman) Warner g45 are now living in Fort Wayne when they are not traveling for their "Freedom in Christ Ministries." During the first six months of 1994 they ministered in California, Illinois, Wisconsin, Ohio, Kentucky, Michigan, Alaska, Minnesota, Indiana, Brazil, Germany, Russia, and the Philippines. On rare occasions you may catch them at home: 1029 Olympia Drive, Fort Wayne, Indiana 46819.

80's

John Erdel g80 and his wife **Lorena** were recently approved for missionary service by the World Partners Board of the Missionary Church with the place of service to be decided later. They are presently living here in Fort Wayne, IN.

John Gerig g81 has completed over 10 years of teaching high school music at Mt. Vernon High School in Fortville, IN. John and his wife **Julie** will be moving this summer to Russia as missionaries with the Commission. They are supported by World Partners of the Missionary Church and will be serving with an OMS team of missionaries. They have two children **Brandon (2)** and **Andrew (6 months)**. John is son of **Dr. Wes g51 and Mary Carolyn Gerig g52**.

Phil Moser fs82 and his wife **Faith** have two children **Alyssa and Philip, Jr.** and live in Sterling, VA. Phil commutes each day into Washington D.C. where he works for the U.S. Government.

Dan Cairl g84 and his wife **Cindy** are living in Fremont, IN where Dan is teaching 6th grade science in the Fremont Middle School.

80's cont.

John (J.T.) Mabe g86, pastor of the Mizpah Missionary Church in Cass City, MI was ordained on November 21, 1993. The District Superintendent Rev. Paul Demerchant g61, officiated at the service. John's wife is the former Trisha Jackson fs86.

Steve Snyder g87 has been home in the States speaking at churches around the country and was here on campus. In April he returned to Poland and his church planting ministry under the direction of International Messengers.

Buckley Watson g88 and his family have moved to Carlinville, IL where Buckley has assumed the position of Director of Development of Blackburn College.

Sharon Gerig g89 is the Youth Director for the West Central Neighborhood Ministries program of Fort Wayne. For the last two years she has also been the women's volleyball coach for Taylor University, Fort Wayne.

Brian Heindel g89, youth pastor at Living Faith Missionary Church in Yoder, IN was diagnosed in March with a fast growing brain tumor. Brian underwent cobalt treatment for a number of weeks and is involved in physical therapy. Notes of encouragement would be appreciated: 12120 U.S. 127, Rockford, OH 45882.

John g89 and Debra Klay are living in Lima, OH where John keeps very busy as the pastor of Faith Missionary Church in Lima and assists YFC as a Campus Life Director.

90's

Jon g91 and Vicki (Michael) Anderson g91 are currently enrolled in graduate school at Ball State University in Muncie, IN. Jon is in the computer science department and Vicki is in Linguistics and TESL (Teaching English as a Second Language). Both are employed as graduate assistants in their respective departments.

Rick g91 and Christina (Roussos) Dugan g90 and son Gregory are now working on the island of Cyprus in evangelistic Bible studies and discipleship. They are working with Christina's parents Jim g60 and Louise (Diller) Roussos g60 who have been missionaries in Cyprus for many years. The Dugans will soon be moving to be involved in Arabic language study.

Mary Ann Burkey g92 is living in Howe, IN and serving as a teacher's assistant for a Headstart program at Parkside Elementary School. Last year Mary Ann had the privilege of being one of our first elementary education majors to do her student teaching overseas. She was the student teacher for a combined first and second grade classroom

90's cont.

at the Black Forest Academy in Germany and lived in the high school girl's dormitory.

Richard Dugan 1982 - 1994 former Academic Dean of Summit Christian College and friend to all, accepted a new position on April 4 with the Missionary Church Headquarters as a planned giving consultant. Carol Dugan continues as manager of the Taylor Bookstore on the Fort Wayne campus.

Weston Wachug g93 is returning to Kenya on November 24, 1994 after 5 years of study here in the U.S.. His vision and goal is to plant a new church in the city of Mombasa. There will be great rejoicing at the airport as Weston is reunited with his wife and three children whom he has not seen for three years. He is hoping to finish his seminary degree at Nairobi School of Theology.

WEDDINGS

Peggy Zbinden g77 and George Tocheny were married December 11, 1993. Their address is 1552 Thurston Avenue #14, Honolulu, HI 96822-3711.

Mark Krueger g78 and Delora Stanton were married December 31, 1993 in St. Petersburg, FL. Their new address is 121 Austin Street, Sandusky, MI 48471.

Deborah Jobe g90 married Robert Loges of Kettering, OH on July 4, 1993. The couple currently live in Fairborn, OH.

Carol Zirkle g92 and Timothy Hansen were married May 21, 1994 in Fremont, MI at the Wesleyan Church. The Hansen's are living in Marion, IN.

David Cussen fs93 and Candice Northcutt g93 were married in Granger Missionary Church on March 19, 1994. David is youth minister at Markle United Methodist Church and they reside in Markle, IN. Candi is doing substitute teaching.

Wendy Hay g93 and Michael Ingram were married April 2, 1994 in Garr Church in Charlotte, NC. They live in Charlotte.

Denise Mortenson g93 married Michael Hines on February 12, 1994 in Morton, IL. They make their home in Lafayette, IN where Denise is working at Purdue University in the financial aid department.

Lisa Syrus g93 and Tom Richards were married March 12, 1994 in Springfield, OH at the Bethel Baptist Church. Other alumni participating in the wedding were Kim (Parker) Ulick g90 and Tammy (Hall) Fedele g90. Their new address is 281 West Main Street Apt. 2, Wilmington, OH 45177.

WEDDINGS cont.

Beth Nolt g93 and Alene Tesfay were married April 22, 1994. They are living in PA.

BIRTHS

To Bob and Denise (Burkholder) Thompson g79 an adopted daughter, Kaitlin Marie, born October 25, 1993. They live at 625 Riley Street, Bluffton, OH 45817.

To Alvin g80 and Jonanna (Steiner) Van Bumble g78 a daughter, Abigail Christine, born February 19, 1994. Their address is 1011 North Lake Parker Avenue, Lakeland, FL 33805.

To Stephen g80 and Sheila (Hilty) Harrigan g82 a son, David Joseph, born April 22, 1994. David's sister Rachel 7, and brothers Timothy 9, and Jonathan 3 are delighted with their little brother. Due to special medical needs David was born in Ivory Coast, West Africa. The Harrigans continue their missionary service in Sierra Leone.

To John g81 and Julie Gerig their second son, Andrew Joseph born February 4, 1994 and joins Brandon (2). Their address is 510 South Main Street, Fortville, IN 46040.

To Steve g82 and Christine Schlatter a daughter, Talethah Joy, born November 27, 1993. This is the fourth daughter for the Schlatters (associate pastor at Avalon Missionary Church, Fort Wayne). Sisters are Jenessah, Breannah and Kassandrah.

To Damon ps and Debbie (Stanley) Curtis g83 a daughter, Sarah Elizabeth, born December 7, 1993. Debbie is former secretary in the Business Affairs office and Damon is a part-time student and new pastor of the Sherman Street Church of God in Fort Wayne.

To Brent and Lolly (Schafer) Shaw g84 sons, Jesse Lane, born August 2, 1989 and Logan Graham born May 22, 1992. Their address is 508 East Winter, Greenville, IL 62246.

To Tommy g85 and Konnl (Sayler) Logan g86 their second daughter, Laura Elizabeth born March 1, 1994. The Logans are missionaries in Papua, New Guinea, their US address is 5723 Center Church Road, Sanford, NC 27330.

To Steve g86 and Katie Galloway a son, Isaiah Michael, born November 22, 1993. Steve is the youth pastor at Lakeview Missionary Church in Zion, IL. Their address is 1115 Winthrop Court, Zion, IL 60099.

To John g87 and Sarah (Badgerow) Richardson g86 a son, Jonah Kade arrived November 23, 1993. John is senior pastor at Faith Church, Peoria, IL. Their address is 5227 West Mahark Lane, Peoria, IL 61607.

BIRTHS cont.

To **Ted g88 and Sari (Pafford) Harris g88** a daughter, Alexandra Nicole born April 5, 1994. Ted is the Associate Pastor at Alliance Community Church. Their address is 1905 Crescent Avenue, Fort Wayne, IN 46805.

To **Bruce g89 and Dawn (Clark) Cluckie g89** a daughter, Erin Rose, born on May 9, 1994. First term missionaries in Sierra Leone, West Africa, the Cluckies went to Freetown for Erin's arrival. Their address is Box 265, Freetown, Sierra Leone, West Africa.

To **Rex g90 and Jennifer (Flower) Hill (former Resident Director)** their second daughter, Danae Justine, born February 28, 1994. Their address is 4847 A Cranwood, Indianapolis, IN 46268. Rex is working for Foot Locker in Indianapolis.

To **Doug g92 and Kim (Butler) Hood g91** a son, Cooper Aric born March 12, 1994 joins his sister Cady Aria (1). Their address is 5014 Camelot Drive, Fort Wayne, IN 46815.

To **Van g92 and Teresa (Collins) Duitsman g92** a son, Timothy John, born January 11, 1994. They make their home at 556 Arizona Drive #7, Chula Vista, CA 91911.

To **Mark fs92 and Sharon (DeBolt) McMeen g94** a son Stephen Paul born December 30, 1993. Their address is 4060 Elizabeth Lake Road, Waterford, MI 48328. Mark is in management training for an apartment complex.

To **Aldo g93 and Holly Gonzalez** a daughter, Reagan Giuliana, on January 18, 1994. Aldo is a counselor at Blacklake Lodge for Lifeline Homes in Fort Wayne. They make their home at 14819 Michael Drive, Leo, IN 46765.

To **Mike and Becky (Crawfis) Fortriede** a son, Zachary Thomas Fortriede born February 14, 1994. Becky has been a cook in the dining hall for a number of years.

IN MEMORY

E. Luella (Benz) Acosta g19 died on January 7, 1994 at the age of 97. Luella married Primitivo Acosta in 1920 and immediately sailed to Cuba for their honeymoon and to work as missionaries under the Presbyterian Church. Their four children were born and raised in Cuba. After 22 years of evangelism and church planting in Cuba they moved to California to work among the Hispanic community in San Diego. Later on they served two other Hispanic churches in LaVerne and Azusa, California.

IN MEMORY cont.

Lillie (Conrad) Clauser g19 died March 29, 1994 in her home in Fort Wayne, IN. Mrs. Clauser was a native of Grabill, IN and later moved to Fort Wayne where she resided until her death.

Marion Grosh g25 died in Golden Years Nursing Home, Fort Wayne, IN on January 2, 1994. Rev. Grosh was ordained in the Mennonite Brethren in Christ Church, one of the denominations forming the Missionary Church. He was a minister for over 50 years serving with the United Brethren in Christ since 1976.

Alice Marcussen g28 passed away April 5, 1994 at the Carecenter in Shell Point Village, FL where she had lived for many years.

Eugene Gerber g33 passed away January 12, 1994. Mr. Gerber lived in Kendallville, IN before his death.

Dorothy (Wiederkehr) Hoag g37 passed away November 19, 1993. Mrs. Hoag lived in Jackson, MI before her death.

Richard S. Reilly g42 passed away February 24, 1994. Rev. Reilly served as a YFC director, missionary to India and Lebanon, a pastor, evangelist, author and Foreign Secretary in the former United Missionary Church. He founded Fellowship Tours and traveled to 87 countries flying over 2 million miles. He visited the Holy Land over 300 times and was a knowledgeable authority on the history and archeology of Israel. The memorial service was held at the Palm Croft Baptist Church in Phoenix, AZ. His wife, **Ruth (Geiger) g42** still resides in Glendale, AZ.

Elbert Neuenschwander g47 passed away January 26, 1994 in Cincinnati, OH. He was a businessman in the Cincinnati area. His wife, **Wilma (Gould) g48** still resides in Cincinnati.

George Rohrs fs52 formerly of Hicksville, OH died in Phoenix, AZ on April 11, 1994. He is survived by his wife, **Emma (Reibling) fs52**, a son **Timothy fs75**, daughters **Marsha Ritchart g76**, **Marilyn Wong g75** and **Melonie Swanson** and two brothers **Don g48**, **Robert g44** and one sister **Vera Hubaker g38**.

Wilbur Wanner g53 passed away November 17, 1993 in Berne, IN. Wilbur was a missionary in Sierra Leone, West Africa for many years. He also pastored churches in Humboldt and Memphis, TN.

Janice (Hewitt) Ross fs66 died suddenly of a heart attack on April 28, 1994 in China Spring, TX. She is survived by her husband, Michael (son of **Bob g45** and **Lavera Ross fs 44**) and two daughters, one who also attended the college, **Tia (Ross) Conklin fs 89** of Havelock, NC.

IN MEMORY cont.

Michael Moser g69 passed away on May 3, 1994 after a number of years battling cancer. Until his death **Mike and Sherry (Myers) fs 69** were pastoring two churches in Iowa, the Trenton and the White Oak Missionary Churches. You may write to Sherry at R.R. 2, Box 101, Mount Pleasant, IA. 52641.

Kathleen (Hughes) Miller g71 died April 21, 1994 at Portsmouth Naval Hospital. She served in Swaziland, Africa, with Transworld Radio Ministries and in Children's Ministry at Virginia Beach Alliance Church. Her mother, **Junne Ellis** is also a 1971 graduate.

Gary D. Litwiller g79 passed away December 18, 1993. Gary served the College very effectively for ten years as Director of Admissions, Annual Fund Coordinator, and Program Director of the Management Major. After leaving the College he became the Director of Miracle Camp in Lawton, MI. His wife **Anne**, son, **Tad** and daughter, **Tiffany**, live at 308 Stryker St., Archbold, OH 43502.

Jan Kirkman (beloved secretary to the Registrar, Fort Wayne Campus) passed away on January 21, 1994 after a brief illness. Jan will always be remembered for her love of the students and her willingness to serve others.

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