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## FAITH CALLS: A THEOLOGICAL PERSPECTIVE

In matters of faith, it is time to recover the idea of a “call” and “calling” again. Please understand that I am not referring to our current habits of texting and tweeting rather than talking with people on the phone. I have something more spiritual in mind.

While it is true that some denominations still “call” their pastors and that details about a placement in ministry are often listed in a statement of “call,” such language tends to be professional and business-like. What we need to recover is the **theological** understanding of “call” and “calling” and vocation.

After all, nobody studies religion for the notoriety that it will generate. Nobody enters the ministry in a pursuit of fame or fortune. We study the Bible and church history, or Christian doctrines and ethics, or learn to provide pastoral care and lead prayers, not because of the financial rewards that await us for such endeavors. We do it because we feel called into that way of life and quite possibly because we cannot imagine living without doing such things.

But we have neglected to talk about it. And, perhaps as a result of our neglect, others have been unable to hear that they, themselves, are being called.

Many ordained United Methodists, for example, have not discussed their calls to ministry in public since their last appearances before a board of ordained ministry, years or decades ago. The practice of scheduling a Sunday each year that focuses on a calling to full-time Christian service has fallen into disrepair. And laity have let lapse their habit of approaching young women and young men about a possibility that God may be calling them to lives of leadership in service, word, sacrament, and order.

From my perspective, it is time to reverse that trend. Since our mission at Perkins School of Theology is to prepare women and men for faithful leadership in Christian ministry, it is an aspect of our mission to help faithful leaders hear a call to such ministry. That includes helping persons discover how to discern whether one is called, and how to respond to a holy calling.

In rare cases, a call comes with great drama and unmistakable clarity. Along the road to Damascus, for instance, Saul – the persecutor of the church – was called to follow Jesus in a combination of blinding light and audible voice. In Philippi, a woman named Lydia experienced the Lord opening her heart to hear the word of faith. For the prophet Isaiah, the call was accompanied by a clear sight of the Lord, a mystifying vision of angels, the quaking of a great building, and the smell of smoke. And in a Galilean town called Nazareth, a young woman named Mary distinctly heard the voice of an angel. If she had some doubts about the content of the angel’s message, she knew unequivocally that hers was a call from the Lord.

In other cases, a call is curious and uncertain. Take the young man of faith named Samuel and an old man of faith named Eli, neither of whom dared to imagine that God was calling; it took three attempts by the Lord before they let the unimaginable become real. Or consider God’s calling of Abraham and Sarah to be parents – they laughed at the idea! And when Jonah was called, he ran away as far as he could to escape the call from God, then he found that the end of the earth was not far enough – so he jumped into the sea!

Openness to the presence of the Spirit involves an awareness that faith calls us.

Some of us are called to specific forms of ministry. In my years as Perkins’ dean, I have enjoyed working with students who felt called to urban ministry, to the military chaplaincy, to service as a pastoral counselor, and to the life of a scholar, as well as to the ministries involved in leading a local church. Blended with all of those formal structures are callings to build ecumenical relationships, to generate interfaith reconciliation, and to engage intellectually with the critical questions of the day. Some feel called to minister in small towns or neighborhoods, while others – perhaps with a nod to Methodist founder John Wesley – envision their ministries on a global scale, with the world as their parish.

What all of us must do is encourage people to listen for their calling, describe to them the ways that we ourselves have felt called to faithful ministry in the service of Christ, and awaken them to the possibility that God is calling them to the ministry.



“OPENNESS TO THE PRESENCE OF THE SPIRIT INVOLVES AN AWARENESS THAT FAITH CALLS US.”

*William B. Lawrence*



# FAITH CALLS

*We always pray for you, asking that God will make you worthy of God's call and will fulfill by God's power every good resolve and work of faith... – from Second Thessalonians 1:11*

There are countless stories about how and where God's call leads persons to serve. Whether the call is to full-time ministry, part-time or bi-vocational service, or more faithful leadership as a committed layperson, advanced theological education plays a vital role in Perkins' mission "to prepare women and men for faithful leadership in Christian ministry."

This issue of *Perspective* celebrates a new initiative – "Faith Calls: Theological Programs for Young People" – that combines two important Perkins programs directed toward youth: the Hispanic Youth Leadership Academy (HYLA) and the Perkins Youth School of Theology (PYST). It also highlights a variety of other ways that *Faith Calls* women and men to respond.

The call may be for new students to focus on their own spiritual development through intense academic engagement. It may be a call for interns and other students to immerse themselves in social contexts or cultures that otherwise might remain unknown or unfamiliar. The sense that *Faith Calls* may lead some to consider a major gift, others to refer a prospective student, still others to make a courageous public witness or to pursue prayer and other spiritual disciplines more intentionally.

In that spirit, we invite your prayers: for those whose stories appear on these pages; for future students who may find that *Faith Calls* them to continue their journey at Perkins School of Theology; for all who have known or hunger to know in their own experience what God might accomplish through us when *Faith Calls*. 🙏

The *Faith Calls* graphic was created for this issue of *Perspective*. The blue globe suggests the worldwide scope of Faith's Call, while the labyrinth is a reminder that the journey of faith is most fully expressed in actions undergirded by prayer, study, and disciplined reflection.



PYST lunch break at the Habito Labyrinth

## FAITH CALLS: THEOLOGICAL PROGRAMS FOR YOUNG PEOPLE

*New initiative combines current programs, expands theological education for youth and college-age young adults*

For more than a decade, Perkins School of Theology has invested in the lives of youth through the Perkins Youth School of Theology (PYST) and Hispanic Youth Leadership Academy (HYLA). These programs were designed to foster an interest in young people for theological learning and inquiry, and nurture Christian youth in their vocational discernment and leadership development.

HYLA, an initiative of the Mexican American Program, has provided high school and college-age UMC Latinas and Latinos a place to discern a call to ministry through a long-term mentoring experience focusing on Christian discipleship, United Methodist polity, educational awareness, and leadership training.

PYST developed from a Lilly Endowment initiative, which supported the creation of theological programs by schools of theology to nurture and develop a new generation of Christian leaders for the church and society. PYST's ecumenical approach to theological education created a space for underrepresented youth from diverse communities through an intensive yearlong program of theological study, service learning, mentoring, and leadership development.

The success of these programs has laid a foundation for theological education with youth at Perkins, and in fall 2013 Perkins will launch "*Faith Calls: Theological Programs for Young People*," merging the work of PYST and HYLA into a single initiative.

"This is an exciting time for Perkins to create more opportunities for young leadership in our churches and communities," says Rev. Tonya Burton, PYST Director. Burton will become the inaugural director of *Faith Calls*. "I have seen firsthand how their faith has been strengthened and passions ignited through these programs," she continues. "Some of our program alums have entered theological schools and are actively serving in mission settings around the world. I look forward to continuing and strengthening this work at Perkins."

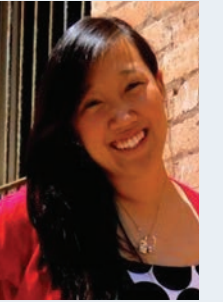
Rev. Jeannie Treviño-Teddle, director of HYLA, echoes those sentiments. "In this last year of HYLA," Treviño-Teddle observes, "I watched six HYLA alums provide exemplary

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## FAITH CALLS: THE CALL CONTINUES

Several past participants in PYST and SHYLA are continuing their journey as Perkins students.

**Maggie Jenkins**, a member of First UMC in Garland, Texas, is one of two graduates of PYST who currently are enrolled in Master's degree programs at Perkins. "Being



Maggie Jenkins

in PYST gave me an inside look as to what Perkins might be like for me," says Maggie, who starts work on her M.Div. in fall 2013. "I really feel like God is calling me to youth ministry. I love working with, teaching, and learning from young people, and am so excited to learn more and experience my faith grow in the beautiful setting that is SMU Perkins."

**Robert Aaron Perales** first became involved with HYLA in July 2004. After graduating from High School HYLA, he attended College HYLA and has continued to



Robert Aaron Perales

participate in various supportive roles nearly every year. "HYLA was instrumental in my decision to attend SMU for both my undergraduate and graduate degrees," says Robert, who earned a B.A. in Religious Studies from SMU in May 2009 and expects to graduate with the M.Div. from Perkins in December 2013. After graduation, Perales, a member of the Rio Grande Annual Conference, anticipates an appointment in the local church. "Serving as a pastor in a United Methodist congregation has always been the focus of my calling, and is something that I greatly look forward to," he adds. 🙏

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leadership as counselors and presenters during the two academies. I look forward to this new initiative of *Faith Calls*, which can provide greater opportunities in 'Faith Exploration, Faithful Practices, Faithful Witness, and Faithful Leaders' for young people."

The objectives of *Faith Calls*, operating under the aegis of the Office of Advanced Ministerial Studies, are four-pronged:

- **Faith Exploration** – Offer youth and college-age young people opportunities to deeply explore their faith questions and theological curiosities through study, dialogue, and reflection.
- **Faithful Practices** – Invite youth and college-age young people to participate in faith practices of prayer, service, worship, and discernment to help them connect to God's presence and activity in the world.
- **Faithful Witness** – Encourage youth and college-age young people to seek out opportunities for service where they discover and utilize their gifts for ministry and become grounded in an identity which expresses their Christian witness.
- **Faithful Leaders** – Partner with church and community leaders and organizations that will support young people in their leadership development.

To introduce this new program to the wider SMU and Dallas-Fort Worth community, *Faith Calls* will host an open house September 27, 2013. For more information about *Faith Calls* or the open house, contact Rev. Burton, [tburton@smu.edu](mailto:tburton@smu.edu) or 214-768-1333. 📖



Hyla activity in Prothro Hall

## FAITH CALLS: ENSURING EXCELLENCE FOR FUTURE GENERATIONS

A lead gift of \$7.5 million from the J.S. Bridwell Foundation will help make possible a major expansion and renovation of Bridwell Library. The Bridwell Foundation gift is part of a \$15.3 million

campaign to fund consolidation of special collections, relocation of the special collections reading room, increased study carrels and small group study rooms for Perkins theology students, improved handicapped accessibility, and multipurpose space for instruction, study, and lectures. The renovations also will create an archives processing and digital lab.

Bridwell Library, dedicated in 1950 as part of the new Perkins School of Theology complex, was provided through a gift from Wichita Falls rancher J.S. Bridwell and his daughter, Margaret Bridwell Bowdle, a 1948 SMU graduate. Mr. Bridwell continued to support the Library, particularly in the acquisition of rare books, until his death in 1966. The J.S. Bridwell Foundation, which he established, provided funding for the renovation and enlargement of the Library in 1988. The Bridwell Foundation has continued to support acquisitions, programs, and renovations of Bridwell Library through the years.

With more than 370,000 volumes, Bridwell Library today houses one of the nation's finest research collections in theology and religious studies. Its outstanding collection of rare books and manuscripts includes more than 50,000 items dating from the 15th to the 20th centuries. Among the special collections are the Elizabeth Perkins Prothro Bible Collection and the largest collection in the United States of manuscript letters written by John Wesley. An entity of Perkins School of Theology, Bridwell Library serves as the principal bibliographic resource at SMU for the fields of theology and religious studies.

"We are truly grateful for the generous and sustained support the Bridwell Foundation has provided through the years, which has made it possible for Bridwell Library to become one of the premiere theological research libraries in the United States," said Dean William B. Lawrence. "The Foundation's new gift will enable Bridwell to remain a leader in theological libraries for many decades into the future."

Additional gifts to complete funding for the project will be important as plans move forward. For more information, contact Todd Rasberry, director of Development, [trasberry@smu.edu](mailto:trasberry@smu.edu), 214-768-3688.

As part of SMU's celebrations of the centennial of its founding in 1911, the year 2013 has been designated the Year of the Library, marking the 100th anniversary of the beginning of SMU's library collections.

For more information, visit [www.smu.edu/News/2013/libraries-gifts-10may2013](http://www.smu.edu/News/2013/libraries-gifts-10may2013). 📖

A number of articles in this issue of *Perspective* include "Quick Response" (QR) codes. These barcodes, which consist of black modules arranged in a square grid, contain abbreviated web addresses (URLs). When scanned with smartphones that have Internet access, QR codes automatically direct the user to a specific web page. Free QR readers can quickly and easily be downloaded to most smartphones. The compactness and convenience of the QR barcode enhances the availability of additional information.



Rendering of proposed Bridwell Library entry hall renovation

## FAITH CALLS FOR ACADEMIC INQUIRY

Richard D. Nelson, W.J.A. Power Professor of Biblical Hebrew and Old Testament Interpretation



Richard D. Nelson

Faith is simple because it is a personal relationship with God. But it is not simplistic. Faith is child-like because it trusts spontaneously. But it is not childish. We know Jesus loves us because the Holy Spirit uses the Bible to tell us so, but the Bible is an amazingly complicated book. Bible stories are for children; the Bible itself is adult literature. Those called to interpret and promote God's Word to the church and to the world must do so with their brains switched on. They cannot be lulled into intellectual torpor or passivity by a marketplace of easy answers, received dogma, or second-hand, pre-digested understandings.

The Bible is written in ancient languages. It emerged from long-past cultures with social systems and world views very different from our own. It took a thousand years to collect its components and write everything down. It was transmitted via an imperfect manuscript copying process that has to be untangled. Most challenging of all, what it has to say does not automatically transfer to present-day realities without some serious thought on our part.

Interpreting the Bible demands serious intellectual commitment. Understanding what its texts *once said* to its initial audiences entails a disciplined study of history, past cultures, and unfamiliar literary practices. However, that is only half the battle. To understand what biblical texts *say to us today* requires us to construe and convert them in terms of our

culture, to read them in concurrence with the faith of the church, and to bring them into relationship to the questions we are asking.

The words on the pages of our Bibles plainly tell slaves to obey their masters and women to shun vain adornment, wrestle with the need for circumcision, promise us safety if we handle venomous snakes, and give advice about eating meat previously sacrificed to idolatrous gods. However, we are not likely to be interested in those things, but in what to do with our money, how to live out our sexuality, ways to achieve a fair society, and how to find meaning in our lives. Most centrally, perhaps, we want to know how to navigate the paradox that God judges us on the basis of our deeds, but that we can live and remain in relationship with that same God only by divine grace. We look to our preachers to speak to us about these matters, but to do so they must dedicate themselves to a lifelong study of biblical interpretation, Christian theology, and human experience.

It is easy to romanticize the apostles as uneducated fishermen, but it would be good to remember that Acts affirms that Paul was a student of the rabbi Gamaliel and could quote Greek poets at the drop of a hat. In his letters Paul employs rhetorical techniques that formed the foundation of Greco-Roman education. The author of Hebrews was versed in current philosophy and the latest in literary scholarship. It is no accident that the great reformers – Wesley, Calvin, Luther – were fervently committed to a well-informed and scholarly study of the Bible. 📖

## FAITH CALLS FOR PUBLIC WITNESS

World War II loomed large as Joe and Lois Perkins considered a major gift to the School of Theology at SMU. The endowment ultimately established by their generosity and foresight helped to assure that a vital concern for public witness would be foundational in the identity of Perkins School of Theology:

*Actuated by the belief that the future Peace of the World is dependent upon the work and influence of all the Churches and of all Peoples and of all Nations, and knowing that there is not now an adequate number of Ministers in any of the Churches, and desiring to do all we can toward relieving this crisis, we, J.J. Perkins and wife, Lois Perkins, are creating the Perkins Endowment Fund for the purpose of developing and enlarging the School of Theology of Southern Methodist University at Dallas, Texas in the hope that it will become one of the really great Theological Schools of our Nation.*

– from "Establishing the Perkins Endowment Fund for the Support of the School of Theology at Southern Methodist University at Dallas, Texas," Hawk Papers, February 6, 1945

Perkins School of Theology's commitment to a prophetic public witness included its historic racial integration in 1952 – two years before the landmark *Brown v. Board of Education* Supreme Court decision and more than three years before the Montgomery bus boycott. The first five African American students enrolled in a degree program at SMU all received the Bachelor of Divinity degree in June 1955. Among them was Rev. Dr. Cecil Williams, longtime pastor of Glide Memorial UMC in San Francisco, who went on to receive the Distinguished Alumnus

Award from Perkins in 1996, an honorary doctorate from SMU in 1997, and the SMU Distinguished Alumni Award – the highest honor the university bestows upon its graduates – in 2009. Also in 2009, the Williams Preaching Lab in Elizabeth Perkins Prothro Hall was named in honor of Dr. Williams.

The commitment to a robust public witness includes not only students and ministry professionals but also laypersons and the larger community. Two **Faith and Business Luncheons** per semester pair a prominent leader in the community and a Perkins faculty member, with the co-presenters sharing how personal theology informs business practice from their unique perspectives. The annual **Public Life | Personal Faith Lecture and Symposium** allows participants to engage scholars on topics related to why and how personal faith shapes public life. "Personal faith has practical consequences for the way we think, speak, make choices, and live our public lives," explains Rev. Dr. Todd Rasberry, director of Development at Perkins.

Students and faculty members extend Perkins' public witness through multidisciplinary academic engagement across and beyond the SMU campus, including posts on the SMU website of analysis and opinion by Dean William B. Lawrence regarding recent U.S. Supreme Court decisions on the Defense of Marriage Act and voter registration. Internships, immersion courses, and countless additional experiences equip students for the diverse ways that *Faith Calls for Public Witness*. 📖

# FAITH CALLS: BRAZILIAN PARTNERSHIP

Isabel Docampo, Professor of Supervised Ministry

On a hot, muggy day in the São Bernardo district of São Paulo, Emily Everett, Perkins School of Theology intern, was teaching English to a small group of children at the Street Children's Project.

Emily spent the 2012-2013 academic year working at the Project: a ministry that provides refuge from the streets and impresses on the children that they have dignity as human beings with basic human rights. She joined a cadre of Street Children's Project educators – many of whom were street children themselves – who walk the city offering children in need the opportunity to participate in Project programs that provide food and activities such as music, percussion, computer classes, soccer, and recreation. It is difficult to convince these children that they deserve such support.

They represent the most vulnerable group in Brazilian society because they come from families who live as squatters in makeshift houses, or in the worst housing in the city. Those children who have a family are forced to take low-wage jobs in order to help support them. They present a problem to civic and business leaders by their sheer numbers. These children can be arrested and their civil rights are often violated. Worse, society communicates to them that they are not budget priorities for social programs that would ensure them education, food, and shelter. They receive the message that they are disposable human beings.

The efforts of the Project's educators to build credibility and trust with the children are successful because of their own backgrounds. They stand alongside these children as advocates, mentors, and extended family week after week until trust is built. Some children beyond their reach die on the streets or get lost in the penal system. Others, however, do receive support and manage to rise out of deep-seated poverty and integrate into society. Many of the children who are helped go on to become community organizers, working for legislation to protect the street children and changing public perception of these children from delinquents to victims of economic and social/racial institutions.

The witness of these educators' faithful advocacy on behalf of the street children prompted Emily to write, "Seeing these children and youth talking with educators and articulating their wants and wishes to better their community, I remembered the text from Luke 18:17, 'Truly I tell you, whoever doesn't receive the kingdom of God as a child will never enter.' Countless times I have seen educators joining their lives with the lives of children and youth to fight for a better life for all. God is present in this. God is there."



Dr. Isabel Docampo with the dean and faculty of the Methodist School of Theology of the Methodist University of São Paulo, Brazil: (l-r) Paulo Roberto Garcia, dean; Isabel Docampo, Perkins; Magali do Nascimento Cunha, Margarida Ribeiro, and Blanches de Paula



Emily Everett (center) with youths at the Street Children's Project preparing for community dialogue



Educators, themselves former street children, build relationships as advocates, mentors and extended family

church as inconsistent in its advocacy for street children because of the messiness of the intersecting institutions of race, economics, and religion. Yet Emily recognized in their stories a deep spirituality that pressed them forward in the hope that justice will prevail with or without the Church's consistent partnership. These conversations and the relationships she built revealed God's mercy and justice at work in the Street Children's Project.

Emily's reflection on her nine-month work with the Project also led her to a healthy self-critique of the institutional church as well as our broader, global society.

"I have had many opportunities to affirm the presence of God in the project and have had many theological conversations with people, showing them that [whether they are aware of it or not] they also have a theology and often the God they believe in looks a lot like the God that I (as a future pastor) also believe in. Also through various conversations, we have discovered that the

criticisms that they have about the institutional church are precisely the same criticisms I have... Hopefully I have been able to be a bridge between the two worlds to show that God is much bigger than the walls of our institutions or the boxes we like to put God in."

Emily's on-site faculty supervisor, Dr. de Paula, praised the way that the Intern Program's requirement for disciplined theological reflection tethered to ministry leadership helped to create a safe space for differing voices and beliefs. She affirmed the self-reflection in Emily's final paper:

*"I have also seen the importance of relationship and trust in the process of learning from each other. I think I have gained the confidence to express myself, even when I know that the other person will not agree with me. I've also gained the ability to listen to their point of view and at the end of the conversation we can still remain friends, find our points of commonality and work towards that which we both think is important."*

Emily's reflections give a glimpse of what is possible when one says "Yes!" to God's search for partners in the work of reconciliation:

*"What has formed me the most is this experience of living life with Brazilians and allowing myself to be taught by them and receive hospitality. But living life together is always an exchange, a sharing... The more I let myself open up to show my vulnerabilities and use them to serve God, the more courage I give others to do the same... Ministry for me is simply to guide and direct the process of engaging our stories with the stories of others to participate in the story of God in the world – to participate in the creation of a church and society that reflects the values of love, justice, peace, reconciliation and all the values of the Kingdom of God... I know that this experience has formed me in ways that I'll be discovering for a long time. Thank God the story is not over yet."*

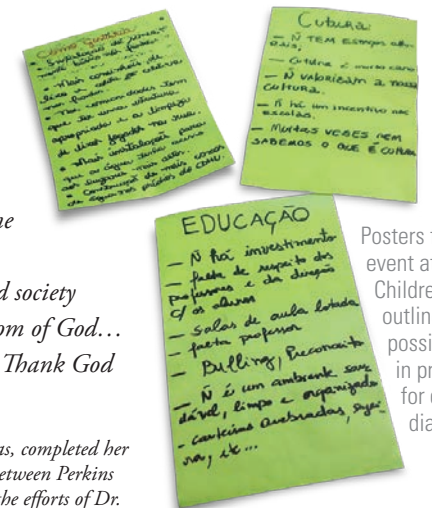
*Editor's note: Emily Everett, a 2013 summa cum laude Perkins School of Theology graduate from Houston, Texas, completed her seminary studies with a nine-month Internship Course in São Paulo, Brazil, under a new partnership in 2012 between Perkins and The School of Theology of Methodist University of São Paulo. This collaboration was made possible through the efforts of Dr. Blanches de Paula, professor of the Practice of Ministry of The School of Theology of the Methodist University in São Paulo, who served as Ms. Everett's on-site faculty supervisor, and Rev. Dr. Isabel Docampo, Emily Everett's Intern Faculty Supervisor.*



Emily Everett preaching at Igreja Metodista, Methodist Church in Santa Mariana in the state of Paraná



Emily Everett, standing in front of Catedral da Sé in the center of São Paulo, is the first Perkins intern to Brazil



Posters from a training event at the Street Children's Project outline problems and possible solutions in preparation for community dialogue

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Emily Everett

# BRIDWELL LIBRARY ACQUIRES CATECHISM COLLECTION

A Bridwell Library exhibition from December 12, 2012 – May 10, 2013, featured selected items from a major acquisition of 115 catechisms dating between 1493 and 1830. In addition to providing essential religious instruction, these popular manuals of Christian doctrine were often the first types of texts used in teaching both children and adults how to read. Spanning five centuries, representing more than 50 authors, and published in 50 different cities, these catechisms were printed in 17 different languages including Latin, Greek, and Hebrew as well as European and world vernacular translations.

Developed by Bruce McKittrick Rare Books over the last two decades with items purchased from booksellers, auction houses, and private parties in the United States, Canada, Great Britain, and Europe, the collection was acquired by Bridwell Library with the assistance of a generous grant from the B.H. Breslauer Foundation of New York. This acquisition deepens the Library's Catholic and Protestant catechism holdings and will provide numerous opportunities for scholarly investigation, exhibitions, publications, instruction, and future acquisitions.

The number of unique and extremely rare titles makes this acquisition especially notable. Nineteen of the catechisms, including five Martin Luther editions and two 1570 printings of the Heidelberg Catechism, represent the only known copies. Sixteen of the catechisms are currently recorded as single copies (only three of which are in the United States) and an additional eleven catechisms are recorded in two locations each (seven of these titles are in U.S. collections). Particularly attractive for Bridwell Library, 64 catechisms, more than 50 percent of the collection, are not held in the U.S. In addition, only three institutions hold up to fifteen percent of any of these editions: British Library (seventeen titles), Harvard (fourteen titles), and Bibliothèque nationale de France (thirteen titles).

The exhibition can be viewed online at <http://www.smu.edu/Bridwell/Collections/SpecialCollectionsandArchives/Exhibitions/Catechisms>.



HIGHER LEARNING



Catholic Church. *Catechismus Romanus*. Polish. *Katechizm*. Cracow: M. Scharffenburger, 1568.



Marcus Eschenloher. *Kinderlehren*. Augsburg: J. Stretter, 1705.



Roberto Bellarmino. *Doctrina Christiana... nunc primùm... in Arabicum... translata*. Rome: F. Savary de Brèves and S. Paolino, 1613.



Juan Hurtado. *Exposicion Breve de la Doctrina Christiana*. Milan: G. Ferioli, 1608.



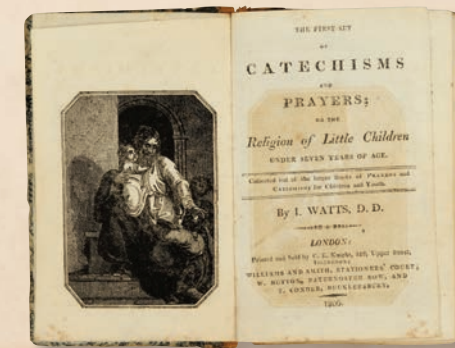
Martin Luther. *Enchiridion. Der kleine Catechismus*. Nuremberg: V. Neuber, 1581.



Petrus Canisius. *Summa Doctrinae Christianae*. [Vienna]: M. Zimmermann, [1555].



Philipp Melancthon. *Catechisis Puerilis*. Leipzig: M. Blum, 1540.



Isaac Watts. *The First Set of Catechisms and Prayers; or the Religion of Little Children under Seven Years of Age*. London: C. E. Knight, Williams and Smith, [et al.], 1806.

## “EARLY METHODISTS AND THEIR BOOKS”

August 20 –  
December 14, 2012

This Bridwell Library exhibition featured 50 items that reveal how readers in the first century of the Methodist tradition (c. 1739–1839) acquired, read, inscribed, annotated, and treasured their books. The volumes included several owned by John or Charles Wesley, manuscripts used by early Methodist ministers, and numerous books and hymnals inscribed with the names of everyday Methodist pioneers, male and female, in England and America.

Online Exhibition:

<http://www.smu.edu/Bridwell/Collections/SpecialCollections>



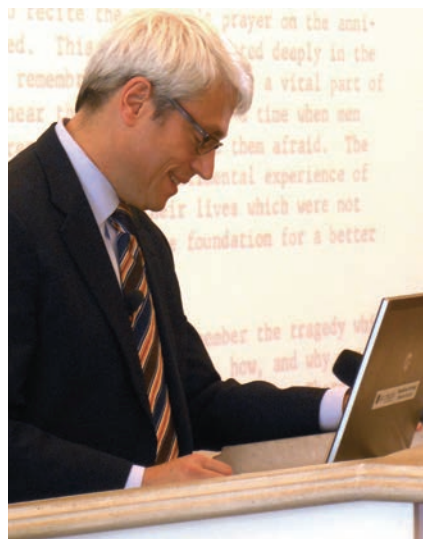
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Display of items from the Bridwell Library archival collection on Rabbi Olan

## RABBI LEVI A. OLAN SERMON RECORDINGS AVAILABLE ONLINE

Bridwell Library celebrated completion of a major project to preserve and provide digital access to 210 audio recordings featuring Rabbi Levi A. Olan at a special event held May 5, 2013, in the Elizabeth Perkins Prothro Hall. Rabbi David Stern from Temple Emanu-El in Dallas was guest speaker at the Rabbi Levi A. Olan Digital Collection Celebration.



Rabbi David Stern, Temple Emanu-el, speaks at Bridwell Celebration

As part of the celebration, attendees listened to one selection from the digital collection, Rabbi Olan’s brief sermon titled “The First Anniversary of a Tragedy.” Originally broadcast November 22, 1964, the sermon reflects on the assassination of President John F. Kennedy, Dallas’s response to it, and the need to eradicate hatred. Rabbi Stern praised Olan’s preaching as “brilliant . . . plainspoken and profound, impeccably reasoned and deeply passionate.”

“How blessed we shall all be now,” Rabbi Stern said of this historic digitization project, “to hear, in his own voice, Rabbi Olan’s call for justice, for faith, for the healing of the human soul and the transformation of human society.”

Access the Rabbi Olan Digital Collection at <http://digitalcollections.smu.edu/all/bridwell/Olan/index.asp>.



## “SHORTCUTS AND HIGH ROADS” ETHICS FORUM BRINGS TOGETHER LAWYERS, PHYSICIANS, AND CLERGY

What role do white lies, shortcuts, and petty misbehavior play in a profession? Do companies pave the way for dishonesty? Behavioral economist/psychologist Dan Ariely, author of the bestselling book *The (Honest) Truth About Dishonesty* (2012), raised such issues with local law, medical, and faith leaders at the “Shortcuts and High Roads: Everyday Morality and the Professions” ethics forum on April 26, 2013.

Perkins School of Theology was a sponsor of this 27th annual Conference of the Professions, which was held in the T. Boone Pickens Training and Conference Center at the Texas Scottish Rite Hospital for Children.

“Most of us think of ourselves as moral human beings. Ariely challenges us to consider the everyday choices that chip away at our standards,” says Maguire Ethics Center Director Rita Kirk. Ariely, the James B. Duke Professor of Psychology & Behavioral Economics at Duke University, is author of *Predictably Irrational: The Hidden Forces That Shape Our Decisions* (2010) and *The Upside of Irrationality: The Unexpected Benefits of Defying Logic at Work and at Home* (2010). His 2009 TED Talk, “Are We in Control of Our Own Decisions,” has garnered more than 2.1 million views.

Joining Ariely was 14th Judicial District Court of Texas Judge Eric Moyé, who has served as an adjunct faculty member at SMU and the Harvard Law School Trial Advocacy Workshop; Lynne M. Kirk, professor of Internal Medicine, associate dean for Graduate Medical Education and associate chief of the Division of General Medicine at UT Southwestern Medical Center; Perkins alumnus Clayton Oliphint (D.Min.’96, M.Div.’88), senior pastor of First United Methodist Church in Richardson, Texas; and Rena Pederson (moderator), communications director for the National Math and Science Initiative and former vice president and editorial page editor of *The Dallas Morning News*.

For nearly three decades, the Conference of the Professions has brought together members of law, medicine, and theology in the Dallas area to discuss common challenges – ethical and otherwise – facing these professions. The Cary M. Maguire Center for Ethics & Public Responsibility jointly sponsors this activity with the Dallas County Medical Society, Dallas Bar Association, University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center, SMU Dedman School of Law, and Perkins School of Theology.



Dan Ariely speaks at the 27th annual Conference of the Professions

FOR NEARLY THREE DECADES, THE CONFERENCE OF THE PROFESSIONS HAS BROUGHT TOGETHER MEMBERS OF LAW, MEDICINE, AND THEOLOGY IN THE DALLAS AREA TO DISCUSS COMMON CHALLENGES...

John Wesley. *An Extract of the Rev. Mr. John Wesley’s Journal from February 1, 1737-8 to his Return from Germany.* London: William Strahan, 1740.

## FACULTY NEWS

**William J. Abraham**, Albert Cook Outler Professor of Wesley Studies, received a Lifetime Achievement Award from the Wesleyan Theological Society for contributions to scholarship in the Wesleyan Tradition.

**Christopher S. Anderson**, associate professor of Sacred Music, was selected by Transylvania University-Lexington (Kentucky) for a magazine feature story about Anderson's journey to Perkins as a TU alumnus.

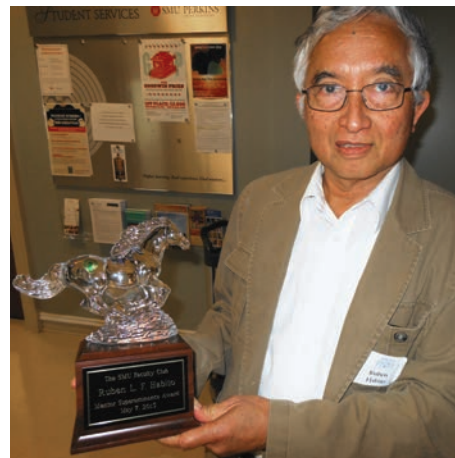
**William Jennings Bryan, III**, professor of Supervised Ministry and director, Intern Program and Professional Formation, was featured in a September 18, 2012, *Dallas Morning News* article about his research of the Daniel Family Cemetery in University Park.

**Ted A. Campbell**, associate professor of Church History, preached a sermon January 26, 2013, on the occasion of the closing of Lon Morris College in Jacksonville, Texas. The sermon, "A Requiem for Lon Morris College," has subsequently been widely distributed and cited. Additionally, Campbell has been appointed to the Dallas Landmark Commission.

**Carlos F. Cardoza-Orlandi**, professor of Global Christianities and Mission Studies, is one of two Perkins professors awarded a Sam Taylor Fellowship grant from the Division of Higher Education, United Methodist General Board of Higher Education and Ministry. His grant is for travel to Puerto Rico to study how cross-cultural partnerships related to mission trips affect congregational change. The will of the late Sam Taylor set aside funds to be used for continuing education and development for faculty members of United Methodist-related universities in Texas. Cardoza-Orlandi also

was awarded a grant from the Center for the Study of Latino/a Christianity and Religion at Perkins, for "Cross-Cultural Mission Trips and Partnerships: Exploring the 'Return Effects' of Cross-Cultural Christian Engagement in Congregational Life and Mission," in December 2012.

**Jaime Clark-Soles**, associate professor of New Testament, was a featured theologian in the documentary film "Hellbound?"



Ruben Habito with Supereminens Award

**Ruben L.F. Habito**, professor of World Religions and Spirituality, and coordinator of Spiritual Formation, received the SMU's Faculty Club 2013 Mentor Supereminens Award for his work as a faculty member mentoring others. The award was presented at a May 7 luncheon.

**C. Michael Hawn**, University Distinguished Professor of Church Music and director of the Master of Sacred Music Program, will continue to produce the popular "History of Hymns" column on a regular basis. Follow discontinuance of the print edition of *The United Methodist Reporter*, the column will now be published online by *The General Board of Discipleship of The United Methodist Church* at [gbod.org/lead-your-church/worship/resource/](http://gbod.org/lead-your-church/worship/resource/). Hawn performed on accordion March 2,

2013, for the nationally syndicated classical music radio program *Pipe Dreams*, a program that features organs and organists from all over the USA.

**Elaine A. Heath**, McCreless Professor of Evangelism, was promoted to the rank of full professor in May 2013. Heath also was selected as "one of six ... outstanding senior scholars" to be profiled and honored on the web page of A Foundation for Theological Education. She is a John Wesley Fellow for Life with AFTE.

**Robert Hunt**, director of Global Theological Education and professor of Christian Mission and Interreligious Relations, was one of 250 political and religious leaders from Macedonia and 25 other countries who met in Skopje, Macedonia, for the Third World Conference on Inter-Religious and Inter-Civilization Dialogue focusing on "Freedom and Dignity – Fundamental Values." Hunt also attended the inaugural Christian Leadership Initiative Alumni Study Retreat in Los Angeles, California, February 8-10. The event was sponsored by the American Jewish Committee and Shalom Hartman Institute.

**William B. Lawrence**, dean and professor of American Church History, was one of two persons named "Notable UM Newsmaker for 2012" by *The United Methodist Reporter*. Additionally, Dean Lawrence delivered the 2013 Perkins Lectures at First UMC, Wichita Falls, Texas, March 3-4, 2013.

**Alyce M. McKenzie**, George W. and Nell Ayers Le Van Professor of Preaching and Worship and Altshuler Distinguished Teaching Professor, served in 2012 as president of the Academy of Homiletics, the premier professional guild of teachers of preaching in colleges, universities and seminaries, primarily in North America, but with international

representation as well. She currently serves on the Homiletics and Biblical Studies Steering Committee for the Society of Biblical Literature. "Edgy Exegesis," McKenzie's online column on the weekly Gospel lectionary, garners more than 9,000 readers per month.

**Heidi A. Miller**, assistant professor of Christian Worship, has been appointed to the Editorial Board of *Doxology*, a peer-reviewed scholarly journal promoting the corporate worship of the church.

**Harold J. Recinos**, professor of Church and Society, has again earned standing as a world-class competitor in martial arts. After nine hours of competition in 20 events at the June 8, 2013, International Chinese Martial Arts Championship Worldwide Circuit in Denver, Colorado, Recinos earned eight gold and two silver medals, while capturing the Internal Forms Grand Champion title. Recinos has earned numerous medals and titles in martial arts competitions for several consecutive years.



(l-r) Dean William B. Lawrence, Carlos Cardoza-Orlandi, Jeannie Treviño-Teddle, Rebecca Payan, Arlene Sánchez Walsh, Hugo Magallanes, and Evelyn Parker, at a May 6, 2013, reception honoring Sánchez Walsh

**Arlene M. Sánchez Walsh**, a leading scholar in Pentecostal studies and associate professor of Church History at Azusa Pacific University, was 2012-2013 visiting scholar at the Center for the Study of Latino/a Christianity and Religions and a visiting professor at Perkins. Hugo Magallanes, director

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## TAMARA E. LEWIS JOINS PERKINS AS INSTRUCTOR IN CHURCH HISTORY

**The Rev. Tamara E. Lewis** joined the faculty of Perkins School of Theology as instructor in Church History effective August 1, 2013.

An ordained United Methodist minister and clergy member of the Tennessee Annual Conference, Rev. Lewis is scheduled to receive the Ph.D. at Vanderbilt University in Nashville in December 2013.

Rev. Lewis earned an M.A. in Church History in 2011, and the M.Div. in 2000, both from Vanderbilt. She earned an M.A. in English from Tennessee State University in 1999 and a B.A. in Political Science from the University of Central Arkansas in 1994.

Her groundbreaking research examines how theological beliefs shaped racial ideologies in late 16th- and 17th-century England. Rev. Lewis's dissertation, "To Wash a Blackamoor White: The Theological Construction of Race in Early Modern England," analyzes perspectives about theological anthropology and skin color differences in relation to England's burgeoning participation in the transatlantic human trade, slavery, and colonialism.

"Tamara Lewis is engaged in groundbreaking research, examining issues in church life in England on the eve of the renewal movement that John Wesley founded," said Perkins Dean William B. Lawrence. "After considering nearly 60 candidates for the position, she emerged as an extraordinarily promising young scholar who has a profound commitment to the church as we express it in Perkins' mission statement – to prepare women and men for faithful leadership in Christian ministry."

She was awarded departmental scholarships from 2006–2013 from the Vanderbilt University Graduate Department of Religion; was a participant and fellow in the Wabash Center Workshop on Teaching and Learning, March 2012; was named a dissertation fellow by The Fund for Theological Education; and was a Woman of Color Scholar – a program of The United Methodist Church's General Board of Higher Education and Ministry – from 2006–2011. In addition, she received the Bettye R. Ford Graduate Student Service Award from the Vanderbilt Graduate Department of Religion and Divinity in May 2009, and was awarded the Kelly Miller Smith Scholarship from 1998–2000 by Vanderbilt Divinity School.

Within the field of Church History, Rev. Lewis will teach foundational and advanced courses at Perkins School of Theology on the history of Christianity, with particular emphasis on the Reformation. In addition, she will teach in the M.A. and Ph.D. curriculum of the Graduate Program in Religious Studies at Southern Methodist University's Dedman College.

In reflecting on the addition of Rev. Lewis to the faculty at Perkins School of Theology and Southern Methodist University, Dean Lawrence added, "I look forward to introducing her not only to our students, alumni/ae, and friends, but also to the wider community." 🙏



Rev. Tamara E. Lewis



## DR. NATALIA MARANDIUC APPOINTED ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF CHRISTIAN THEOLOGY

**Dr. Natalia Marandiuc** has been named assistant professor of Christian Theology at Perkins School of Theology, effective July 1, 2013. A native of Romania, Dr. Marandiuc earned the Ph.D. in Religious Studies and Theology from Yale University in 2013. In addition, she earned the M.A. and M.Phil. degrees in 2009, the M.A. degree in Religion in 2004 – all from Yale – and a B.S. degree in Economics from Barry University in 1997.

Dr. Marandiuc will teach Christian theology courses in the various degree programs at Perkins School of Theology, in addition to teaching in the M.A. and Ph.D. curricula of the Graduate Program in Religious Studies at Southern Methodist University's Dedman College.

"Natalia Marandiuc is an outstanding scholar who is deeply committed to Perkins' mission of preparing women and men for faithful leadership in the church," said William B. Lawrence, dean of Perkins School of Theology. "Among the more than 150 applicants whom we considered for this position, Dr. Marandiuc proved to be an exceptional addition to our faculty."

She was recently awarded a Louisville Fellowship from the Louisville Institute's "Vocation of the Theological Educator" initiative. A program of the Lilly Endowment, the postdoctoral mentorship fellowship spans academic years 2013–2015. Part of the program will involve mentoring by two senior faculty members at Perkins.

Dr. Marandiuc's research interests include systematic and constructive theology, feminist theology and theory, theological anthropology and pneumatology, theologies of reconciliation and their relation to global church communities, faith and globalization

and human migration. Her Ph.D. dissertation at Yale was titled "The Goodness of Home: Love Attachments, Trinitarian Pneumatology, and the Making of the Self."

Her publications include "Human Will, Divine Grace, and Virtue – Jonathan Edwards Tangoes with Immanuel Kant," in *Jonathan Edwards and Scotland*, Kenneth P. Minkema & Adriaan C. Neele, editors; "Monasticism," and "Unitarians," in *Encyclopedia of Global Religion*, Wade Clark Roof & Mark Jurgensmeyer, editors; "Kant's View of the Church: An Intellectual Missionary, Yet an Impoverished Ecclesiology," in *Archaeus X* (2006); and "Studies on the Use of Information in Economics," in *Journal of the National Institute for Information and Documentation*, 2 (1993).

A lecturer in Systematic Theology at Yale Divinity School during the 2012–2013 academic year, Dr. Marandiuc was a Teaching Fellow at Yale from 2006–2012. In addition, she has presented papers to conferences including the American Academy of Religion Annual Meeting (2012, 2009); the Jonathan Edwards and Scotland Conference (2009); and the Sixth European Association for the Study of Religions Conference and Special Conference of the International Association for the History of Religions in Bucharest, Romania (2006).



Dr. Natalia Marandiuc

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of the Center for the Study of Latino/a Christianity and Religions and associate professor of Christianity and Cultures at Perkins School of Theology, affirmed the importance of Sánchez Walsh's time at Perkins. "Sánchez Walsh is one of only a few academic experts in Pentecostal studies," Magallanes notes, "and Pentecostalism is one of the fastest-growing Christian movements."

**Jeanne Stevenson-Moessner**, professor of Pastoral Care, has been appointed a member of the Theological Education Committee of the American Academy of Religion for a three-year term (2013–2016).

**Dr. Sze-Kar Wan**, professor of New Testament, was one of two Perkins professors awarded a Sam Taylor Fellowship in 2012 from the Division of Higher Education, United Methodist General Board of Higher Education and Ministry. Wan's award is for consultation with mainland Chinese scholars on political theology and their engagement with continental European philosophers.

**Paula Dobbs-Wiggins**, adjunct professor of the Practice of Pastoral Care, was recognized by the Faith & Philanthropy Institute as one of "twelve amazing women leaders that are trailblazers [who] have

committed their lives to selfless and authentic leadership." Dobbs-Wiggins was honored at a May 2, 2013, event in Dallas.



Paula Dobbs-Wiggins (seated, front row at right)

## RECENT FACULTY PUBLICATIONS

Publications by members of the Perkins faculty have been written or translated into several languages, including English, Spanish, Portuguese, and German. Among many recent books and articles by Perkins faculty members are the following, selected from items published within the past 18 months:

**Ted A. Campbell**, associate professor of Church History:  
 :: "John Wesley's Intimate Disconnections, 1756–1764." *Methodist History* 51:3 (April 2013), 185–200.  
 :: *United Methodist Doctrine: The Essentials*. Abingdon Press, second edition, 2012. Portuguese edition, 2011; Spanish edition, 2012.

**Jaime Clark-Soles**, associate professor of New Testament:  
 :: "Jesus Christ Superstar." Pages 140–45 in *Bible and Cinema: Fifty Key Films*, ed. Adele Reinhartz. Oxford, UK: Routledge, 2012.  
 :: "Afterlife, Judaism and Christianity." Pages 156–161 in *Wiley-Blackwell's Encyclopedia of Ancient History*, eds. Roger S. Bagnall, Kai Broderson, Craig B. Champion, Andrew Erskine, and Sabine R. Huebner. Wiley-Blackwell, 2012.

:: "Conversation: Helping Students Navigate Faith Challenges in the Biblical Studies Classroom." *Teaching Theology and Religion* 15, no. 4 (October, 2012): 357–371.  
 :: "Mark 10:46-52: The Wizard Is In – or Is He?" *The Huffington Post*. Oct. 10, 2012.  
 :: "Christ the King: John 18:33–37." *Workingpreacher.org*, the Center for Biblical Preaching at Luther Seminary. Nov. 25, 2012.  
 :: "All Saints Day: John 11:32–44." *Workingpreacher.org*, the Center for Biblical Preaching at Luther Seminary. Nov. 4, 2012.  
 :: "Reformation Sunday: John 8:31–36." *Workingpreacher.org*, the Center for Biblical Preaching at Luther Seminary. Oct. 28, 2012.  
 :: "Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost: John 6:56–69." *Workingpreacher.org*, the Center for Biblical Preaching at Luther Seminary. August 26, 2012.

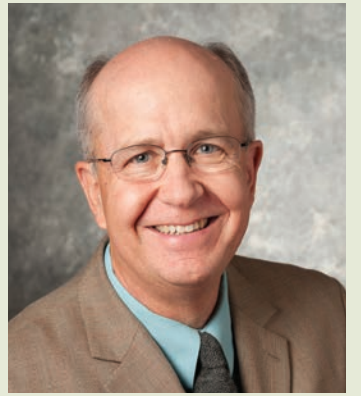
**C. Michael Hawn**, University Distinguished Professor of Church Music and director of the Master of Sacred Music Program:  
 :: *New Songs of Celebration Render: Congregational Song in the Twenty-first Century*. GIA Publications, Inc., 2013.

**Hugo Magallanes**, director of the Center for Latino/a Christianity and Religions; associate professor of Christianity and Cultures:  
 :: *Acción Social: El Pueblo Cristiano Testifica del Amor de Dios (Social Action: The Community of Believers Offers a Witness of God's Love)*. Abingdon Press, 2012.

**Alyce M. McKenzie**, George W. and Nell Ayers Le Van Professor of Preaching and Worship and Altshuler Distinguished Teaching Professor:  
 :: *What Not to Say: Avoiding the Common Mistakes that Can Sink Your Sermon*. Co-authored with John C. Holbert. Westminster John Knox Press, 2012.  
 :: *Parental Discretion Advised: Preaching to Adults from the Old Testament*. Co-edited, with Charles Aaron, Chalice Press, 2013.

**Harold J. Recinos**, professor of Church and Society:  
 :: Harold J. Recinos, ed. *Wading Through Many Voices: Toward A Theology of Public Conversation*. Rowman and Littlefield, 2011.  
 :: "John Wesley," in Miguel de la Torre and Stacy Floyd-Thomas, eds. *Beyond the Pale: Reading Christian Theology from the Margins*, Westminster John Knox, 2011.

**Joerg Rieger**, Wendland-Cook Endowed Professor of Constructive Theology:  
**Books, Authored:**  
 :: *Occupy Religion: Theology of the Multitude*. Theology in the Modern World Series. Co-authored with Kwok Pui-lan. Rowman and Littlefield Publishers, 2012.  
 :: *Traveling: Christian Explorations of Daily Living*. Minneapolis: Fortress Press, 2011.  
 :: *Grace under Pressure: Negotiating the Heart of the Methodist Traditions*. Nashville: United Methodist General Board of Higher Education and Ministry, 2011.



Dr. Robert Hunt

## FAITH CALLS: EVANGELISM AND MISSIONAL CHURCH STUDIES

**Robert A. Hunt** has been named director of **The Center for Evangelism and Missional Church Studies**. Dr. Hunt, professor of Christian Mission and Interreligious Relations, will continue his role as director of Global Theological Education.

Formerly The Center for Missional Wisdom, The Center for Evangelism and Missional Church Studies joins with congregations and church leaders to understand the unique challenges they face in sharing the gospel, as well as to cultivate new and relevant forms of witness both locally and internationally. Through lecture series, workshops, the creation of curriculum resources, and focused study groups, the Center is dedicated to working with God's church to share the Gospel with the world.

The Center seeks partnerships with local churches, clergy, denominational leaders, and non-profit foundations to better equip pastors and churches to carry out Christ's mission. For more information, contact Dr. Hunt, roberth@smu.edu or 214-768-1374.

## THE WALK

*we came this way before  
afraid of the dark, looking up  
at the stars that know nothing  
of what lies ahead, or a world  
in need of heaven, or the cries  
on all the corners, or the need*

*to make truth out of all the  
faulty things that make our  
trembling self. we came this  
way before frightened by the  
falling spray of tears left by  
people wildly against the sharp*

*voices quarreling on the sidewalk  
and dragging us into empty pits.  
we came this way before hoping  
to find light lingering some place  
not yet seen and drawing us over  
to it*

h.j.Recinos –  
from *Voices on the Corner*  
(poetry manuscript)

:: Portuguese translation: Graça sob Pressão: *Negociando o Coração das Tradições Metodistas* (by Felipe Maia). São Bernardo do Campo: Editeo, 2012.

### Books, Edited:

:: *Across Borders: Latin Perspectives in the Americas Reshaping Religion, Theology, and Life*. Editor. Lexington Books, 2013.

### Articles:

:: “Crossing Borders in the Postcolonial Empire: On Deep Solidarity in the Americas.” Introduction to an edited volume titled: *Across Borders: Latin Perspectives in the Americas Reshaping Religion, Theology, and Life*. Ed. Joerg Rieger. Lexington Books, 2013.

:: “Celebrating Diversity is Not What It’s All About: A Progressive White Male German American Theologian Speaks.” In: *God Loves Diversity and Justice: Progressive Scholars Speak About Faith, Politics, and the World*. Ed. Susanne Scholz. Lexington Books, 2013. Pp. 115–128.

:: “Christianity, Capitalism, and Desire: Can Religion Still Make a Difference?” *Union Seminary Quarterly Review* 64:1 (2013). Pp. 1–13.

:: “Reclaiming the Relation of Religion, Politics, and Economics.” In: *Godly Heretics: Essays on Alternative Christianity in Literature and*

*Popular Culture*. Ed. Marc DiPaolo. McFarland Publishers, 2013. Pp. 239–253.

:: “The Turning of the Tide: Theology, Religion, and Economics.” *Dialog: A Journal of Theology* 52:1 (Spring 2013). Pp. 29–36.

:: “Methodism and Liberation Theology.” In: *Ashgate Research Companion to World Methodism*, Ashgate Methodist Studies, ed. William Gibson, Peter Forsaith, and Martin Wellings (Ashgate, 2013). Pp. 175–198.

:: “Remember the Poor.” In: *Courage to Think Differently*. Edited by George S. Johnson. Adventure Publications, 2013. Pp. 143–147.

:: “Theology, Development and Liberation: New Challenges in a Globalizing World.” In: *Living on the Edge: Essays in Honour of Steve de Gruchy, Activist and Theologian*. Edited by James R. Cochrane, Elias Bongmba, Isabel Phiri, and Des van der Water. Pietermaritzburg, South Africa: Cluster Publications, 2012. Pp. 170–187.

:: “Klassenkampf und Religion: Karl Barth, Sabine Plonz und aktuelle Alternativen zur bürgerlichen Theologie.” *Das Argument* 299:5 (2012), 699–707.

:: “Power or Glory?” *Aeon Magazine* (December 7, 2012).

:: “Power and Empire in the Study of

Nineteenth-Century Theology: The Case of Schleiermacher.” In: *Papers of the Nineteenth-Century Theology Group*. Edited by James Swan Tuite and Todd Gooch. Wipf&Stock Publishers, 2012. Pp. 102–121.

:: “Being a Christian in a ‘Christian Country’: Theological Reflections.” In: *Between Capital and Cathedral: Essays on Church-State Relationships*. Ed. Wessel Bentley and Dion A. Foster. Pretoria: Research Institute for Theology and Religion, University of South Africa, 2012. Pp. 21–39.

:: “Theologie und die Macht der Ränder in einer postmodernen Welt.” *Interkulturelle Theologie* 38:1–2 (2012).

:: “Grace under Pressure: On What Really Matters in the Church.” *Wesleyan Theological Journal* 47:1 (Spring 2012). Pp. 37–44.

:: With Alyce M. McKenzie, “Proper 21–26 [26–31],” In *Abingdon Theological Commentary to the Lectionary: Preaching Year C*. Edited by Paul Scott Wilson. Abingdon Press, 2012. Pp. 239–74.

:: “Post-Colonial Challenges: Introduction.” In: *An Eerdmans Reader in Contemporary Political Theology*. Edited by William T. Cavanaugh, Jeff Bailey, and Craig Hovey. William B. Eerdmans Publishing Company, 2012. Pp. 475–481.

:: “Occupy Wall Street and Everything Else: Lessons for the Study and Praxis of Religion.” *Peace Studies Journal* 5:1 (January 2012). Pp. 33–45.

**Susanne Scholz**, associate professor of Old Testament:

:: *Feminist Interpretation of the Hebrew Bible in Retrospect: Biblical Books* (Volume 1). Editor. Sheffield Phoenix Press, 2013.

:: *God Loves Diversity and Justice: Progressive Scholars Speak about Faith, Politics, and the World*. Editor. Lexington Books, 2013.

:: “Feminist Biblical Interpretation.” Co-authored with Shelly Matthews. In *Oxford Encyclopedia of Biblical Interpretation*, ed. Steven L. McKenzie. New York: Oxford University Press, 2013.

:: *Sacred Witness: Rape in the Hebrew Bible*. Fortress, 2010.

:: “Judges.” In *The Women’s Bible Commentary*. New Edition, ed. Sharon Ringe, Carol Newsom, Jacqueline Lapsley,



The Scott Hawkins Lecture in Prothro Hall

## PERKINS HOSTS ANNUAL SCOTT HAWKINS LECTURE

Ted A. Campbell,  
Associate Professor  
of Church History

Can the Bible be used to support revolution? How about the American Revolution? On April 10, 2013, Vanderbilt University scholar James P. Byrd offered a lecture at Perkins titled “Sacred Scripture: Sacred War,” examining uses of the Bible in the American Revolution. Byrd pointed out that British clergy – like John Wesley – were utilizing biblical texts advocating obedience to established authorities as arguments



James P. Byrd

against the revolutionaries. American patriots utilized biblical passages questioning the institution of kingship or generally denouncing tyranny to make their case. The American patriots also enlisted biblical passages on “liberty” in their cause. Someone should have tipped Byrd off to the fact that SMU’s motto is *veritas liberabit vos*: “The truth will make you free.” The lecture was sponsored under the auspices of Dedman College and the Religious Studies Department at SMU as the annual Scott Hawkins Lecture. Perkins co-sponsored the event and served as host, welcoming a large crowd of auditors into Prothro Hall. 📖

113–127. Westminster John Knox, 2012.

:: “Occupy Academic Bible Teaching: The Architecture of Educational Power and the Biblical Studies Curriculum.” In *Teaching the Bible in the Liberal Arts Context*. Ed. Jane S. Webster and Glenn S. Holland, 28–43. Sheffield, UK: Sheffield Academic Press, 2012.

**Theodore Walker, Jr.**, associate professor of Ethics and Society:

:: The Liberating Role of Astronomy In an Old Farmer’s Almanac: David Rittenhouse’s ‘Useful Knowledge’ and a Benjamin Banneker Almanac for 1792,” and “‘The Relation of Biology to Astronomy’ and Theology: Panspermia and Panentheism; Revolutionary Convergences Advanced by Fred Hoyle and Chandra Wickramasinghe,” in *Journal of Cosmology*, vol. 19 (June 2012).



A list of additional selected faculty publications is available via a link at [www.smu.edu/Perkins/FacultyAcademics/DirectoryListTeachArea](http://www.smu.edu/Perkins/FacultyAcademics/DirectoryListTeachArea). 📖



## SMU CELEBRATES CAREER OF RENOWNED CHRISTIAN ETHICIST AND PROFESSOR ROBIN W. LOVIN



Robin W. Lovin

SMU’s Cary M. Maguire Center for Ethics & Public Responsibility hosted “A Celebration of Ethics” luncheon January 24, 2013, in honor of **Robin W. Lovin**, one of the nation’s foremost Christian ethicists. The event was held in the Great Hall of Perkins School of Theology’s Elizabeth Perkins Prothro Hall.

Lovin was honored on the occasion of his retirement as Cary M. Maguire University Professor of Ethics, a position that allowed him to write and teach about moral theology across different disciplines since 2001. Previously he served eight years as dean of Perkins School of Theology, immediately preceding current Perkins Dean William B. Lawrence.

An ordained minister in The United Methodist Church, Lovin is past president of the Society of Christian Ethics and a former Guggenheim Fellow. He is the author of numerous books and papers, including most recently *An Introduction to Christian Ethics: Goals,*

*Duties, and Virtues* (2011), *Christian Realism and the New Realities* (2008), and *Christian Ethics: An Essential Guide* (1999).

“Robin is one of those people who inspires you to probe your own assumptions and values to determine if you’ve set them appropriately high,” says Maguire Ethics Center Director Rita Kirk. “He can discuss Reinhold Niebuhr with one class and deftly analyze racial justice issues for a media interview moments later,” she adds. “His studies of ethics are as intellectual as they are practical, which is why students have been drawn to him since he arrived here in 1994.”

Prior to joining SMU, Lovin was dean of Drew University Theological School in Madison, New Jersey. He also has held faculty positions at the Divinity School of the University of Chicago and Candler School of Theology at Emory University in Atlanta.

The Illinois native holds a B.A. in philosophy from Northwestern University as well as a graduate degree in Divinity and Ph.D. in Religious Ethics from Harvard University.

To see the original SMU announcement: [www.smu.edu/News/2013/robin-lovin-retires-24jan2013](http://www.smu.edu/News/2013/robin-lovin-retires-24jan2013). 📖

## DR. EVELYN L. PARKER NAMED ASSOCIATE DEAN FOR ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

**Evelyn L. Parker**, professor of Practical Theology, has been named associate dean for Academic Affairs, effective June 1, 2013. Additionally, Dr. Parker was promoted from associate professor to full professor in May 2013. She succeeds Dr. Richard D. Nelson, W. J. A. Power Professor of Biblical Hebrew and Old Testament Interpretation, who served as associate dean for Academic Affairs from 2008-2013.

“I am excited about God’s call to extend my service at Perkins as associate dean for Academic Affairs,” Dr. Parker says. “I believe my vocation as a theological educator will be enhanced by the opportunity to share my gifts in this way on behalf of students, faculty, and staff at Perkins.”

In announcing her appointment, Dean William B. Lawrence praised Dr. Parker’s qualifications and experience: “She will bring a superb array of gifts to this office in helping us to fulfill our school’s mission of preparing women and men for faithful leadership in Christian ministry. Evelyn’s research interests in the multiple areas of Practical Theology, her innovative work as a teacher, her creativity in helping cast the vision for our programs in theological education of youth, her ecumenical commitments emerging from her membership in the Christian Methodist Episcopal Church, and her global involvements including but not limited to her service as member of the Central Committee of the World Council of Churches, demonstrate that she will ably fulfill this vital office.”

An alumna of Perkins, Dr. Parker returned to join the faculty in 1998. She received her Bachelor of Science from Lambuth College, Jackson, Tennessee (1974) and the Master of Science from Prairie View A&M University (1983). Upon receiving her M.S., she served as a research scientist in the Department of Human Biological Chemistry and Genetics at the University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston. After attending the annual two-week Christian Educators Seminar at Perkins School of Theology from 1986 until 1989 and receiving a Certificate as an Associate in Christian Education in June 1989, Parker felt called to further study in theological education. In the fall of 1989, she began her transition from a vocation in biological research to educational ministry as a full-time student at Perkins. She earned the Master of Religious Education degree in 1991, and in 1996 graduated with the Ph.D. from the Joint Program of Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary/Northwestern University in Religious and Theological Studies, with an interdisciplinary emphasis in Christian Education, Womanist Approaches to Religion and Society, and Human Development and Public Policy. While at Garrett Seminary/Northwestern University, she was a Fund for Theological Education Black Doctoral Scholar from 1993–1995.

Dr. Parker is the editor of *The Sacred Selves of Adolescent Girls: Hard Stories of Race, Class, and Gender* (Pilgrim Press, 2006) and *Trouble Don’t Last Always: Emancipatory Hope Among African American Adolescents* (Pilgrim Press, 2003); and co-author of *In Search of Wisdom: Faith Formation in the Black Church* (Abingdon, 2002). Additionally, she has published several chapters and journal articles on adolescent spirituality. Her forthcoming book with Cascade Books is titled *Just Between Sisters: Emancipatory Hope Out of Tragic Relationships*.

She is an active member of the American Academy of Religion, Association of Practical Theology, International Academy of Practical Theology, and Religious Education Association, where she has chaired groups, presented papers, coordinated segments of consultations and convened sessions. She served on the Board of Advisors for the Princeton Theological Seminary Institute for Youth Ministry from 1995 to 2003.

A native of Hattiesburg, Mississippi, Dr. Parker grew up in the Christian Methodist Episcopal Church (CME). She has served the CME church as a local and district director of Christian Education. She represented the CME Church on the World Council of Churches (WCC) Faith and Order Plenary Commission from 1996 to 2006. During the WCC Ninth Assembly in 2006 she was elected to the Central Committee, where she serves as co-secretary/reporter for the Nominations Committee. Additionally, she is a member of the 10th Assembly Planning Committee that will be held in Busan, South Korea in 2013. During the 10th Assembly she will serve as a Bible study leader and secretary for the unity statement subcommittee of the Policy Reference Committee. She is an active member of Kirkwood Temple C.M.E. Church in Dallas, Texas, where she serves as Christian Education Coordinator. 📖



Dr. Evelyn L. Parker

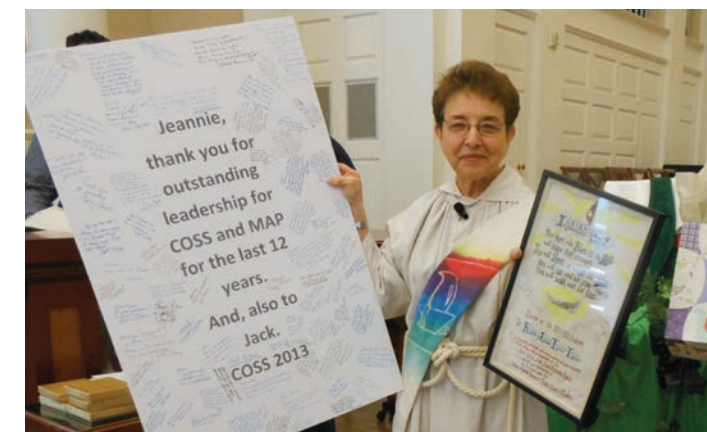
## JEANNIE TREVIÑO-TEDDLIE TO RETIRE DECEMBER 2013

**Jeannie Treviño-Teddle** had to be convinced to move from her ministry in the Central Texas Conference to a full-time position at Perkins School of Theology in July 2002. “Ed Sylvest had asked me to apply sometime earlier,” she recalls. Then Dean Robin Lovin, and Marjorie Procter-Smith, who was associate dean for Academic Affairs at that time, came to Fort Worth to talk with me over lunch.” Advice from other mentors, including David Maldonado – who also served at Perkins for a number of years, played an important role as well. But in the end, it was her sense of God’s call that persuaded her to redirect her area of service as a General Board of Global Ministries Commissioned Missionary for Hispanic Ministries in the Central Texas Conference to fulfill dual responsibilities at Perkins: director of the Mexican American Program and co-director (and starting in 2006, director) of the Regional United Methodist Course of Study School. It is a decision she has never regretted.

When asked about favorite experiences in her career at Perkins, Jeannie does not hesitate. The best part, she explains, is “Working with students as a faculty advisor in the Hispanic Studies Certificate Program – seeing them grow and watching as they apply methodologies learned in the classroom into their ministries in the field.” She also finds special joy in visits from returning graduates who share about their ministry settings.

Her most difficult experience during her time at Perkins was a personal one – being diagnosed with breast cancer in early 2010. She remains grateful for colleagues like the Rev. Gary MacDonald who offered additional assistance during her treatments and recuperation through the summer month of Course of Study. Jeannie is thankful to have remained cancer-free since completing medical treatments in summer 2010.

Treviño-Teddle earned her B.A. in Spanish with a minor in French along with a Secondary Teaching Certificate from North Texas State University (now University of North Texas), in Denton, Texas. She later pursued graduate studies at the University of Texas at Arlington, earning a Master’s in Social Work. Upon graduation, she



Rev. Jeannie Treviño-Teddle honored at concluding 2013 Course of Study School chapel service

worked with United Community Centers, a United Methodist agency in Fort Worth, before becoming executive director of the UMC’s Metropolitan Board of Missions in Fort Worth.

It was in 1994, after devoting a number of years to being “a full-time mom,” that Jeannie accepted a position in the Central Texas Conference as part of the National Plan for Hispanic Ministry, where she served until coming to Perkins.

Treviño-Teddle was consecrated a diaconal minister in the Central Texas Conference in June 1983, and ordained deacon in full connection in 1997. She was first elected as a delegate to General Conference in 1992, and has continued to serve as a delegate to Jurisdictional and/or General Conferences in each subsequent quadrennial. Her publications include *Pentecost Journey: A Planning Guide for Hispanic Ministries* (Nashville, TN: Discipleship Resources, 1999).

Jeannie has been married to Jack Treviño-Teddle for 47 years. They have one adult son, Joel, who resides in California. Following her retirement, Jeannie looks forward to some leisure time before taking on whatever additional ministry opportunities the future may bring. 📖



Dr. David Ramirez delivers the Craven Wilson Lectures at Perkins

## CRAVEN WILSON LECTURES

**Dr. David Ramirez**, assistant faculty, Latina/o Studies, Department of American Culture, University of Michigan, was keynote speaker for the 2012 Craven Wilson Lectures, October 8, 2012. Dr. Ramirez presented two lectures on “The Role of the Holy Spirit in Mission and Evangelism.”

The purpose of the Craven Wilson Evangelism Lectures is to bring leaders from across the church in the field of evangelism to Perkins and the Dallas area. The lectures are possible because of an endowed gift by Evie Jo Wilson of St. Paul’s United Methodist Church in Houston. Mrs. Wilson has long been noted for her support of higher education and the church. She is a recipient of the Southern Methodist University Distinguished Alumni Award. 📖



# FAITH CALLS: GLOBAL IMMERSIONS



The Perkins Global Theological Education Program prepares Christian leaders for complex cultural experiences through seminars and significant immersion experiences in other cultures. Students learn to build intercultural relationships, resolve cultural conflicts, and guide intercultural ventures.



Some students and faculty members participating in Perkins Immersion Courses began posting blogs on the SMU website in 2013. More information and a link to the blogs is available at [www.smu.edu/Perkins/FacultyAcademics/Global/Perkins\\_Immersion\\_Blogs](http://www.smu.edu/Perkins/FacultyAcademics/Global/Perkins_Immersion_Blogs).

Alumni/ae and friends are welcome to participate in Perkins Immersion Courses as auditors. Upcoming immersions include:

### January 2014

- December 29, 2013 through January 14, 2014 – Palestine-Israel Immersion: Dr. Robert Hunt

### Spring Break 2014

- El Salvador Immersion: Dr. Hal Recinos
- Venezuela Immersion: Dr. Carlos Cardoza-Orlandi

### Summer 2014

- May 19 through June 2 – India: Dr. Suzanne Johnson and Dr. Susanne Scholz
- Korea: Dr. Ted Campbell
- Oklahoma Indian Conference: Dr. Elaine Heath

### January 2015

- Latin America: Dr. Carlos Cardoza-Orlandi
- North India: Dr. Szekar Wan

For more information about Global Theological Education and immersion experiences, visit [www.smu.edu/Perkins/FacultyAcademics/Global/Perkins\\_Immersion\\_Blogs](http://www.smu.edu/Perkins/FacultyAcademics/Global/Perkins_Immersion_Blogs).



Children in the Rosa Blanca School, El Salvador



Dr. Carlos Cardoza Orlandi, Cuba

## EXCERPTS FROM RECENT IMMERSION COURSE BLOGS:

Participants in the **South Africa** immersion course (May 31-June 17, 2013) gained insights into Christian hope in the region by exploring political, economic, sexual, racial, and gender-complex experiences of the people of South Africa, and by participating in varieties of church and community-based ministries in Cape Town and Durban. This course was led by Dr. Evelyn L. Parker, associate dean for Academic Affairs and professor of Practical Theology.

*The most emotional tour for me was the visit to Robben Island. I had not realized that it was also a whole community and not just a prison. The place was cold, hard, echo-layered and haunting. The very thought of Nelson Mandela surviving 27 years of imprisonment there was almost unbelievable. You could sense the evil and the hatred with each step taken. Yet, in spite of this – and upon his release from prison – Mandela called for reconciliation and forgiveness. This truly exemplified the teaching of Jesus Christ.*

– Georgia Barrett, Perkins Student



Nelson Mandela's Cell, Robben Island



Remains of Spiral Staircase, Cluny (2013)

Perkins students studying in **Taizé, France** (May 20-June 4, 2013), visited sacred sites such as the Taizé community, Notre Dame, Cluny, and Chartres, with attention to the sites' rich contributions to Christian worship and music. This immersion course was led by C. Michael Hawn, University Distinguished Professor of Church Music and director of the Perkins Master of Sacred Music Program, and Heidi Miller, assistant professor of Christian Worship.

*While the actions [of the revolutionary mob during the suppression of 1790] may have been short-sighted, any group that has killed the king and the aristocracy, and hopes to maintain power, needs to take steps to protect that power. Given the church's position on the divine right of kings, the revolutionaries undoubtedly destroyed the abbey in part for self preservation. But how sad it is to see this once powerful center of academia and church reform in ruins! Nevertheless, we were able to explore the interior portions of the remains.*

– Rebecca Guldi Tankersley, Perkins Student

## SEVEN STUDENTS RECEIVE PASTORAL CARE CERTIFICATES

On Monday, April 22, seven students celebrated the successful completion of their oral examinations, the last requirement of the Pastoral Care Certificate program at Perkins. Drs. Paula Dobbs-Wiggins and Jeanne Stevenson-Moessner passed the “mantle of pastoral leadership” stoles to Katelyn Melcher, Leslie Stewart, Janet Pearson, Martha Valencia, Jennifer Smith, Daniel Thueson, and Jerryd Wallace. The personalized stoles were made by certificate recipient Shirley Champion. Former certificate recipients gave charges, as friends and family members along with Clinical Pastoral Education supervisors and mentors gathered in Kirby Parlor to share the joy of these gifted students.

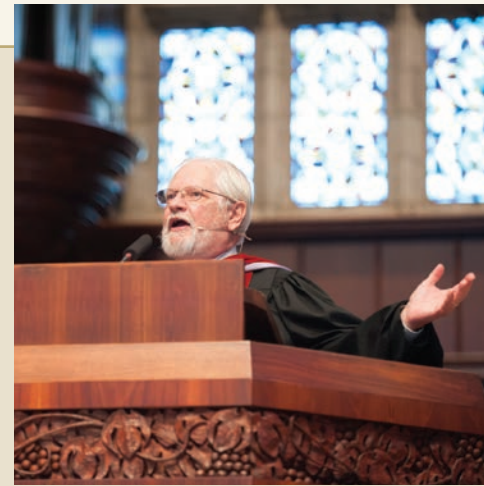
For more information about the Pastoral Care Certificate program, contact Dr. Jeanne Stevenson-Moessner, professor of Pastoral Care, 214-768-2433, [jmoessne@smu.edu](mailto:jmoessne@smu.edu).



(l-r): Katelyn Melcher, Leslie Stewart, Janet Pearson, Martha Valencia, Jennifer Smith, Daniel Thueson, and Jerryd Wallace

# CELEBRATION OF THE DEGREES AND ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENTS

MAY 18, 2013 • HIGHLAND PARK UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



## AWARDS PRESENTED MAY 18, 2013

**The Charles C. Selecman Award in New Testament Greek: Rebecca Tankersley**  
Given to the student who ranks highest in New Testament Greek scholarship.

**The Charley T. and Jesse James Bible Awards: Melissa Collier, Elaine Culver, Reagan Lunn**  
Awarded to three students on the basis of academic achievement in biblical courses and overall scholastic performance.

**The W.B.J. Martin Award in Homiletics: Benjamin Rigsby, Brenda Wideman**  
Given in recognition of the most outstanding students in the introductory preaching classes.

**The W. B. DeJernett Award in Homiletics: Grant Barnes**  
Given to a senior student with the highest academic average in courses in homiletics.

**The Paul W. Quillian Award in Homiletics: Carrie Leader, Ramsey Patton**  
Given to the student who has presented the best-written sermon.

**The William K. McElvaney Preaching Award: Todd Cooper, Eric Pugh**  
Given to a student who has presented the best written sermon on a public issue, which includes a social crisis, a controversial issue, or a chronic social problem.

**The Robert Weatherford Prize for Internship Preaching: Billie Watts**  
Established to honor the distinguished service of Robert Weatherford to the United Methodist Foundation and given to a Master of Divinity student for excellence in preaching during internship.

**The Bert Affleck Award: Mirabel Vasquez**  
Given to a student for creativity in ministry during Internship.

**The Jerry W. Hobbs Award in Worship: JoAnne Pounds**  
Established in memory of United Methodist layman Jerry Hobbs, and awarded to a student who has demonstrated academic excellence in worship combined with personal commitment to the worship life of the Perkins community during his or her time here.

**The Fellowship Seminarian Award: Rebecca Garrett**  
Established by The Fellowship of United Methodists in Music and Worship Arts and given to a graduating seminary student who displays outstanding leadership in music and/or worship arts including, but not limited to, dance, drama, fabric art, and liturgical writing. Presented in 2013 by Joe Stobaugh, M.S.M.'03, president of the Fellowship of United Methodist Musicians and Worship Arts.

**The Jane Marshall Award for Outstanding Scholarship and Leadership in Christian Worship: Kelly Anderson**  
Funded by a gift from Jane and Elbert Marshall, and given to a Master of Divinity or Master of Theological Studies student who has demonstrated excellence in the study and practice of Christian liturgy and worship.

**The Hoyt Hickman Award for Outstanding Liturgical Scholarship and Practice: Grant Barnes**  
Awarded by The Order of St. Luke to the graduating student who has demonstrated quality scholarship in the study of liturgy and is an effective leader of Christian worship.

**The Master of Sacred Music Award: Lisa Hancock, Christopher Hoyt**  
Given to senior M.S.M. students who rank highest in scholarship and service to the community.

**The Roger Deschner Prize in Sacred Music: Lindsay Smith**  
Established in memory of Roger Deschner, long-time professor of Sacred Music at Perkins, and given to continuing M.S.M. students who excel in academic work, musical abilities, and overall achievement in the M.S.M. program.

**The Albert C. Outler Award in Theology: Ernest Bryson**  
Awarded to the students contributing the most outstanding essays in theology during the academic year.

**The Phillip Schaff Prize in Church History: Jane Lenz Elder**  
Endowed by Klaus Penzel and given to students who have demonstrated excellence in the historical study of Christianity, while participating in courses in church history. It is named after the founder of the American Society of Church History.

**The Karis Stahl Fadely Award: Emily Everett, Billie Watts**  
Presented to students who exhibit the qualities which were exemplified by Karis Fadely: commitment to Jesus Christ and to the total ministry and mission of the Church; responsibility in assigned tasks; ability to excel in a wide range of ministerial functions; and use and management of time.

**The B'nai B'rith Award in Social Ethics: Regina Franklin-Basye, Brandon Lazarus, Martha Valencia**  
Given by the Harold M. Kaufman Memorial Foundation to students on the basis of scholarly competence in the field of Social Ethics and personal commitment as shown in voluntary activity in support of worthy social causes.

**The Dr. and Mrs. Glenn Flinn Senior Award: Emily Everett**  
Given to that member of the graduating class who, in the judgment of the faculty, best exemplifies the aims of the school and the church for its ministry.



## “WALK AND ROLL” PRAYER SERVICE

Weekly worship services in Perkins Chapel went out of the box Wednesday, March 7, 2013, with a special “Walk and Roll Prayer Service” organized and led by Perkins students JoAnne Pounds and Kelly Anderson.



After beginning in Perkins Chapel with opening prayers, participants walked to three sites on campus – the Meadows School, the University Health Center, and the Cox School, reading scriptures and offering prayers at each site before returning to the chapel. The festive group sang between stations, led by C. Michael Hawn, University Distinguished Professor of Church Music and director of the M.S.M. program, and by Rebecca Garrett and Lisa Hancock, senior M.S.M. students.

Kelly Anderson led the way in her scooter, while Dean William B. Lawrence brought up the rearguard. In between were faculty members and students, as well as one young participant – approximately 18 months of age – who rolled along in a baby carriage.

According to Mark W. Stamm, professor of Christian Worship at Perkins, the idea was well received. “I’m told that when JoAnne and Kelly went to the campus police department, the officer asked if we were coming to pray for them, and seemed disappointed when told that this route couldn’t accommodate them,” Stamm said.



For more information, including a brief video clip: [http://www.smu.edu/Perkins/News/News\\_Archives/Archives%202013/WalkNRoll](http://www.smu.edu/Perkins/News/News_Archives/Archives%202013/WalkNRoll).

## STAFF NEWS

### PERSPECTIVE WELCOMES NEW EDITOR/DIRECTOR



Connie L. Nelson

With this Summer 2013 issue of *Perspective*, we welcome a new editor, the Rev. **Connie L. Nelson (M.Th.’84)**. Connie joined the professional staff of Perkins as director of Public Affairs and Alumni/ae Relations in August 2012, succeeding Roberta Cox, who was editor of *Perspective* and Director of Public Affairs at Perkins from 1985–2012.

“Connie’s professional experience, augmented by her commitment to Perkins as an alumna and her knowledge of the connection as an elder in The United Methodist Church, ideally suits her for this key position,” said Dean William B. Lawrence upon welcoming Connie. “She was selected following a nationwide search that included consideration of more than 100 applicants, and we are pleased and delighted that she has joined us.”

Connie came to Perkins from The Carter Center in Atlanta, Georgia, where she served for ten years as assistant director of the Office of Public Information. Previously, she was executive secretary for Communications and Training in the Mission Personnel Program Unit within the General Board of Global Ministries of The United Methodist Church.

A native of Dimmitt, Texas, Connie earned a Bachelor’s degree in Journalism at The University of Texas at Austin before graduating from Perkins School of Theology in 1984. She held pastoral appointments in the Northwest Texas Annual Conference and in the British Methodist Church in Leeds, West Yorkshire. She was ordained an elder in 1988 in the Northwest Texas Conference. In August 2013, she was received by transfer of her clergy membership as an elder in full connection of the North Texas Conference, appointed by Bishop Mike McKee to Perkins School of Theology as an extension minister.

“It is a joy to introduce her to the Perkins community through this issue of *Perspective*,” said Dean Lawrence. “She is completing her first year of outstanding service and leadership as our director of Public Affairs and Alumni/ae Relations. We look forward to great things in the year to come.”

To extend a welcome and share feedback, contact Connie at 214-786-2335, [clnelson@smu.edu](mailto:clnelson@smu.edu).

### THREE BRIDWELL STAFF MEMBERS RECEIVE SMU LIBRARY STAFF RECOGNITION AWARDS

Three staff members of Bridwell Library were presented SMU Library Staff Recognition Awards at a May 6, 2013, ceremony. These awards are a recognition by their peers of the exceptional work library staff are doing across the campus.



Tim Binkley

#### Tim Binkley (Archivist)

Tim received the award for Outstanding Achievement. This is presented to a librarian or professional library staff member who has contributed significantly to the SMU community or to the information professions through personal service, leadership, scholarship, or involvement in professional associations.



Lara Corazalla

#### Lara Corazalla (Periodicals and Electronic Resources Librarian)

Lara was recognized, along with nine

other persons, for service on the Electronic Resources Management Task Force. This task force was formed to evaluate currently available Electronic Resources Management Systems (ERMs) with the goal of finding the best system to enhance the management of SMU’s electronic resources.



Rebecca Howdeshell

#### Rebecca Howdeshell (Digital Projects Librarian)

Rebecca received the award for Effective Use of Information Technology. This award is given periodically to a library staff member who has developed and/or implemented an effective use of information technology that enhances library services and/or operations.



Christina Adamson

**Christina Adamson** joined the Perkins staff as advancement associate in the Perkins office of Development and External Affairs in December 2013. She follows Amanda Barbour, who transferred to a different position at SMU. Christina is a graduate of Dallas Baptist University with an honors degree in Kinesiology and minor in Business Studies. She was the 2011 Player of the Year for the DBU Lady Patriots Volleyball Team. Christina’s husband currently is working on his Juris Doctorate degree at Dedman School of Law at SMU. “Christina is a wonderful new addition to our Perkins family,” says Todd Rasberry, director of Development.



Jane Lenz Elder

**Jane Lenz Elder**, reference librarian at Bridwell Library, graduated *summa cum laude* from Perkins in May 2013 with the M.T.S.

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degree. In addition to receiving her Master's degree, she was awarded The Phillip Schaff Prize in Church History, which is "given to students who have demonstrated excellence in the historical study of Christianity, while participating in courses in church history."



Joseph Monroy

**Joseph Monroy** joined the Perkins community in December 2012 as assistant to the associate dean for Academic Affairs. Joe has worked in similar support positions at Brookhaven College for many years and joins us with a wide range of experience and skills. Joe succeeds Stephanie Carroll, who left her position due to a move out of state.



Rebecca Payan

**Rebecca Payan**, assistant director of the United Methodist Regional Course of Study School, graduated December 2012 with a Masters in Dispute Resolution from SMU. She previously earned the Master of Liberal Arts degree from SMU in May 2006.

**David E. Schmersal** joined the Bridwell Library staff in April 2013 as Reference and Digital Services Librarian. David has a B.A. in Biblical Studies from Trinity Bible College (Ellendale, North Dakota), an M.A. in Christian Studies from Regent College (Vancouver, British Columbia), and an M.A. in Information



David Schmersal

Resources and Library Science from the University of Arizona (Tucson, Arizona). He worked as a library assistant for four years at the Regent College Library and was teaching assistant for an Introductory New Testament Greek course at Regent. For the two years preceding his position at Perkins, he was a librarian with the Pima County Public Library in Tucson, where one of his responsibilities was to work with community organizations providing literacy instruction and serving refugees. David succeeds Christine Willard, who left her position in November 2012 to pursue other professional opportunities.

## TWENTY-ONE PERKINS STUDENTS RECEIVE "DOLLARS FOR SCHOLARS" AWARDS

Twenty-one new and returning Perkins students have been selected for the Dollars for Scholars program through the United Methodist Higher Education Foundation. This means that each student's local church gave \$1,000, which will be matched by the UMHEF, and then matched again by \$1,000 in scholarship aid from Perkins – for a total award of \$3,000 per student. Two of those students will receive an additional matching grant from their conference foundation – for a total award of \$4,000 each. "This is a wonderful program," says Tracy Anne Allred, director of Student Services, "and I am delighted that so many of our students chose to participate and were selected."

century Christian apologetic derived from parallels in Ignatius of Loyola and John Wesley." She is a member of the Susquehanna Annual Conference. Because of a generous anonymous gift given to honor recently retired AFTE Executive Director Paul Ervin, Cherry will be designated a "Paul and Kitten Ervin Fellow."

**Tammy Heinrich**, 2014 M.Div. candidate, has received the Chalice Press Book Award from Perkins. She was a 2012 recipient of the W.B.J. Martin Award in Homiletics.

**Evan Jones** has published an article, "Holy Whore: How the World's Oldest Profession Shaped the History of the Methodist Church in Texas," in the Texas United Methodist Historical Society's *Heritage Journal* (volume 9, 2013). The article also earned last year's Vernon student essay prize.

**Sunny Farley**, D.Min. student in *Missional Church Studies*, is incarnating her education by starting a residential new monastic community with the Wesley Foundation at a junior college in Tyler, Texas. Sunny, from the Texas Conference, was featured in a video segment on KLTv.com earlier this year.

**Brandon Lazarus**, 2014 M.Div. candidate, was featured in a September 19, 2012, article in The Huffington Post: "47 Percenter

Seminarian: Christianity Teaches That 'People Are Entitled to Food'." Additionally, Lazarus was a speaker at the September 21, 2012, TEDxSMU.



Charles Winslow (left, at piano) leads jazz worship at Perkins Chapel

**Charles Winslow**, 2014 M.T.S. candidate (concentration in Church Music and Worship), was featured in a January 31, 2013, *United Methodist Reporter* article: [unitedmethodistreporter.com/2013/01/when-sundays-swing-um-churches-find-jazz-in-worship-moves-the-spirit/](http://unitedmethodistreporter.com/2013/01/when-sundays-swing-um-churches-find-jazz-in-worship-moves-the-spirit/). Winslow also provided leadership for a jazz worship service in Perkins Chapel last fall.

## STUDENT NEWS



Yvette Blair-Lavallais

**Yvette Blair-Lavallais** (M.T.S. '13) was featured in a Sunday, September 9, 2012, *Dallas Morning News* article, "Job losses in Great Recession spur North Texans to reinvent themselves."

**Natalya Andromeda Cherry** is one of three United Methodists who have been awarded John Wesley Fellowships to support their doctoral studies by A Foundation for Theological Education (AFTE). John Wesley Fellowships – designed to promote the renewal of theological education by supporting promising scholars who are committed to

Christ, the church and academic excellence – provide \$12,500 per year for four years. A graduate of Georgetown University (B.A., English, 1998) and Wesley Theological Seminary (M.Div., 2001), this fall Cherry will be a student in the Graduate Program of Religious Studies, a cooperative venture of Perkins and SMU's Dedman College of Humanities and Sciences. Her primary area of interest is exploring "a robust 21st



Natalya Andromeda Cherry



# ALUMNI/AE NEWS



Shown, from left, front: Analisa Trejo Barrington, JiHun Yoo, and Paul Trejo. From left, back, John M. Wang, Tabitha Mock-Scott, and Tariq Cummings. Photo courtesy of GBHEM.

## TWO PERKINS STUDENTS GRADUATE FROM GBHEM MENTORING SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

Of six seminary graduates participating in a scholarship and mentoring program for racial-ethnic students who plan to be ordained as deacons or elders in The United Methodist Church, two – **Analisa Trejo Barrington** (M.Div.'13) and **Paul Trejo** (M.Div.'13) – are from Perkins.

Barrington shared how important the program, sponsored by the UMC's General Board of Higher Education and Ministry, was to her. "One of the greatest things I learned," she said, "is that no matter what your background, when your identity is [centered] in Christ, you have so much more in common than you ever realized."

Read the full story on the GBHEM website: <http://www.gbhem.org/article/mentoring-scholarship-program-has-six-graduates-year>.



## M.S.M. ALUMS FEATURED IN JOURNAL FOR THE HYMN SOCIETY IN THE UNITED STATES AND CANADA

Five Perkins M.S.M. alumni/ae appear on the cover of latest issue of *The Hymn*, journal for the Hymn Society in the United States and Canada. The alums have attended the Hymn Society's Annual Conference as past or present Austin C. Lovelace Scholarship recipients.



- At 11 o'clock – Kyle Miller, M.S.M. '12;
- 1 o'clock – Suzi Byrd, M.T.S. in Church Music and Worship '11;
- 2 o'clock – Megan Mash, M.S.M. '10;
- 4 o'clock – T. Wes Moore, M.S.M. '11;
- 6 o'clock – Brian Hehn, M.S.M. '12 (member of the Hymn Society Executive Committee)

### '50s

**William A. Holmes** (M.Th.'54 and Perkins Distinguished Alumnus Award Recipient '07) published *The God Mask: A journey into risk, danger and an extraordinary discovery* last year (Resurgence Publishing, 2012). A previous book, *Mature Christianity*, was published by Resurgence in 2002.

### '60s

**Rev. Dr. Zan Holmes** (M.Th.'59, M.S.T.'68) was honored with the naming of a Dallas Independent School District Middle School. The Zan Wesley Holmes, Jr., Middle School, located at 2939 St. Rita Drive in Dallas, was dedicated October 26, 2012. Additionally,



The Zan Wesley Holmes, Jr., Middle School in Dallas

Holmes has been selected to offer prayers at Dallas' commemoration of the 50th anniversary of the assassination of President John F. Kennedy. The event will take place at Dealey Plaza November 22, 2013.

### '70s

**Rev. Dr. Robert Dulaney Barrett** (M.Th.'59, M.S.M.'60, D.Min.'75) received the

Clergy Living Archives award in the New Mexico Annual Conference in honor of his leadership and service in the New Mexico Conference, his support of Camping Ministry in New Mexico and Oklahoma, and his ongoing example as a member of the United Methodist Clergy and a disciple of Jesus Christ.

**Bishop Minerva G. Carcaño** (M.Th.'79) was highlighted in a March 8, 2013, *Huffington Post* feature on Hispanic-Latino/a religious leaders, in honor of National Hispanic Heritage Month. "Carcaño has emerged as a key religious player on the hot-button political debate over immigration reform," the article noted.



Bishop Minerva Carcaño

Bishop Carcaño is resident bishop of the California-Pacific Conference.

**Rev. Dr. Joseph Eldridge** (M.Th.'70) has been sworn in as a member of the United States Institute of Peace (USIP) Board of Directors, following his nomination by President Obama last year. Eldridge has been University Chaplain and adjunct faculty in the School of International Service at American University since 1997. Prior to joining American University, he helped establish the Washington D.C. office for the Lawyers Committee for Human Rights, now

known as Human Rights First, serving as the office's Director from 1991 to 1997.

### '80s

**Dr. Vaughn W. Baker** (M.Th.'80, D.Min.'82) published his doctoral dissertation, *Evangelism and the Openness of God*, in January 2013.



Adam Hamilton at Presidential Inaugural Prayer Service, January 22, 2013. Photo by Donovan Marks, courtesy of Washington National Cathedral.

**Rev. Adam Hamilton** (M.Div.'88), senior pastor at United Methodist Church of the Resurrection in Leawood, Kansas, was selected to offer the sermon for the Presidential Inaugural Prayer Service. The service brought

Americans together to pray for the nation and for the second term of President Barack Obama and Vice President Joe Biden. This was Hamilton's first sermon delivered from the Cathedral's historic Canterbury Pulpit.

**Rev. Dr. Kah-Jin Jeffrey Kuan** (M.T.S.'86) has been named the seventh president of Claremont School of Theology. Kuan is an ordained elder in The United Methodist Church who since 2011 has



Rev. Dr. Kah-Jin Jeffrey Kuan

served as dean of Drew University's United Methodist Theological School. Previously he spent nearly 20 years on the faculties of the Pacific School of Religion and Graduate Theological Union teaching in the areas of Hebrew Bible as well as Asian and Asian-American hermeneutics.

**Rev. Dr. Jefferson S. Labala** (M.Th.'81) has published his third book, *Models for Making Personal Decisions: Approaches, Principles and Practices*, by Seaburn Publishing Group. He also has undertaken a 10-book leadership resources series for the Church in Africa. The fourth book in that series, *A Primer for Advanced Pastors: A Guide For Transformation in Ministry*, was recently released.

**Rev. Dr. Joan G. LaBarr** (M.Th.'81, M.Div.'86) was awarded the Norvell Slater Lifetime Communicator Award April 25, 2013, by the Dallas-Fort Worth Chapter of the Religion Communicators Council. She was selected for her commitment to communicating faith values through her first career as a journalist and public relations practitioner, and in her second career as an ordained minister in The United Methodist Church, which included appointments as a pastor, North Texas Annual Conference communications director, and district superintendent. The award, presented to a person whose lifetime career

## FROM THE MAILBOX...

As I read the Summer 2012 article on the Seminary Singers Reunion at the upcoming Christmas services, I remembered the 1974 Christmas services wherein then-director Sam Young (Carlton R.) premiered his Collage for Sheep, Shepherds and Angels. As the Seminary Singers (in the balcony) and the University Choir (in the chancel) sang to each other, a number of seminarians paraded up and down the chapel aisles, a few dressed as shepherds, a few bleating and braying animal sounds, and a few of their children playing hand and finger instruments gentle as a winter night's wind; and pine air freshener was piped through the chapel's ventilating system to suggest 'essence of outdoors'. It was the only time in four years of Christmas services I attended that I can recall a burst of applause and cheering!

Cordially,  
Bruce Sayre (M.Th.'76)  
St. Paul's UMC  
Ridgeland, South Carolina

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has effectively communicated faith values and who has worked at least part of that career in the Dallas-Fort Worth area, is named for the late Norvell Slater, who was known as host for the Dallas-area radio broadcast *Hymns We Love*.

**Terry Price (M.S.M.'85)** was honored at the Each Moment Matters Luncheon October 19, 2012, hosted by Presbyterian Communities and Services Foundation and benefitting Faith Presbyterian Hospice. The Each Moment Matters Award recognizes individuals who exemplify the following attributes: compassion and excellence in daily living; faith in serving others with joy, gratitude, respect, kindness and love; courage in empowering, educating, and giving hope to others; integrity in maintaining high levels of ethics, reliability, trust and decency.

**Thomas B. Slater (M.Th.'78, D.Min.'81)** was the Bible study leader for the Sixteenth Pastors' Conference of Phillips School of Theology, a member of the Interdenominational Theological Center in Atlanta, Georgia, January 2012. He also published a commentary on Ephesians in the Smyth & Helwys commentary series in May 2012. Slater, who received his Ph.D. from King's College, University of London, is professor of New Testament Language and Literature, McAfee School of Theology, Mercer University.

**Rev. Cynthia Wilson (M.S.M.'86)** was appointed dean of students at Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary in 2012. Wilson is an ordained deacon in The United Methodist Church and a member of the Kansas West Annual Conference.

'90s

**Rev. Dr. Ellen Blue (M.Div.'95)** has been promoted to full professor at Phillips Theological Seminary in Tulsa, Oklahoma. She is the Mouzon Biggs, Jr., Professor of the

History of Christianity and United Methodist Studies. Blue also has won the 2013 Women in United Methodist History Writing Award, given by the UMC's General Commission on Archives and History (GCAH), for an essay on activist African-American women in the Lower Ninth Ward of New Orleans. The author of *St. Mark's and the Social Gospel: Methodist Women and Civil Rights in New Orleans, 1895-1965* (University of Tennessee Press, 2011) and co-author with Charles M. Wood of *Attentive to God: Thinking Theologically in Ministry* (Abingdon, 2008), Blue currently is completing a manuscript on the church in post-Katrina New Orleans.

'00s

**Rev. Wesley Magruder (M.Div.'06)** received extensive local and international notice after observing the Ramadan fast in 2012, including interviews in Dallas on WFAA-TV and KERA-FM's "Think" with Kryss Boyd. Magruder, who observed the fast again in 2013, cited a desire "to develop the spiritual discipline of fasting and ... to stand in solidarity with American Muslims who struggle for acceptance and community."

**Rev. David Martinez (M.Div.'02)** has been appointed director of Specialized Theological Education for the General Board of Higher Education and Ministry. Martinez will design and implement theological education programs to foster a new generation of racial/ethnic leaders committed to serve as ordained ministers in The United Methodist Church. Martinez will also supervise the implementation of the GBHEM's responsibilities for the National Plan for Hispanic/Latino Ministries in matters related to ministry and theological education, including the development of training grants. Additionally, he will work with autonomous Methodist churches in Latin America and the Caribbean to create and implement theological education experiences for pastors and develop new contextual and online theological resources.

'10s



Doretta Remy offers a blessing for aircraft, Fort Riley, Kansas

**Rev. Doretta Remy (M.Div.'10)**, a U.S. Army Chaplain from the Texas Annual Conference, was featured in a July 4, 2013, *Houston Chronicle* article: "Faith deployed, Army pastor combines missions."

**Rev. Michael Waters (M.Div.'06, D.Min.'12)** has been appointed Chair of the Martin Luther King, Jr. Community Center Board in Dallas. Waters has accepted an invitation to write two homiletical essays on John 13 for *Feasting on the Gospels*, a successor project to *Feasting on the Word*. His blog is now a regular feature on *The Huffington Post* ([huffingtonpost.com/michael-w-waters/](http://huffingtonpost.com/michael-w-waters/)).

**Lisa Burkhardt Worley (M.T.S.'08)** announced completion of the first book project of Promise Ministries, *Pearls of Promise*, March 18, 2013, by Kudu Publishing Services. The book includes 120 devotions from 46 authors, including "Hug Series" creator Leann Weiss, award-winning Christian fiction writer Lisa Buffaloe, motivational speaker and evangelist Krish Dhanam, and Worley – a former national television sports reporter who has appeared on HBO's *Inside the NFL*, ESPN and the Madison Square Garden Network. In an effort to stop human trafficking, Pearls of Promise has indicated they will donate 10% of proceeds from the sales of the devotional to "Disrupt HT," an organization, based in Grapevine, Texas.



Perkins faculty, staff, and friends enjoy "Boulevarding" during the fall 2012 Mustang football season.

PERKINS ON THE BOULEVARD

On Mustang Football home game days, Perkins joins in the SMU tradition of "Boulevarding." Friends and alumni/ae are invited to gather with students, faculty, and staff at the table spread with goodies between Prothro and Selecman Halls. The 2013 home schedule includes Aug. 30, Sept. 7, Oct. 5 (Family Weekend), Oct. 26 (Homecoming – see below), Nov. 16, and Dec. 7.

Alumni/ae and friends are invited to mark your calendar now for the **Perkins brunch during SMU Homecoming**, Saturday, October 26, 2013, 9 – 11 am. You can find us, along with good food and good music, in front (north side) of the main entry to Kirby Hall.

FAITH CALLS FOR SUSTAINABLE STEWARDSHIP



Elizabeth Perkins Prothro Hall has been awarded LEED SILVER certification. Perkins School of Theology was informed of the certification by Trisha Mehis – project manager for the construction of Prothro Hall along with related renovation and new construction in Selecman and Kirby Halls. While the project's completion was celebrated in September 2009, the LEED SILVER certification was not official until July 2013. SMU will be awarded two plaques for the LEED SILVER designation, one to be placed in SMU's Office of Planning, Design, and Construction, and the other to be installed in Prothro Hall.

According to the U.S. Green Building Council, LEED – Leadership in Energy & Environmental Design – is a third party certification program and nationally accepted benchmark for the design, construction and operation of high performance green

buildings, based on points earned for satisfying specific green building criteria. LEED SILVER certification is a level above basic LEED certification.



Elizabeth Perkins Prothro Hall

## 2012 ART & SOUL FEATURES CHANTICLEER

Perkins School of Theology's Art & Soul 2012 presented the multiple Grammy Award-winning vocal ensemble Chanticleer, Sunday, October 28. The performance took place at the Cathedral Shrine of the Virgin of Guadalupe, 2215 Ross Avenue, in the Dallas Arts District.



Chanticleer

“... I CAN'T REMEMBER CHORAL SINGING MORE DROP-DEAD, CHILLS-DOWN-THE-BACK ELEGANT THAN THAT OFFERED SUNDAY NIGHT BY THE MALE VOCAL ENSEMBLE CHANTICLEER.”

Scott Cantrell  
*The Dallas Morning News*

In an October 29 review for *The Dallas Morning News*, Classical Music Critic Scott Cantrell writes: “... I can't remember choral singing more drop-dead, chills-down-the-back elegant than that offered Sunday night by the male vocal ensemble Chanticleer.”

Chanticleer, based in San Francisco, is known around the world as “an orchestra of voices” for the seamless blend of its twelve male voices ranging from countertenor to bass and its original interpretations of vocal literature, from Renaissance to jazz, and from gospel to venturesome new music.

The group gives approximately 100 concerts a year throughout the world, appearing regularly in New York, Boston, Los Angeles, Washington D.C., Chicago, and Paris. On a 10-country tour in early 2012 the ensemble returned to Europe's most renowned concert halls, including the Musikverein in Vienna, Bela Bartok Concert Hall in Budapest,

Concertgebouw in Amsterdam, and Philharmonic Hall in Vilnius. *The New Yorker* has described Chanticleer as “The world's reigning male chorus.” Named for the “clear-singing” rooster in Geoffrey Chaucer's *Canterbury Tales*, Chanticleer was founded in 1978 by tenor Louis Botto, who sang in the ensemble until 1989 and served as artistic director until his death in 1997. In 1999 Christine Bullin joined Chanticleer as president and general director.

Selections from the evening's performance included music from the 16th century (Palestrina, et al.), the 20th and 21st centuries (Samuel Barber, et al.), as well as selected spirituals and gospel songs.

*Art & Soul is a quadrennial program made possible by the Claudia and Taylor Robinson Lectureship at Perkins School of Theology. Claudia and Taylor Robinson, both graduates of Southern Methodist University, established the fund with the intention that it be devoted to surveying the arts as interpreters of religious beliefs and practices.* 📖



Dean William and Naomi Lawrence with Chanticleer member

## FOURTH ANNUAL PUBLIC LIFE | PERSONAL FAITH LUNCHEON, LECTURE, AND COLLOQUIUM



Jon Meacham autographs his book for Katherine Glaze Lyle.

Jon Meacham, Pulitzer Prize-winning author and contributing editor at *TIME*, was speaker for the **2013 Bolin Family Public Life | Personal Faith Lecture and Luncheon** at SMU, February 15, 2013. Meacham also spoke at a colloquium which preceded the luncheon lecture. Meacham's address focused on the topic of his book, *American Gospel: God, the Founding Fathers, and the Making of a Nation*,

which explores how the founders of the United States – desiring to avoid establishing a state religion or being a secular society – developed a form of social religion that both makes a place for religion in the public square and constitutionally limits religious influence.

The annual PL|PF Lecture, Luncheon and Colloquium is a fundraising and outreach event of Perkins School of Theology in service to the larger community. The lecture and colloquium provide an opportunity for participants to engage scholars on topics related to why and how personal faith shapes public life. “We are called to know, love, and serve God and neighbor in our daily lives through sharing the Gospel of truth, mercy, justice, and love,” observes Rev. Dr. Todd Rasberry, director of Development at Perkins.

The 2013 PL|PF Lecture, Luncheon, and Colloquium was attended by more than 300 people and marks the fourth year for the event. This year's lecture and colloquium were sponsored by the family of Pat and Jane Bolin. Pat Bolin, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer at EagleCorp and Eagle Oil & Gas Co. in Dallas, is a graduate of Southern Methodist University (B.A. '73) and 2010 recipient of the Distinguished Alumnus Award from the SMU Cox School of Business.

Meacham served as *Newsweek* magazine's managing editor from 1998 to 2006 and editor from 2006 to 2010. *The New York Times* called him “one of the most influential editors in the news magazine business.” His *New York Times* bestseller, *American Lion: Andrew Jackson in the White House*, won the Pulitzer Prize for biography. *American Gospel: God, the Founding Fathers, and the Making of a Nation* was a 2007 *New York Times* bestseller.

For more information about the PL|PF Lecture and Colloquium, contact Rev. Dr. Todd Rasberry, director of Development at Perkins, [trasberr@smu.edu](mailto:trasberr@smu.edu), 214-768-3688. 📖



Jane and Pat Bolin

The Fifth Annual PL|PF Lecture and Colloquium, February 7, 2014, will feature Michael Duffy, author of *The Preacher and the Presidents: Billy Graham in the White House*.



Linda Marr, Ken and Lila Foree, Dean William Lawrence

## LINDA MARR, DR. KENNETH AND LILA FOREE RECEIVE 2013 WOODROW B. SEALS LAITY AWARD

**L**inda Marr of A&M United Methodist Church in the Texas Annual Conference, and **Ken and Lila Foree** of Highland Park United Methodist Church in the North Texas Annual Conference, were recipients of the 2013 Woodrow B. Seals Laity Award. The awards were presented March 9, 2013, at a luncheon during the Perkins Theological School for the Laity.

**Linda Marr** has been an active layperson in A&M United Methodist Church, College Station, Texas, since 1990. Her leadership in the local church began in earnest after she and her husband Bill agreed to serve as youth coordinators. A passion for missions was ignited when A&M UMC took its first mission trip to Juárez, Mexico, in 2002, and Marr subsequently accompanied youth and college students on many trips to Juárez. Marr then joined two other women in the congregation to deliver books to schools in Corazol, Belize, forming a bond with the pastor and congregation there that ultimately led to Marr's important role in the construction of a high school by the Methodist Church in Belmopan. Speaking of Marr's important role in a mission trip to deliver insecticide-treated mosquito nets to Cote d'Ivoire, Houston Area Bishop Janice Riggle Huie cited Marr's

“exceptional leadership and willingness to give of herself,” adding: “Linda’s devotion to the work of the church, her compassion for the people we encountered, and her obvious love for every child she held were the markings of a Christian who was in her element serving God’s people.”

Back in College Station, Marr helped A&M UMC become a host church for Family Promise network, which houses homeless families in churches as those families seek to become self-sustaining, a ministry she supported as volunteer coordinator for four years. Her ministries at the local church level also included serving on the SPRC committee and leading the Missions Team for three years. She served beyond the local church for three years on the Core Leadership Team of the Texas Annual Conference.

Marr and her husband currently are on the President’s Advisory Council for the Texas Methodist Foundation and she serves on the recently formed Lay Leadership Team of the Texas Annual Conference, as well. In addition to supporting the ministries of the church, Marr is a Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA) for foster children. She works part-time in her husband’s ophthalmic practice and looks forward to his retirement when she will have time to travel more extensively and participate in medical mission trips.

**Dr. Kenneth and Lila Foree** are long-time members of Highland Park UMC in Dallas. Lila joined Highland Park UMC in 1967 and began working on staff there the next year. In 1975, she helped the congregation organize their first medical mission to Haiti, accompanying that first medical mission team to Haiti in October 1976.

Dr. Foree has been a member of Highland Park UMC since 1943. His mother was a Charter Member in 1916, and both his mother and father are alumni of SMU (Class of 1918 and



Bill and Linda Marr, in front of the Seals Award plaque in Kirby Hall

1919, respectively). After serving as an usher and member of the Administrative Board for many years, Dr. Foree – an ophthalmologist who enjoyed 40 years of private practice in Dallas – began working on the Haiti Medical Mission from Highland Park UMC in 1978. For the next 32 years he and Lila led teams and helped coordinate efforts of Highland Park UMC and the Methodist Church of Haiti to establish a permanent eye clinic in Petit Goave, Haiti. The ministry there grew to include three structures – a clinic, surgery building, and post-op facility. Thousands of people have had their eyesight restored or saved and their lives influenced through this couple’s dedicated service. Dr. Foree also served volunteer eye clinics for school children and others in need in the Dallas area, and gave time each week to help with surgery training for ophthalmology medical students at Southwestern Medical School.

Dr. Foree and his team were in Haiti in January 2010 when an earthquake devastated the region. He was one of several team members trapped in the rubble as the clinic building collapsed. Tragically, one person did not survive.



Dr. Kenneth and Lila Foree

After three years, a new building is going up and a set of dedicated leaders is committed to continuing this mission. Others, using this as a model, have started missions in a number of different areas throughout the world. Rev. Barbara Marcum, associate minister and director of Congregational Care at Highland Park UMC, praising the Forees for their many years of faithful service, comments, “There is probably not a finer servant couple in the United Methodist community.”

*Editor’s Note: The Seals Award is presented annually to laypersons in the United States who embody the Christian faith and commitment of service to Christ in the church, community, and world as exemplified by Judge Woodrow B. Seals, a distinguished layperson whose interest and energy were instrumental in establishing the Perkins Theological School for the Laity. Selection for the award is made by a committee of the Perkins Lay Advisory Board.*

Information about nominating candidates for the Seals Laity Award is available at [www.smu.edu/Perkins/AlumniFriends/GetInvolved/LayAdvisoryBoard/Seals\\_Award](http://www.smu.edu/Perkins/AlumniFriends/GetInvolved/LayAdvisoryBoard/Seals_Award). Nominations for 2014 must be submitted in writing by September 15, 2013. Contact Connie Nelson, [clnelson@smu.edu](mailto:clnelson@smu.edu), 214-768-2335.

## ROBERTO ESCAMILLA AND WILLIAM K. McELVANEY RECEIVE 2013 DISTINGUISHED ALUMNUS AWARDS

**R**oberto Escamilla and William K. McElvaney were named recipients of the 2013 Distinguished Alumnus Award by the Perkins Alumni/ae Council. The annual award recognizes Perkins graduates who have demonstrated effectiveness and integrity in service to the church, continuing support and involvement in the goals of Perkins School of Theology and SMU, distinguished service in the wider community, and exemplary character. The awards were presented February 4, 2013, during a banquet as part of Perkins School of Theology's Ministers Week.

According to Rev. Suzanne Reedstrom, lead associate minister at Memorial Drive United Methodist Church in Houston and chairperson of the Perkins Alumni/ae Council, it is customary to select only one recipient of the Distinguished Alumni/ae Award each year. "However," Reedstrom explains, "after reviewing the outstanding nominations, it became clear that two exemplary alumni were deserving of this award for 2013."

**The Reverend Dr. Roberto Escamilla** earned the S.T.M. from Perkins School of Theology in 1955, and currently is an instructor in the Perkins School of Theology Course of Study School (COSS), where he teaches classes on Evangelism, Worship and the Sacraments, and Preaching. He also serves Perkins as worship coordinator for COSS every summer. Originally a clergy member of the Rio Grande Conference, and subsequently the Southwest Texas Conference, he presently is Minister of Evangelism at First UMC in Ada, Oklahoma. Perkins Dean William B. Lawrence expresses appreciation for the extraordinary scope of Escamilla's ministries. "Roberto Escamilla has devoted a lifetime to the mission of the church. He has embraced

tasks on a scale as large as global Christianity and as small as conversations with individuals across personal boundaries to offer an evangelical witness for faith in Jesus Christ. Whether he was working as a denominational leader or serving as a translator who helped English-speaking preachers bring the gospel to Spanish-speaking congregations, Roberto has offered a faithful witness to God's people."

In addition to his degree from Perkins, Escamilla earned a B.S. from Parsons College and B.A. from Iowa Wesleyan College; an M.A. from Trinity University in San Antonio; an S.T.M. from Union Theological Seminary; and a D.Min. from Vanderbilt University. He holds honorary degrees from Huston-Tillotson College and Iowa Wesleyan College. He was the first E. Stanley Jones Professor of Evangelism at Methodist Theological School in Ohio, and has been an adjunct professor at McCormick Theological School in Chicago.

Escamilla served as a United Methodist pastor in Dallas, San Antonio, and Austin, and was chairperson of the Board of Discipleship in the Southwest Texas Conference. In addition to being elected a delegate to Jurisdictional and General Conferences, he served on the Board of Missions of the Board of Global Ministries; with the Board of Discipleship as Associate General Secretary of the Division of Evangelism, Worship, Stewardship, and Upper Room; and as Editor of the Upper Room (Spanish Edition). He currently is President of the Board of Directors of the United Christian Ashram International. Escamilla is author of *Prisoners of Hope: Essays on Life's Journey* (1982/86) [*Prisioneros de la Esperanza: Ensayos Sobre la Jornada de la Vida* (1984)]; *La Sed de Vivir* (1970); *Come to the Feast* (Denman Lectures, 1998 Congress on Evangelism, Kansas City, Missouri); and

editor of *A Feast of Life* (Tidings, 1972).

Escamilla is a recipient of the Foundation for Evangelism's Harry Denman Evangelism Award. While at Perkins, he received the B'nai B'rith Award in Social Ethics and the W.B. DeJernett Award in Homiletics.

He is married to the former Dorothy Delaplain who has been a music teacher. They have four adult children and ten grandchildren. One of their children, Paul, is a former Perkins School of Theology adjunct faculty and staff member currently serving as senior pastor of St. John's UMC in Austin, Texas.



Roberto Escamilla with son Paul Escamilla, former adjunct faculty and associate director of Public Affairs at Perkins

**The Reverend Dr. William K. McElvaney** is Le Van Professor Emeritus of Preaching and Worship at Perkins. He earned the M.Div. (M.Th.) from Perkins in 1957, after earning an M.B.A. (1951) and B.B.A. (1950) from SMU. Upon graduation from Perkins, McElvaney served for 15 years as pastor of several United Methodist congregations. He then served for 12 years as president of the United Methodist-related Saint Paul School of Theology in Kansas City, Missouri, where the William K. McElvaney Chair in Preaching was established in his honor in 1988. He received the SMU Distinguished Alumnus Award in 1980, and the William K. McElvaney Fund for the Advancement of Peace and Justice was established at SMU in 1993. "Bill McElvaney has been an outstanding leader in theological education for decades," Dean Lawrence observes. "In his career, he has served as a professor, as a seminary president, and as a pastor. He is a model of integrity, with a passion for justice, who is always ready to labor for peace. But, in every step along the way, he acts with decency and respect for all of God's children."

In addition to his three earned degrees from SMU, McElvaney was honored with Doctor of Divinity degrees from Southwestern University in Georgetown, Texas (1972), and Central Methodist College in Fayette, Missouri (1978). Other honors include: Peacemaker of the Year Award, presented by the Dallas Peace Center to McElvaney and his wife Fran, for their lifelong dedication to peace, civil rights, and social justice (1997); Fitzpatrick Award for Ecumenical Leadership, presented by the Texas Conference of Churches (1999); and the Heroes of Hope Award (2001), presented by the Cathedral

of Hope in Dallas, for lifetime leadership in social justice issues and recognition of courage that provides hope for all people.

McElvaney is author of numerous books, including: *Christ's Suburban Body* (co-authored with Wilfred M. Bailey, 1970); *The Saving Possibility* (1971); *Cerebrations on Coming Alive* (1973); *Good News Is Bad News Is Good News* (1980; third printing 1987; first edition in Chinese, 1988); *The People of God in Ministry* (1981); *Preaching from Camelot to Covenant* (1989); *Winds of Grace, Ways of Faith* (1991); *Eating and Drinking at the Welcome Table* (1999); and *Becoming a Justice Seeking Congregation* (2009). He also has published a number of articles in professional journals and papers.

After being ordained an elder in the North Texas Conference UMC in 1957, McElvaney served as pastor of First Methodist Church, Elma, Washington (1957); First Methodist Church, Justin, Texas (1958-59); originating pastor of St. Stephen Methodist Church, Mesquite, Texas (1959-67); and Northaven United Methodist Church, Dallas (1967-73). He subsequently served as president of Saint Paul School of Theology (1973-85), and professor of preaching at Perkins (1985-93). Following his retirement from Perkins, McElvaney continued his service to SMU and the larger community as part-time

assistant chaplain, SMU (1993-97); coordinator of the Dallas Area Ecumenical Jubilee Project (1997-2000); and interim minister of Midway Hills Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) in Dallas (2001-2002).

Along with additional service to SMU as a Board member of the Maguire Center for Ethics and Public Responsibility, McElvaney has served on the boards of the Greater Dallas Community of Churches;

Pastoral Counseling and Education Center of Dallas; *Salud y Paz*, Guatemala; Dallas Peace Center; Dallas Wilkinson Center Advisory Board; and as a member of the Church in Society Committee, Human Development Fund Committee, and Faith Voices on Justice Committee at Northaven UMC.

McElvaney has been married to Frances Owens McElvaney since 1960. They have two children, Shannon and John; three grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren. 🙏



(l-r) Bill McElvaney and Dean William Lawrence



(l-r) Dean William Lawrence, Bill McElvaney, Suzy Reedstrom, Roberto Escamilla, Provost Paul Ludden

Information about nominating candidates for the Distinguished Alumnus/a Award is available at [www.smu.edu/perkins/AlumniFriends/DistinguishedAlum](http://www.smu.edu/perkins/AlumniFriends/DistinguishedAlum). Nominations for 2014 must be submitted in writing by September 15, 2013. Contact Connie Nelson, [cnelson@smu.edu](mailto:cnelson@smu.edu), 214-768-2335.

## MASTER OF SACRED MUSIC NEWS AND EVENTS

C. Michael Hawn, University Distinguished Professor of Church Music and Director, Master of Sacred Music Program

### Alumni/ae Input Sought for MSM Curriculum Review

Drs. Christopher Anderson and Michael Hawn invite participation in a major review of the MSM curriculum during the 2013–2014 academic year. In preparation for this review, a curriculum evaluation survey has been placed online at [www.smu.edu/perkins/internal/msmcompetencies](http://www.smu.edu/perkins/internal/msmcompetencies). We invite all alums to provide data that will inform the work of the curriculum review committee. For more information, contact Michael Hawn, [mhawn@smu.edu](mailto:mhawn@smu.edu).



### MSM Alum Pilgrimage: Reformations in Worship and Music

Drs. Anderson and Hawn will lead a pilgrimage for MSM alums to Leipzig, Geneva, and places in southeastern France including Chartres, Cluny, and Taizé. The pilgrimage will focus on the reformations that have taken place in these locations historically and since the Second Vatican Council (1962–1965). Tentative dates for this event are May 22 – June 5, 2014. The pilgrimage will begin in Leipzig and conclude in Paris. Participants will arrange transportation to Leipzig and from Paris on their own. The cost of the pilgrimage will include transportation, fees, housing and two meals per day from Leipzig through Paris. Space is limited. For more information, please contact Michael Hawn, [mhawn@smu.edu](mailto:mhawn@smu.edu).

### Meadows Announces Organ Search, Endowed Chair

The Meadows School of the Arts has announced a major gift that will result in an Endowed Centennial Chair in Music Performance (Organ). This is the first such chair in Meadows. An international search has been initiated to fill the new position beginning fall 2014, with an announcement of a hire expected soon. In addition

to developing a performance studio, the new organ professor will collaborate closely with the MSM program. This is an exciting development for our program!

### “Common Tones” Revived

Plans are in the works to revive the *Common Tones* newsletter in a fresh, attractive format available both online and on paper. The “new” *Common Tones* will include alumni/ae news, photos, articles by professors and students, and news from the program. Watch for the first issue soon.

### MSM-Leipzig Church Music Institute Partnership

In February, the MSM program hosted Prof. Christoph Krummacher, director of the Church Music Institute of Leipzig (Germany), for an exciting series of classes and lectures. This is one of several steps toward an enduring partnership with Leipzig that will result in student exchanges and guest lectureships in coming years. 📖



Christopher Anderson (l) and Christoph Krummacher

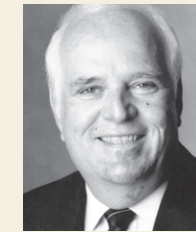


(l-r) Laura Garrett, Michael Hawn, Rebecca Garrett (M.S.M. '13)

Michael Hawn, University Distinguished Professor of Church Music and Director of the Master of Sacred Music Program, recently enjoyed an unusual and rewarding professional milestone. Two graduate students – a mother and daughter, were both pupils of Hawn’s, at two different institutions some 35 years apart.

**Laura Garrett** graduated from Southern Seminary (Master of Church Music, 1978), while her daughter **Rebecca Garrett** (Master of Sacred Music, 2013) graduated from Perkins. Laura is Music and Arts Minister at Sunrise UMC, Holly Springs, North Carolina. Rebecca is Director of Music Ministries at First UMC, Gainesville, Texas. “I guess this kind of thing happens if you teach in graduate church music for almost 40 years,” Hawn says. 📖

## MEMORIAMS



### Dr. James Wharton

Dr. James Allen Wharton died peacefully October 19, 2012, in Black Mountain, North Carolina. He was born November 10, 1927, in the Belgian Congo to Presbyterian Missionaries, Dr. Conway T. and Ethel Taylor Wharton.

Dr. Wharton graduated from the University of Texas at Austin and went on to earn his B.D. degree from Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary in 1951. He was awarded the Th.D. degree from the University of Basel, Switzerland, and undertook additional graduate studies at the University of Heidelberg, Germany; the University of Gottingen, Germany; and the American School of Oriental Research in Jerusalem. He also received an honorary D.D. degree from Austin College in Sherman, Texas.

Dr. Wharton was professor of Old Testament at Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary from 1956 until 1975, and was senior pastor of Memorial Drive Presbyterian Church in Houston, Texas, from 1975 to 1985. He was appointed inaugural holder of the Lois Craddock Perkins Professorship of Homiletics in 1985, a position he held until his retirement in 1996.

He was a member of the General Assembly Ad Interim Committee on a New Confession of Faith. He wrote many articles and studies for numerous theological journals and books and published a commentary on the book of Job in 1997. He traveled widely abroad and in the U.S. lecturing and preaching.

In retirement Dr. Wharton was active at Warren Wilson Presbyterian Church in Swannanoa, North Carolina.

### A Tribute to James Wharton

by Dr. John Holbert

Jim Wharton was a dyed-in-the-wool Presbyterian who always said he felt a little like a Calvinist fish out of water at Perkins. Yet, he soldiered on as the first holder of the Lois Craddock Perkins Professor of Homiletics for 13 years. During that time, he brought his Hebrew Bible expertise to the task of the teaching of preaching for several hundreds of Perkins students. He was a robust colleague, an expert especially on the book of Job. It was an irony that I, the second holder of the Perkins Chair, was also a scholar of the Hebrew Bible especially interested in the book of Job. Jim and I had more than a few vigorous discussions about the old loud-mouth from Uz (Job, that is), since we saw many matters concerning the book from very different perspectives. Jim was pastor, scholar, and teacher, representing effectively what a significant member of the Perkins faculty should be like in training and practice. I visited Jim in his retirement home in Black Mountain, North Carolina, some years ago, a home designed by his wife, Charlotte. They loved it there, and Jim spent more than 15 happy years in that beautiful place. His was a life and ministry well and fully lived.

John C. Holbert

Lois Craddock Perkins Professor *Emeritus* of Homiletics (as was Jim Wharton)

*Editor’s note: Dr. Holbert succeeded Dr. Wharton as Lois Craddock Perkins Professor of Homiletics in 1997.*

### “MARKS THAT CANNOT BE ERASED”

Many volumes of pages have been written –  
Not on paper, or with pencil or pen,  
But with indelible marks on the lives and the hearts

Of the many folks who have been  
Touched by the man who is called,  
“Encourager,” “Comforter,” “Friend.”

His wit and wisdom is remembered  
By the young, the mature, the old.  
Recalled are his smile and his humor,  
When his story is told and retold.

It’s of infinite compassion and love  
That his values in life have been based.  
We thank our God in heaven

For these marks that cannot be erased.

*Editor’s note: This poem by Carol Ann Ravert, written for a November 13, 2011, Celebration of Thanksgiving honoring Larry Ravert’s ministry of more than 50 years, is dedicated to all the women and men of Perkins whose faithful ministries have left a lasting legacy of faith, hope, and love.*

**Wanda Smith**, retired staff member of Bridwell Library, died February 22, 2013. After attending SMU as a student, she returned in 1963 to serve as research assistant to Professor Albert C. Outler, who was editing the Sermons of John Wesley, and later to Professor Richard P. Heitzenrater, editor of Wesley’s Journals and Diaries. From 1994–2006 Wanda worked as research archivist at Bridwell, during which time she curated two exhibitions: Selina Hastings, the Countess of Huntingdon, in 1997; and A Methodist Minister in Paris: Letters of Andrew Longacre, 1860–1862, in 2002.



### ’40s

**Dr. Paul Edwin Pfeiffer** (M.Div.’43) died October 7, 2012 in the company of his wife of 70 years, Ruth Eloise Harkey Pfeiffer. Prior to attending Perkins, he earned a B.S. degree from Rice Institute in 1934. He served as a Methodist minister in West Dallas and West Texas before returning to Rice to earn a Master’s degree in Electrical Engineering and a Ph.D. in Mathematics – a subject he taught for 51 years. In the 1960s he served Rice University as dean of students and was one of the founders of the Department of Computational and Applied Mathematics. In 1998, he was awarded the Association of Rice Alumni Gold Medal “for his profound influence on generations of Rice students as mentor, counselor and friend.”

### ’50s

**Rev. Harvey Otto Beckendorf** (M.Th.’54), 85, died September 23, 2012. He served 15 churches during his 38 years of ministry in the Texas Conference. He also served as campus minister of the Wesley Foundation at Tyler Junior College. He earned an A.A. from Lon Morris College and a



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B.S. from the University of Houston before attending Perkins. He was a past president of the Lon Morris Ex-Students Association and past president of the Retired Ministers Retreat Association. A funeral service was held October 8, 2012, at Rose Hill United Methodist Church, Tomball, Texas.

**Rev. Dr. James L. "Jim" Killen, Jr.** (M.Th.'58, D.Min.'76), 79, died June 10, 2013, after a long battle with cancer. He graduated from the University of Houston



before studying at Perkins. Over the course of 45 years he served a succession of 10 United Methodist congregations. Jim was the author of nine books, including the recently published *Come to The Edge*. After retiring from Trinity United Methodist Church, Beaumont, Texas, in 2001, he continued in ministry through the Walk to Emmaus, Kairos Prison ministry, as a teacher in the Course of Study School, in short term interim ministries, and through writing.

**Rev. Louis Sada** (M.Th.'52), 85, died October 7, 2012. He served churches as an ordained elder in the Texas Annual Conference for 60 years. A memorial service was held at First United Methodist Church, Missouri City, October 11, 2012.

**Dr. Roland T. "Bill" Scales** (M.Th.'53), 86, died July 9, 2013, at his home. A memorial was held July 12, at First UMC, Boerne, Texas. Bill was a graduate of Centenary College in Shreveport, Louisiana, before coming to Perkins. He served United Methodist Churches as a member of the Texas Conference for 45 years. Following his retirement, he enjoyed fine art photography, winning "Best Photography" blue ribbons in both the Official Texas State Arts and Crafts Fair in Kerrville and the Art Festival of Round Top, Texas. His contest photographs have been exhibited by Kodak in more than 30 cities around the world. In January, Bill shared with Ted Campbell, associate professor of Church History, that he remembered baptizing Bernie Tiede (subject of the film "Bernie") at what was then St. Luke's Methodist Church (now UMC) in Kilgore, Texas, in 1957.

**Rev. Dr. William Edward Steel** (M.Th.'57) died July 27, 2013.

**Rev. Thomas Odis McClung, Jr.** (M.Th.'65, past president of Perkins Alumni/ae Council), 73, died July 16, 2012. He was ordained deacon in 1963 in the Northwest Texas Conference, transferring to Southwest Texas in 1965, where he was ordained elder in 1967. As a United Methodist pastor for 40 years, Tom served congregations in George West, Corpus Christi (Wesley), Rockport, and Port Lavaca. In San Antonio, he was pastor of Windcrest, Coker and St. John's. In 1989, he was appointed superintendent of the Corpus Christi District, and later served as adviser for church connections at Methodist Healthcare Ministries for South Texas. Among other Methodist church responsibilities, Tom helped develop the Tri-Conference (tri-ethnic) youth events in the early years of his ministry, was president of the Perkins Alumni/ae Council, and was honored to be pastor *emeritus* of Windcrest United Methodist Church. Tom was a *cum laude* graduate of Southwestern University in Georgetown, Texas, before attending Perkins.



'60s

**Rev. Richard D. Atkinson** (M.Th.'65), 97, died July 5, 2013. A memorial service was held July 10, 2013, at White Rock UMC in Dallas, with Rev. George Fisk and Rev. Jim K. Brown officiating.

**Rev. Al Jennings** (M.Th.'64), 81, died in December 2012. Services were held December 27, 2012, at Lazbuddie UMC. Al was a retired member of the Texas Conference.

**Rev. William Slack** (SMU BA '49, M.Th.'60), 87, died November 6, 2012. He retired in 1992 after serving a number of North Texas churches, most recently Kavanaugh in Greenville and Kessler Park in Dallas. Upon graduation from college, after working in local radio and theater, his talent and love of acting took him to Hollywood where he found roles in both film and television. Despite his success, a deeper calling led him back to SMU to attend Perkins starting in 1957. Over the next 40 years, he served congregations from Chico to Highland Park. A memorial service was December 15, 2012, in Highland Park UMC's Cox Chapel.

**Rev. Donald Scott Waters** (M.Th.'61), 85, died November 30, 2012, in Norman, Oklahoma. He served in the United States Navy from 1945-1946 before earning a degree in Aeronautical Engineering from Oklahoma A&M in 1950. After working for Chance Vought in Irving, Texas, the call to ministry led him to Perkins. While in school, he pastored the Princeton and Blue Ridge (Texas) Methodist Churches. Following graduation, he pastored Oklahoma United Methodist Churches in Lamont, Newkirk, Drumright, Trinity in Tulsa, St. John's in Oklahoma City, and Pauls Valley. An elder in

the Oklahoma Conference, Don retired in 1990. A funeral service was held December 4, 2012, at McFarlin Memorial United Methodist Church.

'70s

**Mr. M.W. "Bill" Martin, II** (M.Th.'70), 68, died Thanksgiving Day, November 22, 2012. Bill earned a B.S. from Texas Wesleyan College before graduating from Perkins. He taught biology for 18 years at Amon Carter-Riverside High School. Bill was active in Arlington Heights UMC where he was a member of the Chancel Choir, and at First UMC, Fort Worth, where he served as usher.

'00s

**Rev. Walter C. Quoetone** (M.Div.'03), 58, died October 30, 2012, in Oklahoma City. A native of Lawton, Walter was a member of the Kiowa Tribe of Oklahoma and served on the tribe's election board. As a youth, he was president of the Oklahoma Indian Missionary Conference (OIMC) Council on Youth Ministries, the OIMC Youth Choir, and served as an officer of the Cameron University Interfaith Council. He was a founding member of the Norman First American UMC. Walter served as pastor of J.J. Methvin Memorial UMC in Anadarko for six years, Sherwood Tsotigh Memorial UMC in Cache, and was pastor of Billy Hooton Memorial UMC in Oklahoma City at the time of his death. A prayer service was held November 2 at his church with the Rev. Alvin Deer officiating, and his funeral was held November 3 at Centenary United Methodist Church in Lawton, Oklahoma, with the Rev. Phil Jones officiating.



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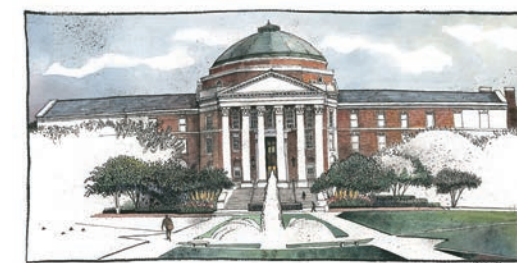
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