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FROM THE EDITOR

A few years ago on a Friday afternoon in December, I walked through the auditorium in McClain Hall on my way to deliver something that was nearly late. The day was almost over, ending a work week that had been somewhat long and discouraging. As I headed toward the door, I heard someone playing the piano.

A very gifted young lady was playing, "His Eye is on the Sparrow." I stopped to listen for a moment to a song that I had not heard for a while. As I did, the words of the song came back to me as a very personal reminder of God's care. It was no accident that my late-afternoon errand had taken me by way of the auditorium where a young lady was playing that particular song. God had used music to turn my day around and encourage my heart.

What is it about music that is so powerful? It can cause us to smile or bring tears to our eyes. It can lead soldiers into battle, bring back long-forgotten memories, and soothe our jangled nerves. If it's not our style, it can irritate us and cause conflict. It's hard to explain the effect music has on us because it touches us so personally.

Music takes on an even deeper dimension when we know its Creator. As one of our music alumni, Matt Nightingale (BS 95), said: "It's one of God's greatest gifts to the world." Music that honors God has been a constant source of comfort and encouragement to Christians for centuries. The styles may change, but the impact remains.

The desire to learn more about music, to play and sing with excellence, and to use the abilities God gives for His glory, have been part of Grace College and Seminary since its early days. If you look through yearbooks from days gone by, you'll see students who gave time and talent in the pursuit of music. Whether they sang or played an instrument, their lives were shaped by their time at Grace. As another music alumnus, Terry White (BME 64), said: "I will be forever—literally—grateful for the musical experiences I had through Grace College during the 17 years I spent here as a student and then as staff."

Whether you are one who makes the music or simply appreciates it (or both), we hope you'll enjoy reading about the tradition and continued importance of music at Grace. You'll also read about several music alumni who have been serving Christ in that field. They represent hundreds of others who grew in their musical expertise and desire to serve while they were here.



There's no doubt that music has a tremendous impact on us. When that impact is coupled with musicians who love God and want to serve Him with their efforts, it can have eternal influence.



Judy Daniels, Editor

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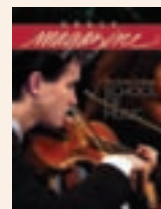
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Grace College music major Toby Chin performs with the Symphony of the Lakes Orchestra. The orchestra is composed of college, community, and professional musicians and is conducted by Dr. Patrick Kavanaugh, dean of the Grace College School of Music.



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FROM THE PRESIDENT

by Dr. Ronald E. Manahan



For many decades music has been a part of the Grace educational experience. Generations of graduates remember singing “A Mighty Fortress Is Our God,” “Amazing Grace,” and “Grace Greater Than Our Sin” as musical expressions that mirrored our collective institutional gratitude and appreciation to God. Such expressions are only one of the values of music we enjoy at Grace.

There are other values to be sure. Music provides a window of insight that helps us understand the development of human history, culture, religion, and thought. Music reflects a good deal about our culture, what we value, our

view of tradition and individualism, and the like. For example there is little doubt about the Enlightenment’s impact on music. Enlightenment’s fundamental traits of faith in human reason and practical morality over supernatural morality helped shape the development of music from the 18th century onward. The outworking of these traits meant that truth was arrived at through reason and systematic doubt; experience, not tradition and authority, was preferred. Thus, over time, music that valued tradition, authority, and excellence of the masters came to be contrasted with music that was freed from tradition and thus individualized, available to the masses (especially with the rise of technology), and driven more by the preferences of listeners in the audience.

These few thoughts illustrate simply that music is shaped by the worldview of the composer, performer, audience, and marketer. Worldview matters. At Grace we believe that understanding worldviews is important, and the School of Music embraces that truth. This issue of *Grace Magazine* highlights the Grace School of Music. This is one of four schools within the institution. Future issues will highlight the other schools. As you read this issue, I hope that you might do these few things:

Please pray for the School of Music faculty as they teach and lead students in courses, lessons, and other musical experiences. These faculty members are working to help students give thoughtful attention to worldview development and implications as they grow in their music knowledge, experience, and skills. Faculty members want students to think about music within various worldviews. But especially these faculty members desire for music students to wrestle thoughtfully with the implications of the Christian faith for their worldview. Pray also for students that they will passionately embrace the Christian implications for their worldview development and their stewardship of God’s gifts, abilities, and opportunities. Pray that their music and ours will honor God. Thanks for partnering with the School of Music through prayer.



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The 1964 **Grace College Choir**.

Dimensions in Brass, 1970-71. Jerry Franks, Director (right).

Heralds of Grace, 1959. Bill Schaffer (BM 61, S 64), Jim Custer (BA 60, MDiv 63, ThM 77, DD 91), Charles Bearinger (BA 61), Jerry Young (BA 61, BD 64), and Dan Grabill (BA 59, BD 65).

Grace Chamber Singers and Ensemble, 1996. Director Ardis Faber, back right.



MUSIC

Some notes about music at Grace by Judy Daniels

When Grace Seminary began in 1937, there was no official Music Department. But there were gifted musicians and plenty of music at the new school, even if a degree wasn't offered yet. If you glance through *The History of Grace Theological Seminary* (1951), a book that documents the early years, you'll see photos of quartets and other music groups that played, sang, and represented the newly formed seminary. Their music helped Grace establish itself among churches across the country.

Recognizing that music went hand-in-hand with ministry, the seminary did offer a course in church music. From that small beginning, a department soon grew.

In the fall of 1950, a young musician named Don Ogden (BD 54) entered Grace Seminary to study for the pastorate. Ogden, who held bachelor's and master's degrees in church music, became the teacher of the seminary

church music course. "That was hardly the creation of a 'music department,'" he says. "But at the end of that school year, Dean [Herman] Hoyt (MTh 39, BD 50, DTh 46) approached me about offering something in music to answer a perceived need in the college. We agreed upon the addition of a course in music theory and in the fall of '51, I found myself teaching two courses. If that constituted a Music Department, then

we had one. And if it had a department head, it must have been me."

In 1952, two more courses were added and applied music lessons were offered, taking advantage of part-time musicians in the community. When Ogden finished seminary, he was asked to join the faculty full-time.

"The college expanded from a two-year to a four-year offering, awarding bachelor degrees for the first time in 1954," he says. "This led to growth... and increased demand for additional music programs. I formed a choir to do a Christmas chapel in '54. Vice President Dr. Paul Bauman heard us and asked if we couldn't take the choir on tour." So the choir toured during Spring Break 1955, and every year after that during Ogden's tenure.



“I dreamed of the day when I could be a part of that choir
and on one of those traveling teams.”



1964 Grace College Choir. Director Don Ogden, left.

The choir and other traveling music groups played a major role in promoting Grace and recruiting students during the early decades. Music major Sharon (Auxt, BME 64) White says, “Early in my high school years, I became a Grace College Choir and musical team ‘groupie.’ I eagerly anticipated their coming to my home church in Hagerstown, Md., and would follow them from church to church. I dreamed of the day when I could be a part of that choir and on one of those traveling teams...a very large factor in my coming to Grace. Those dreams came true, and I was privileged to be the choir accompanist for three years, as well as to travel on weekends with a ladies’ trio.”

Not only did students experience the performance aspect of music, but they benefited personally as well. “Some of my deepest spiritual growth came from Professor Don Ogden’s class in hymnology,” says White, “where we

studied and gained deep appreciation for the composers who poured out their hearts to the Lord in song.”

White’s husband, Terry (BME 64), also a music major, says that Grace’s emphasis on keyboard and sacred choral music has been an important part of its ministry. “Vast numbers of people who learned choir repertoire and keyboard technique at Grace moved out into the world to apply that knowledge in local churches,” he says.

He also mentions the camaraderie that exists among Grace music graduates, giving credit to Prof. Ogden for his leadership. “There’s no way to adequately describe the friendships, the joy of working and making music together, and the solidarity and pride we felt as music majors,” he says.

During the 1960s, Jerry Franks joined the music faculty and started Dimensions in Brass. “He was a master

at attracting brass players,” says Ogden. “Dimensions enjoyed high acclaim wherever they went and Jerry always amazed everyone with his abilities. They were [Indiana] Governor Bowen’s favorite performing group.”

Dennis Herrick followed Jerry Franks and in 1988, Tim Zimmerman and Ardis Faber, both gifted instrumentalists, joined the Music Department when Prof. Ogden became alumni director. Zimmerman, who also directed The

King’s Brass, served as department chair for 12 years. He led the department in receiving accreditation from the National Association of Schools of Music in 2000. He directed Grace Brass and developed several popular community music events, including the *Light of His Coming* Christmas concerts, the spring Tour Concert Program, and musicals such as *Fiddler on the Roof*.

“As I travel with The King’s Brass, it is wonderful to see Grace graduates that are making a difference in the field of music and touching other lives for the Kingdom of God,” says Zimmerman. “I realize that the legacy of any academic department is always the lives of the graduates. Nothing beats working for something that lasts forever.”

Dr. Peter Gano came to Grace in 1992 after chairing the Music History division at The Ohio State University. Dr. Gano became chair of Grace’s Music

Department during Zimmerman's last year at Grace and contributed to the department's accreditation efforts, a highlight of his tenure. "Another highlight," says Dr. Gano, "is that every graduate who wanted to, was able to enter graduate school in a music program. Further, the Grace music education programs increased in visibility and in credibility."

"I think the biggest benefit from my time at Grace in the Music Department was the personal interaction with the professors," says Lisa (Varner, BS 00) Nelson. "They always pushed me to be the best musically that I could be, but were also my spiritual mentors who knew just when encouragement and guidance were needed. I loved my time there!"

In 2002, Dr. Patrick Kavanaugh, artistic director of MasterWorks, brought his summer performing arts music festival to Winona Lake. His enthusiasm for the town and for Grace College led to a strong connection with the school, and he joined the music faculty in 2004. He was named chair of the department in 2005, and both the college and community have benefited from his expertise and creative leadership. Under his guidance, the department has become the Grace College School of Music.

Music at Grace has seen many changes over the years. Professors have come and gone, leaving lasting impressions on students. Music styles and academic courses have changed with the times. But the focus on honoring God with one's talents has not swayed. As Prof. Ogden concludes, "We have never lost sight of the goal of balancing art and ministry."

NANCY MESSNER

Music Teacher and Church Music Ministry



Nancy (Weber, BA 59) Messner says she doesn't remember "a day without music. As a little girl, I played by ear anything I heard on the radio. Then at age 11, I was playing for Sunday services in my dad's church."

"When I came to Grace there was not a strong piano faculty, but the college brought Ira Gerig from Fort Wayne Bible College just for me! He was especially gifted in hymn improvisation. As he taught me, I realized that what he was teaching me was actually how I had been playing. But now I could explain it and teach it to others. The Lord knew I needed the kind of training I received at Grace."

At Grace, she accompanied the college choir and other individuals, including two brothers Dick (MDiv 56) and Bob (BA 57, MRE 59) Messner, who played trumpet and trombone duets. She and Bob were married between her sophomore and junior years, and she finished college while he attended Grace Seminary. During their 40 years of marriage, the Messners served churches and other ministries. Bob passed away nearly 11 years ago.

Nancy taught music for 42 consecutive years, from private piano students at Grace to Midwestern Bible College (Pontiac, Mich.), to the School of Music at The Chapel in Akron, Ohio. Her ministry at The Chapel has had great impact, as Senior Pastor Knute Larson (BA 62, MDiv 66) says:

"Her faithful and skillful ways on keyboards have added so much here since 1984, but her care-love to others, first with husband-pastor Bob before his death, and now as an individual, are an even more significant part of the grace of God to our church."

"I did not keep a record of all the church pianists I taught...but I realize God had a bigger plan for my life than I could have imagined," says Nancy. "Through my training at Grace, I had a part in the musical ministry of numerous churches all over the country."

Nancy Messner lives in Fairlawn, Ohio. She has three adult children, Diane, Dan (C 82), and Debbie, and nine grandchildren.

DR. PHIL NORRIS

Professor of Music, Northwestern College



Dr. Phil Norris (BME 76) is in his 16th year at Northwestern College. He teaches courses that include music theory, studio trumpet, and instrumental methods for band instruments, in addition to other administrative responsibilities. He says he's "also the resident instrument repairman," composes and arranges for college groups, and performs on trumpet.

"I believe music is something God implanted in the nature He gave me," says Norris, "but I nearly took another career path. I was headed for a career in biology because I thought I wasn't all that good at music. My spiritual mom, Joan Keane (C 66), a Grace alum, saw something in me and suggested music. She paid for me to fly for a music weekend at Grace, and I met Jerry Franks and Don Ogden, and

stayed in a fairly messy dorm room on the island with some brass-playing students. I knew early during that weekend that Grace was where God wanted me to be.

"Music professors at Grace modeled for all of us that music-making is an act of worship, an offering, and that I must offer the best of myself and the gifts He's given. I also can't measure the importance of sound Bible teaching as a new believer and college student. Everyday, good things from Grace live on through me, I trust, to God's glory.

"Through teaching, through performing, God has opened doors for me to play with world-class orchestras and to work under or with some of the finest musicians anywhere. At the same time, I clearly see those who are without Christ and how spiritually dead they are. God's image is very evident in the great talent and skill of these people, but also evident is the effect of sin on humanity."

Dr. Phil Norris also earned degrees from Northwestern University (MMus) and the University of Minnesota (DMA). He and his wife, Julie, live in Minneapolis, Minn., and are the parents of three adult children, David, Abigail, and Hannah. (Photo by George Byron Griffiths.)



Grace College music alumnus Katheryn Naler.



THE FUTURE

of the Grace College School of Music

by Dr. Patrick Kavanaugh
Dean, School of Music

To truly appreciate the vision of our School of Music, I ask your indulgence to receive a quick history lesson: In the past three decades, the church in America has struggled through a radically different approach to music. For the majority of protestant churches, this has meant an embracing of contemporary styles and a lessening emphasis on the hymns of the past. However you may personally feel about these changes (and we all have our opinions!), this approach within the American church has had a major effect on music departments of Christian colleges and universities. The reason is as simple as the “supply and demand” concepts we learned in high school economics class.

For many decades, all substantial American churches needed a minister of music possessing a degree in music and with skills learned in an academic setting: choral conducting, instrumental arranging, music theory, counterpoint, etc. And for those many decades, the Christian college music departments became the engine that trained those countless ministers of music, giving them the skills they would need for their hymn-singing, choir-oriented churches.

Yet today there are thousands of large, CCM (Christian contemporary music) churches whose musical leaders do not need the same skills sets to do their job well. This is not meant to belittle the versatile talents of these song leaders. Their talents are simply of a different sort than is traditionally taught in a college music department. For example, I know an excellent minister of music—in one of America’s largest churches—who doesn’t even know how to *read* music, because,

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as the finest classical music school of any Christian college in America.”*



as he told me, “I don’t need to.” And in this context he is quite correct. He has a fine “pop-style” voice and every Sunday he leads thousands in worship—without choirs, arrangements, sometimes even without rehearsals. Everyone, from his pastor and elders to those in his huge congregation, is perfectly satisfied with the job he is doing.

Therefore, a large sector of the “supply and demand” jobs provided by a Christian college music department are evaporating. What have the hundred or so music departments in America’s Christian colleges done about this problem? Unfortunately, many of them have been slow to react, done nothing, and suffered a consistent diminution of both student numbers and national influence. Obviously, this is not a strategy I wanted Grace College to employ.

Other Christian colleges have seen the trends of the American church

and attempted to retool their music departments, in order to give today’s worship leaders the skills they need for church work. This is, of course, a better strategy than doing nothing, and is in many ways quite commendable. My eldest son went to one of these Christian music schools and literally majored in “Contemporary Christian Music.” I happened to be hired to give a three-day music seminar at that school, and, while there, consented to “coach a chamber music rehearsal.” Soon I was handed a set of ear-plugs (no joke!) and ushered into a room containing a large, incredibly loud, grunge-rock band. (We got along fine, but it was a bit different than coaching a Beethoven string quartet.)

The real problem with the above strategy has to do with the specific *musical* skill levels needed to lead CCM worship. I know that this is a controversial area, but it must be admitted that to do an adequate job as a minister of music at a CCM



church simply does not take four years of college music theory, music history, counterpoint, and analysis—much less orchestra, choir, and chamber music. A good worship leader certainly needs a number of other skills, and CCM schools teach many extra-musical topics such as marketing, public speaking, recording techniques, etc. But one generally does not need four years of academic study and a music degree for such a job. It might help, but it is no longer a necessity.

This brings me to the strategy that the Grace College School of Music has adopted. We have chosen to intentionally swim against the stream of today's pop culture, and are building a world-class program of *classical* training. As we have always had a top notch music education department, now we are also attracting students to our performance and composition degrees. We are working daily to give serious young musicians an environment that is increasingly difficult for them to find: a Christian music school that majors in the highest standards of classical excellence. Indeed, the music school's vision statement is bold and unashamed to announce that...

"Our vision is to become internationally known—within the next two decades—as the finest classical music school of any Christian college in America."

A tall order for Grace College in Winona Lake, Indiana? Yes, and without the

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(top left) Vocalists in the spring 2008 Symphony of the Lakes Concert.

(far left) Dr. Patrick Kavanaugh

(left) 2008-2009 Grace Brass. Director Tim Sanborn, center (with trombone).

BRYCE INMAN

Free-Lance Music Editor/Arranger



Bryce Inman (BME 78) says that "in simplest terms, my work involves listening to a recording and then putting that music on a page so that a person can sing and play the piano in a style that matches the original recording. Since most recording artists and songwriters rarely write out anything more than a sketch of their songs, I usually have nothing more than my ears to figure out what's being played on the recording."

For the past 22 years, Inman has worked chiefly as an editor for the Print Division of Word Music. In recent years, he's branched out to include other publishers as well. His main focus involves creating songbooks for the Contemporary Christian market, including folios

for such artists as Michael W. Smith, MercyMe and the WOW series.

"Music is important to me personally because it evokes a vast array of emotions deep in my soul in a manner that no other medium can achieve," Inman explains. "Music isn't just my job; it's how I minister to people. God chose to place me in a position through which I'm able to reach thousands of people worldwide.

"Most of the professional skills I possess were a direct result of the education I received at Grace. As a student, I constantly tested the patience of Mrs. [Verna May] Felts, who carefully guided me through the fundamentals of music theory and playing the piano. My 10 years as director/keyboard player/arranger for Sound Investment...under the guidance of Don Ogden, provided me practical experience. Perhaps just as important, though, was the biblical foundation that was the basis of all my training. I learned that whatever talents I have are a gift from God and their sole purpose is to bring Him glory and honor."

Bryce Inman and his wife, Lu Ann (Waggoner, BME 79) live in Franklin, Tenn. They are the parents of Kelsey (22) and Connor (16). Inman is also a graduate of Ball State University (MA 82).

MATT NIGHTINGALE

Pastor of Music/Arts, Co-Director of Vox Culture Houston, and Performing Artist



"Music is like food and water to me," says Matt Nightingale (BS 95). "I can't imagine life without it."

Nightingale's work is divided between three ministries, but the common thread running through them is music. He is pastor of Music/Arts at a new church plant, Access (www.accesslive.org). He co-directs a non-profit organization called Vox Culture Houston (www.voxculturehouston.org), involving visual artists, musicians, and entrepreneurs who put on gallery/live events, giving the profits to relief organizations. And Matt is a well-known performing artist who writes, sings, and records.

"Music is a beautiful gift to the Church. When we sing together as followers of Jesus, we are joining with the Body of Christ all over the world and with the saints who've gone before us," Matt says.

He mentions two specific ways that he has been able to serve Christ through music. "One is obvious...the way I lead people in worship... [and] write songs that encourage people in the faith. The other is not so obvious. Simply by using the gifts God has given to me, I serve Christ."

His time at Grace played a major role in his life's work. "Obviously Grace taught me the basics on conducting, music theory, music history, and various instruments. But I think the greatest contribution...was giving me opportunities to lead and perform. My years in the choir, with Sound Investment, and performing in musicals helped me develop my performance skills like nothing else could have. Seeing Tim Zimmerman and Ardi Faber exhibit grace and professionalism under pressure prepared me for all the stress and blessings that come with the territory."

From Nightingale's perspective, serving through music is simple: "When I sing or play well...whether it's a 'Christian' or 'secular' song, God is revealing Himself and His beauty and creativity through me."

Matt Nightingale and his wife, Luanne (Tondino, C 93), live in Houston, Tex. They are the parents of Joshua (13), Jacob (10), Emily (7), and Zachary (7). www.myspace.com/mattnightingale

DR. EUNICE STACKHOUSE

*Professor of Music and Director of Music Programs,
Montreat College*



Eunice (Wonderly, BME 73) Stackhouse wrote an essay when she was in the eighth grade. She said her career goal was “to teach music in a Christian college.”

“This aspiration never changed,” she says, “and was only strengthened by the wonderful mentorship of my Grace College professors—especially Verna May and Roland Felts, Don Ogden, and Dr. Vance Yoder. Although I have taught at several Christian colleges on a part-time basis, this goal was finally realized in a permanent position when I came to Montreat College in 1996. I feel so privileged to be able to spend my life in such a rewarding field and career.”

Stackhouse teaches most of the piano and music theory courses at Montreat, supervises a department of 25 music majors and 10 music faculty (mostly adjuncts), and is heavily involved in recruiting music students. She is also actively involved in the Montreat College Friends of Music, which she and her husband, Stefan, founded in 2002.

“Music professors have a unique opportunity to spend individual time with students, and this has been a particularly rewarding facet of my work,” Stackhouse says. Most of her teaching has been at Christian schools, but she has also taught at secular institutions, where she believes she has had a definite witness. “I am blessed now to teach at a college where most of our students are Christians who seek and greatly appreciate mentorship from their Christian professors,” she says.

She adds: “My professors at Grace challenged me to reach my highest potential, gave me abundant musical opportunities while I was there, prepared me extremely well for graduate school, and provided daily examples and guidance which continue to help me today.”

Eunice Stackhouse also earned degrees from Indiana University (MM 75, piano) and the University of Kansas (DMA 95, piano). She and Stefan live in Black Mountain, North Carolina.

JEREMY SMITH

Grace College Music Performance Major



When Jeremy Smith, from Winston-Salem, N.C., visited Grace in 2005, it was the second-to-the last school he had visited after seeing 11 others. But there were specific reasons why he chose Grace. “I knew I needed a trombone teacher and not just a music teacher who taught a wide variety of instruments,” explains Jeremy. “When I heard that Grace was adding new faculty members including Dr. Jim Kraft (former trombonist, National Symphony Orchestra), in addition to having Dr. Tim Sanborn (also a trombone teacher), Grace quickly was on the top of my list.

“Grace treated me as a person and not a number. The way that Grace cared about me and my family was different from others. Through Christmas and graduation cards as well as phone calls, I

could tell Grace really cared about my decision whether it would be their school or not. To this day, my mom is thankful for my admissions counselor because he played a crucial role in why I came to Grace.”

When asked why music is important to him, Jeremy replies: “In the movie *Chariots of Fire*, Eric Liddell makes a great statement: ‘I believe God made me for a purpose...but He also made me fast. And when I run, I feel His pleasure.’ Many people have different avenues of expressing their love of Christ and expressing it to others. For me, it is playing the trombone, and at times, I can really sense His presence when I play.”

Jeremy looks forward to performing in a professional symphony orchestra someday or going to graduate school. No matter what happens, he has the right perspective on the future when he says, “Knowing that God made me for some purpose to bring glory to Him is exciting. Playing the trombone is another exciting and humbling gift that He has allowed me to use to further His Kingdom.”

Lord’s help and blessing, an impossible one. But I prefer to see it as God’s mandate and challenge to us. We have already been greatly encouraged by the growth of the music school in the past three years, as we have moved from 18 music majors to 45. (This is at a time when many Christian music departments are shrinking.) We are working a 15-year plan that will bring us to 200 students and a greatly increased faculty. As we continue to expand, the music school will soon be moving out of the small Byers Building into the Westminster Building, as funding becomes available. This beautiful structure—with its thick walls for superb soundproofing, large rooms for recitals, and small ones for faculty studios—will create an outstanding music facility.

Actually, swimming against the national stream has a number of clear advantages. For one thing, every year there is less competition, as more schools succumb to the CCM trend. Furthermore, classical training gives a student a noticeable edge over the untrained guitar player, who can lead worship but do little else. We see both the performing arts world (music performance majors) and the schools of America (music education majors) as mission fields where the Gospel of Jesus Christ is desperately needed. And finally, we believe that God is worthy of our *highest* praise (i.e., our most excellent praise). When the scripture commands us to “play skillfully” (Ps. 33:3), we take it very seriously!

In conclusion, I should mention that this has been the exact vision that propelled the MasterWorks Festival (I am also its Artistic Director) into the largest ministry of its kind in the world. It has brought together hundreds of the finest students and faculty from around the world to Winona Lake, and our music school is now actively drawing both students and world-renowned faculty to Grace College. Please join with us in prayer that God will continue his blessing upon MasterWorks and the Grace College School of Music, and that all we do in “playing skillfully” for the Lord will be for His great glory!

Eight Trustees Elected to Grace Board

Eight trustees were elected by the Grace College and Seminary corporation members to the 2008-2011 term. The board is currently composed of 21 men and women from across the United States and Germany, elected to three-year terms. We are so appreciative of these board members who give of their time and expertise to serve in this capacity.



Kent Adams

was recently Kosciusko County Treasurer in Indiana, and

retired at the completion of his term in 2008. He and his wife, Nancy (BS), reside in Winona Lake. Kent served as Indiana state representative and Indiana state senator, as well as on numerous community boards and legislative committees. Kent has served on the Grace Board since 2005 and chairs the Advancement and External Constituencies Commission.



Daniel Allan

is senior pastor of the Grace Brethren Church of Ashland,

Ohio. He and his wife, Holly, live in Ashland. He has served on the pastoral staff at the Ashland GBC for more than 20 years. Dan is a graduate of Grace College (BA) and Grace Theological Seminary (CBS). He has served on the Grace Board since 2005 and is a member of the Student Affairs Commission and an at-large member of the Executive Committee.



James Custer

is teaching pastor of the Grace Brethren Church of Greater

Columbus, Worthington, Ohio. He and his wife, Triceine, live in Powell. Jim is a graduate of Grace College (BA) and Grace Theological Seminary (MDiv, ThM, DD). Jim completed nearly 40 years of service as senior pastor in Worthington. He has served on the Grace Board since 2000. He began his tenure as chairman of the board this summer and is a member of the Seminary Commission.



John E. Haller

is a trial attorney. He and his wife, Pam (BS), are members of the Grace

Brethren Church of Greater Columbus, Worthington, Ohio. John is a graduate of Grace College (BA), Indiana State University (MS), and Indiana University (JD). He is a member of the American, Ohio State, and Columbus Bar Associations. John served on the Grace Board from 1988 until 2004. He was currently elected to the Grace Board in 2005 and is a member of the Advancement Commission.



J. Paul

Mutchler is senior pastor of the Grace Brethren Church

and Lanham Christian School, Lanham, Md. He and his wife, Linda, live in the Lanham area. Paul is a graduate of The Ohio State University (BS) and Grace Theological Seminary (MDiv). He has served on the Grace Board since 1996 and recently completed his tenure as chairman of the board. Paul is chairman of the Business Commission.



Henry

Weber is a businessman involved in a construction company

building homes in several locations. Henry and his wife, Frances, live in Lititz, Pa., and are members of the Grace Brethren Church of Lititz. Henry has served on the Grace Board since 1995 and is a member of the Advancement Commission.



Michael Yoder

is a career missionary with Grace Brethren International Missions,

having served in Berlin, Germany, for 10 years. Currently he is completing a PhD in Intercultural Studies at Trinity Evangelical Divinity School. He is a graduate of Grace College (BA) and Grace Theological Seminary (MDiv). He and his wife, Letitia (BA), and family are currently living in Northbrook, Ill. Mike is a member of the College Academic Affairs Commission.



Janine Zelt-

wanger is a client manager at Ronald Blue & Company (financial

planning) in Indianapolis, Ind. Janine is a Grace College graduate (BS) and a Certified Public Accountant. Janine has served on the Grace Board since 1999 and is chair of the Student Affairs Commission.

From the Athletic Department

Eleven Inducted Into Lancer Hall of Fame

The Grace College Athletic Department recognized 11 members who were inducted into the inaugural 2008 class of the Lancer Hall of Fame on November 8, 2008. The Hall of Fame recognizes individuals who have made exceptional contributions to Grace College both on and off the field of competition. It was formed to recognize former Lancer athletes, coaches, and contributors (meritorious service) to the institution.

After the inaugural year of 2008, four members will be inducted into the Hall of Fame each year. Members are recognized by plaques that are located in the Orthopaedic Capital Center. Emphasis upon Christian values, moral character, and personal integrity with a passion for Grace College are part of the criteria for induction.

Members inducted on November 8 include: **Ron Clase** (1967-71), who was a four-year member of the tennis team with an overall record of 110-2, while achieving a #1 ranking in the state of Indiana. **Paul Henning** (1975-79) ranks first in goals scored, career points, and is second in career assists for the men's soccer team.

Henning was an NAIA All-American selection in 1976. **Heather Everhart Johnson** (1992-94) helped lead the softball team to the NAIA National Tournament as an All-American pitcher. Johnson ranks first in innings pitched, career wins, and career strikeouts.

Chet Kammerer (1960-64) is Grace's all-time leading scorer for men's basketball, with 2,504 points. Kammerer was also the head men's basketball coach for the Lancers from 1965-1975 and served as a coach for the Los Angeles Lakers. Coach **Jim Kessler** (1977-current) led the 1992 men's basketball team to the NAIA National Title and has been named both NAIA Coach of the Year and NCCAA Coach of the Year. Coach "K" is closing in on his 600th career coaching victory. **Dick and Ginny Leaf** (supporters) have been backing Lancer Athletics for 39 years and were recognized for their meritorious service to Grace College.

Dr. Yvonne Messner (1960-80) was the first female coach in the history of Grace College Athletics. Messner coached women's basketball, volleyball, softball, tennis, and track and field. She also served as the women's athletic director for 20 years. Her husband, **Dick Messner** (1955-75) served as athletic director at

Grace while coaching both the men's basketball and baseball teams. **Doug Noll** (1975-78), an NAIA and NCCAA All-American, also coached on the 1992 National Championship team staff. Noll ranks fifth in career scoring and first in points in a season with 950 and is the all-time career leader in scoring average at 27.7 ppg. **Melissa Rants Simfukwe** (1994-98) played volleyball for the Lancers, compiling a career record of 162-37, including a 35-game win streak. Simfukwe was an NCCAA All-American and ranks first in both career digs and career assists.

Former Soccer Coach Terry Shrock Honored

Former Grace College Men's Soccer Coach Terry Shrock (BA 69) was honored at a ceremony on October 4, 2008, at Miller Field. Shrock's family and former players were also recognized at the ceremony, which preceded the men's soccer match against Indiana Tech. Shrock passed away on March 7, 2008, at the age of 62.

Shrock coached at Grace from 1973-1976, and led the Lancers to three Mid-Central College Conference titles in four years. He took over a program that went .500 prior



2008 Hall of Fame inductees pictured are (left to right): Dick and Ginny Leaf, Yvonne Messner, Heather Everhart Johnson (BS 94), Jim Kessler (BS 70), Paul Henning (BS 79), Doug Noll (C 78), Melissa Rants Simfukwe (BS 98), and Chet Kammerer (BA 64).



Those honoring Coach Shrock on October 4 included: (front row, left to right), Dr. Steve Grill (BA 70), Jeff Cahill (BS 77), Mark Workman (BS 77), Sandra Davis, Judy Lytle, Jim Zielasko (BS 79), Paul Henning (BS 79), Dean Zentz (C 77), and Grace Athletic Director Chad Briscoe. Back row: Gary Herbruck (BS 77), Tim Van Duyen (BS 79), Grace President Ron Manahan, Greg Leigh (BS 78), Bill Henthorn (BS 77), Steve Miller (BA 75), Vern Fredericks (BS 79), and Dr. Brian Dawson (BS 81).

to his arrival and transformed the Lancers into the best program in the MCC during that time.

Shrock's legacy has been untouched at Grace since his departure. His overall winning percentage of 73 percent is the best of any soccer coach in Grace history. "I am forever inspired by the words shared from alumni of the impact Coach Shrock had on their lives," said Grace College Athletic Director, Chad Briscoe. "Coach Shrock led by Christian example both on and off the field."

Shrock's best season with the Lancers was his last in 1976 when he led Grace to a 14-3-1 overall record that included a 5-0-1 record in MCC play, and they celebrated the third conference title in four years. The Lancers won the MCC Conference Championship in 1973, 1974, and 1976 under his leadership.

Steve Miller (BA 75), now chief executive officer of Kosciusko Community Hospital in Warsaw, Ind., played under Shrock's leadership. "Coach Shrock loved the game, loved people, and was the consummate teacher," shared Miller. "Coach was always teaching his student athletes something new about the game and connected very well with his players. He demanded our

best and always set an example of good behavior for all of his players."

Former player Jeff Cahill (BS 77) commented, "Coach Shrock was more than just a successful coach. He brought incredible passion in his love for soccer which translated to the way his players played for him. He taught lessons in the value of sacrificing self-interest for a team, which greatly affected my ability to succeed in family, relationships, and business. He truly cared about teaching young men values and role-modeled Godly character."

The first Grace College soccer players to ever earn NAIA All-American honors came during Shrock's tenure. Those included: Paul Henning (1976), the college's all-time leader in goals scored, Denny Lapp (1976) and Tim Van Duyne (1976). Coach Shrock was named coach of the year in Indiana three out of the four years he coached at Grace and finished runner-up in the NCCAA National Tournament two of those four years.

A native of Kokomo, Ind., Shrock served in the U.S. Army during the Vietnam War. He began his coaching career as an assistant to legendary soccer coach, Jerry Yeagley, at Indiana University. Shrock is survived by his mother, Betty Petty, Kokomo; sisters Connie Lou Colter, Sandra Davis, and Judy Lytle; and brothers Mike and Rick Shrock. He was preceded in death by his father and a brother.

MariJean Wegert Completes Outstanding Cross Country Season

Grace College sophomore MariJean Wegert of Elmore, Ohio, finished 163 out of 327 runners at the NAIA National Cross Country meet on November 22, 2008, with a time of 19:29. Though not her best race of the year, it was a great experience and one that will better prepare her for future years of cross country competition.

"I am very proud of the way MariJean has progressed this season," said head coach Neal Butler. "She has shown great improvement and still has nowhere to go but up as she continues to compete. It will be fun to watch how much she continues to improve over the next couple of years."

The November 22 meet concluded MariJean's season, which saw her run the five fastest times in Grace women's cross country history, receive All-Conference honors, be the first Grace cross country woman to earn NCCAA All-American honors, and the first cross country woman to qualify for NAIA Nationals. Not bad for someone who is in just her second season of cross country. MariJean did not run in high school. And she runs barefoot.

Mad Ants NBA D-League Play on Grace Campus

The Fort Wayne (IN) Mad Ants basketball team (NBA Development League) played the Erie Bayhawks at Grace's Orthopaedic Capital Center on November 21, 2008. This was the first exhibition game that the Mad Ants have hosted, and the first time they ventured outside of Fort Wayne to play a home game.

"The opportunity to host the Ft. Wayne Mad Ants brought a great deal of excitement to our campus and also to Kosciusko County," said Grace College Athletic Director Chad Briscoe. "We hope that this can be the beginning of a great relationship for many years to come. The Orthopaedic Capital Center is the newest basketball facility in the state of Indiana, and we were excited to partner with the Mad Ants."

This game is the first ever professional game played on the Grace campus and the first time the Mad Ants have played at a nonprofessional team's venue.



Terry Shrock

MariJean Wegert ahead of a runner from Embury Riddle.

Chapel Helps Students Encounter God

by Scott Feather
Dean of the Chapel and Global Ministries

Chapel is and should be the heart of the college campus, helping students gain and maintain a proper perspective of God and themselves. This has been the case this past semester as students have been able to encounter who God is—as we have been exposed to what God is doing through His people around the globe—as we have examined our own lives and how God has wired us, our passions, dreams and shortcomings—as we have been equipped to serve Him in the uniqueness of the way He created us.

Our worldview has been expanded as we have explored the atrocities happening around the world in the area of human trafficking and slavery and how it exists in our own backyard. Students have risen up with a godly anger and have begun to make a

difference through bringing awareness to Kosciusko County and raising funds through the national “Not For Sale” campaign founded by David Batstone, who was on campus in September. David called me a week after he was at Grace and said, “Scott, I told the Grace College story to a large gathering in D.C. tonight.”

Our identity in Christ has been re-examined as we spent three hours during our Day of Worship through the theme of “encountering Jesus: know, love, abide.” Students were given a chance to physically respond to the Holy Spirit’s movement in their lives. We are still hearing about the effects of that day and what was ignited in the lives of students. We were pushed to understand a redeemed individual’s

role within culture and what God calls us to be and do through our annual Conference on Mission and a week dedicated to “Christ and Culture.”

It has been one of the most exciting semesters of chapel that I can remember. Students were not only exposed to truth and its ramifications in their lives, but they are responding in God-honoring ways.

God is at work on our campus. Would you please continue to pray that we would be open and willing to follow obediently where He tells us to go?

Missionary and author Bruce Triplehorn (below) speaks in chapel in November. Bruce and his wife, Lisa, serve with Grace Brethren International Missions in Brazil.



Students Volunteer 1,700+ Hours

by Abbey Nishimoto
Serve Director



Serve Puppeteer Rachel Nicholl entertains the audience before the show starts. Photo by Jessica Borst

During the fall semester, Grace students embraced the call to service by joining *Serve* teams that minister to the local community. In the months of September and October alone, these 300+ students donated over 1,700 hours of their time. The students are divided into 25 teams that each have a particular focus. Some minister to the elderly, others spend time

with kids at the Boys and Girls Club, while some arrange puppet shows to communicate Christ's love in a creative way.

Serve's mission statement is "To transform God-given passions into a lifestyle of service." Indeed, the members of *Serve* teams have found ways to use the talents that God has given them to share with others. Some team members have a passion for doing "random acts of kindness" and spent time this fall raking leaves and working on household projects around Winona Lake. Another team volunteers at the hospital, bringing encouragement to patients and staff alike.

While each team does something different, they all have a unified purpose that is rooted in *Serve's* key verse, 1 Peter 4:10. "Each one should use whatever gift he has received to **serve** others, faithfully administering God's grace in its various forms." Though many other things could occupy a college student's schedule, these students have chosen to use their time and talents to serve Christ by serving others.

One of the highlights of the semester was the annual FunFest. *Serve* leader Abby Walter and her team did an incredible job at organizing this Halloween alternative outreach for more than 800 community children. Scott Feather, dean of the Chapel and Global Ministries, noted "FunFest is more than candy and games; it is a chance to show His love in a practical way."

Whether it is playing basketball with high school boys, writing letters to overseas soldiers, or serving lunch at a local soup kitchen, Grace students are using their unique gifts to minister to the community in life-changing ways.

Abbey (Hocking) Nishimoto is a junior, double-majoring in communication and Bible. She is originally from Southern California, and she and her husband, Andrew (BS 08), now live in Warsaw.

News to Know

Dr. Christy Hill, associate professor of Spiritual Formation and Women's Ministries, has been appointed as a board member for the North American Professors of Christian Education. She has also been appointed to the Advisory Board for the *Christian Education Journal*, which is a body of articles generated from NAPCE.

Dr. Jim Lesko, Chair, Department of Science and Mathematics, and **Dr. Tom Prinsen**, Chair, Department of Communication, have had a presentation accepted for the annual Midwest Scholars Conference on March 6, 2009, in Indianapolis, Ind. The presentation is titled, "The National Toy Valuation Project for the Marines Toys for Tots Foundation," and stems from a project which Dr. Lesko and students participate in annually for Toys for Tots. They were joined this year by Dr. Prinsen.

In addition, Dr. Prinsen had a panel presentation accepted for the MSC, titled, "Educating the Educators: Survival Techniques for Doctoral Programs." **Dr. Bill Katip**, Grace provost, along with faculty from other schools will participate in the panel. Dr. Prinsen and December graduate **Amos Orr** also wrote a paper which was accepted for presentation at the annual conference of the International Academy of Business Disciplines, April 2-4 in St. Louis, Mo., and collaborated on another paper for presentation at the dual Annual Conference of the National Popular Culture Association and American Culture Associations.

Betsey Rumley, a senior social studies education major, is the 2008 recipient of the Dennis Beadles Pre-Service Teacher Award. The award is issued each year by the Indiana Council for the Social Studies. It recognizes, promotes, and awards an outstanding future social studies teacher. Betsey is the daughter of Timothy and Susan Rumley of Portage, Ind.

Sophomore math education major **Kasey Woods** from Plymouth, Ind., was selected as the Grace College recipient of the 2008 "Realizing the Dream" award. This award is made possible by a grant to the Independent Colleges of Indiana from the Lilly Endowment. The student honorees are Indiana high school graduates who demonstrate superior academic performance and exhibit leadership. Kasey will receive a \$2,000 grant toward tuition. She also attended a banquet for honorees in Indianapolis on November 8 with her parents, Keith and Jill Woods.



Homecoming 2008

The Grace family returned to Winona Lake on November 7, 8, and 9 to celebrate Homecoming, renew friendships, and see the campus. It was a great time of reunion and a reminder of how God has blessed the college and seminary. (More photos on pages 14 and 31.)



1 The 2008 Homecoming Court included (front row, left to right): Ryan Wroughton (king), Micah Heckert, Nathanael Foote, Lucas Brader, and Kyle Alcorn. Back row: Ashley House (queen), Sarah Humberd, Sara Melcho, Abbey Nishimoto, and Karly Arens

2 The Lancer men won over Trinity International, 73-65, on Friday evening.

3 Bluegrass music by Stovepipe Holler, with Grace Professor J.D. Woods, Lowell Dobbs, and President/Professor Emeritus John Davis, was featured after the basketball game.

4 Saturday morning's schedule began with a Presidential Breakfast in the newly redecorated Alpha Dining Commons.

5 Comedian Jeff Allen entertained the crowd at Saturday evening's GC Live in Rodeheaver Auditorium.

6 Classes held reunions during the afternoon on Saturday. Pictured are members of the Class of 1973 with their spouses at the Boathouse Restaurant in Winona Lake. (Standing, left to right) Mike and Charlie (Kleyn, BS 73) Higgins, Bob (MDiv 73) and Debbie (Jennings, BA 73) Whattoff, John Burtoft (BA 73), Howard Reed (BA 73, MDiv 83, MABC 85), Jeff Carroll (MDiv 79), Carl and Norma (Huff, BS 73) Driskell, and Jack Harrold (BA 73). Seated: Sharon (Snyder, BS 81) Metz, Debra (Anderson, BS 75) Reed, Pam (Teeple, BS 73) Carroll, and Helen Harrold.



7 Grace President Ron Manahan talks with alumnus Kenneth Ross (BS 01).

8 Beverly Kent (S 88), Sharon (Auxt, BME 64) White and former Grace professor Yvonne Messner (right) greet each other at GC Live on Saturday evening.

9 Christy (Damer, BA 93) and Don (BS 93) Swartzentruber (left) with uncle and aunt, Steve (BA 68) and Margaret (Humberd, BA 68) Damer.

10 Retired Professor Dan Pacheco (right) greets Jennifer (Willard, BS 98) Toms and her husband, Doug.

11 Thirty-four Grace College students were inducted into the Alpha Chi national honor society on Sunday, November 9. Pictured are (front row, left to right): Dr. George Slaughter, Heather Brader, Marcellyn (Liz) Baker, Abbey Nishimoto, Angela DeCook, Amanda Justiniano, Bethany Stanfill, Alexandra Deyoe, Amy Bankes, Nicole Hills, Mary MacLeod, Erica Bare, Cody Yerger. Middle Row: Professor Joe Lehmann, Cassandra Smith, Leah Webb, Cheri Bryan, Ashlee Lane, Angela McClure, Erin Slater, Abby Walter, Emily Thomas, Jeremy Maurer, Joshua Leichty. Back Row: Bailey Standish, Rachel Kikkert, Cristina Hoyt, Alexia Whitsel, Alisha Miller, Kristin Dorland, Anna Klatt, Candace Okupski, Andrew Martin, Justin Parks, Miles Wolters, Dr. William Katip.

So What Are You

by Dr. Jeffrey A. Gill
Dean, School of Ministry Studies
Grace Theological Seminary

*In every relationship
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 believers, my goal
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 in becoming
 complete in Christ.*

We all know what it's like to be "lost in thought." Sometimes, "the thought" can fill us with fearful anxiety or exciting anticipation. Where do our minds dwell? It really is an important question, especially in light of Proverbs 23:7, "For as a man thinks within himself, so is he."

At Grace Theological Seminary, an important part of what we do is to help our students develop a healthy thought life. Here's a Scripture verse worthy of pondering:

"Let the Word of Christ richly dwell within you with all wisdom teaching and admonishing one another with psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with thankfulness in your hearts to God" (Colossians 3:16).

Here are a couple of personal observations I am learning from this verse:

Our thoughts affect our relationships.

"Teaching and admonishing one another."

What is the goal of our teaching and admonition? Col. 1:28, *"We proclaim Him, admonishing every man and teaching every man with all wisdom, so that we may present every man complete in Christ."* So in every relationship I have with other believers, my goal or purpose should be to assist him/her in becoming complete in Christ. This certainly doesn't mean I always do the talking. In fact, sometimes the best teaching I can do is to teach and model *listening* to others. Sometimes it means taking harsh words from others and not returning evil for evil, or not being defensive and angry, but entrusting myself to Him who

judges righteously. But when I am not allowing the "Word of Christ to dwell in me richly," I don't think and act like this at all. Life for me can be self-serving and self-centered. I control situations for my own personal agenda. I manipulate conversations and interactions to get my way. "Letting the Word of Christ richly dwell in us" is essential for living a Christ-focused life of a servant.

There are parallel verses in Eph 5:18-21,

"And do not get drunk with wine, for that is dissipation, but be *filled with the Spirit*, (19) speaking to one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody with your heart to the Lord; (20) always giving thanks for all things in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to God, even the Father."

Isn't it interesting that the same result or fruit occurs with being "filled with the Spirit" as with "letting the Word of Christ dwell in us richly"? It's because the Word of Christ is energized and empowered by the Holy Spirit, and that's when our lives are transformed toward completion in Christ. Do you know anyone who on a consistent basis over a period of many years has let the Word of Christ richly dwell in him/her? What happens when you are around that person? How are you affected?

Thinking About?

Here's a second observation from this passage:

Our thoughts affect our attitude.

"Singing with thankfulness in your hearts to God."

Again, this is the fruit or product of letting the Word of Christ richly dwell within us. Some of you might say, "Singing? I'm not really a singer." Or "I express my joy in other ways." That's fine. I don't think this phrase is ultimately about singing. It's about "thankfulness." It's about an "attitude of gratitude." Without a doubt one of the key theological truths in all Scripture is that God is full of grace. An understanding of grace leads to thankfulness. An entitlement mindset leads to ingratitude. A focus upon my goals and my agenda and my accomplishments leads to ingratitude. Thoughts which dwell richly upon "It's all about me" lead to ingratitude.

Many of you know the name Jerry Bridges. He has taught for us several times in our Doctor of Ministry program. Dr. Bridges is a humble, quiet, man of God. He's written numerous books and ministered with the Navigators for over 50 years. I had the opportunity to have lunch with him when he was on our campus a couple of years ago, and I asked him this question. I said, "Jerry, I have noticed that some Christians as they get older become critical and negative and difficult to be around, while others become more loving and kind and are a joy to be around. What do you think is the difference?"

He, in his quiet, humble way, said, "Jeff, I really don't know. But I am learning to 'preach the gospel to myself every day.'" That's the phrase that is synonymous with Jerry Bridges. "Preach the gospel to yourself every day." Here's what he means, "I will remember every day that I am a sinner. Because of the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and His atoning work on the cross, I am forgiven and I am a child of God, and it is only because of His grace." "Singing with thankfulness in our hearts to the Lord" does not occur when you have an entitlement mentality. It doesn't happen when you buy into a "the customer's always right and I am always the customer" mindset.

This may be hard to believe, but I have talked with many, many older seminary graduates who have told me that their seminary years were the most spiritually dry years of their Christian lives. They have told me that they do not recommend young men and women with a passion for ministry to go to seminary. They say things like: "The Apostle Paul was right. Knowledge puffs up, and seminaries are only about knowledge." My response is, "Not if we let the Word of Christ richly dwell in us." We won't be puffed up with pride. We will be transformed. We will love our Savior more and more, and we will become like Him. And that's true for all of us— not just seminary students.

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Dr. Jeffrey A. Gill
Dean

February 5-7
Evangelical Seminary
Dean's Meeting,

Dallas, Texas

April 21-23 GO2 Church Planting
Board Meetings, New York, New York



Dr. Christy Hill
Associate Professor of
Spiritual Formation and
Women's Ministries

April 25 Heartland District Women's
Event (Fellowship of Grace Brethren
Churches), Leesburg, Indiana



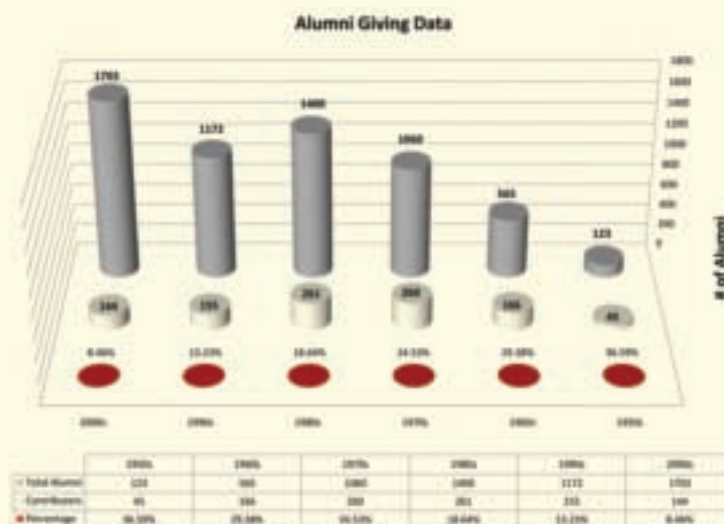
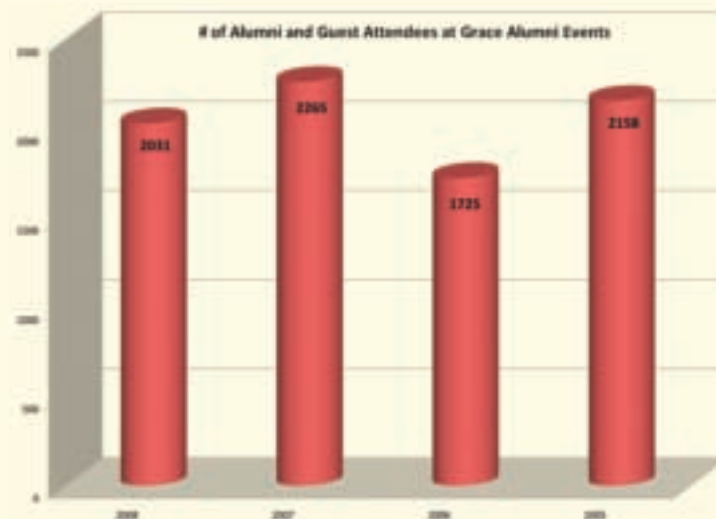
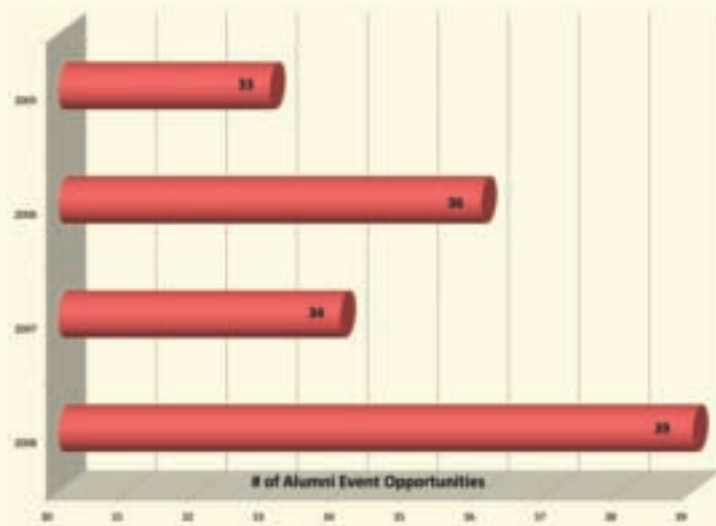
Dr. Roger Peugh
Associate Professor of
World Mission

March 12-23 Ministry
in Germany at a
church conference, two Bible schools,
and two local churches



Dr. Tom Stallter
Professor of
Intercultural Studies

February 1-3
Lecturing at Chongshin
Seminary, Los Angeles, California
(Grace's Korean program partnership
with Chongshin Seminary's School of
Missiology)
February 6-7
Speaking on World Religions at East
Side Grace Brethren Church, Columbus,
Ohio



Alumni Involvement Continues to Increase

by Tim Ziebarth
Director of Alumni Services

As you see in the charts, the number of alumni who are involved with the campus continues to grow every year.

Over 2,000 Grace family members attended one of the nearly 40 events held in 2008, and 1,020 Grace graduates contributed \$297,078.22 to support their alma mater. Personal involvement means getting reconnected to campus and giving back your time, talent, and treasure that the Lord has blessed you with.

We're so grateful for the strong connection that our alumni continue to display through participation in events and through giving to the college and seminary. Your involvement means much to us and we thank you for the many ways you encourage us throughout the year.

In these challenging economic times, we need our Grace family's personal involvement more than ever! Grace's expanding internship programs, Homecoming 2009, and the increased demand for student scholarships are just a few of the ways you can get involved on campus. For more information, please contact the **Alumni Services Office** at **866.448.3472** or **(574) 372-5100 ext. 6128**, or e-mail **alumni@grace.edu**.

New Law Makes Giving IRA Assets More Attractive

by Greg Weimer
Director of Planned Giving



Congress has recently taken important steps to encourage charitable giving. As part of new tax laws passed in October 2008, you may now enjoy an opportunity to make tax-free charitable gifts.

Tax incentives for giving IRA assets!

The new legislation allows taxpayers over the age of 70 years, six months, to make tax-free distributions to a charity directly from their traditional and Roth IRAs (Individual Retirement Accounts) in 2009.

Making gifts from IRA funds, that would otherwise be subject to tax if withdrawn voluntarily or under mandatory withdrawal requirements, may be a wise choice for many. Donors can make tax-free charitable gifts from their IRA in any amount they choose up to \$100,000 per year. A couple with separate IRAs could each give up to that amount. Amounts given to charity in this way will qualify as all or part of a mandatory withdrawal.

Benefits for donors!

Making gifts using IRA assets can help some avoid adverse tax consequences. While these gifts do not technically result in an additional tax deduction, they are nevertheless tax free. In addition, you may bypass any additional tax on your Social Security benefits that could otherwise be due because of the increased income represented by an IRA withdrawal.

If you are among those concerned about estate and income taxes depleting IRA assets left to heirs as part of your estate, you may want to make tax-free distributions to a charity in 2009 and provide for inheritances to loved ones from other assets. By giving in this way, you can assure that donated IRA funds will never be subject to income or estate taxation, thereby resulting in more assets available for your heirs.

Additional details!

Keep in mind that to qualify for maximum tax benefits, gifts of IRA assets must be made directly from your IRA to the charitable interests you specify. To enjoy the full benefit of this IRA giving opportunity, gifts must be completed prior to December 31 of each year. Check with your advisors or IRA administrator for more details and assistance in directing funds to the organizations of your choice and for information about how state taxes and other considerations may affect your plans. As always, we are available to assist you in any way possible when making your gifts.

Alumnotes

NEWS FROM OUR ALUMNI AROUND THE WORLD

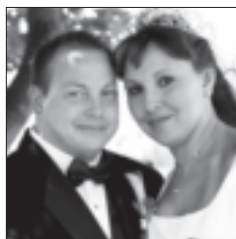
DOWN THE AISLE

1950s



Donald Ogden (BD 54) and **Ethelee Jones**: July 26, 2008. 808 Timber Lane, Winona Lake IN 46590. donogden@gmail.com

1990s



Darren Wetzel (C 10) and **Charlette Sauders** (BS 90): June 28, 2008. 1856 S Packerton Rd, Warsaw IN 46580.

2000s



Timothy Barrick (C 07) and **Cheryl Dann** (C 09): May 20, 2008. Mail for the Dann-Barricks should be sent to 3784 N Tillotson Ave, Apt 119, Muncie IN 47304.



Kyle Carter (BS 05) and **Jenna Spangle** (BS 06): July 7, 2007. 2198 S Clover Ln, Warsaw IN 46580. carterjm@live.com



Kent Currie (BS 00) and **Joy Monson**: August 16, 2008. 203 Lake Ave NE, Hartville OH 44632. currieka@gmail.com

Michael Dawson and **Johanna Belke** (BS 08): June 21, 2008. 6 Swarthmore Bldg. Hershey PA 17033. mikeandjodawson@gmail.com



Zachary McGowen (BA 06) and **Cho long Kim** (BA 07): August 9, 2008. Bremen IN 46506.



Shea Proctor (BS 07) and **Jacqueline Peters** (C 10): July 5, 2008. 1906 N Sand Dollar Dr, Apt C, Warsaw IN 46582.



Ben Miller and **Alisha Walton** (C 10): May 24, 2008. PO Box 6, Larwill IN 46764.

Andrew Nishimoto (BS 08) and **Abigail Hocking** (C 10): June 14, 2008. 1302 Kuder Lane, Warsaw IN 46582. nishimam@grace.edu and skarocks1922@aol.com



Philip Webb (C 10) and **Leah Craig** (C 10): June 14, 2008. 317 N Washington St, Warsaw IN 46580. webblc@grace.edu

FUTURE ALUMNI

1990s

Daniel (C 98) and **Catherine** (C 97) **Clark**: Wesley Walker, November 16, 2007. 115 Starling Creek Loop, Laredo TX 78045. danandcatherine@hotmail.com



Aaron (BA 99) and **Sarah (Adams) Crabtree**: Josephine Grace, September 26, 2008. Josephine joins Wrigley (4½) and Theodore (3) at 401 N Maple Ave, Warsaw IN 46580. crabtrat@grace.edu



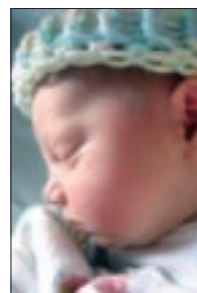
Eric (BS 99) and **Rochelle (Sprunger) Criss**: Ainsley Elizabeth Lyn, August 25, 2008. Ainsley joins Graham (7) and Grant (3) at 867 N Timberline Circle W, Warsaw IN 46582. ercriss@embarqmail.com



Jonathan (BA 98) and **Jessie (Barrette) Crow**: Eli Coltman, April 11, 2008. Eli joins Liam (2) at 8201 NE 106th St, Kansas City MO 64157. Jessie.crow@gmail.com and traiese@gmail.com



Tom and **Brenda (Minard) Hawthorne**: Henry Thomas and Ryan Avery, September 24, 2008. Henry and Ryan join Katie (3) at 6588 Saint Jacobs Logtown Rd, Lisbon OH 44432. blhawthorne@mac.com



Andy (BA 98) and **Deborah (Renaud) Kerr**: Risanna Pepper Lyn, November 3, 2008. Risanna joins sister Fiona (5) and brother Aiden (3).



David and **Emily** (Herdmen C 93) **Stoll**: Clara Joy, August 31, 2007. Clara joins Madeleine (11), Ben (7) and Emma (4) at 5538 Satinwood Dr, Columbus OH 43229. dstoll@gracebrethren.org



Todd and **Becky** (Hulthen BS 96) **VanDerVoorn**: Alexis Hope, May 15, 2007. Alexis joins

Noah (5) and Tori (3) at 1056 Chestnut Hill Ln, Sugar Grove IL 60554. bhulthen@juno.com

2000s

Sean and **Allison** (Shepherd C 08) **Alderfer**: Braxton Daniel, August 19, 2008. 4335 Deer Run N, Warsaw IN 46582.



Sy (BA 02, MA 06) and **Renessa** (Rauch BS 02) **Belohlavek**: Winslow Thomas, August 11,

2007. 1180 Eastfield Rd, Worthington OH 43085. syandrenessa@yahoo.com



Jean (BA 05) and **Tasha** (Leichty BA 02) **DeSouza**: Ian Marcos DeSouza, December 7, 2007. Ian joins Eva (3) at 1009 E Clark St, Warsaw IN 46580. jtdeSouza@gmail.com



Drew (BS 05) and **Catey** (Dea 06) **Etner**: Tristan Andrew, August 27, 2008. Tristan joins Aiden (18 mo) at 2190 Madison Ave, Apt 10F, New York NY 10037. drewandcatelyetner@yahoo.com

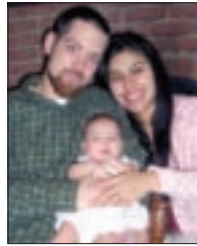


Josh (BS 04) and **Kelsie Glenn**: Samuel William, August 29, 2008. Samuel joins Caleb (2)

at 417 S Harding St, Warsaw IN 46580. jdglenn_13@yahoo.com



Matthew (BS 01) and **Athena** (Colbert BS 98) **Grady**: Dawson Clark, October 6, 2007. Dawson joins Addison (5) and Lucas (3) at 522 Sugar Creek Ln, North Liberty IA 52317. athena-grady@juno.com

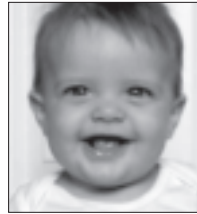


Robert (BA 06) and **Nancy** (Bustos C 06) **Kochheiser**: Rose Isabela, August 13, 2008. 825 Woodville Rd, Mansfield OH 44907

Jason (BS 00) and Susan **Kreider**: adopted Lucas Gabriel, born June 23, 2008. Lucas joins Malachi (2) at 1960 W 94th St, Chicago IL 60643. kreidejc@yahoo.com



Scott (BM 00) and **Shilo** (Cowles BS 97) **Maack**: Peyton Elizabeth, June 11, 2008. Madison IN 47250. twosams99@netzero.net



Chris (C 02) and **Julie** (Williams BS 02) **Mantegna**: Ava Elizabeth, April 14, 2008. 1027 Via Jardin, Riviera Beach FL 33418. chrisandjulie8202@hotmail.com

Andy (BA 00, MDiv 03) and **Sara** (Ungerer BA 01) **Royer**: Jude Beckett, July 3, 2008. Jude joins Miles (5) and Jackson (4) at 304 Tecumseh St, Warsaw IN 46582.



London OH 43140. theschaadts@hotmail.com

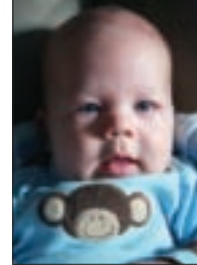
Michael (BS 02) and **Erin** (Russell BS 03) **Schaadt**: Grady Russell, July 31, 2008. 1063 Stansbury Dr, London OH 43140. theschaadts@hotmail.com



Curt and **Laura** (Snyder BS 03) **Sharbaugh**: Micah Haddon and Mackenna Kathryn, July 10, 2008. 1660 Greenlea Dr, Clearwater FL 33755. sharbs2@hotmail.com



Dennis (BS 04) and **Chrissy** (Moyer BA 02) **Simmons**: Jael Jessica, June 6, 2008. 60 Shenango St, Greenville PA 16125. dennisjames12@yahoo.com



David and **Carley** (Kleinhaus C 06) **Slater**: Cohen Paul, July 27, 2008. 19 EMS C28A Ln, Warsaw IN 46582. carleykay1@yahoo.com



Chris (BS 04) and **Bethany** (Liston BS 04) **Solyntjes**: Ella Claire, July 7, 2008. 490 Hatch Rd, Wadsworth

OH 44281. chris@solydesign.com and beth@solydesign.com

CLASS NOTES

1950s

Dr. Tom Julien (MDiv 57) was featured in the October 2008 issue of *EMQ* (Evangelical Missions Quarterly), one of the nation's premier missions magazines, published by the Evangelism and Missions Information Service of the Billy Graham Center at Wheaton College (IL). An article by Dr. Julien, "Training Leaders by Planting Seed Truths," is based on his *Four Laws for Effective Communicators* pamphlet published by BMH Books. Also included in the issue was a review of his book, *Antioch Revisited: Reuniting the Church with Her Mission* (BMH Books). Tom and wife Doris served as missionaries in France for 28 years. He then served as executive director of Grace Brethren International Missions until 2000. Tom is currently involved in leadership training and serves on the pastoral staff of the Winona Lake Grace Brethren Church.

Rev. **William Russell "Russ" Ogden** (MDiv 53) received a Doctor of Philosophy degree in Religious Studies from Trinity Theological Seminary in 2008. He is 83 years old. Russ and wife Betty reside at 7160 Larkshall Rd, Indianapolis IN 46250. russogden@att.net

1960s

After 39 years as a public school educator, **John Ritchey** (BA 69) retired on June 27, 2008. He

began his career in 1969 as a sixth grade teacher at York Center School in Albion IN. Due to the untimely death of the school's principal, John was named "teaching principal" for 1971-72. After 1972 he served until 1989 as principal of the Wright Denny Intermediate School and Page-Jackson Solar Elementary School in Charles Town WV. He was honored in 1988 as the West Virginia National Distinguished Principal. After moving to Pennsylvania in 1989, John served as principal of Barrett Elementary Center in the Pocono Mountain School District and B.F. Morey Elementary in the Stroudsburg Area School District. During the years in the Poconos, John and wife Paula helped plant two churches: Paradise Valley Baptist Church in Cresco PA, and Living Hope Baptist Church in Swittwater PA, a multi-ethnic church plant which began in their home. The Ritcheys have two adult children and one grandchild. In September 2008, they fulfilled a life-long dream and retired to Myrtle Beach SC. 206 Lakeside Crossing Dr, Conway SC 29526. ritchey@ptd.net



Dr. Donald Shoemaker (BA 66, MDiv 69) received the "Social Concerns Award" from the South Coast Interfaith Council in Southern California. The award was presented at a benefit concert held at Temple Beth El in San Pedro CA on November 2, 2008. His church was also recognized for its many social concerns activities and for encouraging its pastor's social activism. The award recognized his leadership "in initiatives to ensure the protection of religious freedom for all." Dr. Shoemaker authored a Religious Freedom Proclamation in 2008, which encourages cities to uphold the principles of religious liberty and he sought the endorsement of many religious groups for his project. He serves as chairman of the Social Concerns Committee in the Fellowship of Grace Brethren Churches and has been the senior pastor of the Grace Community Church of Seal Beach since 1984.

Deb (Uphouse BA 66) Wingard of Ormond Beach FL coached her Warner Christian School Eagles volleyball team to a Class 1A State Championship, the first volleyball title in school history. Deb's team defeated Lake Worth Christian for the championship on November 22 in Lakeland FL. Team members wanted to "win it for 'Wing'" because Deb will be retiring this year. She has compiled a 415-186 record during her 24 seasons with the team.

1970s

Allan (BS 76) and **Diane (Hinkle BS 76) Frey** are stateside for a year-long furlough. The Freys serve with Baptist Mid-Missions in Lima, Peru. While in the States, they will be visiting Christian colleges

to recruit teachers for the Fetzter Memorial Academy, a school for missionary children in Lima. Allan and Diane currently reside at 346 N 625 W, Valparaiso IN 46385 with sons Jonathan and Christopher. adjcfrey@gmail.com

David Landrum (BA 79) is a professor of British Literature at Grand Valley State University in Allendale MI. Wife **Kay (Johnson BS 75)** is the Director of Student Retention at Cornerstone University, Grand Rapids MI. The Landrums reside at 1143 Farnsworth Ave SE, Grand Rapids MI 49546.

Jackie (Tarkington BA 79) Meier completed her Master's in Education degree in May 2008 at Lourdes College, Sylvania OH. She is employed as a full-time instructor in the visual communications technology department of Bowling Green State University in Bowling Green OH. She is also an Adobe Certified Instructor, a partner with Adobe, and provides individualized training classes. www.graphicstrainingbydesign.com Jackie and husband Don reside at 14100 Cross Creek Rd, Bowling Green OH 43402. jmeier@woh.rr.com

David (MDiv 73, ThM 74) and **Phyllis** (C 73) **Schmid** will return from Haiti to be on home assignment in the U.S. beginning in January. Their address from January 1 through June 30, 2009, will be: 375 Main St, Landisville PA 17538. The Schmidts serve with CrossWorld. david.schmid@crossworld.org

Dr. Sandra Stockdale (BA 78) attended her 30th class reunion in November 2008. "It was wonderful to see so many of my classmates. I especially enjoyed seeing the wonderful expansion of the campus." Sandy works in staff development with the Collier County Public Schools in Naples FL. She does the ELL teacher training classes and has been in the field of education for 30 years. Her goal is to teach at the college level someday. Sandy resides at 5315 Hawkesbury Way, Naples FL 34119. stockysa@embarqmail.com

Robert (MDiv 70) and **Elfriede** (S 69) **Strong** are on home-assignment in the U.S. through March 2009. They serve with Avant Ministries (formerly Gospel Missionary Union) in Argentina. They are looking forward to visiting churches and spending time with their grandchildren. 264 Jacksonville Rd, Lincoln Park NJ 07035. www.AvantMinistries.org RStrong@avmi.org bobnfritzie35@hotmail.com

1980s

LCDR John Galle, CHC, USN (MDiv 80) has retired after 20 years active service with the U.S. Navy as a chaplain. He completed five years of ministry with the hematology/oncology wards at the Naval Medical Center in Portsmouth VA. Jack is board certified as a clinical chaplain with the College of Pastoral Supervision and Psychotherapy and with the Association of Professional Chaplains. He

is currently serving in a one-year palliative care fellowship at Portland Veterans Medical Center and Oregon Health Science University. 3720 SW Bond Ave Unit 512, Portland OR 97239. jagalle@mac.com

Brad Green (BS 80) is currently working for the United States Postal Service in South Bend IN. Wife **Brenda (Miller BS 72)** serves as a mentor to child care providers with Four C's. The Greens reside at 914 W Battell St, Mishawaka IN 46545. bjgren@yahoo.com

John Sherwood (ThM 84) became vice president of CrossWorld in 2002. But in September 2008, God began working in his and wife Rachel's hearts to return to the mission field. CrossWorld is opening a new ministry in North Africa in an area that is 99 percent Muslim. The Sherwoods will join several other couples in the endeavor. At this time, the Sherwoods plan to leave for North Africa in August 2009 to begin a two-year language learning program. In January 2009, they will begin two blocks of Islamic training, a refresher course in French for John, and counseling courses for Rachel. They will also be visiting family and their financial and prayer supporters. PO Box 306, Bala Cynwyd PA 19004. www.crossworld.org

Mary Ann Steffy (MABC 83) has worked with Greater Europe Mission in Dublin, Ireland, for 22 years. She ministers in the areas of counseling, teaching, discipling, and leading Bible studies. She will be stateside for six months starting in January to visit her supporters. Mail for Mary Ann may be sent c/o Diane Sansbury, 807 St James Ln, Florence SC 29501. maryannsteffy1@yahoo.co.uk



Timothy Willig's (BS 86) book, *Restoring the Chain of Friendship: British Policy and the Indians of the Great Lakes, 1783-1815* (Lincoln & London: University of Nebraska Press, 2008), has been nominated for the Bancroft Prize. The

Bancroft is awarded annually by Columbia University to the top two works in American history or diplomacy. Tim resides at 91 Ball Rd, Apt 4, Syracuse NY 13215.

1990s

Jason Horst (BS 96) resides at 4338 Elizabethtown Rd, Manheim PA 17545. design@piksl.com

Brad (BA 99) and **Rebecca (Brosey BA 99) Howe** are currently working at the New Tribes school for missionary children in Cruzeiro do Sul, Brazil. They help with teaching classes, doing students' laundry and an assortment of other jobs. Their primary ministry is with tribal church planting.

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Getting to Know...

Dr. Kevin Roberts

Associate Professor, Behavioral Science Department

by Judy Daniels

If you ask Dr. Kevin Roberts why he chose teaching as a career, he replies: "Because I have an incredible opportunity to impact students during such an important time in their lives."

It may be that Roberts answers this way because his own life reflects such influences. "I grew up in western Illinois," he says. "I accepted Christ when I was 18 through the influence of a friend's parents (whose father was a pastor). It was this pastor that initially took me to Grace as I left Western Illinois University."

"As one can imagine, I experienced a significant culture shock coming to Grace from a non-Christian family. It was over these next three or four years at Grace that I would have many ups and downs in my faith. It was also during these years that I began to truly wrestle with the Lordship issue and my desperate need for God. It became abundantly clear to me after college that nothing but absolute surrender and humility before God was necessary. God used several Christian families and professors like Dr. David Plaster (BA 71, MDiv 74, ThM 84) and Dr. Thomas Edgington (BA 79, MABC 83, MDiv 85) to influence my growth and dependence on Christ."

Roberts earned a B.S. in Psychology and Criminal Justice from Grace College in 1993. He went on to earn an M.A. in Counseling from Grace in 1996, and a Psy.D. degree in Clinical Psychology from the Adler School of Professional Psychology in 2003. He is a Licensed

Mental Health Counselor, a Certified Alcohol and Drug Abuse Counselor IV, and an Indiana Certified Alcohol Counselor II.

Before returning to Grace to teach in 2003, Roberts spent 10 years working as an adult outpatient therapist at Bowen Center in Warsaw, Ind. He worked in settings including inpatient, hospital, a correctional institution, residential, and outpatient areas, working with people who struggled with such issues as addiction, depression, and anxiety.

"During this time," Roberts says, "I worked full-time and pursued my doctorate full-time...while my wife completed her pharmacy degree at Purdue University. We spent many long hours studying across from each other as I 'learned' about pharmacy and she 'learned' about being a clinical psychologist!" Roberts married Heather Dilling (BS 96) in 1996 and they have two children: Isaac (6) and Rachel (4).

"In the final year of my doctoral program, a position opened in the M.A. in Counseling program at Grace," says Roberts. "I was excited to come back to Grace and have the opportunity to work with people I deeply respected."

Initially, Roberts taught graduate classes, but now he teaches seven undergrad classes and one graduate class. "My favorite part of my job," he says, "is the wonderful opportunities I have as I get to know and interact with college students. One ongoing challenge is finding a balance between teaching responsibilities,

research endeavors, and spending time interacting with students."

He has recently received a two-year research grant opportunity focused on integrating behavioral health into the primary care medical setting with patients who have diabetes. The goal of this study is to form a Diabetes Care team that will be implementing a new approach to intervening in the life of the individual who has diabetes. Dr. Roberts will be teaming up with Drs. Joe Graham (BA 88) and Thomas Edgington, Kosciusko County Health Department, Northern Lakes Internal Medicine and the K21 Foundation. Roberts states, "My goal is to develop a new healthcare delivery system for patients who have diabetes and to establish and maintain programs in our community that bring lasting change to lives of Kosciusko County patients and beyond."

Off campus, Roberts counsels part-time for his church's counseling center (Warsaw Community Church). He serves on several committees and is an assistant coach for elementary basketball. He loves spending time with his family, and his passion for baseball has taken him to all but eight major league baseball parks.

Just as influences have been important in Roberts' life, his influence is impacting students. Junior Brooke Kovac says that Roberts "is exactly what a professor should be. He is passionate about what he teaches and he instills in his students a desire to learn. I am a better person because of his influence in my life."

Brad states that the reason they are working in the city at this time and not with the tribes is because they are awaiting the birth of their first child! Missao Novas Tribos do Brasil, Caiza Postal 101, Cruzeiro do Sul. AC, 69980-000, Brazil. www.ntm.org/brad_howe brad_howe@ntm.org

Ralph (MA 91) and Joan **Justiniano** serve with Grace Brethren International Missions in Japan. Their address is Hikawadai 1-25-12, Higashi Kurume Shi, Tokyo 203-0004 Japan.



Matt (BS 95) and **Luanne (Tondino)** (C 97) **Nightingale** moved to Houston TX in August 2008. Matt

is co-pastoring a new church, Access, with the Evangelical Covenant denomination and giving leadership to a non-profit organization, Vox Culture Houston. Luanne, who recently completed her BS degree in psychology from Bethany University in Scotts Valley CA, works as an administrative assistant for the chaplain and the drama director at Houston Christian High School. The Nightingales have four children: Joshua (13), Jacob (10), Emily (7) and Zachary (7). 13107 Apple Tree Rd, Houston TX 77079. mattnightingale.blogspot.com. mattnightingale@mac.com

Dan (BS 90) and **Marna (Burnham)** (C 92) **Pacheco** live at 199 S 950 W, Etna Green IN 46524 with Madeleine (14) and Millicent (3). dpacheco@yahoo.com and marnapacheco@hotmail.com

Craig Snow (BS 91) was named chief executive officer of Silveus Insurance Group of Warsaw IN, the nation's leading crop insurance agency. He will oversee all agency functions and also define a new corporate structure and culture for the company. Craig had been a sales agent for Silveus since 2006 and, prior to that, had worked for DePuy, Inc., an orthopaedic company in Warsaw. Craig has also taught computer courses for Grace College and Ivy Tech Community College. Craig and wife **Sherri (Cobb)** (BS 90) and their three children live in Warsaw.

Don Swartzentruber (BS 94), who teaches art at Warsaw (IN) Community High School, was one of 128 honored Lilly Endowment Teacher Creativity Fellowship recipients. He was chosen from 640 applicants. His project, "A Graphic Novella: Aretics in Post-Modernity," is to write and illustrate a book. The project due date is August 2009.

Samuel (MDiv 93) and **Jill (Troyer)** (BA 89) **Tabiendo** have completed 13 years with ReachGlobal in Zaragoza, Spain. ReachGlobal is the international mission for the Evangelical Free Churches of America. They live with children Olivia (17), Samuel (14), Jonathan (12) and David (9) at Calle Sagitario 8, Fase 3, Casa 38, 50012 Zaragoza Spain. Their e-mail addresses are sam.tabiendo@efca.org, jill.tabiendo@efca.org and tabiendojill@yahoo.com

2000s

Kyle Carter (BS 05) teaches sixth grade at Jefferson Elementary in Winona Lake IN. Wife **Jenna (Spangle)** (BS06) is a pharmacy technician at Marsh Pharmacy. The Carters reside at 2198 S Clover Ln, Warsaw IN 46580. carterjm@live.com

Jenny Christner (BS 03, MAC 08) works as a school mental health counselor. 141 Market St, Apt 1213, Monticello AR 71655. jennychristner@yahoo.com

Kent Currie (BS 00) serves as the Director of Kids Ministry at The Chapel in Akron OH. Kent and wife Joy live at 203 Lake Ave NE, Hartsville OH 44632. currieka@gmail.com

Drew (BS 05) and **Catey (Dea)** (BA 06) **Etner** have been appointed as missionaries to France by the Grace Brethren International Missions (GBIM). Before they go to Paris to join teammates **Rob** (BA 01, MASM 02) and **Nichole (Morris)** (BS 00) **Plaster**, the Etners will spend the next two years in an internship in Harlem, New York City, NY. Mail for Drew, Catey, Aiden (18 mo) and Tristan (4 mo) may be sent to 2190 Madison Ave, Apt 10F, New York NY 10037. drewandcateyeter@yahoo.com www.TheEtnerEdition.com

David (BS 05) and **Natalie (Wallin)** (BS 05) **Fawley** are currently doing graduate work at Duke University. Both David and Natalie received scholarships to the university. They reside at 329 W Main St, Durham NC 27701. fawleynj@yahoo.com and dnfawley@gmail.com

Stephanie Holderread (BSW 03) works at Counseling Associates in outpatient mental health therapy. She resides at 747 W Market St, Warsaw IN 46580. womanofdestiny2001@hotmail.com

This fall, **Peter Lucht** (BS 04, MA 08) was named head boys' soccer coach for Wawasee High School, Syracuse IN. He also serves as the director of coaching for the Kosciusko County Soccer League, with more than 600 children and 100 coaches. Peter is a youth pastor at Trinity United Methodist



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T-shirts modeled by Sara and Lucas Tellez, children of Carlos (MA 08) and Emily (BA 07) Tellez of Winona Lake, Ind. Carlos is the cultural liaison at Grace College.

Church and works as a painter. Wife **Kristi (Brown BS 05)** teaches sixth grade at Lincoln Elementary in Warsaw IN.

Scott Maack (BM 00) is the band director at Madison Consolidated High School. He recently completed his MEd from Indiana Wesleyan University. Wife **Shilo (Cowles BS 97)** is a clerk at a local elementary school. The Maacks love their life in southern Indiana with daughter Peyton (6 mo). They own a horse and a dog, and Scott hunts regularly. The Maacks welcome any contact from Grace friends. 11310 N US 421, Madison IN 47250. twosams99@netzero.net

In August 2008, **Stephen Schuler** (BA 02) graduated from Baylor University with a PhD in English. He is now an assistant professor of English at the University of Mobile in Mobile AL. He resides with wife **Grace (Lenox BS 02)** and daughter Keziah (18 mo) at 304 7th St, Chickasaw AL 36611. schulesj@hotmail.com

Laura (Snyder BS 03) Sharbaugh finished her fifth year of teaching high school science and has transitioned to being a full-time mom to twins Micah and Mackenna (5 mo). She works part-time as a technology coordinator for her former school, training teachers how to teach more effectively with interactive whiteboards and other technological tools. Husband Curt is an associate pastor at the Lakeside Community Chapel and works primarily with children ages birth through fifth grade. The Sharbaugh family lives at 1660 Greenlea Dr, Clearwater FL 33755. sharbs2@hotmail.com

Dennis Simmons (BS 04) has joined the Coalition for Christian Outreach (CCO) to reach out to students at Thiel College in partnership with First Baptist Church of Greenville PA, where he serves as campus ministry director. The CCO is a campus ministry that partners with churches, colleges, and organizations to develop students who live out their Christian faith. Dennis and wife **Chrissy (Moyer BA 02)** and their daughter Jael (8 mo) live at 60 Shenango St, Greenville PA 16125. dennisjames12@yahoo.com

Kevin Vanderground (BS 01) has been named an *Up and Coming Lawyer* by *Indiana Lawyer* magazine for 2008. Also this year, Kevin formed a new law firm, Bratcher & Vanderground, P.C. www.BandVlawfirm.com Kevin and wife Tara live in Valparaiso IN. kvanderground@yahoo.com

IN MEMORIAM

Merdena Bechtol (BS 63) passed away at the age of 96. She lived in Kosciusko County IN for more than 93 years. For 42 of those years, she taught in the elementary school in Burket IN. Merdena was a member of the Burket United Methodist Church. She moved to Denver CO in 2005. Merdena is survived by her daughter, Melissa and spouse Dennis, a grandson and four great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by husband Dwight.

Sandra Kay (Stitt C 61) Hansen died August 6, 2008, at the age of 66. In 1974 she married Norman Hanson. Sandra worked as operations officer at two banks, in customer service for Merck Pharmaceuticals, and as a realtor. She was a member of the Shadow Hills Baptist Church, Las Vegas NV. Sandra is survived by husband Norman; son Troy Calease; daughters Shari (and William) Goldstine, Lori (and Kendall) Haynie and Christy (and Jerry) Daughtery; eleven grandchildren; brother Steve Stitt and wife Sharon (Aeby C 63); and sister Vicki Clinton (and husband Allan).

Arthur Hetland (BS 87, S 87) passed away March 18, 2008, at the age of 57. He was preceded in death by first wife Michelle. Art attended the University of Washington, but interrupted his studies to join the Army, serving from 1971 to 1974. He then continued his education and graduated from Grace College. Art served as a youth pastor at Faith Baptist in Kent WA for more than 15 years. He met wife Carolyn in the spring of 2004 and in August they merged their families. Art's greatest passion was the youth that he ministered to and he served as a friend/substitute teacher at Las Plumas and Oroville High Schools. He loved to kayak, fish, and camp. An enthusiastic sports fan, he officiated at city softball and basketball games. Art is survived by wife Carolyn; children Kimberly Maher, Breanna Golden, Jenny Burns, Christopher Kruse, Timothy Hetland, Sean Kruse, James Hetland, Kaitlin Hetland, Shasta Lassen, Susie Hetland; and seven grandchildren.

Henrietta R. Koher (BS 61) died on October 3, 2008 at the age of 91. She was preceded in death by her husband and a daughter. Henrietta received elementary education degrees from Ball State University, Muncie IN, and Grace College. She taught for many years in Cromwell IN and for 30 years at Jefferson School in Winona Lake. Henrietta was a loving wife, mother, grandmother and great-grandmother. She is survived by a son, two daughters, two granddaughters, two grandsons and nine great-grandchildren.

Dr. Leslie "Lee" Lightner (MACSA 93) died unexpectedly on August 8, 2008. He was 58. Dr. Lightner served as the director of the Doctor of Ministry program at Winebrenner Seminary in Findlay OH. Lee is survived by wife Shirley, three children and four grandchildren. 307 W Bigelow Ave, Findlay OH 45840.

Dr. Zane Mason (MDiv 48), professor of history emeritus at Hardin-Simmons University, passed away on September 16, 2008 at the age of 89. Over the years, he was honored by HSU as president of the faculty for two terms, five-time nominee for the Piper Professor Award, a Cullen Professor, the first Rupert N. Richardson Chair of American History, Faculty Member of the Year (1986) and Former Faculty Member of the Year (1999). Dr. Mason served the school from 1959 until his retirement in 1988. He received a master's degree in history from Stephen Austin State University in 1950 and a doctorate in history

from Texas Technological University in 1954. He taught at Stephen F. Austin State University, Lincoln Memorial University, Texas Tech and Hardin-Simmons University. Dr. Mason was an ordained Baptist minister and pastored churches in Florida, Tennessee and Texas. As an author, he published *Frontiersmen of the Faith*. He was preceded in death by wife Bobbie.

Paul Milliman, former professor in the Grace Music Department, died on January 23, 2008, at age 82. A graduate of Bob Jones University, Paul later received a master's degree in music education from Indiana State University. For 40 years he directed bands at every level from elementary to college in South Carolina, Ohio and Indiana. The pride and joy of his teaching career was directing the New Haven High School Band for 20 years. During this time the band won many distinguished awards and played for Presidents Kennedy, Nixon and Ford. A highlight of Paul's career was as guest conductor for the U.S. Navy Band during a performance at the Scottish Rite Auditorium. At Grace, he organized vocal and instrumental groups and taught music education. After retiring from teaching, he worked at the Blessing Music Company for 14 years. Paul was active in the Northern Indiana State Band, Orchestra and Vocal Association (NISBOVA) and directed music at churches in Fort Wayne and Warsaw IN. He is survived by wife Marjorie, sons Paul and wife Judy, Kevin (C 81) and wife Carla, James (C 82) and wife Elizabeth (French C 82), Greg and wife Kristin; daughter Cheryl Pensinger and husband Larry; stepchildren Steven Conrad and wife Joan, and Suzanne Shay and husband Dennis; 14 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.



Sgt. Terry Polston, husband of Grace staff member **Mary (McNally BA 78) Polston**, went to be with the Lord on December 2 at age 52, after a six-year battle with cancer. Terry was a 26-year veteran of the Warsaw (IN) Police Department and had

served as a DARE officer in the Warsaw Community School System since 1992. He also served as a guest speaker in criminal justice classes at Grace. His positive influence and Christian testimony were widespread in the community, and he and Mary faced the challenges of his cancer with remarkable faith and hope. A memorial celebration for Terry was held on December 7 at the Warsaw Community High School gymnasium. A memorial scholarship fund in his honor has been established at the Kosciusko County Community Foundation. (Terry Polston Memorial Fund in care of KCCF, 102 E. Market St., Warsaw, IN 46580, or www.kccfoundation.org.) Terry is survived by his wife Mary, daughter Courtney (C05) (and Chris) Erick; son Justin (C 05); mother Yolanda Polston; brother Randy Polston (C 76); and sisters Bonnie Andrew and Connie Jetter.

Nostalgia Quiz

Put your musical memory brain cells to work and answer two simple questions:

1. What's the name of this group?
2. In what decade was this photo taken?



You don't even have to guess people's names or give us the exact year! It's so easy we're almost embarrassed to give prizes. (But we will anyway.) Give it a try and you could be a winner. By the way, have you ever seen a group with such perfect hair?

To be eligible to win, just call **Judy Daniels** at **800.544.7223, ext. 6401** (local, 372-5100, ext. 6401) or e-mail **danielja@grace.edu**. Be sure to give your name and address with your answer – and remember: **You don't have to be first to win.** When all of our responses are in, we'll draw four winners, making sure they are from four different states and/or countries. As always, Grace employees and their spouses can guess, but don't expect a prize.

Thanks to everyone who e-mailed or called to identify one or more of the smiling mystery students in our fall quiz. Hats off to those who remembered all four names. (Talk about active brain cells...)

The students pictured are: Dale McDaniels (BME 70), Jim Currie (BME 70), Maxine Peugh Currie (BM 70), and Terry Eichorst (BME 70).



Congratulations to our winners, who are: Sam Baer (BA 68, S 71), Keith (BME 69) and Sue (McCaulley, BME 69) Currie, Linda Kline (BA 70), and, no kidding, Terry Eichorst. Honorable Mention goes to Connie Lyon Davis (C 70), who not only identified the people in the photo, but the ones who were cropped out!

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Encourage young people you know to visit the Grace campus this semester! Students can talk with professors, coaches, and admissions personnel, stay overnight in the dorm, meet current students, and see college life first-hand. There are two ways to visit Grace:

1. Schedule a Personal Visit Day at a time that is convenient for the individual student and his/her parents.

2. Visit during Campus Visit Days, when Grace hosts groups of students and their parents. Here are the dates for the 2009 spring semester:

Red and White Athletic Day

Saturday, February 14

Music Days

Thursday-Saturday, February 26-28

Lancer Days (general campus visit day)

Thursday, March 5

Lancer Days (general campus visit day)

Thursday, April 2

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Final Snapshots from Homecoming



Saturday night's GC Live was a special time for Bob (C 73) and Aimee Hartwiger of Warsaw, Ind. The couple brought along their teenage daughters, Brittany and Abbey, Bob's 86-year-old mother, Garnet Hartwiger, and Aimee's parents, Larry and Sue Jefferies, who celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on October 26. Bob felt it was a great event for the whole family—"something for everyone."

Pictured are sisters Colleen Austin-Belles (BA 78) of Selah, Wash. and Marilyn (Austin, BS 83) Strohschein of Reno, Nev., and their parents Gordon (BD 61) and Charlotte Austin (C 59) of Winona Lake, Ind. A highlight for Marilyn was getting to spend a great weekend with her family, plus time with former roommate, Kathy (Hathaway BS 83) Adriansen, and other classmates.

The Class of 1978 gathered together at the home of Brent (BA 79) and Debra (Longworth, BS 78) Wilcoxson for their class-sponsored event on November 8.

You Are Invited!

- Who:** All Alumni, Family, and Friends
- What:** Grace College and Seminary Homecoming 2009
- When:** November 6-8, 2009
- Where:** Grace College and Seminary campus

Please mark this on your calendar, and start making plans to attend! This year we will be celebrating class year reunions ending in 4s and 9s. We would like to give each class an opportunity to take some ownership in the weekend and truly make it their own.

If you would like to volunteer to help organize and rally your former classmates to sponsor and attend their own event, please contact the Alumni Services Office at 866.448.3472 or 574.372.5100 ext. 6128.

Alumni Business Luncheon

On November 13, area business alumni attended a luncheon co-hosted by the Department of Business and the Alumni Services Office. Grace's own Professor of Business, Dr. Brad Lemler, Ph.D., CPA, led a forum based on one of his most recent papers. The paper is entitled, "What Does Scripture Say About Honest Weights, Measures and Landmarks and How to Apply Those Teachings to Accounting, An Exercise for Accounting Classes." Attendees were encouraged to read Lemler's paper prior to the event, and after the forum they participated in table discussions on the topic. This was also a great opportunity for current students in the business program to get a feel for some of the ethical situations they may encounter in the business world.

(left) Dr. Brad Lemler addresses the crowd. (center) Jessica (Zaugg, BA 03) Bricker. (right) Amos Orr, December 2008 graduate, participates in the round table discussion.





On behalf of all the Phonathon kids, we'd like to say thank you to everyone who answered their phones during the 2008 Fall Phonathon. We talked to more than 4,900 alumni and friends of Grace. Your financial support, as well as your patience and sense of humor, is greatly appreciated!

Stephanie Malkewicz, Supervisor, Phonathon. Stephanie is a junior sport management/counseling major from South Bend, Ind.

Pictured are Phonathon staff members (back row, left to right): Amy Misak, Heather Speckman, Brittany Ritter, Chris Rawlings, Miles Wolters. Second row: Stephanie Malkewicz, Ally Mikesell, Noelle Haynie, Mariko Kawate, Clay Rieder. Sitting: Clayton Evans, Emily Hughes.



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