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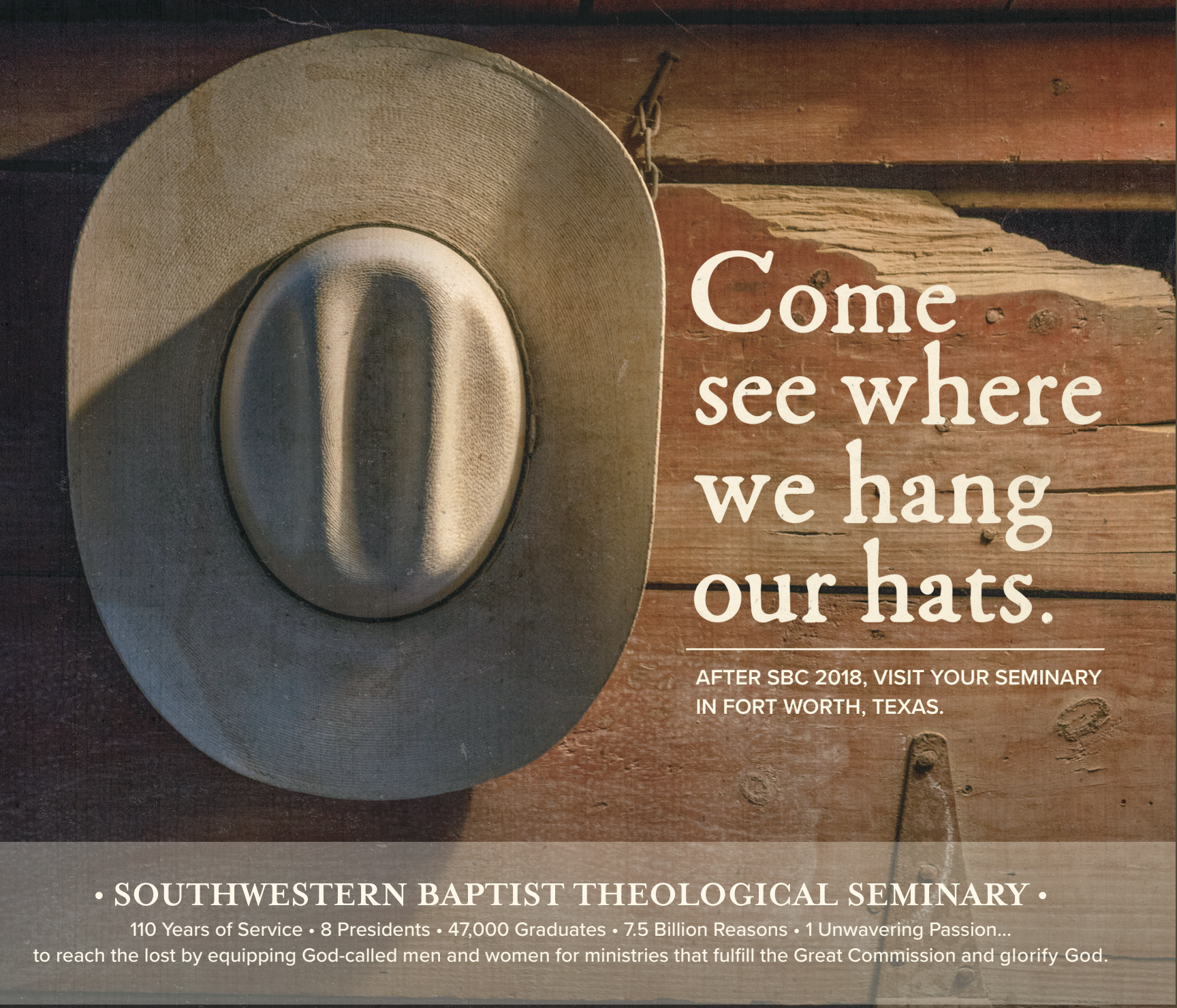

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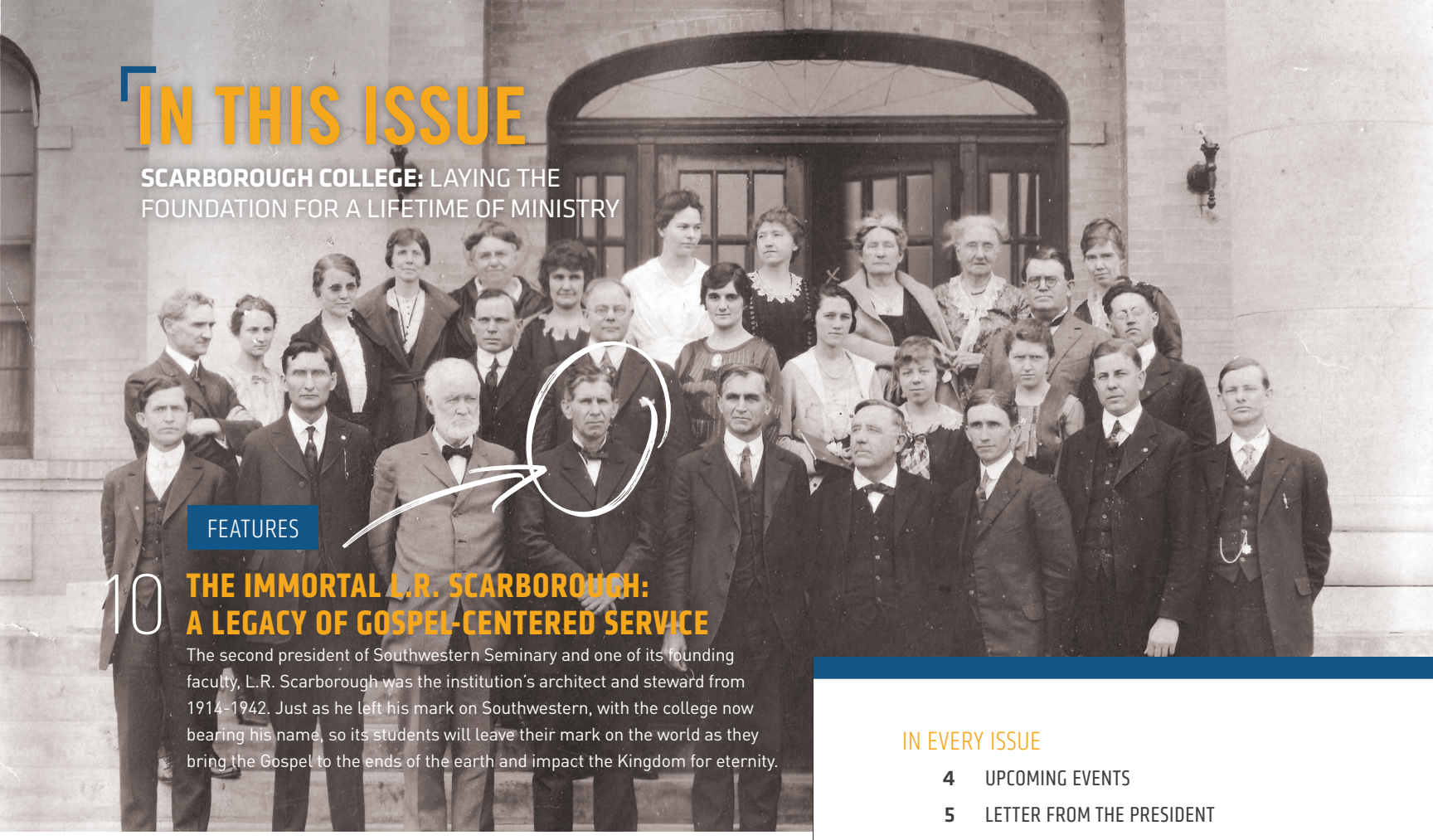

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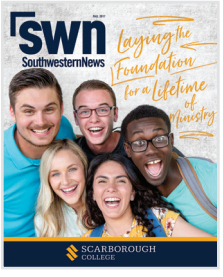

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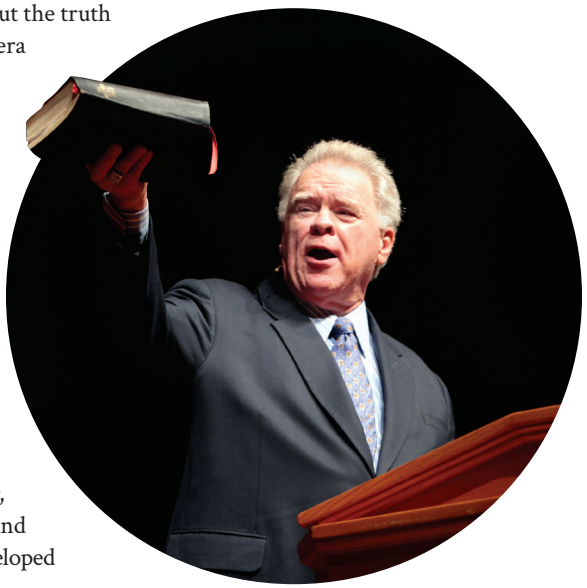
a letter from THE PRESIDENT

THIS FALL, I AM TEACHING MY FAVORITE CLASS IN THE SCARBOROUGH COLLEGE AT Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary. Would you believe it is entitled "The Christian and the Fine Arts"? Some have quipped that for Patterson, fine arts is how to field dress a deer! But the truth is that I love this opportunity to introduce students to the wonderful art museums, to opera and symphony, to architecture, and to many other forms of the fine arts. As a matter of fact, our whole baccalaureate program is designed in such a way that the student graduates not only able to discuss things that most students have not even heard about, but also to read at a high level, write in a significant fashion, and defend his positions on his feet. The provost and I worked together to design this program—the one I always wanted to take in college but that was not available anywhere.



There was a deep desire in my heart to see students who not only studied biblical history but who also read Herodotus, Thucydides, Gibbon on the fall of the Roman Empire, and other commensurate history. I wanted my students to deal with great philosophers such as Plato, Aristotle, and Kant. I had a deep desire for them to read Machiavelli's *The Prince*, Nietzsche's *Beyond Good and Evil*, and Darwin's *Dissent of Man* under professors who would show them the innate weaknesses of these works and explain how only Christianity provides the complete answer. By the same token, I wanted them to have the opportunity to use the superb illustrations that arise out of Chaucer's *Canterbury Tales*, the plays of Shakespeare, Melville's *Moby Dick*, and Milton's *Paradise Lost.* These authors and books constitute the foundation on which America—and indeed all the Western world—developed education, and well-educated people ought to be able to prevail in these subjects.

There were a few schools that did this; but even for all of that, they were still short-changing their students in my persuasion. What is lacking in those other schools is theology, Old Testament, New Testament, and early language study. So the program we devised here at Southwestern Seminary is a vigorous 129-hour program, which has the student on his feet on a regular basis talking about what he has read and putting together an argument for the truthfulness of God's Word.

When it comes to education, I see public relations from just about every other source touting a program as one of the finest attempts in educational excellence to be found anywhere. I do not make any such claim. All I ask is for one to come and sit down for a conversation with a junior student at Scarborough College. Sit in our classes in the brand new Mathena Hall built to house our college and study with a man or woman with a Ph.D. in hand—rather than endure a class of 400 taught by a graduate student. Then make the judgment about the quality and attainment that is taking place in the Scarborough College at Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary.

This issue of Southwestern News focuses on the L.R. Scarborough College. Scarborough was a Texas cowboy, but one who had a yearning to know and understand the principles upon which the earth existed and the contributions that a grasp of education could provide for the culture. Accordingly, Scarborough went off to Yale, where he availed himself of the very things of which our program is now an advocate.

My hope and prayer is that every supporter of Southwestern Seminary will read this issue with a look toward what constitutes a true, genuine education in today's world—one that is most often lacking. More than once I have said to a student, "Scarborough College may not be the place for you. You seem to be most concerned about simply getting a degree or finding a trade to make a living." But what gives me infinite joy is saying to a student who sometimes may not even have much of a background to succeed, "Scarborough College is the place for you. Clearly you want to learn, and you want to learn everything you can for the right reasons—namely, that you may be most effective in introducing men and women everywhere to the name of Christ." If you are searching for that, Scarborough College is the place for you. Please pray for these young students who come here wanting a genuine education.

Until He Comes,

Paige Patterson

OREM, UTAH

Troy and Janis Walker moved to this largely Mormon area just weeks after Troy's graduation from Scarborough College. Though the number of believers may be small, God has used the Walkers—and the church plant of which they are part—to establish connections and build relationships with people in the community, tilling the soil for the planting of Gospel seeds. Here, the Walkers join with other believers in fellowship, roasting marshmallows over a fire.

Coleman

MATHENA HALL

The newest building on Southwestern's Fort Worth campus, Mathena Hall is home to Scarborough College as well as the Roy Fish School of Evangelism and Missions. Ground was broken in October 2015, and construction was completed in time for the fall 2017 semester. During this two-year period, construction was live-streamed online, allowing ministry partners to view the building's progress in eager anticipation of its official ribbon-cutting on Oct. 18, 2017.

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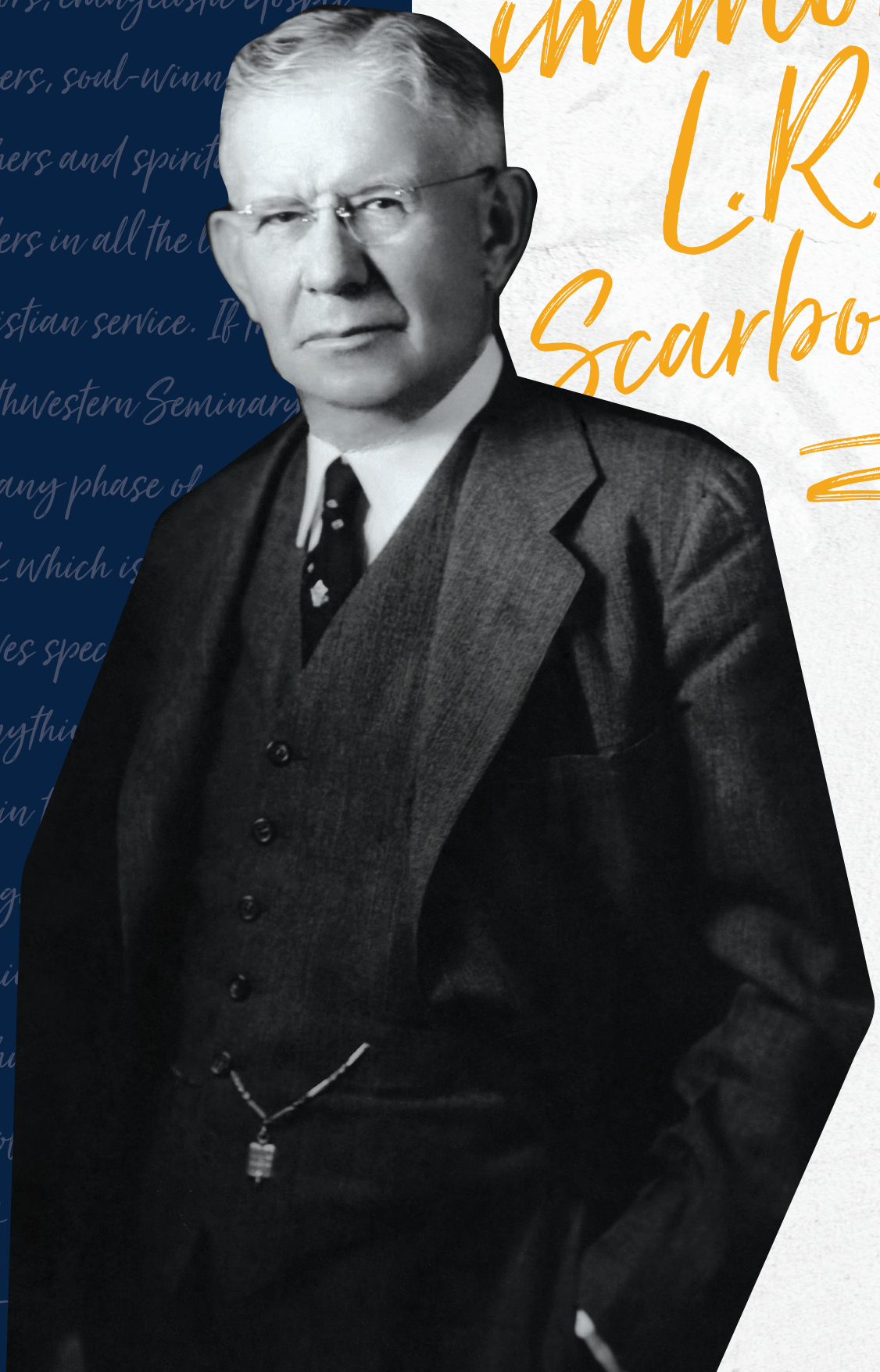

A legacy of Gospel-centered service

BY ALEX SIBLEY

B.H. Carroll was dying. Though his students and colleagues would later affectionately call him "the immortal B.H. Carroll" as a testament to his ongoing spiritual influence, as far as his earthly residence was concerned, his time was drawing to a close.

"My greatest concern is not for myself," Carroll said as he lay on his deathbed in one of his last conversations on earth. "My spiritual horizon is cloudless. The way up to the fellowship of Christ and the redeemed is clear. But my deep concern is about the Seminary."

The visionary, founder, and first president of Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Carroll was leaving big shoes to fill, and he knew the appointment of a worthy successor was of utmost importance. Carroll had founded the seminary; now it needed a steward who could grow its student body, expand its physical campus, imbue it with fiery passion for the lost, and oversee the training of its students for Gospel-centered service. For this herculean task, Carroll personally picked as his successor L.R. Scarborough.

Looking at Scarborough's childhood—he grew up on a ranch in the western frontier of Texas and proved himself a talented cowboy—he may not have seemed the obvious choice for the

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position of seminary president. So what happened in Scarborough's intervening years to bring him from rustic cowboy to Carroll's first and only choice for stewarding his great vision of a "school of the prophets" in the Southwest?

The answer is that God used a myriad of individuals—including Carroll himself—to touch, influence, equip, and encourage Scarborough and lead him on a path from cowboy to student to preacher/evangelist to pastor to denominational fundraiser to professor and, ultimately, to seminary president. Numerous individuals left their mark on Scarborough so that he could later leave his mark on Southwestern.

Lee Rutland Scarborough was born on July 4, 1870, and just three weeks later, his mother prayed over his cradle that God would someday call him to preach. In the years that followed, she and her husband, a Baptist preacher, made their home as conducive as possible to each of their children becoming followers of Christ.

"I cannot remember when we did not have a family altar," Scarborough later recalled. "Many a time in our dugout and log house, in which we lived in the early frontier days, after supper the children and the visitors who were present would gather around the family altar, and Father would read tenderly some passage of Scripture and then lead a song.

"Many a night while the Scripture reading, song, and prayer were in progress, I have heard the howl of the loper wolf and other wild animals just outside our door. Though it was a wild frontier country … we were never afraid. God kept us and preserved us, and our simple faith in Him was strong."

Under his parents' spiritual influence, Scarborough professed faith in Jesus Christ as his Lord and Savior at the age of 17. Acknowledging

“The load was too heavy. I cried, ‘I surrender: take me, Lord Jesus, and use me anywhere. Just give me the chance and I’ll preach.’”

his parents’ role in this decision, Scarborough later said, “I count as the richest inheritance of my life that which my father and mother left me and the other children in faithful lives of consecration and service to God and humanity.”

For the first 16 years of Scarborough’s life, his family lived on a ranch. There, Scarborough worked as a cowboy and became adept at roping, horseback riding, and handling a six-shooter. This chapter of Scarborough’s life ended, however, when his family moved to a new city in 1886 and he began attending school full-time.

Scarborough soon developed the desire to become a lawyer. At that point, his parents again proved greatly impactful. The elder Scarboroughs had saved money over the years to build themselves a proper home, but when their son became of age to go to college, they realized this money would be better spent in sending him to school instead. They did so, and Scarborough went to Baylor University in Waco to pursue his bachelor’s degree.

Before he left, Scarborough’s father made him promise to attend every Sunday the First Baptist Church of Waco—where B.H. Carroll was pastor—and write home an outline of Carroll’s sermon along with everything else he could remember from the text and message. Scarborough honored this promise, and though his initial reports were brief, as he continued to sit under Carroll’s powerful preaching, they soon became more extensive, sometimes spanning 40 or 50 pages.

“That was my course in systematic theology, Bible exposition, homiletics, evangelism, missions, and in denominational co-operancy—a whole seminary course from the pulpit of the First Baptist Church of Waco,” Scarborough said. “God was indirectly preparing me for His call and for my ministry later.”

Though Scarborough would later embrace his education wholeheartedly, he initially felt homesick and discouraged. He even considered quitting and returning home. But in the midst of this despondency, an older student named Prentice Seale put his arm around the freshman Scarborough’s shoulders.

“I am glad you are going to get an education,” he said to Scarborough. “It will be hard for you, and you will be tempted to go home; but do not go. It is well worth the price you are paying. You will be rewarded.”

Thirty-six years later, Scarborough reflected, “I can still feel the touch of the hand of Prentice Seale on my shoulder. He turned the tide of decision, and I thank God that never after that day did I turn back.”

Scarborough continued at Baylor, graduating in 1892. Following this, he enrolled in Yale to pursue a second bachelor’s degree. He still intended to become a lawyer, despite his mother’s cradle-side prayer and his father’s insistence that God had called him to preach. Scarborough initially resisted his parents’ pleas, but while he was attending Yale, God’s calling eventually proved both undeniable and irresistible.

“I offered God every excuse I could,” Scarborough said. “He would take none of them. ‘Preach, preach!’ He seemed to cry in my heart. … The load was too heavy. I cried, ‘I surrender: take me, Lord Jesus, and use me anywhere. Just give me the chance and I’ll preach.’”

Scarborough returned home and immediately began preaching. He was eventually called to pastor the First Baptist Church of Cameron, Texas. He left for a time to attend Southern Seminary

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in Louisville, Ky., but he later returned to Cameron. Then, from 1901-1908, Scarborough pastored the First Baptist Church of Abilene, Texas.

In both churches, Scarborough’s ministry was characterized by evangelistic zeal and passion for the Word. Both churches saw growth in their congregations, and Scarborough, sometimes appealing to his cowboy days in order to relate to those in the community, baptized numerous individuals. During this time, Scarborough also became prominent in denominational work, helping to raise funds to save Simmons College (now Hardin-Simmons University) from financial ruin.

By 1906, B.H. Carroll had his vision for Southwestern Seminary, and he sought to establish within it a chair of evangelism, the first such academic chair in any seminary. As to the chair’s first occupant—the man who would lead Southwestern’s evangelism department both academically and by example, as well as produce evangelism literature that would kindle in the hearts of students, churches, and the entire denomination a passionate concern for New Testament soul-winning—Carroll had a specific person in mind: L.R. Scarborough.

Scarborough initially declined Carroll’s invitation from a desire to remain in the pastorate, but Carroll encouraged him to reconsider. Over time, out of his deep personal attachment to Carroll as well as the opportunity to establish an evangelism department within a training center for ministers of the Gospel, Scarborough realized God was calling him to leave his church in Abilene and join the faculty of Southwestern Seminary.

“Three things are as clear to me as the noon-day,” Scarborough later said. “My acceptance of Christ and Christ’s acceptance of me in my salvation; my call to the ministry; and God’s placement of me in the Seminary.”

In 1908, Scarborough became the first occupant of Southwestern’s Chair of Evangelism, nicknamed “the Chair of Fire.” Beyond teaching courses on evangelism and producing such texts as *Recruits for World Conquests* and *With Christ After the Lost*—cornerstones of the seminary’s evangelism curriculum for many years—Scarborough was also instrumental in relocating the seminary from its original home in Waco to Fort Worth and then overseeing the construction of its first building, Fort Worth Hall.

By 1913, Carroll had become too ill to perform many of his duties, so trustees named Scarborough assistant to the president. This, in effect, made him acting president and spokesperson for the seminary until Carroll’s death the following year.

As his time drew near, Carroll knew he wanted Scarborough to succeed him as Southwestern’s president. From his deathbed, he shared with Scarborough, a protégé of his since Scarborough’s time at Baylor, his heart for the seminary’s future.

“My deep concern is about the Seminary,” Carroll told him. “Your life will be given largely to it. … Keep the fires of love burning on all the altars about the Seminary. Faith, prayer, and love will bring the money and keep the enduring elements around it. These will have to save it.

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Carroll died in November 1914, and Scarborough was inaugurated as Southwestern's second president the following February. As steward of Carroll's legacy for the next 27 years, Scarborough sustained the infant seminary during difficult times and championed its development into one of the greatest theological seminaries in the world.

During his tenure, Scarborough oversaw the construction of Barnard Hall and Cowden Hall; the formation of the schools of church music and religious education; and the transfer of the ownership of the seminary from the Baptist General Convention of Texas to the Southern Baptist Convention (SBC), thus strengthening ties between Southwestern and the denomination. Scarborough also led the seminary through the financial difficulties stemming from the Great Depression of the 1930s.

Furthermore, Scarborough directed the 75 Million Campaign, an ambitious, convention-wide fundraising effort that served as the precursor to the Cooperative Program. He also served as president of the SBC from 1938-1940.

Despite his heightened focus on administrative matters, Scarborough maintained his focus on evangelism, declaring that "the entire administration and teaching force, the whole life of the institution, is set to the high notes of soul-winning." From 1920-1924, for example, Scarborough required all members of Southwestern's faculty to hold at least two evangelistic meetings per year. In this five-year period, the seminary reported conducting 4,166 revival meetings, which resulted in 55,861 professions of faith; 70,391 additions to Baptist churches; and 5,567 volunteers for service.

Scarborough retired in 1942, having gone from West Texas cowboy to seminary president in the span of his lifetime. Regarding how such a transformation took place, Scarborough's foreword to *With Christ After the Lost* provides a window into his thoughts on the matter.

Referring to himself in the third-person, Scarborough writes, "The author herein acknowledges a debt of gratitude to the immortal B.H. Carroll, under the influence and inspiring example of whose evangelistic ministry he was placed for many years; to his devoted preacher father, under whose soulful sermons and inspiring life he learned to love lost men; to a sainted mother, whose prayers were answered in his call to preach and by whose efforts he was led to see himself a sinner and to find Christ as Savior…."

Scarborough proceeds to name various other individuals, including his wife Neppie, who impacted his life and ministry over the years, indicating the significance of fellow believers making their mark on his life. As a result of their investment, Scarborough was able to make his mark on Southwestern, with the Chair of Fire and the institution's college later bearing his name.

Now, 109 years after Scarborough joined the Southwestern faculty, more than 45,000 students have gone forth from the institution, and many more continue to do so, in order to make their mark on the world. These students have many people to thank for the existence of such an institution, but surely chief among them is the immortal L.R. Scarborough.

ABOUT

Scarborough College

NUMBER OF COLLEGE FACULTY

18

AVERAGE CLASS SIZE:

15 FOR SEMINARS

30 FOR LECTURES

455

COLLEGE GRADUATES SINCE 2005

STUDENT HOUSING

800

APARTMENTS & HOUSES

300

LIVING SPACES IN

2

RESIDENCE HALLS

75%

LESS EXPENSIVE THAN YOUR AVERAGE COLLEGE TUITION

75

PERCENTAGE OF STUDENTS WHO RECEIVE FINANCIAL AID

100

PERCENTAGE OF COLLEGE STUDENTS WHO GO ON A MISSION TRIP

1 million+

SQUARE FEET OF OFFICES, CLASSROOMS, DINING, AND RECREATION

25K

CUPS OF COFFEE SERVED IN THE CAFÉ EACH YEAR

NUMBER OF HOURS THE RECREATION & AEROBICS CENTER IS OPEN EACH WEEK

90

2400

PATIENT VISITS TO THE CAMPUS CLINIC EACH YEAR

POLICE & SECURITY ON CAMPUS

24/7/365

2.5 million+

RESEARCH RESOURCES IN CAMPUS LIBRARIES

90K

NUMBER OF MEALS SERVED BY CAMPUS CAFETERIA EACH YEAR

Igniting a Passion to Rescue the Lost

Special Forces For the Kingdom of God

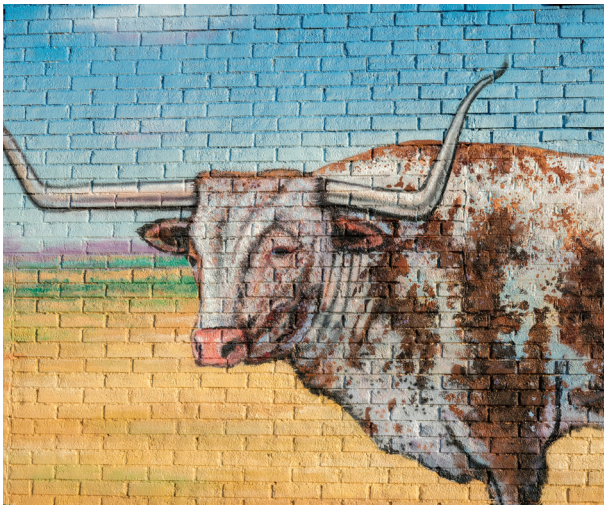
BY ALEX SIBLEY
PHOTOS BY MATT MILLER

Facedown on a parking lot in the pouring rain, Tim Wheeless searched for the strength to do just one more push-up. At the tail-end of his second week of daily physical training at 4 a.m., the 21-year-old Wheeless was close to quitting the Georgia State Patrol Trooper Academy.

There on the pavement, with heavy rains bearing down upon him, Wheeless prayed that if God would give him the strength to persevere through this training, he would do anything God asked of him. At that moment, the Holy Spirit reminded Wheeless that God had told him years earlier what He wanted him to do: pastor a church.

Now was the time to stop chasing his dreams, the Spirit said, and instead live for God. "In that moment, with many tears, I prayed and committed my life to serve the Lord as a pastor and preacher," Wheeless says.

Though Wheeless honored his commitment to be a Georgia State Trooper, which included time on the state SWAT team, he eventually began serving in a local church, got equipped for ministry at Scarborough College and Southwestern Seminary, and now serves as pastor of Fairway Baptist Church in Wichita Falls, Texas. Though he is now part of a world quite different from that of law enforcement, he has found that Gospel ministers are "special forces" of a similar kind.



In fact, during Wheeless' first semester at Scarborough College, Southwestern President Paige Patterson told students that the institution trains special forces for the Kingdom of God. "From the first day I stepped on campus, it was obvious I had saddled up with a Gospel force committed to reaching the ends of the earth for the glory of God," Wheeless says. As part of that "Gospel force," Wheeless strives to empower his congregation and join alongside them in rescuing the lost with the saving message of Jesus Christ.

Born in Thomaston, Ga., in 1978, Wheeless professed faith in Christ during a Vacation Bible School at his grandmother's church when he was 11 years old. He later sensed God's call to preach at age 16. Though he first pursued his dream of being a Georgia State Trooper, Wheeless led prayer and Bible studies for his fellow cadets and eventually became an associate pastor at a church in Georgia.

While there, a revival preacher from Southwestern Seminary talked and prayed with Wheeless about preparing for his call to someday pastor a church. Wheeless and his wife Sharon, after much prayer, felt the Lord leading them to go to seminary. Though they planned to explore multiple options, they discerned the Lord calling them to the first place they visited: the L.R. Scarborough College at Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary.

Wheeless was part of the first class to graduate from Scarborough College in 2008. He then proceeded to enter the Advanced Master of Divinity program (completing it in 2015) and later the Ph.D. program, as well.

"My time at Southwestern increased my knowledge of Scripture, helped me understand our current context in the greater scheme of both church and world history, and it gave me tools that have made me a better pastor and preacher," Wheeless says. "My church is the greatest beneficiary of my time at Southwestern, and not just because of the academic credentials I just mentioned. My time at Southwestern instilled in me a passion for evangelism and missions that may not have been cultivated otherwise."

Wheeless says this passion and urgency, which were awakened in him at Southwestern, are more important than any degree he could earn from the seminary. "It is changing my church, and I believe the Holy Spirit is shaping the hearts of our people with the same passion and urgency," he says. "It is a fire that He started at Pentecost, that consumed me at Southwestern, and that God is igniting at Fairway."

Wheeless accepted the pastorate at Fairway Baptist Church in 2015. The church had what Wheeless calls a "troubling and heartbreaking" history over the preceding decade, so his role required a man of integrity and Spirit-filled vision who could lead the church to become a healthy, thriving community.

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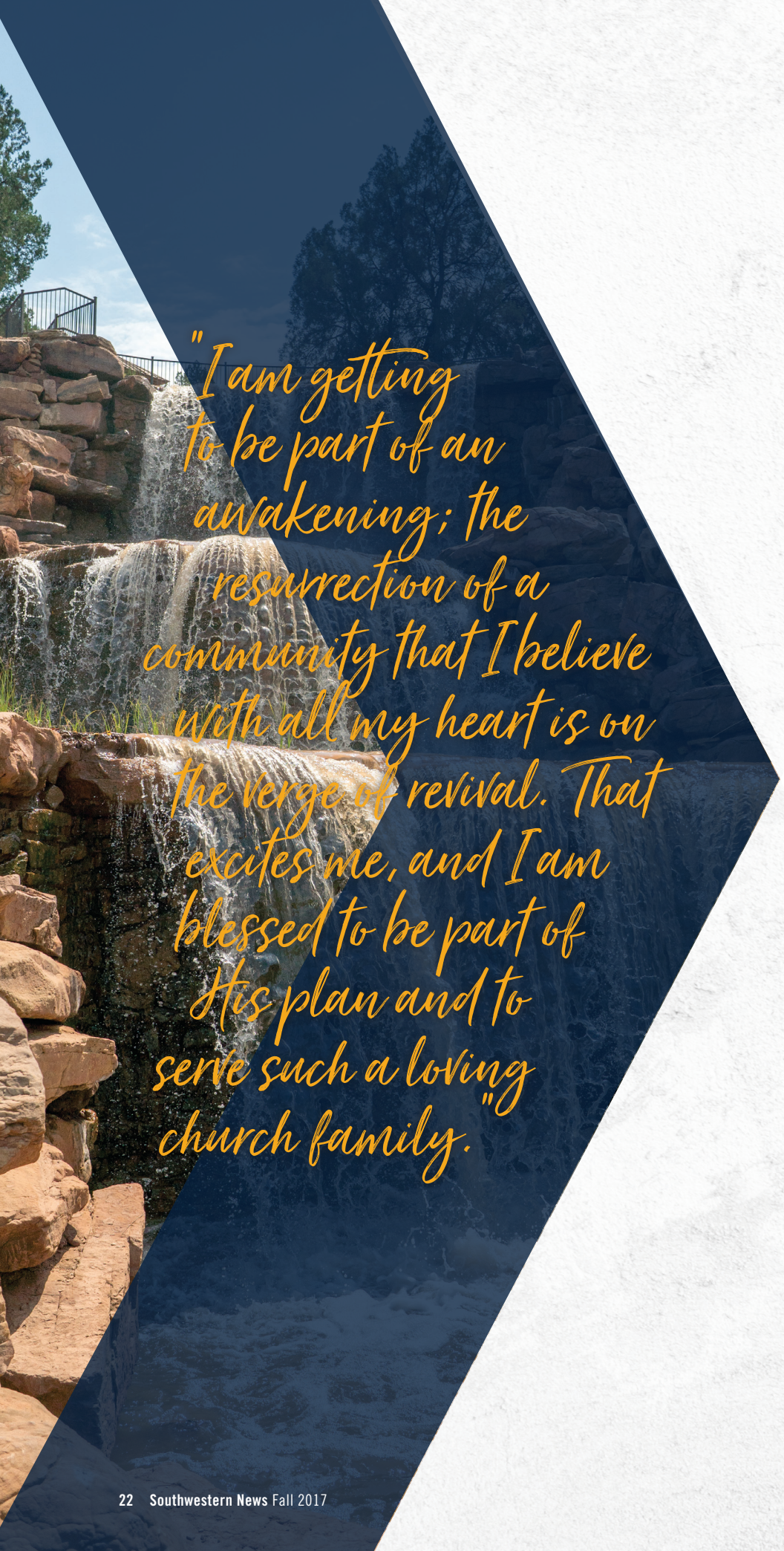

"I am getting to be part of an awakening; the resurrection of a community that I believe with all my heart is on the verge of revival. That excites me, and I am blessed to be part of His plan and to serve such a loving church family."

Toward that end, on Easter Sunday of 2016, Wheeless and his fellow church leaders "resurrected" Fairway with a new vision and core values. In the week leading up to the Easter service, church leaders went through the building and removed all the old vision statements and took down the old logo and other reminders of the past. They designed a new logo to accompany the new core values, had new wall art made and put up on the walls, and changed the look of the current website to reflect the new vision. In summary, "our people walked into the church building on Easter Sunday 2016 to a new vision, new direction, and a resurrected purpose," Wheeless says.

Fairway's new core values are "Light the Way," which emphasizes evangelism and missions; "Grow in Truth," which emphasizes preaching and discipleship ministries; and "Share Life," which emphasizes Gospel community and service. These values are now the focus of everything the church does, and the congregation is being mobilized for Gospel service as a result.

Project 2411, for example, is an initiative to train and deploy church members for door-to-door evangelism in the surrounding community. The initiative is based on Proverbs 24:11, which states, "Deliver those who are being taken away to death, and those who are staggering to slaughter, oh hold them back."

"What God calls for in Proverbs 24:11 is nothing less than an organized search and rescue mission to be carried out by a legion of men and women who are not willing to sit

by and watch another soul be carried away to an eternity in hell," Wheeless explains. "… If we would obey the command God has given, then some of those being led away to death and staggering toward a slaughter might be saved from their eternal fate. If we do not obey God's command, then their fate is most assuredly sealed by our disobedience."

Since this program began last year, more than 70 church members have gone through evangelism training; three families have joined the church because of their door-to-door efforts; two others have committed to Fairway because of the church's emphasis on evangelism; and hundreds have heard the Gospel in the community. "While we have not yet seen professions of faith as a direct result of our door-to-door efforts, we are seeing God awaken the hearts of our people to the spiritual needs of our community, and He is sending us laborers to help take the Gospel to our city," Wheeless says.

Such evangelistic efforts have heightened significance, Wheeless says, because Wichita Falls, as home to both Sheppard Air Force Base and Midwestern State University, is a transient community. "Just last month, we had to say goodbye to two families who were reassigned by the Air Force," Wheeless explains. "This is challenging because you build up leaders who are dedicated to the vision of Fairway and then have to send them away after three or four years."

Nevertheless, Wheeless is leading the congregation to see this as a good thing. "We have the opportunity to equip men and women to leave our church as missionaries to wherever God sends them," he says. "I want the college students along with the airmen and their families to be an asset and blessing to the communities and churches where God sends them. The greatest thing we can do for the Kingdom of God in this context is train them well, give them a passion for evangelism, and commission them out as missionaries when they go."

For this reason, on the last Sunday that an airman or college student is at Fairway, the church brings him and his family before the congregation and prays over them in order to send them out as missionaries. "It is bittersweet for us," Wheeless says, "but we know God will honor this in the years ahead."

Fairway's other missional efforts include partnerships with a church planter in Baltimore, Md.; missionaries in Mozambique; and churches in Belize. As the members of Fairway serve in these various ways, acting as special forces for the Kingdom of God, Wheeless says that he and his family have fallen in love with the people and "are blessed to be part of God's work in resurrecting this body of Christ from the ashes of hurt and suffering."

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Purposeful Worship

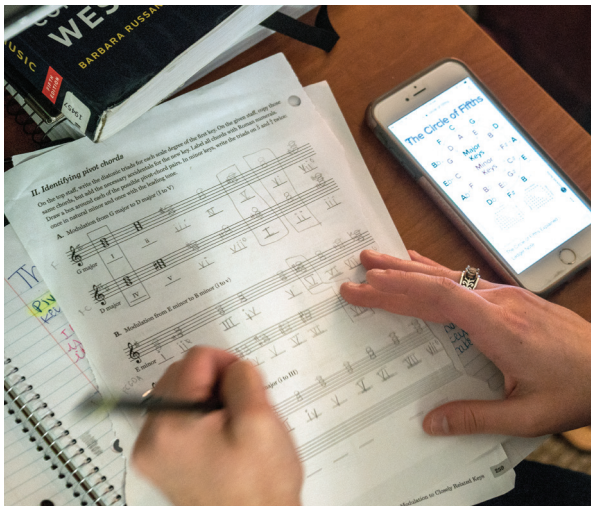
Learning to serve God through song

BY KATIE COLEMAN
PHOTOS BY KATHLEEN MURRAY

From an early age, Hannah Hodges' life has been filled with music. Countless hours were spent at a piano with her grandmother, and many Sundays were devoted to singing for her church congregation in Orange, Texas. In her formative middle school and high school years, music classes filled her already busy schedule, and she seized any musical opportunity available to her, even receiving awards and competitive recognition for her performances in band and choir.

Now in her second year as a vocal performance major in Scarborough College, Hodges is learning how to better use that talent to honor and glorify the Lord. Although a future in music or music education was already in her plans, her path to music ministry was not always clear.

In summer 2015, Hodges attended The Emerging Sound, an intensive songwriting camp for high school students and young adults interested in improving and strengthening their skills. Surrounded by the example of other students and music professionals who used their talents to serve God, Hodges says she began to sense the Lord leading her to surrender her life to ministry.



She ultimately made that decision in January 2016, but Hodges was still unsure what the future held. But in spite of her uncertainty, she trusted in the Lord's plan, whatever that may be.

Hodges was soon introduced to Scarborough College at Southwestern Seminary, and after a campus tour and a meeting with Dean of the School of Church Music Leo Day, she says it became exceedingly clear that the Lord was calling her to serve Him through music and to receive that training at Southwestern. "For an entire year of high school, I had no idea where I was going to college or what I was going to do," she says. "Now I know this is exactly where God wants me."

More than a year later, Hodges says Southwestern's faculty and students have encouraged her, challenged her, and helped her to grow as a musician and in her faith. She says that she has learned to trust God with her skills and work, a trust that did not always come easily.

In her first year as a student camper at The Emerging Sound, a private voice lesson began the process of transforming her perception of her own skills and how the Lord could use her in ways she never thought possible. "The vocal coach was able to bring out some pretty incredible things with my voice and my music," she says. "He made me realize that I was trying to limit what the Lord could do with my voice and talent."

But as she was stretched outside of her comfort zone, she was convicted of her defiance of God's ability to use her. "I was just trying to tell the Lord that He couldn't use me and I wasn't capable," Hodges says. "But the Lord was trying to tell me that He can do with my talents whatever He needs to do because He gave them to me."

Summertime for Hodges has also been a time for growth in her faith and in her skills. Hodges has twice served as the children and youth ministry intern for Little Cypress Baptist Church in Orange, Texas, as well as its worship intern in 2017. After a year of learning from Southwestern Seminary professors, Hodges says she has noticed a change in her perspective on music, ministry, and even the art of songwriting with Emerging Sound.

"It is a constant reminder that the Lord really has placed me at Southwestern for a reason and that I am where He wants me to be," she says. "Even in the stress of a busy schedule with classes and other commitments, I just have to remember to trust the Lord. He has placed me here for a purpose."

Hodges never imagined that performance could be a part of her future. She explains that she was of the mindset that she could only

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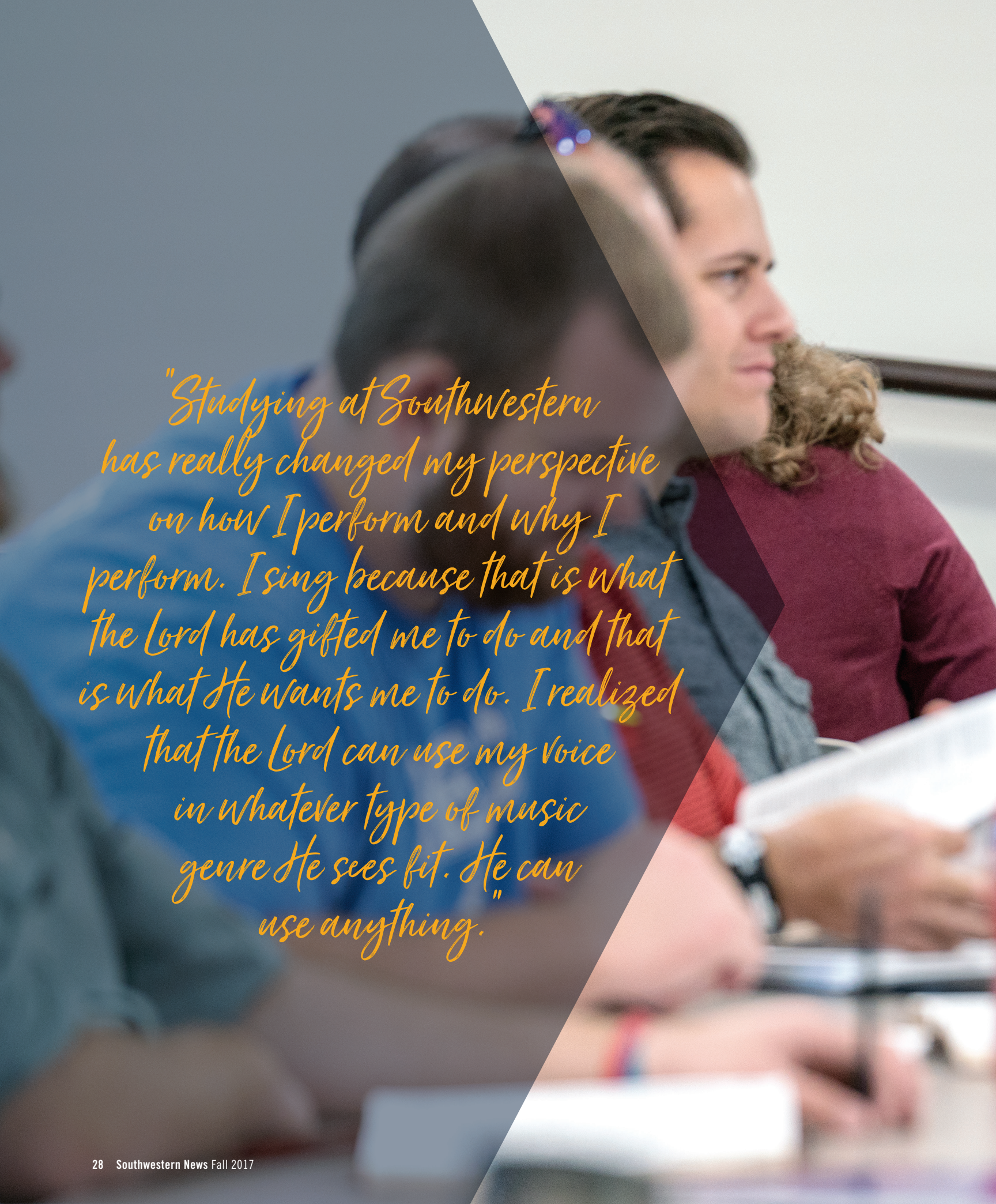
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sing within a certain genre, lead worship, or teach. But in just one year as a student in Scarborough College, she says she has learned what God can do when she trusts in His plan for her and surrenders her insecurities and doubts. She has participated in Southwestern Singers and given numerous performances at Southwestern. At a spring 2017 performance, she took what she considers her biggest step as a musician, and she had the opportunity to perform in front of her largest audience yet.

Each year, Southwestern's School of Church Music hosts a Gala concert, a celebration of musical excellence that highlights a variety of musical genres performed by the Southwestern Singers, the Southwestern Master Chorale, the Chapel Choir, the Southwestern Jazz Combo, and the Southwestern International Singers. The concert is one of Southwestern's biggest concerts and draws hundreds of concertgoers.

Nearly a year prior, Hodges expressed to Leo Day that she would not be a vocal performance major. But overcoming any insecurity about her skills, she stepped on stage in front of an eager audience at the Gala, Feb. 25, to perform "Lied der Mignon" and "Per non penar," two classical pieces from her fall semester repertoire. It was a moment that represented not just months of hard work at Southwestern, but also a display of her trust in God's plan for her life.

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Although Hodges does not know where God will call her in the future, she is willing and ready to go. In the meantime, she is doing what she can to prepare, and she continues to trust the Lord.

As she reflects on a year as a student of Scarborough College, she says she is in awe of how God has used her professors, other students, and classes to strengthen her skills as a musician. "I grew as a musician more than I thought I ever would last year. I know the Lord is going to continue to grow me. I don't know exactly what that is going to look like, but I do know He is going to do it."

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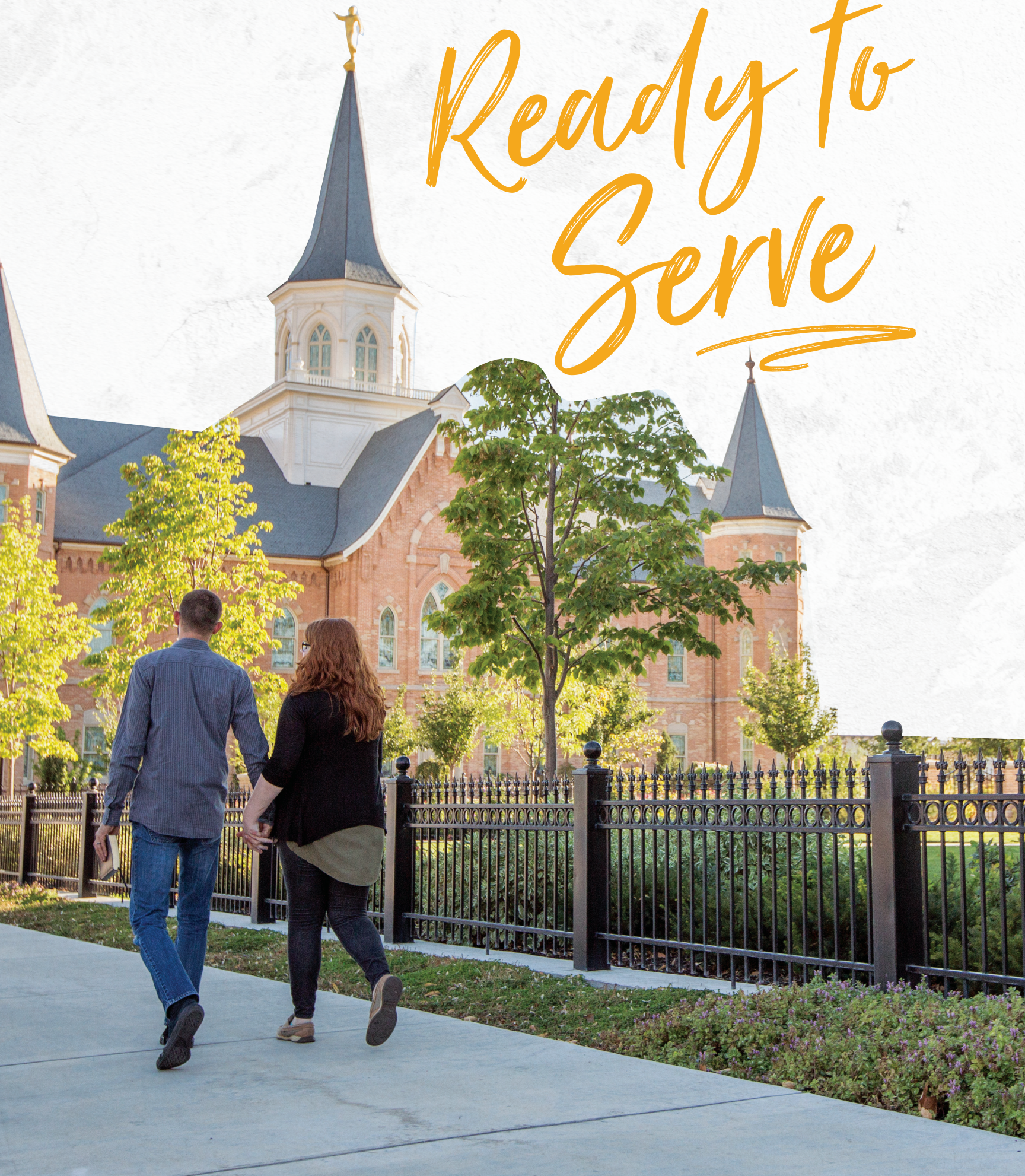

Building bridges to promote the true Jesus

BY ALEX SIBLEY
PHOTOS BY NEIL WILLIAMS

"HEY, HOW WOULD YOU FEEL ABOUT MOVING TO UTAH?"

Janis Walker texted this message to her husband Troy a bit out of the blue. At the time, the couple resided in Fort Worth, where both attended Scarborough College at Southwestern Seminary. The abruptness of the text was intentionally humorous, but the question stemmed from a genuine desire to consider such a prospect. Janis had connections with a church plant in Orem, Utah, and she had even ministered there during a break in her studies. Troy was nearing graduation, and so a discussion about their future already loomed on the horizon.

Though this differed from what Troy assumed God had for them, the couple spent a weekend exploring the ministry possibilities in Orem. They quickly fell in love with the area and also saw the huge need of its people for the true Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Despite being nicknamed "Happy Valley," the Orem-Provo metroplex sits in the heart of the state that once led the nation in antidepressant use[1] and is fifth in the nation for suicides.[2] The area is also the least reached metroplex in the United States, with only .5 percent of the population identifying as evangelical Christian.[3] The remaining 99.5 percent of the population, which comprises more than 500,000 people, is predominantly Mormon.

"While people appear happy, there is an undercurrent of stress driven by the perfection required by the Mormon church," Troy says. "The need to act like nothing is wrong is driving a rise in drug use, which fuels more and more guilt.

"The need for the true Jesus is enormous in this area. There are hundreds of thousands of people who are lost and do not know the true good news of what Jesus has done."

Despite the weight of the task and the difficulties it would present, the Walkers discerned that God was indeed calling them to Utah and had specially prepared them for ministry in that context. They moved there in June 2017 to assist a young church plant in Orem, and they now have a ministry of building relationships with people and allowing them to see the truth of biblical Christianity.

"Our goal is to break down the walls that divide the everyday person on the street from who we are," Troy says. "A lot of people see a cross or see a Christian church and take it as a negative thing; if they're Mormon, they say that's the 'false church.' So we're trying to break down those walls to say, 'Hey, we're here so you can be comfortable around us. Let's just have a calm, good conversation, and let's become friends so we can show you what it looks like to be like Christ.' … So [our ministry] is really just trying to build bridges to the community around us."

Troy and Janis met while they were both students at Scarborough College, and they agree that the classes they took there have greatly benefitted them on the field in Utah. "One of the biggest things that Southwestern taught me to do as it relates to working out here is how to think critically about the society around me and the literature around me, and really just how to think critically about life," Troy says. "It taught me to think through what people say and realize the full implications of what they're saying and not just take it at face value."

Troy says the seminar classes in particular prepared him for the discussions he would have with Mormons in Orem. The seminars taught him how to argue "calmly, coherently, succinctly," he explains, "and how to have a friendly conversation with someone who has a different viewpoint than you."

"That is so important out here," Troy says, "because any sort of thing that contradicts what they believe can be taken as hostility, can be taken as 'You are an enemy of me and of the church.' So that's such a good tool to have."

The Walkers married in fall 2016, and Troy graduated with his bachelor's in humanities the following spring. Though Janis has not yet completed her degree, she continues her academic pursuits from Utah.

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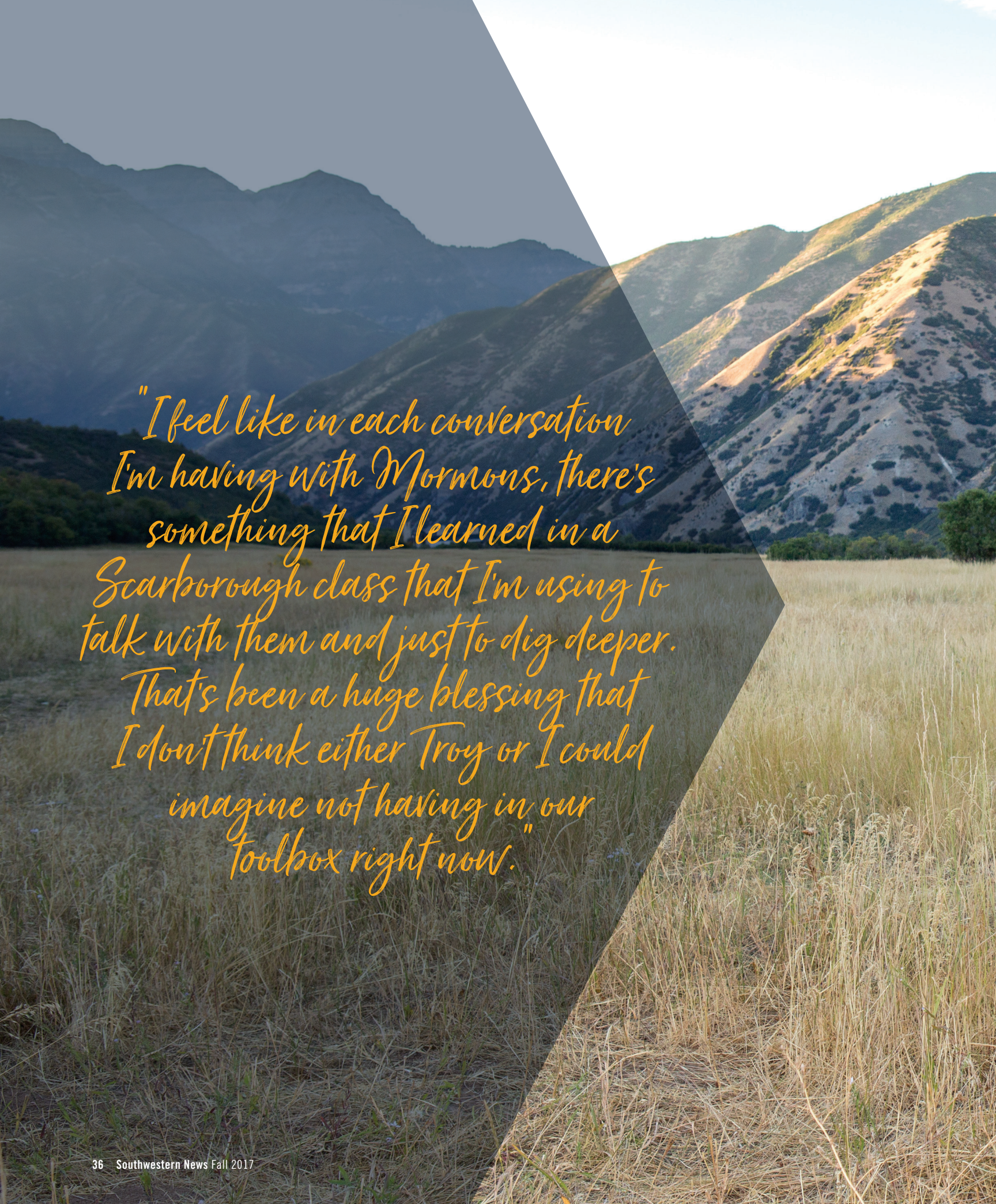
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In the months since arriving in Orem, the Walkers have assisted Redeemer Church Orem, a Baptist church planted in Utah by Redeemer Church Fort Worth, which Janis attended in her youth. Under Pastor Kevin Rutledge, Redeemer-Orem strives to reach the largely Mormon population with the Gospel, a task much easier said than done.

"To call someone to follow Christ and to call them away from the Mormon faith, a lot of times, means calling them to be disowned by their family," Troy explains. "It's really similar to Muslim culture in that regard. So we talk to a lot of people who say, 'I believe this is true and I believe this is right, but if I do this, I lose my family, and I don't know if I can make that sacrifice.' So that means more conversations and more time spent talking with them about why they know this is true, and if it's true, it's worth giving up everything for."

The church's methods for outreach—with which the Walkers are heavily involved—include community events and small-group Bible studies, but the primary means of reaching people is simply interacting with those who are close by in the midst of everyday life. Many of the 50-100 people who attend Redeemer-Orem on Sunday mornings, for example, are neighbors of church staff.

"The really unique thing about Redeemer-Orem is that, of those 50-100 people, in terms of real, true believers, there's probably about 20 on a good Sunday," Troy says. "So the good thing about that is, while the number of actual believers may be small, it means that the church is reaching and impacting and drawing people to it."

Speaking to baristas at Starbucks, fellow employees at work, and families at the neighborhood pool have all yielded opportunities for sharing the Gospel and dispelling

“You won’t find better professors [than those at Scarborough College]. The faculty—you can’t beat it. Not only do they know their stuff; not only do they have the knowledge and the ability to teach, but they’re so passionate about what they do; about teaching young people, about growing people who are going into ministry.”

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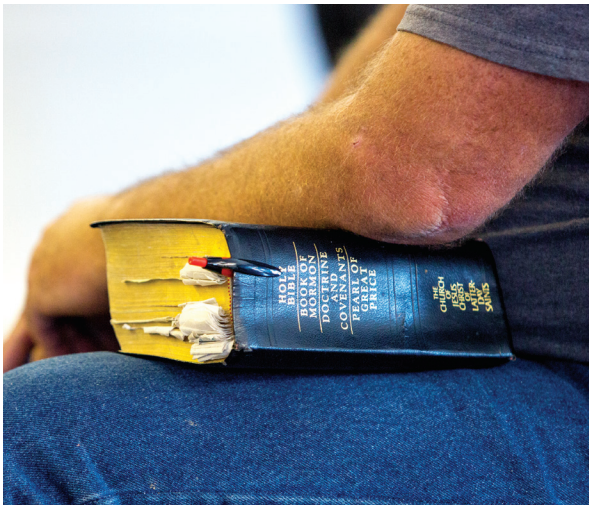

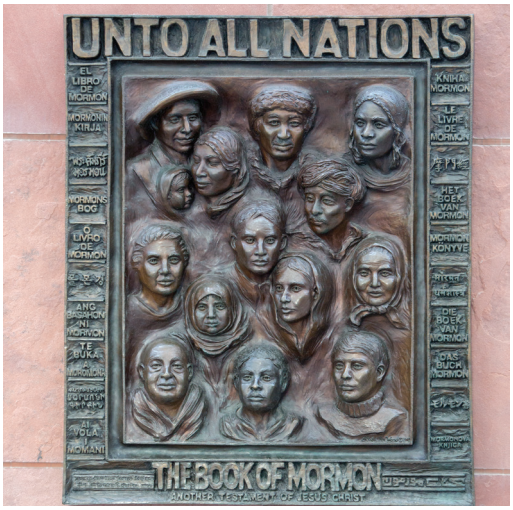

the false teaching of the Mormon church. In this latter regard, Scarborough College has again proved impactful for the Walkers.

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Wrestling with spiritual topics is a major part of small-group Bible study, and a recent discussion on the Holy Spirit allowed both Troy and Janis to employ the knowledge they gained in Scarborough College classes on that very topic. In reference to her class on the Trinity, Janis says, "To have a full semester of laying out that groundwork and understanding how to defend that to people has been huge in my conversations here."

Troy adds, "It's really rewarding to be challenged myself in these conversations, like 'I know that somewhere the Bible talks about the Holy Spirit doing x, y, and z, but where is that?' or 'I remember Dr. [Michael] Wilkinson saying this in class; I get to contribute with something!' It's really rewarding to me to have those hard conversations with people and to see them wrestling with truth; wrestling with what it means to be a Christian; wrestling with our doctrines; wrestling with all this stuff."

The doctrinal differences between Mormonism and Christianity are integral to the evangelism training that Troy has prepared for Redeemer-Orem. The training is centered on "seven conversations," or seven doctrines that mark true Christians relative to Mormons, such as belief in the Trinity, disbelief in preexistence, etc. Beyond explaining these doctrines, the training also encourages people to evangelize in a manner that is both conversational and relational. The church plans to implement this training in the fall.

This style of evangelism falls under the Walkers' prayer that they be able to "speak truth without scaring people away." Troy elaborates, "[We want] to speak truth boldly and passionately but without pushing people away. And for people to hear what we're saying; for people to realize that we are sinners; that Jesus came and died and literally took our sins on Himself, giving us His full righteousness; and that that's worth giving up everything in the world to have."

Though only a few months into their ministry in Utah, the Walkers have seen God bless their efforts, and they have been able to walk alongside numerous individuals who are struggling with rejecting Mormonism and embracing faith in Jesus Christ. The Walkers acknowledge that much of their effectiveness in ministry is rooted in their time at Scarborough College.

In Scarborough College, Troy says, "you're going to grow and you're going to learn. It may not be easy, and they might be some of the hardest years of your life, like they were in mine, but God grew me through that, God pushed me through that, and He shaped me to bring me to this point, to where I am here."

Mathena Hall

Laying a Foundation for a Lifetime of Ministry

SCARBOROUGH COLLEGE IS HOUSED WITHIN MATHENA HALL, THE NEWEST BUILDING at Southwestern Seminary's Fort Worth campus. Completed in 2017, the building, which also houses the Roy Fish School of Evangelism and Missions, serves as a training center for men and women to take the Gospel to the ends of the earth. To that end, countless ministry partners prayerfully and financially invested in the building project, and many others watched with eager expectation as ground was broken, concrete was poured, beams were laid, and the building finally opened its doors for the fall 2017 semester. The following is a rough timeline of the building's development, from Harold and Patricia Mathena's presentation of the $12 million lead gift in chapel to the building's ribbon-cutting ceremony, scheduled for October 18, 2017.

October 2014

Harold and Patricia Mathena announce in chapel, Oct. 16, that they are bestowing to Southwestern Seminary a gift of $12 million for the construction of a new building for Scarborough College and the Roy Fish School of Evangelism and Missions. This lead gift covers roughly half the cost of construction.

April 2015

At their spring meeting, April 15, trustees authorize construction of Mathena Hall once funding reaches a level of 90 percent of costs.

October 2015

Ground is officially broken for the construction of Mathena Hall, Oct. 21, under the excited eyes of trustees, faculty, staff, students, and friends of Southwestern. Southwestern President Paige Patterson says during the groundbreaking ceremony that the building "is going to be one of the most unique buildings in all the education system in America."

December 2015

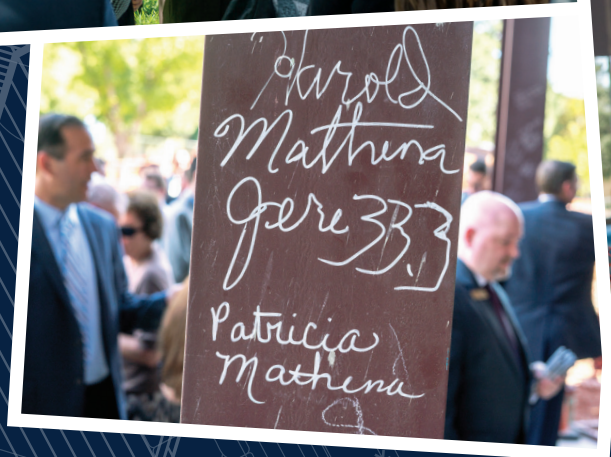
Patterson announces during the annual President's Club Dinner, Dec. 3, that funding for the building is now 94 percent complete and that construction will begin in January.

August 2016

A news release announces that the foundation has been poured and steel is being erected for Mathena Hall. The building's construction is live-streamed on swbts.edu/mathenahalllive.

October 2016

During the fall trustee meeting, Oct. 18, trustees, faculty, and other ministry partners affix dozens of Scriptures to several foundational columns at the construction site, indicating their commitment to the future of equipping God-called men and women for ministry through the building.



April 2017

With construction nearly completed, trustees take a formal tour of Mathena Hall, April 12, to view the progress that has been made.

August 2017

Mathena Hall opens its doors to students for the first time. As the fall semester begins, Aug. 24, the building holds its first-ever classes for undergraduate and graduate students alike.

October 2017

The building will be officially dedicated during a ribbon-cutting ceremony, Oct. 18.

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Southwestern's newest building, Mathena Hall, is home to the Roy Fish School of Evangelism and Missions and the L.R. Scarborough College at Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary.

This resource identifies those who made significant contributions to the building and provides details of the structure's classrooms, exhibits, and various other features, including its numerous homages to the legacies of past and current ministers of the Gospel. The hope is that Southwestern students will be trained for Gospel ministry within the walls of Mathena Hall, then go forth into the world to spread the message of Christ and advance God's Kingdom, thus joining the legacy of the great men and women who came before them.

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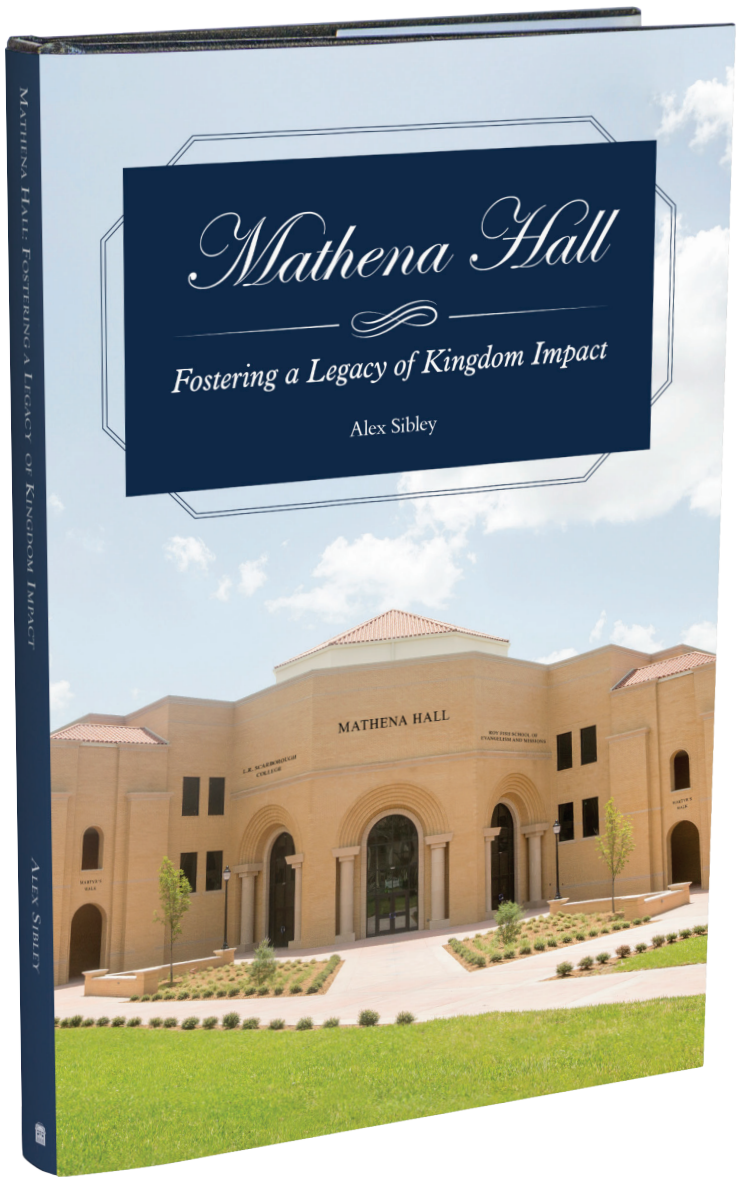

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GRADUATION CEREMONY HERALDS FUTURE OF THEOLOGICAL EDUCATION IN ECUADOR

By Alex Sibley

What do two lawyers, an architect, and the former leader of the Communist party in Ecuador have in common? As of Saturday, May 27, they all are graduates of Southwestern Seminary's Maestría de Estudios Teológicos (MET) program, and they, along with seven other graduates, will now serve as faculty members of PESCA Baptist Theological Seminary in central Ecuador.

"This has been the culmination of a great time of planning, a time of dreaming out loud, and then seeing God bring dreams into reality," says PESCA founder Steve Thompson. "Seeing 11 of them graduate with their master's in theology has been a blessing not only to us but to the future of theological education in the entire country of Ecuador."

The graduation was the result of a three-way partnership between PESCA seminary, Tabernacle Baptist Church of Ennis, Texas, and Southwestern Seminary's Patterson Center for Global Theological Innovation (GTI). This partnership began in 2015 and saw 11 Ecuadorian pastors and church leaders from across the country enroll in Southwestern's online MET program with the purpose of eventually becoming PESCA seminary's faculty. Tabernacle was then recruited as a Champion Church, prayerfully and financially supporting these students and the seminary. Now, just two years later, all 11 students have completed their master's degrees, and they will now train future ministers to further God's Kingdom in Ecuador.

Watch a highlight video from the graduation at **SWBTS.EDU/ECUADOR**

JAPAN MISSION TEAM BRINGS GOSPEL TO UNIVERSITY STUDENTS

By Katie Coleman

From May 13-31, a seven-member student team from Southwestern Seminary focused its evangelism efforts at two Kobe universities. Visiting campuses during the lunch hours, the team asked to join Japanese students at their tables, explaining that they were looking to make new friends and learn Japanese culture, religion, and history. In the course of their ensuing conversations, they looked for opportunities to share the Gospel.

Although none of the conversations resulted in a decision to follow Christ, Master of Arts student Gulshat Amanmyradova says significant progress was made. Even when conversations were awkward or uncomfortable, she says it was worth it for the sake of the dozens of people who heard the Good News for the first time in their lives. "You never know what God may use to make something out of something awkward or 'ineffective' in our eyes," Amanmyradova says.

GEZER EXCAVATION UNCOVERS 3,200-YEAR-OLD HUMAN REMAINS

By Alex Sibley

The discovery of ancient human remains by Southwestern Seminary archaeologists in the biblical city of Gezer is attracting international media attention. These are the first human remains discovered at the site, uncovered in the midst of a layer of fiery destruction that confirms accounts by Egyptian Pharaoh Merneptah that he seized Gezer.

"The importance of this archaeological excavation will highlight the work of the Tandy Institute and the archaeology program at Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary," says Steven Ortiz, director of Southwestern's Tandy Institute for Archaeology and co-director of the Tel Gezer Excavation Project (along with Sam Wolff of Israeli Antiquities Authority). "We look forward to a Southern Baptist seminary being one of the leaders in the archaeology of the land of Israel."

SOUTHWESTERN TEAM MINISTERS TO REFUGEES, UNIVERSITY STUDENTS IN REPUBLIC OF GEORGIA

By Katie Coleman

Sixteen Southwestern students and faculty ministered in the Republic of Georgia, May 24-June 12, partnering with missionaries to bring the message of the Gospel to refugee communities, university students, and other Georgians throughout the cities of Gori and Tbilisi. Ultimately, at least 18 people were saved throughout the two-week period, and even more people heard the Gospel for the first time.

Master's student Angel Padilla says he was reminded of the importance of sharing with people even if they do not respond. "In many conversations we had, I think we planted the seed. Now it is up to God to change the hearts of the Georgians," Padilla says. "God is good!"

SOUTHWESTERN LAYS GROUNDWORK FOR FUTURE SEMINARY IN MADAGASCAR

By Julie Owens

Hard work is evident in the progress made in Southwestern Seminary's outreach to the remote, undeveloped island of Madagascar—hard work and, unmistakably, the hand of God. In 2012, Southwestern Seminary accepted a challenge from the International Mission Board to adopt an unreached people group—the Antandroy people of Madagascar. This summer, Southwestern laid the groundwork for a leadership training institute and future seminary to be located in Fort Dauphin, equipping Antandroy believers to reach their nation with the Gospel.

Though the seminary is only in its early stages of development, the ball is already rolling on theological education in Madagascar. This June, representatives from Southwestern taught classes there for two weeks, bringing lessons in Old and New Testament survey, text-driven preaching, and missiology to more than 50 local pastors, evangelists, missionaries, and church planters—all first-generation Christians.

Brent Ray, director of Southwestern's Patterson Center for Global Theological Innovation (GTI), calls the current progress in Madagascar "an incredible story of success." He explains, "God gives us the power to do this. No one would have envisioned this five years ago."

ARCHAEOLOGY TEAM UNCOVERS NEW EVIDENCE OF ANCIENT CHRISTIANITY IN KAZAKHSTAN

By Tom Davis

A joint international team from the Tandy Institute for Archaeology at Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary (under the field direction of Tom Davis) and Archaeological Expertise LLC based in Almaty, Kazakhstan (led by Dimitri Voyakin), has undertaken a second season of archaeological investigation at the site of Ilyn Balik, a medieval city, first excavated by the joint team in 2016, within the boundaries of the village of Usharal. Last year, the team discovered seven inscribed gravestones clustered on the surface outside of the main area of settlement of the site. The suspected grave markers all have inscribed Nestorian-style crosses, and two of them have fragmentary inscriptions.

This year's investigations targeted the location of these markers and sought to identify any associated graves. Although no graves were identified by the 2017 field team, seven additional inscribed stones were recovered. The new discoveries provide context for the previously discovered stones and identify an associated Christian community.

This discovery is the first archaeological evidence for an indigenous Christian community during the medieval period within the borders of the Republic of Kazakhstan. Furthermore, this discovery supports the understanding of medieval Kazakhstan as a multi-cultural community.

THAILAND MISSION TEAM SEES 30 SALVATIONS

By Katie Coleman

In the course of this year's Thailand mission trip, July 5-23, the team of 17 Southwestern students traveled to a mountain village where they planned to spend at least two days to evangelize and present the "Jesus" film with those willing to attend. Bachelor of Arts student Stephen Gravois describes the days spent in the village as the most challenging but also the most rewarding because he felt equipped and ready to evangelize with any person in any context.

"Being a student at Southwestern greatly equipped me to do ministry in Thailand," Gravois says. "Dr. [Brandon] Kiesling's evangelism class has specifically equipped me to share the Gospel simply and comfortably, especially to people whom I may have just met."

Following the presentation of the "Jesus" film and other testimonies from Southwestern students, an invitation was given, and 12 people made the decision to surrender their lives to Christ. Reflecting on these and the 18 other salvations the team saw among university students, master's student Lauren Rodriguez says she is in awe of the way God used them in such a brief time to deliver a life-changing message.

"In some ways, we have very little in common with them, but now we are brothers and sisters in Christ," Rodriguez says. "We now have all this commonality, and we have eternity with these people."

ENTHUSIASM MAKES ANNUAL CROSSOVER EVENT A SUCCESS

By Julie Owens

Enthusiasm and professions of faith were in abundance in Phoenix, Ariz., during Crossover 2017, the Southern Baptist Convention's evangelism push prior to its annual meeting. Working alongside local church members June 6-12, 75 students and staff members from Southwestern Seminary visited more than 5,200 homes during the six-day period, and their collective efforts ultimately yielded 62 professions of faith. Half of those people prayed to receive Christ during a single two-hour period.

The group evangelized in conjunction with Harvest America Crusade, an annual event that is a hub for worship, Gospel study, Christian music performances, and evangelism. This year's Harvest America event at the University of Phoenix stadium was seen by more than 945,000 people who attended the event in person or via televised and web broadcasts in 83 countries. The event yielded more than 7,500 professions of faith, including 494 online.

"This experience is invaluable to students as they are preparing for Gospel ministry," says Instructor of Evangelism Brandon Kiesling, who coordinated this year's outreach. "They will take this experience with them the rest of their lives. … They started evangelizing the night they arrived, and they didn't stop working."

OXFORD STUDY TOUR OPENS A WORLD OF LEARNING

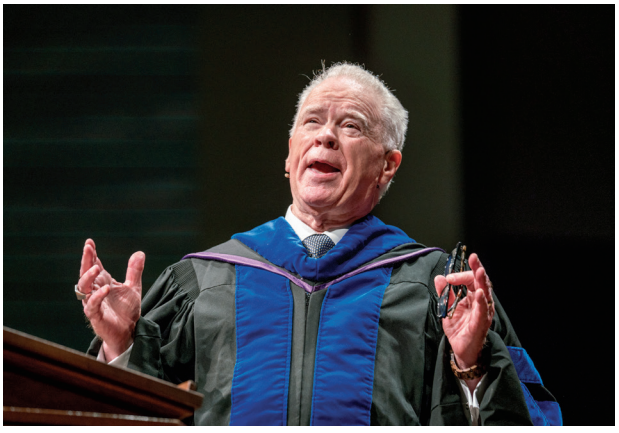
By Julie Owens

Twenty-nine seminary students saw church history from a unique perspective and broadened their viewpoints during the 2017 Oxford Study Tour, July 10-26. The students traveled to the university city of Oxford, England, and visited sites of key importance to church history while earning credits for classes offered by Southwestern Seminary professors.

"These are places most people only read about in books or conduct research on for a paper, but we were able to stand in these places while receiving lectures on these historical figures," says bachelor's student Larry Williamson. "To walk where they walked and to literally be where they gave their very lives for the sake of the Gospel was something that none of us will ever forget."

PATTERSON URGES STUDENTS TO FIND JOY IN THE FACE OF STRUGGLES

By Julie Owens



Faith and joy in the Lord in the face of difficulties are the keys to a fruitful walk with Christ and a rewarding ministry, President Paige Patterson told Southwestern Seminary faculty and students during the fall 2017 convocation, Aug. 24. The rousing strains of "Holy, Holy, Holy," followed by Patterson's message, launched the seminary's 110th fall semester.

"We need to be a society where ministers will sing in the midst of the day," Patterson said. "If you want to know how to be happy and jubilant, then learn to sing in jail. When you start singing, everybody in the world is going to listen."

35 LOCAL CHURCH MEMBERS COMPLETE BIBLICAL COUNSELING CERTIFICATION

By Alex Sibley

Southwestern Seminary offers certification in biblical counseling training every spring and fall, but this year, for the first time, a local church, under the lead of a Southwestern graduate, served as a "satellite location" for this program in order to train the congregation in biblical counseling. Dale Allen, who completed his master's in biblical counseling in 2015, worked with Southwestern professors to provide the training at Great Commission Baptist Church in Fort Worth. On August 5, after several months of training seminars, 35 church members graduated the program and became certified biblical counselors.

"You have prepared yourself rigorously to do counseling in a day when the vast majority of people out there are looking for somebody to tell them how they can get their lives back on track," said Southwestern President Paige Patterson in a pre-recorded congratulatory message. "God is going to use you in ways you could never even imagine to put

families back together and to find a new life and do a thousand things that only a biblical counselor can do. May God bless you as you pursue the hearts of men and women everywhere."

EVANGELISM TASK FORCE CONVENES; PRAYERFULLY PURSUES CONVENTION-ASSIGNED TASK

By Alex Sibley

The evangelism task force appointed at the Southern Baptist Convention annual meeting this June convened for the first time on the campus of Southwestern Seminary, August 14-15. Chaired by Southwestern President Paige Patterson, the task force is charged with determining how Southern Baptists might reap a greater harvest through personal evangelism and evangelistic preaching.

"I cannot remember a meeting that encouraged my heart as much as this one," Patterson said at the meeting's conclusion. "We had a large portion of the task force who were able to attend, and they seriously and humbly pursued the convention-assigned task.

"Fully one-fourth of our time was spent on our faces before God asking for His guidance and for an outpouring of His blessings upon our churches and institutions. This task force is under no illusion that we have the ability to speak wisely to our convention. We know well that any contribution we make will have to be the wisdom of God."

Those in attendance included SBC President Steve Gaines; Executive Director of the Southern Baptists of Texas Convention Jim Richards; president of Gateway Seminary Jeff Iorg; pastors Jordan Easley, Nick Floyd, Noe Garcia, James Merritt, Doug Munton, and Jimmy Scroggins; Midwestern Seminary professor Robert Matz; Southeastern Seminary professor Jim Shaddix; Southern Seminary professor Adam Greenway; and Southwestern Seminary professors David Allen and Matt Queen.

CHILDREN'S CENTER CAMPS PROVIDE FUN SUMMERTIME LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES

By Julie Owens

Summer camps provide a chance for children to put down the iPads while making friends and learning new skills. Throughout the summer, the Naylor Children's Center (NCC) provided three week-long camps—Treasure Hunters Preschool Camp, Cooking Camp, and Pioneer Camp—offering opportunities for children to participate in fun and interactive educational activities with fellow children of seminary students.

"We have a large home school community, and events like this give everyone an opportunity to gather," says NCC director Kathi Rogers. The camps are unique opportunities for children to learn teamwork while sharpening their decision-making skills and trying new things. They promote healthy development in a place where having fun is a daily criterion.

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Fatherhood – The Least Understood Profession

By Paige Patterson | President

Most humans seem to perceive fatherhood as having exhausted itself at the end of a moment of intimacy with a member of the opposite gender. The male member of the species bows out since the conception inside the woman's womb is thought to be "part of her body" and therefore of no consequence to him. Little difference is made for the man if the conceived baby is terminated in the womb or born into a fatherless existence. In fact, "sperm banks" now make even his presence in conception totally unnecessary. How different the picture of fatherhood is in the Scriptures! And this loss of the concept of fatherhood introduces pandemonium into the entire human system, including an accurate comprehension of God as Father.

Tips for being a Successful Student

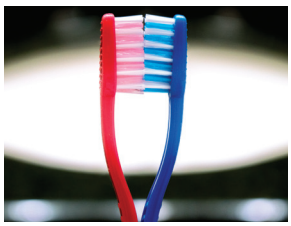
By Charles Patrick | Vice President for Strategic Initiatives and Communications

Your educational journey is a marathon, not a sprint. Theological education is different than other academic degrees because theological training deals with God's Word. Your education here is about more than increasing in knowledge and skills. Professor Holy Spirit is here helping form you. Your educational journey is a crucible whereby the Holy Spirit will refine you. This takes time, so don't treat your educational journey as a sprint to graduation day.

Teenagers, Competitions, and the Sabbath

By Richard Ross | Professor of Student Ministry

Plenty of parents take zero interest in their children and their activities. Youth leaders celebrate good parents who support their kids' endeavors, hoping that worthwhile activities will give their offspring a boost in life. But for believing families, all such decisions fall under the command, "Seek first His kingdom and His righteousness" (Matthew 6:33).



4 Common Myths of Christians Rationalizing Cohabiting

By Evan Lenow | Associate Professor of Ethics

According to a biblical sexual ethic, God established the sexual relationship in covenant marriage between a man and a woman in Genesis 2. The sexual relationship between a husband and wife demonstrates the exclusive, permanent union of marriage. This intimacy is described in Genesis 2:24 as a "one flesh" union. Those who cohabit participate in the "pleasures" of the relationship without the covenantal commitment. This stands in direct violation of God's plan for marriage.

Death at Work in Us

By T. Dale Johnson Jr. | Assistant Professor of Biblical Counseling

While death remains a consequence of our sin, Christ can bring beauty from the ashes of those who are His (Isaiah 61:3). He has made death His subject to work in us courage, strength, endurance, character, and a patient hope that is more sure than death itself. So we let death work in us to produce steadfastness, that we may be perfect and complete, lacking in nothing, because our trust is firm in His promises. "Amen. Come Lord Jesus!"

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Everyday Evangelism Stories

Southwestern Seminary students and faculty strive to "Preach the Word, Reach the World," and this often manifests through everyday evangelism encounters. Below are excerpts from articles about some of these encounters, detailing Southwesterners' heart for evangelism and God's sovereign grace in saving sinners.

Church's commitment to evangelism yields 20 professions of faith during revival gathering

By Katie Coleman

When the revival week arrived for Ph.D. student Jordan Bird's congregation, an average of 250 people crowded the tent each night, eager to hear from preacher Jon Read, president of the Conference of Georgia Baptist Evangelists. As a result, 20 people responded to the Gospel message and accepted Christ as their Lord and Savior. In the weeks following, five were baptized and many more are scheduled for the near future.

Evangelism sets woman on road to salvation

By Julie Owens

An old joke notes that going to church does not make you a Christian any more than standing in a garage makes you a car. But for Bruce Gale, some creative use of automobile terminology helped him steer a Phoenix woman to a profession of faith in Christ. Gale was one of 75 Southwestern students and faculty evangelizing in Phoenix, Ariz., neighborhoods during Crossover 2017 in June.

Lives miraculously changing in Madagascar

By Julie Owens

Southwestern professor Dean Sieberhagen then asked a student named Bosco if he had had two births, and he said he was not sure. "I used Romans 10:9 to explain how the spiritual birth involved believing the Gospel in your heart and confessing it with your mouth, and that he could confess it with his mouth right there if he believed it in his heart," Sieberhagen says. "He said he wanted to do this, and so I led him in a salvation prayer."

Woman comes to faith through witness of entire family

By Alex Sibley

When Southwestern professor Matt Queen distributed an email "praise report" detailing the salvation of a 15-year-old girl, it inspired more reasons to celebrate than just one. Not only did the email share how Ph.D. student Jonathan Baldwin and his wife Laura led a young teenager named Alexis to the Lord, but it also revealed a key detail of the experience: the Baldwins' three children had accompanied them on the evangelistic outing.

"Praise the Lord that (1) Alexis received Christ, and (2) that the three Baldwin children witnessed their father and mother evangelizing as a model for them when they (we pray) become believers," Queen wrote. "I'm convinced that more Southern Baptists would think 'everyday evangelism' was normal if our men would lead their families to evangelize. God, may it be so!"

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WELCOME WEEK LAYS 'NECESSARY FOUNDATION FOR A SUCCESSFUL SEMESTER'

By Katie Coleman

Following a successful move-in day, Student Life kicked off the fall semester with its annual "Welcome Week," Aug. 18-25, and offered several opportunities for new and returning students to connect with campus community. Students came together to worship, enjoy friendly competition, and fellowship over delicious food. Reflecting on a week of numerous opportunities to connect with other students, bachelor's student Abigail Simonds says Welcome Week laid the necessary foundation for a successful semester.

"Each Welcome Week event is orchestrated in such a way that the freshmen and the current students are able to talk, laugh, and work together in a more relaxed environment outside of class," Simonds says. "It has been a joy to watch meaningful relationships forming during Student Life events, and it's all happening before classes even begin!"

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BUSINESSMAN, MINISTRY PARTNER HAROLD RILEY DIES AT 89

By Alex Sibley

Harold E. Riley, a long-time ministry partner of Southwestern Seminary who contributed to such projects as the Riley Center and MacGorman Chapel, died Sept. 21. He was 89.

Riley was 13 years old when his father, Ray I. Riley, left a steady job as an oil field foreman in the panhandle of Texas because the Lord had called him to ministry. The senior Riley moved his family to Fort Worth so he could prepare for ministry at Southwestern Seminary. He graduated with a Bachelor of Divinity in 1953.

During his time on campus, the young Riley witnessed the sacrifices his father made to serve the Lord and saw him trust in the Lord's provision for their every need. Many times, the Lord's provision through the generosity of others was the only means by which the family could survive from month to month.

Riley completed his Bachelor in Business Administration in 1952 at Baylor University, where he was an all-American football player. Drafted by the NFL's Los Angeles Rams following his graduation, Riley declined the offer in order to enter the business world.

Riley proceeded to work his way up through the ranks of the insurance industry. He founded Insurance Company of America in 1969 and became the chairman of the board and CEO of Citizens, Inc. in Austin, Texas, in 1987. In Austin, Riley and his wife Dottie also became long-time members of Hyde Park Baptist Church.

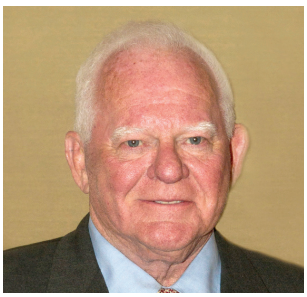
Blessed with financial success, the Rileys did not keep their resources to themselves, but rather used them to invest in the lives of others through widespread philanthropic gifts. Their financial investments in Baylor University, for example, led to the opening of Moody Memorial Library in 1968 and its subsequent technological advancements.

Riley also maintained a special place in his heart for Southwestern Seminary. In addition to their multi-million-dollar lead gifts to both the Ray I. Riley Alumni Center (named for Riley's father) and the MacGorman Chapel and Performing Arts Center, the Rileys also contributed to, among other things, student scholarships, Dressed for Service, Women's Auxiliary, and capital improvements.

Riley is survived by his wife Dottie, their four children, seven grandchildren, and one great-grandchild.

LOCKMAN FOUNDATION PRESIDENT ROBERT LAMBETH DIES

By Alex Sibley



Robert "Bob" Lambeth, president for 38 years of the Lockman Foundation and donor for each of the Southern Baptist Convention's six seminaries, died suddenly on Tuesday, July 11. He was 81.

The Lockman Foundation is a nonprofit, interdenominational ministry dedicated to the translation, publication, and distribution of the New American Standard Bible (NASB), Amplified Bible, and other biblical resources. Lambeth served as the foundation's president from 1979 until his death, having been connected with the ministry since the 1950s through his relationship with founders Dewey and Minna Lockman.

The Lockman Foundation began giving a leather-bound NASB to each graduate of Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary in 1992 while Paige Patterson—the current president of Southwestern— was president there. The following semester, the foundation began presenting Bibles to graduates of each of the six Southern Baptist seminaries. This tradition has continued now for more than 20 years.

When Patterson came to Southwestern, Lambeth developed a special interest in the ministry of the seminary and its graduates. This led him and his wife to create the Phoebe Nan Wiley Lambeth Women's Auxiliary Scholarship and contribute funds to, among other things, Bibelseminar Bonn in Germany, the Horner Homemaking House, Dressed for Service ministry, the School of Preaching, the Dead Sea Scrolls and the Bible exhibition, and the construction of MacGorman Chapel. For their ministry partnership, the Lambeths were presented with the B.H. Carroll Award in 2011.

Lambeth is survived by his wife, Phoebe; their two sons, Pike and Todd; two daughters-in-law; and five grandchildren.

Alumni Updates

1950

Hugo Contreras (BRE 1957) to Argentina as church planter.

1970

Tom Elliff (MDIV 1970) to Mims Baptist Church, Conroe, Texas, as interim pastor, with wife, Diana Elliff neé Barber.

Tom E. Hearon Jr. (MDIV 1979, DMIN 2008) to Global Gates Network, Austin, Texas, as missionary, with wife, Bonnie Hearon (MARE 1981).

Wilfred Martin (MDIV 1979) to IMB as missionary.

1980

Dan Curry (MDIV 1981, DMIN 1988) to Baptist General Convention of Texas, Dallas, Texas, as area representative for Area 9.

Neal N. Hughes (MRE 1984) to Montgomery Baptist Association, Montgomery, Ala., as director of missions.

Larry Robertson (MRE 1985) to Collin College of McKinney, Texas, as director of human resources for compensation & HRIS.

1990

Karl Reigle (MARE/MAMFC 1995) to Zoom Counseling & Rehab., Dallas, Texas, with wife, Pam Reigle (MARE 1991).

Pam Reigle (MARE 1991) to Travis Avenue Baptist Church, Fort Worth, Texas, as preschool minister, with husband, Karl Reigle (MARE/MAMFC 1995).

Larry Tarver (MDIV 1990) to Abilene Callahan Baptist Association, Abilene, Texas, as director of missions, with wife, Dalena Tarver.

Mark D. Rotramel (MDIV 1991) to First Baptist Church, El Paso, Texas, as senior pastor.

2000

Jeremy Dooley (MACE 2008) to First Baptist Church, Highlands, N.C., as associate pastor with wife, Jamie Dooley, neé Ray.

Karen A. Duggan (MACE 2006) to First Baptist Church, Lakeside, Texas, as women's ministry director, with husband, David A. Duggan.

2010

Will Easler (MACE 2012) to Grace Meadows Church, Jonesborough, Tenn., as executive pastor, with wife, Katie Easler.

Jon P. Egan (MACE 2012) to One Life Fellowship Baptist Church, Ocala, Fla., as associate pastor, with wife, Allison Egan.

Joshua Elliff (MDIV 2014) to First West—Calhoun Campus, Calhoun, La., as campus pastor, with wife, Jacqueline Elliff.

Mark Thomas (MDIV 2016) to Countryside Christian School, Gainesville, Fla., as teacher, with wife, Charity Thomas.

Retirement

Anthony "Casey" DuBose (MRE 1970) retired, living in Rosenberg, Texas.

Ronald J. Mabry (MRE 1971, BCM 1971) retired with wife, Joan Mabry, living in Pampa, Texas.

Don Miller (MRE 1977) retired, living in Mansfield, Texas.

Tony Neal (MDIV 1981) retired with wife, Vicky Neal, living in Corsicana, Texas.

Oswald S. Vater (MDIV 1981) retired with wife, Nancy Vater, living in Lakeland, Fla.

Gerald Aalbers (MDIV 1983) retired with wife, Joan Aalbers, living in Manor, Texas.

Larry Kromer (MDIV 1986) retired with wife, Lark Kromer, living in Weatherford, Texas.

Mike Patrick (DMIN 1986) retired with wife, Nancy Patrick, living in Abilene, Texas.

Joan M. Adkins (MRE 1987) retired, living in Evans, Ga.

Anniversaries

Bill E. Roe (MRE 1961) and Nina Roe, 65th wedding anniversary (June).

Beryle Lovelace (MRE 1962) and Elouise Lovelace, neé Roberts, 65th wedding anniversary (June).

John L. Sharp (MDIV 1973) and Kathryn Sharp, 70th wedding anniversary (June).

James C. Long (MRE 1974) and Patricia Long, neé Greene (MACM 1970), 60th wedding anniversary (June).

Jackson "Jack" M. Garrott (MRE 1978) and Catherin "Cathy" G. Garrott, neé Gourley, 48th wedding anniversary (May).

Memorials

Gordon G. Boone

Margaret C. Cole

Francis M. DeBose

Jack D. Everhart

Charles L. Grossman

Clyde McCollough

1940

James H. Vermillion (MTh 1946)

1950

Willie W. Baker Jr. (MDIV 1950)

Travis L Blaisdell (BDIV 1950, MRE 1951)

Chesney W. Hardy (BDIV 1950)

Robert C. Fricke (BDIV 1953)

Charles E. Strong (BDIV 1957)

Charlie W. Fenner (MRE 1958, MDIV 1959)

Donald E. Herman (MRE 1959)

1960

Ann Swenson (MRE 1962)

Donald W. Cauble (BDIV 1964)

Richard "Dick" Senter (BDIV 1964)

Lucius J. White (MRE 1964)

Ben E. Hope (BDIV 1965)

Calvin E. Tipton (MRE 1965)

Bobby L. Haley (MRE 1966)

Joe W. Srygley (BDIV 1967)

J.R. Burnett Jr. (MDIV 1968)

Martha C. Hayes (Dip. Rel. Ed. 1969)

1970

Charles W. Draper (MDIV 1971)

Marylen Graham (MRE 1971)

Charles W. Davis (MDIV 1972)

Cecil W. Harper (MDIV 1972)

Larry A. Barlow (MDIV 1973)

Gene Brooks (MDIV 1973)

James H. Deavers (MDIV 1975)

William "Bill" Bowyer (MDIV 1978)

1980

Beverly Brooks, neé Cain (MDIV 1985)

Lowell D. Golmon (MDIV 1987, DMIN 1992)

1990

Ron Plemons (MDIV 1991)

Charles B. Allen (PhD 1994)

Jay P. Hathaway (DIPTH 1999)

2000

Ronald A. Jenkins (MDIV 2000)

2010

Brian Wideman (MDIV-BL 2013)

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LIVING UP TO L.R. SCARBOROUGH'S LEGACY

By Michael Wilkinson

We have a new name—L.R. Scarborough College. In his final lecture, Dr. Scarborough gave this charge to his evangelism class: "I say, young men, young women, in the power of Christ, risen from the dead by His inspiring, empowering Spirit, your best life, your best honor, your best service, your best achievement is in the direction of giving your lives in winning lost men to Jesus Christ." This is a tall legacy!

In addition, we have a new building—Mathena Hall. It is quite a building—beautiful, state-of-the-art, and a terrific learning environment. The classrooms, hallways, and auditorium present a heritage of missions, evangelism, and ministries, adding weight to the legacy of sacrificial soul-winning.

How can Scarborough College begin to fulfill such a legacy? We are a Baptist Liberal Arts college, combining a classical education with classical Christian orthodoxy in order to cultivate a biblical worldview and a globally focused vision for life and ministry. As the Apostle Peter declares, "But even if you should suffer for the sake of righteousness, you are blessed. And do not fear their intimidation, and do not be troubled, but sanctify Christ as Lord in your hearts, always being ready to make a defense to everyone who asks you to give an account for the hope that is in you, yet with gentleness and reverence" (1 Peter 3:14-15). This mission requires four goals, and Scarborough College is ready to meet them.

The first goal focuses on training our students in classical Christian orthodoxy within the Baptist tradition. For our students to "sanctify Christ as Lord" in their hearts, a major facet of our curriculum involves the examination and exposition of the Old and New Testament texts. Our biblical-theological studies include learning the legacy we've inherited from the giants of the faith: church fathers such as Irenaeus, Athanasius, Augustine; the 16th century reformers like Luther, Calvin, Tyndale; and Anabaptists such as Balthasar Hubmaier and Pilgram Marpeck. Our students must also know their Baptist heritage: they meet and read Thomas Helwys, William Kiffin, Andrew Fuller, William Carey, and many more, including L.R. Scarborough. Thus, we strive to develop a biblical worldview.

The second goal centers on a classical, great ideas curriculum. We strive to enlighten our students in the rich heritage of Western civilization so that they will understand the current ethos, to "make a defense to everyone who asks." Doing so requires an understanding of the development of our culture. Beginning with the ancient Greeks and continuing through the Medieval age, the Renaissance, Reformation, Enlightenment, and into the current era, our students read, discuss, analyze, and evaluate the literature and ideas that have shaped civilization. Why establish such a curriculum? Because we want Scarborough College undergrads to possess such a thorough knowledge of the great ideas that they know how cultures developed, understand current problems, and demonstrate how the truth of Jesus Christ corrects society's struggles and questions. We want them to be part of the solution.

These first two goals can only be accomplished with the third goal: lives and characters transformed into the image of Christ. Peter tells us to make a defense of our faith "with gentleness and reverence." Presenting the truth of the Gospel as the solution to people's hurts and hopes is not simply an intellectual activity, but also a personal activity requiring us to reflect the virtues of Christ. Character transformation is absolutely vital to our education. While knowledge of Christian orthodoxy and Western civilization are important, our efforts will fall flat if our character violates our profession.

Our fourth goal is developing a global vision for the peoples of the world, coupled with innovation in reaching them. Many of our students will enter the ministry as a career. Many others will not, yet, as we all know, the commission to global disciple-making applies to all followers of Christ. Many of our students will teach, start businesses, and enter a host of other professions. No matter their chosen vocation, Scarborough students will work all over the world, getting connected to peoples of every tongue and nation, people who are troubled, broken, and hopeless. Traditional methods of ministry may not reach these people, so we seek to instill in our students the courage to think of new ways for global ministry.

The mission is monumental, as are the goals to accomplish it. Dr. Scarborough left us a legacy of giving our best "in the direction of… winning lost men to Jesus Christ." May the Lord continue to strengthen us to fulfill this mission.

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