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Keeping Alumni Connected

Convocation Celebration

The Fall Convocation service was a memorable time of worship and celebration for the entire seminary community on August 27th. President Byron Klaus gave the Convocation address entitled, "Write this Down." [Click here](#) to download his message.



Earlier that day, there was a ribbon-cutting and dedication ceremony for the new **Dr. Gary B. McGee Research Collection Room** located in the Library. Special guests included Dr. McGee's wife, Alice, and his daughter, Catherine McGee. Alumni are encouraged to visit this room that contains books from Dr. McGee's personal library and his handwritten notes in some editions.

Hogan Lecture Series Begins



Dr. Ivan Satyavrata presented his inaugural lecture and was installed as the 2009-2010 J. Philip Hogan Professor of World Missions at AGTS on September 16. President Byron Klaus commented, "Today, we have symbolized in Dr. Satyavrata, the object of our missionary efforts coming 360 degrees back to us as a full partner and advisor from the growing edges of Christian faith where great opposition to the Gospel is creating unprecedented vibrancy and growth among followers of Jesus that is instructive to us here in the U.S."

Dr. Satyavrata's first lecture of three entitled "J. Philip Hogan's Spirit-Led Vision and The Globalization of Pentecostal Missions in the Twenty-First Century," will be [posted](#) soon.

Alumni and guests are invited to attend his upcoming lectures at AGTS:
"Mission 'Made to Travel' in a World without Borders"
Tuesday, October 6, 2:00-3:15 p.m.
"Friends in Mission—Following the Wind and Riding the Wave"
Tuesday, November 3, 11:00 a.m.-12:15 p.m.

What's New?

New Coaching Professional Cohort

AGTS now offers a D.Min. or M.A. in Christian Ministries degree with a concentration in Professional Coaching in a joint venture between AGTS and Purdue University's LeaderLab. Upon graduating with a degree from AGTS, graduates are Professional Certified Coaches (PCC) with the International Coach Federation (ICF). Please note that **Applications should be received by the Admissions Office before the end of October, 2009.** Contact [Ava Oleson](#) in the D.Min. Office (417) 268-1082 for information regarding AGTS procedures. Contact [Dr. Deborah Gill](#) (417) 268-1000 for more information on the program.

New Branch Orlando, FL

AGTS is developing a new branch campus to host the Church Life Resources (CLR) national cohort program in the Orlando, FL, area. Though the courses offered for the 2009–2010 academic year will be exclusive to the CLR cohorts, plans are underway to add additional courses and cohorts that will open up learning opportunities for a broader audience.

Dr. Randy Walls ('97/'04), director of AGTS continuing education, stated, *"This is a strategic move for AGTS as we continue to develop regional partnerships that provide graduate level learning opportunities for church leaders in our fellowship. With CLR founders Dr. Wayne Lee, branch director, and **Dr. Sherry Lee** ('08), at the helm, we will create a program that is academically sound and clearly focused on the issues that face the contemporary church."* Call (321) 939-3995 for more information.

Upcoming Conference

"The Bible and the American Future" a National Theological Conference will be held in Lincoln, Nebraska in October 18-20. For more information, click on the link <http://www.bibleandtheamericanfuture.com/>.

Resources

Resources Available

AGTS provides a variety of free resources to assist you in ministry. Visit us online at www.agts.edu to access Podcasts, AGTS Ministry Resources, Journals, and more.

Day of Renewal

On September 30, AGTS will fast from work and classes to seek God. Alumni are invited to attend or listen live online.



Guest speaker, Dr. Sheri Benvenuti, is a minister of God's Word whose personal relationship with Jesus Christ is the force behind her ministry. Her experience spans nearly 40 years. She has served in evangelistic, youth, music ministry, pastoral ministry, and is a featured speaker for conferences, seminars and retreats.

She is also the associate professor of social ethics and the director of the Center for Women's Studies at Vanguard University of Southern California.

All services will be available on live internet audio by accessing our website at www.agts.edu. Tune in on September 30 at 9:30 a.m., 1:30

p.m. and 6:30 p.m. (Central Time)

Connect with President Klaus

Dr. Byron Klaus will be at the following events:

Sept. 28-29 Consultation on Equipping a New Generation
of Seminary Leaders
Duke Divinity School, Durham, NC



Visit www.byronklaus.com for additional resources and pod-casts.

Faculty News



Dr. Steve Lim wrote "*No One Wants to Clean the Fish: Why Churches Don't Disciple and How Yours Can*" published in the Spring 2009 *Enrich Journal*. His article "*Why You Don't Need a Savior*," is the cover article for the September 20, 2009 issue of the *Pentecostal Evangel*."



Dr. Charles Self, associate professor of church history, will travel to California for speaking engagements in a public school, a School of Ministry, and a local church. He will also interview the subject of his next book, a 99-year old Holocaust survivor.



Two veteran missionaries are offering coursework in the AGTS Global Missions program. **Dr. Mark Hausfeld** ('83), director of the Global Initiative to Muslims, provides specialized coursework in urban and Muslim studies in intensive formats.

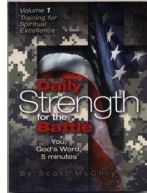


Dr. Beth Grant ('79) joins AGTS on a regular basis for intensive coursework in inter-cultural education. Dr. Grant has worked extensively in developing the Project Rescue ministry that seeks to rescue victims from the tragic global pandemic of sexual trafficking.



Dr. Angie Reid ('00), assistant professor of counseling psychology, and AGTS students will attend the American Association of Christian Counselors World Conference that expects about 7,000 attendees.

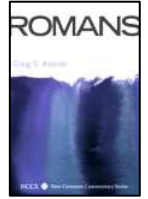
Books and Publications



Scott McChrystal, ('84), retired Army chaplain, serves as Military and VA endorser for the AG. He has written a devotional book of daily readings for soldiers called *Daily Strength for the Battle: You, God's Word, 5 Minutes*.

Obtain a copy by contacting:
dailystrengthforthebattle@gmail.com

Dr. Craig Keener ('85/'87) has published *Romans* as part of the New Covenant Commentary Series. NCCS is designed for ministers and students who require a commentary that interacts with the text and context of each New Testament book and pays specific attention to the impact of the text upon the faith and praxis of contemporary faith communities.



The Society for Pentecostal Studies newsletter is available online at www.sps-usa.org/newsletter.

Alumni Support Vital

Alumni Phonathon Raises Scholarships



Student volunteers called alumni this week to raise funds for scholarships. The current economy has resulted in MORE students needing scholarships to stay in seminary. **Your gift does make a difference** and helps students when they need it most! If you haven't participated yet, it's not too late to **give online**.

Alumni News

2009 General Council Alumni Reception photos are now online!
[Click here](#) to access photos.



Dr. Gaylan Claunch ('87) celebrates 41 years in ministry in September. He is the assistant district superintendent and district missions director for the AG North Texas District. After completing a D.Min. in 2005, he enrolled in the new Ph.D. in Intercultural Studies at AGTS.

Perry Lahaie ('88) released his 6th CD of original songs, *Endless Fields*. Hear some of the tunes streaming at www.perrylahaie.com. Perry works with the ministry of Frontiers, reaching Muslims in over 45 countries. He uses radio and music to call the emerging generation to abandon the American dream and go to the Muslim world. Listen to his radio feature/podcast at www.frontiers.org/castyourselfin.

Brian Whidden ('90) is pastoring at Calvary A G, Elkhart, IN after briefly serving at the AG Illinois District Office. Earlier he spent 18 months in Tokyo, Japan working with the International Christian Assembly.

Daryel and Rachel **Erickson** ('92) transferred their ministry to assist Global Teen Challenge after 25 years of ministry in Europe. They were honored by the Missionary Leadership in Europe with the "Unsung Heroes

Award" for 2009 by AGWM.

Isao Matsudaira ('92) earned an M.Div. and Master of Theology at Princeton Theological Seminary. He works at St. Thomas Church in Ishibashi, Anglican-Episcopal Church in Japan, and is a lecturer at Kobe Shoin Women's University.

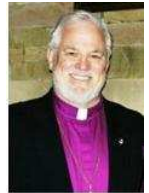
Lewis Shelton ('93) was named president of Bethany University in January. His inauguration will take place on Friday, October 9th.

Robert Patterson ('97) entered the U.S. Army as a chaplain in August and is stationed at Fort Hood, TX.

Paul and Lisa Deutsch ('97) reside in Jefferson City, MO where Paul is a chaplain at St. Mary's Hospital and Lisa works in a local church.

Dr. Randy Hedlun ('99) completed a Doctor of Theology from the University of South Africa. His dissertation was entitled, *The Social Function of Glossolalia in Acts with Special Attention to the Ephesian Disciples Pericope (Acts 18:24-19:7)*. He is the academic dean of Global University's Berean School of the Bible in Springfield, MO.

David Epps, ('00), was installed as the Bishop of the Mid-South Diocese (Georgia and Tennessee) for the Charismatic Episcopal Church in June. He is a D.Min. candidate at Trinity Episcopal School for Ministry, Ambridge, PA .



Dr. Ebby Anyamba ('03) married Ashley Haywood on June 20, 2009. **Dr. Stephen Gyermeh** ('01) and **Dr. Warren Newberry** ('85) officiated. Ebby is the director of missions and Stephen is the pastor of The Church of the Living God in Hyattsville, MD.

Dr. Bob Caldwell ('03) was awarded a Ph.D. in Exegetical Theology by Concordia Seminary, St. Louis, MO, in August. His dissertation title is *'Wait for Me': Appreciating the Curious Juxtaposition of Zephaniah 3:8 and 9*.

Dr. David DeGarmo ('04) will be inaugurated as president of the American Indian College in Phoenix, AZ, on October 13.

Samuel Alan James Fulthorp was born to **Brian and Debbie Fulthorp** ('07) in August at the Yavapai Regional Medical Center in Prescott, AZ, weighing in at 9 lbs, 7 oz and 22 in long!



Shoji and Leigh-Ann McGhee ('07) moved to Columbus, OH to help with the Continuum church plant pastored by Adam Long ('01). Shoji will work in the AG Ohio District Council Office for the executive secretary, Jim Palmer, and will also have website responsibilities.



Scott ('09) and **Magevney** ('07) **Strickland** welcomed Kirsten Ann in July, weighing 9 lbs, 1 oz and 22 in long.

Ron Cannon ('08) serves as the academic dean of Messenger College in Joplin, Missouri.



Melody Pantuso ('09) married to Jonathan Gitthens in August at Central AG in Springfield, MO.

We want to hear from you! Send your latest news and photos for possible publication in the *Alumni E-Newsletter* and/or *Rapport*. Email us at alumni@agts.edu.

Upcoming Events

You are invited to attend these special events

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| October 2 | AGTS Women's Event, 7-9 p.m. at the Seminary. Ladies join us for this fun night out. Childcare available by reservation. RSVP at 268-1000 or ndavies@agts.edu |
| October 6 | Second Hogan Lectureship with Dr. Ivan Satyavrata
AGTS Chapel 2:00 p.m. |

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