



ALUMNI NEWS & NOTES

Following the Prez



President Byron D. Klaus in El Salvador with alumni who are missionaries to Central America.



President Klaus was honored to host friends from the Church of God in Christ (COGIC), Memphis, Tenn.

Pictured above, left to right: Darrin Rodgers (M.A.1998), director of the Flower Pentecostal Heritage Center, Springfield; Rev. Julius Turnipseed, Memphis, Tenn.; John Wheeler, great-grandson of COGIC founder Charles H. Mason; Mother Mary P. Patterson, widow of former presiding bishop J. O. Patterson; and President Klaus.



President Klaus spoke at the Church of God Theological Seminary (COGTS) commencement in Cleveland, Tenn.

Pictured left to right: President Klaus, Dennis McGuire (M.A. 1988), general overseer of the Church of God (Cleveland) and Steve Land, president of COGTS.

Class of 1975

Sherman Shell is retired after 28 years in AG curriculum development, Springfield, Mo.

Class of 1977



Winston Croft

Winston Croft is a retired deputy director of early learning with the state of Florida.

Class of 1979

AGTS Professors Beth Grant and Melody Palm ('96) are contributing authors to *Hands That Heal: International Curriculum to Train*

Caregivers of Trafficking Survivors.

Class of 1980

Doug Oss, AGTS professor, served as a translation scholar for the *English Standard Version Study Bible* (Crossway Books), October 2008. He authored the study notes for 2 Peter and Jude.

Class of 1981

Anthony Cervero pastors First AG, Ventura, Calif., and is an executive presbyter for the Southern California District.

Class of 1982

Don Barron is campus pastor and chair of the Missiology and Practical Theology Departments at Continental Theological Seminary, Belgium.

Ig Jin Kim is a missionary with the Korean AG to Europe and Africa.



James Kinyanjui

James Kinyanjui pastors Open Hands Christian Fellowship, Monroe, N.C.

Class of 1983

Jerry Charles founded Peak Vista Press in Peyton, Colo.

Class of 1984

Nino Gonzalez, member AGTS Board of Directors, is national commissioner of the Hispanic Pentecostal Congress and the superintendent of the Southeastern Spanish District.

Alumnus leads church-planting initiative in Tanzania



In 1997 Barnabas Mtokambali, assistant general superintendent of the AG in Tanzania, Africa, led the church he was pastoring to commit to planting 100 churches among the unreached people groups of Tanzania by 2012.

Parallel to these efforts Barnabas began a Doctor of Ministry at AGTS, which he finished in 2004. His research focused on developing evangelistic churches that would plant other churches.

After graduation, Barnabas returned to Tanzania with an expanded strategy to reach that goal. As of 2008 his church has planted 107 churches and has grown from 600 to 1800 members. Since his church reached its goal early, it recast its vision to plant 150 additional churches by 2012, for a total of 257 church plants in 15 years.

This accomplishment, Dr. Mtokambali believes, was possible primarily because of his doctoral experience at AGTS.

Donald Tucker, missionary to Africa, is the interim pastor at Central AG, Springfield, Mo.

Class of 1986

Paul Hughes is senior pastor at the AG church in Cuero, Texas.



Mike and Kerry Clarensau

Mike Clarensau is senior pastor of Maranatha Worship Center in Wichita, Kan.

Class of 1988

Doyle Jones wrote *Forever Relevant: Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow*. He is planting a church in Berryville, Ark.

Mark Elliott published *Confessions of an Insignificant Pastor: What Pastors Wish They Could Tell You* (FaithWalk Publishing 2009).

Class of 1989

Mike Owen is director of New Initiatives for World Vision, Seattle, Wash.

Priscilla Mondt is the chief chaplain at Veterans Health Services of the Ozarks in Fayetteville, Ark.

Class of 1990

Elizabeth Robinson, former professor and counselor in Akron, Ohio, died in January 2009 after a long illness.

Class of 1991

Lane Stockeland, army chaplain at Fort McCoy,

Wis., was selected to receive the Alliance for AG Higher Education's Sigma Chi Pi Award by the Northwest University faculty, Kirkland, Wash.

Class of 1992



Daryel Erickson

Daryel and Rachel Erickson are missionaries to the United Kingdom.

Brian Ross is pastor of Faith Chapel in Spring Valley, Calif.

Class of 1993

Thomas Vaughn died in May 2009 following knee replacement surgery.



Taylor's demonstrate AGTS's global influence

Cheryl and Jay Taylor (right) with Southern Asia Bible College president Israel Pravin and wife Felicia.

Jay (M.Div. 1995, D.Min. 2001) and Cheryl (M.A. 1991, D.Min. 2003) Taylor, AGTS directors of spiritual formation and the Doctor of Ministry Program, respectively, are examples of AGTS's influence around the world.

In addition to their duties at AGTS, Jay is vice president for administration and development and Cheryl is vice president for academics at Asia Theological Centre for Evangelism and Missions (ATEM), Singapore, a school offering bachelor's and master's degrees. ATEM's alumni are ministering in nearly 75 countries, many of which are closed to outside influence.

The Taylors also played a key role in the development of a Doctor of Ministry Program at Southern Asia Bible College in Bangalore, India.

Class of 1994

Alan ('01) and Nancy (Creager) Tofflemire welcomed Andrew Caleb in May 2009.

Class of 1995



Paul Alexander authored *Peace to War: Shifting Allegiances in the Assemblies of God* (Cascadia Publishing/Herald Press 2009) and *Signs & Wonders: Why Pentecostalism Is the World's Fastest Growing Faith* (Jossey-Bass 2009).

Brian Crane is an army chaplain teaching world religions at Command and General Staff College, Ft. Leavenworth, Kan.



Chaplain (MAJ) Lou DeTufo

Lou DeTufo is an army chaplain stationed in Germany.

Mikeuel Peterson earned a doctor of missiology from Asbury Theological Seminary, Wilmore, Ky., in May 2009. He is president of the Caribbean School of Theology.

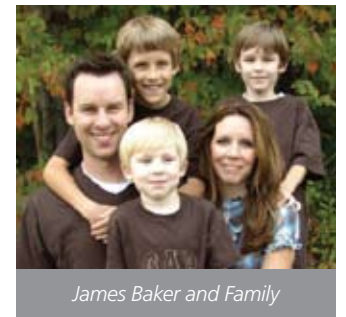
Craig Tavani opened Facetime Performing Arts Studio, Phoenixville, Pa., and teaches theology at Immaculata University in Immaculata, Pa.

Class of 1996

Ronald E. Burnett died in May 2009 after a long illness.

Tommy Ellis is the supervisory chaplain at the Federal Detention Center in Seattle, Wash.

Class of 1997



James Baker and Family

James Baker pastors Zion Christian Fellowship in Powell, Ohio.

Ed Gitre completed his Ph.D. in history at Rutgers University and has started a postdoctoral fellowship at the Institute for Advanced Studies in Culture at the University of Virginia, Charlottesville, Va.

Bruce Rosdahl completed his Ph.D. in theological

AGTS alumni serving
as chaplains across
the country



studies at Dallas
Theological Seminary.
His dissertation was
titled "The Doctrine of
Sanctification in the
Assemblies of God."

Dennis and Jennifer
Waldrop planted Life
Family Church in
Clarksville, Tenn., 2008.

Class of 1999

Riku Tuppurainen is dean
of graduate studies at
Continental Theological
Seminary (CTS) in
Brussels, Belgium.



Todd Tyson and family

Todd and Amanda Tyson,
missionaries to France, are
planting a church in Paris.

Class of 2000



Liam (left) and Aedan (right) Hall

Jennifer (Strickland)
and Hayward Hall
welcomed Liam Cooper
and Aedan Thatcher in
February 2009.

Class of 2001



Jonathan Knowles Dilley

Scott and Lisa Dilley
welcomed Jonathan
Knowles in October 2008.



Matt Johnson and family

Matt and Lucy Johnson
welcomed Charles
Matthew Samuel in
August 2008.

Class of 2002



Kees Kramer

Steve and Julie Kramer
welcomed their son Kees
in January 2009.

Tim Hager runs Field
Operations in the AG
U.S. Missions office,
Springfield, Mo.

AG Chaplaincy Conference

The Alumni Office hosted
an alumni reception dur-
ing the AG Chaplaincy
Conference in Springfield.

Military and institutional
chaplains visited with AGTS
administrators and faculty.



Roger Cotton (M.Div. 1978),
AGTS professor of Old Testament,
pictured with **Marlin Williams**
(M.Div. 2006).



Steve Maglio (M.Div. 1990)
pictured with **Scott McChrystal**
(M.Div. 1984), AG military VA
representative.

More than 100 AGTS
graduates are serving
as chaplains in the U.S.
Armed Forces.

Two alumni elected presidents of AG colleges



In March 2009 American Indian College in Phoenix, Ariz., announced AGTS alumnus David DeGarmo (D.Min. 2004) as its elected president.



Carol Taylor (M.A. 1978) was appointed president of Vanguard University in Costa Mesa, Calif. in March 2009.

She is the first woman appointed president in the university's history and is one of only six women presidents within member institutions of the Council for Christian Colleges and Universities.

Class of 2003

Jay Newland is pastor of New Creation Community Church in Omaha, Neb.

Unyong Statwick is a hospital chaplain at St. John's Hospital in Springfield, Mo.

Sarah (Herman) and Rob Malcolm welcomed Cameron Isaac in March 2009.

Sheryl Shearer contributed four entries to the devotional book *Faith Deployed*, which offers spiritual encouragement to military spouses.

Class of 2004

Heather-Gail Belfon is an assistant professor in the College of Christian Ministries and Religion at Southeastern University.



Nadya Grace Herman

Matt and Tracy Herman adopted Nadya Grace, born in December 2008.

Christopher McGough is an assistant professor of youth ministries at Central Bible College, Springfield, Mo.



Troy and Gloria Morken

Troy Morken is a military chaplain deployed to Afghanistan.

Class of 2005

Larry and Arlene Dilley are pastors at First AG in Columbus, Miss.



Darby Joy Galloway

Monty and Cara Galloway welcomed Darby Joy in February 2009.

Kyle and Eyvette Tardiff pastor Calvary Temple AG in Cotter, Ark.

2009 Alumnus and Alumna of the Year

Floyd "Butch" Frey, M.A. 1999

Pamela L. Frey, M.A. 2004



Sarah Tarpley is a chaplain at the VA Medical Center in Alexandria, La., and a reserve chaplain at Barksdale Air Force Base.

Class of 2006

David Arnett is vice president for academic affairs at Central Bible College, Springfield, Mo.

Donnie Capps is community care director at Crossroads Community Cathedral in East Hartford, Conn.

Holly Carlson is an adjunct professor at the University of Houston, Texas.

Terry Carter is the senior pastor of Galena AG, Galena, Mo.

Ken Fornicola is a chaplain at Green Ridge Village, a retirement facility in Newville, Pa.

Tina Green is the children's pastor at West County AG in Chesterfield, Mo.

Sam Gyermeh is the music minister at Renewal Christian Center in Mitchellville, Md.

Enson Lwesya is missions director for Africa AG Alliance and associate professor of intercultural leadership studies at All Nations Theological Seminary in Malawi.

Laird Thompson is an army chaplain stationed in Kosovo.

Michael J. Brown is the small-groups pastor at The Oaks Fellowship in Red Oak, Texas.

Class of 2007

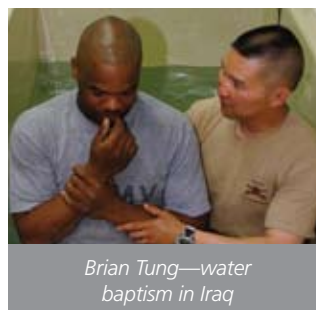


Kevin Mucher

Kevin Mucher is an army chaplain in Afghanistan.

Brent Fairchild is associate chaplain of pastoral services at St. Edward Mercy, Fort Smith, Ark.

Bill Kruger is a professor in Bible and theology at American Indian College in Phoenix, Ariz.



Brian Tung—water baptism in Iraq

Brian Tung is an army chaplain deployed to Iraq.

Butch and Pam Frey began their ministry in 1980 in West Virginia, where they served as senior pastors. They have been AG missionaries to Latin America since 1989. Butch has served as area director for Mexico since 1998.

One aspect of their ministry focuses on individual and family counseling. Butch and Pam are involved in training lay counselors and working with future missionaries in the area of cross-cultural adjustment through the AG World Missions Personnel and Family Life Department. In 2009 they will begin full-time work to provide member care for missionaries and their families. They completed Master of Arts degrees in Licensed Professional Counseling at AGTS.

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Class of 2008

Nathan and Tausha Bacorn welcomed Benjamin Nathan in April 2009.

Cindy Kam directs visitor's outreach/assimilation and is on the teaching team at New Horizons Christian Church, Las Vegas, Nev.

Mike McCrary is young life and family ministries pastor at Central AG, Springfield, Mo.



Terry Tramel is chair of the theology department at Southwestern Christian University in Bethany, Okla. In February 2009

he released his book *The Beauty of the Balance: Toward an Evangelical-Pentecostal Theology*.

Kenny Batson pastors the interdenominational/Pentecostal Grace Fellowship in El Dorado Springs, Mo.

Mike Burnette is the young adult pastor at Evangel Temple in Springfield, Mo.

Jeff Green is the senior pastor at Thomaston AG in Thomaston, Maine.

Michael McDonald was commissioned as an air force chaplain in January 2009. He is a hospital chaplain at St. Luke's Hospital and an associate pastor at New Life Community Church, St. Louis, Mo.



Mike and Terry Washburn

Mike and Terry Washburn pastor Full Life AG in Fremont, Neb.

Gary Wornica is professor and administrator at the Latin America Theological Seminary.

Shannon Zabroski is the director of family life ministries at Christian Life Center in Dayton, Ohio.