

## From The President



Just a few days from now we will begin our remembrance and celebration of what Andreas J. Köstenberger and Justin Taylor call "the most important week of the most important person who ever lived." (*The Final Days of Jesus*, Crossway, 2014) Passion Week, also called Holy Week, begins with shouts of "Hosanna!" and concludes with the great affirmation, "He is risen! He is risen indeed!"

It is axiomatic to say that the resurrection is central to our faith. Paul certainly didn't mince words on that point. "And if Christ has not been raised, our preaching is useless and so is your faith" (1 Cor 15:14) "And if Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile; you are still in your sins." (1 Cor 15:17). Futile faith and useless preaching—that's strong language.

I recently came across a quote that captures the significance and power of the resurrection in our lives. These words were spoken at the memorial service for Supreme Court Justice Lewis F. Powell Jr. by James C. Goodloe IV, the pastor of Grace Covenant Presbyterian Church in Richmond, VA.

We rejoice in Christ's resurrection as the promise of our own, as the promise of resurrection of those whom we love, and as the promise of the resurrection of Justice Powell. Death pretends to be Lord over us. It's not. God alone is the Lord over our lives. Death tries to have the last word about who we are. It doesn't. God has plans for our lives that even death cannot destroy. Death struts its seeming great power, but its power is broken. To Christ belongs the victory. Though death will lay claim to all of us, it will not hold us all, for we do not belong to death. We belong to God in life, we belong to God in death, and we continue to belong to God in that new life on the other side of death.

This week, "the most important week of the most important person who ever lived," re-centers our lives on the most important truths ever heard and believed,

## Alumni Scholarship Fund

256 out of 5,008 alumni have made a financial gift this year. Will you be 1 more to help us reach the goal of 300 alumni giving to support current students?

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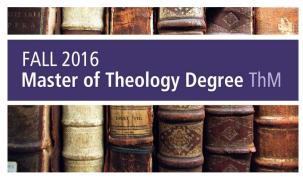
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Christ has died! Christ has risen! Christ will come again!

Amen! And Amen!

Mark Young President

## **Events & Resources**



Denver Seminary Offers new Master of Theology (ThM) Program

We are pleased to announce that, starting Fall 2016, Denver Seminary will offer a 30-credit Master of Theology with concentrations in Old Testament, New Testament, and Theology.

This program is the most advanced master's level degree available and offers the chance to develop high level academic skills and to go deeper in specific subject areas.

Wondering if the ThM is for you? More information on the ThM Program can be found on <u>our website</u>.



**2016 Charles H. Spurgeon Lectureship** Monday, April 04, 2016, 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM

The Spurgeon Lectureship was endowed by a generous gift and is in honor of the influential nineteenth-century London pastor, Charles Haddon Spurgeon, who embodied vigorous evangelism and social concern from a Calvinist perspective. The endowment at the Seminary enables us to bring to campus a representative of the Reformed faith who has demonstrated skill in theological understanding of life, ministry, evangelism, and social concern.

This year we are pleased to welcome Rev. Dr. Howard Griffin as our lecturer. Rev. Dr. Griffin comes to us from Amarillo, Texas and his talk will explore *How the Reformed Faith Reveals the Mission of God.* 

Click here to learn more.

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## **Upcoming Events**

Network for Alumni 7:00 a.m. Spur Coffee Littleton, CO Click here for dates.

Network for Alumni 5:30 p.m. Gordon Biersch Broomfield, CO Click here for dates.

**Alumni Resources** 

Job Board

**Denver Journal** 

**Other Resources** 

## Have you Verified your Information with PCI for the Alumni Directory?

For those of you that have already communicated with PCI, thank you for participating in the alumni directory project. We know it takes time and effort to complete this, so thank you!

If you have not yet returned a call to PCI but have seen the emails and postcards coming your way, please do so as soon as is possible. Publishing Concepts, Inc. (PCI) is a trusted partner of Denver Seminary. Since we have more than 5,000 graduates now, it was not an option to complete this project in-house. On the call, you will give your permission to have your contact information included and also be given an opportunity to purchase an alumni directory.

We hope you'll call 1-866-806-0267 to participate soon! Sometimes the call center experiences large call volumes; we appreciate your patience. And thank you for understanding that even though we'd love to make the directory a free resource, Denver Seminary's resources are focused on current students.

If you have any questions, please contact Jessica Brown, Director of Development at jessica.brown@denverseminary.edu or 303.357.5891.



## **Network for Alumni**

This is a space and time for professional and ministry partners to spark new connections and offer support to one another. Whether you are looking for professional or personal growth, service opportunities, creative ideas, or ways to grow your contacts, you will benefit from this time spent with likeminded Denver Seminary alumni.

Network for Alumni groups are meeting in Littleton, Broomfield, Colorado Springs and Nashville (see sidebar for dates and times). Send us an <u>email</u> if you have an interest in starting a group in your area.

# **Alumni Updates**

#### Randy Adamson, MA Educational Ministry, 2002

I have just finished my third book! Pilate: Book Two of the St. Nicholas Chronicles is a story that explores Gaspar's return visit to Palestine near the end of Jesus' ministry, and the resulting exploits caused by his friendship with Pontius Pilate. My first book, God's Ear: Stories of Faith and Fiction is a book of fanciful and fictional short stories about our faith and my second book Gaspar: Book One of the St. Nicholas Chronicles is a novel about the adventures of the magi and their journey to faith.

I loved my time at DenSem, and get excited thinking about returning to take more classes. - Randy

#### Carol Jakes, MRE Missions, 1967

My ministry is curtailed by retirement, (after 25+ years in Christian schools: Hong Kong and Tucson, AZ) but I still help in my church, teach children very part time in a Tucson Lutheran school, and teach English and Bible to Internationals every Friday, at El Camino Baptist Church. - Carol

## Bruce Morgan, MA Christian Studies, 2003

The Kids Across America (KAA) Board of Directors named Mr. Bruce Morgan, a 2003 Denver Seminary graduate, the new KAA CEO. Kids Across America offers a Christian, summer sports camp experience for approximately 7,000 urban young people from all over the nation each year.

"Bruce has extensive experience in youth ministry and has played an integral role in the success of Kids Across America for decades," said Board Chairman Johnny Musso.

Prior to becoming CEO, Morgan served as KAA COO and Kaleo director for several years. Other past positions include assistant executive director of Kids Across America, executive director for KAA, Director of Point 11 Camping and Retreat Center, plus much more.

"With his wealth of knowledge, the Board agreed that Bruce was ready to assume leadership over our unique camp that has impacted the lives of urban youth for nearly 40 years," Musso added.

Morgan received his B.S. in physical education at Elon University, where he played football. At Baylor University, he earned his M.S. in secondary education and served as a graduate teaching assistant. Morgan also received an M.A. in Christian studies from Denver Seminary.

"I have been with KAA since the beginning and I am very thankful that God has allowed me the honor and privilege of working alongside some of the greatest people in the world," Morgan said.

He and his wife of 31 years, Vicki, have four grown children Baker, Zac, Colby and Josh.



## Leanne DeRemer, MA Counseling, 2015

This past February, Asian Hope hosted the Flame of Hope Legacy Awards Luncheon to honor Leanne DeRemer, founder and program director of the organization's Village Development Program. Leanne is the first recipient of the Flame of Hope award which recognizes exceptional individuals whose actions will have a lasting impact on Asian Hope's mission work in Cambodia.

## Steven Delaney, MDiv, 2015

Congratulations to Steven who was ordained on February 6, 2016 at the Holy Trinity Anglican Church in Colorado Springs, Colorado.

#### Laura Powell, MA Counseling, 2004

Take a moment and read my <u>brief update</u> on Burundi and the ministry through which I serve there, Hope4Burundi. I haven't yet been able to take my trip that was scheduled for 2015 because of the political situation there, but God is at work doing great things in the midst of it all and I'm looking forward to going back as soon as I receive word from our Burundian partners. Thank you all so much for your prayers and support for this beautiful nation that is going through a very tough time. - Laura

## Terrilynn Towns, MDiv, 2015

Please read an update from Terrilynn and her ministry work.

## Bob Speizer, MA Counseling, 1982

Nancy and I leave 1st Baptist of Elk Grove after 25 years of being a Pastor here. We're support raising to be Regional Member Care for Avant Ministries supporting missionaries in the Middle East and Parts of Africa. We leave for Germany this Fall! - Bob

#### Kyle Rohane, MA Theology, 2012

I am busy editing lessons, journals, and other resources for youth ministry at work, and I usually have some sort of freelance project moving forward on the side (often editing for Denver Seminary). Two projects to which I contributed recently published.

First, I wrote several short articles, bios, charts, and theological synopses for Zondervan and Christianity Today's "NIV Understand the Faith Study Bible", which also includes contributions from a few members of Den Sem's faculty. A friend of mine was the managing editor on the project, and there were frequent opportunities to fill in gaps when more notable contributors weren't available to

write. And, although I am only briefly referenced in the acknowledgements, I wrote about 3/4 of the stories in Plough's "Bearing Witness: Stories of Martyrdom and Costly Discipleship". I'm excited about the project, and the end result is a fascinating collection of ancient and recent martyrs and those persecuted for their faith. - Kyle

## **Dewey Mulholland, Honorary Doctorate, 1981**

Dewey Martin Mulholland received an honorary degree from Denver Seminary. He was a missionary in Brazil from 1952 to 1994. He passed away on 21 Feb 2016 at Atherton Baptist Homes in Alhambra, CA. He was 90 years old and survived by his wife Edith, four children, and 10 grandchildren.

# Faculty/Staff Updates:

M. Daniel Carroll R., PhD Distinguished Professor of Old Testament

Recent note contributions:

The book of Jonah for a new NIV edition: God's Justice: The Flourishing of Creation & the Destruction of Evil.

An article on "War" for the *Understand the Faith Study Bible* (2015). Drs. Noelliste and Chung contributed as well.

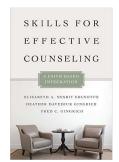
The book of Amos for the new *NIV Study Bible* (2015). Dr. Hess was one of the OT editors and contributed the notes for Genesis 1-11, the books of Joshua and Song of Songs, as well as the "Introduction to the Prophets." Dr. Blomberg contributed the notes to the book of Matthew.

#### A note from Dr. Carroll:

This is my final semester at Denver Seminary. My wife Joan and I have enjoyed our 20 years as part of the seminary community. We have been part of Denver Seminary's growth and have experienced several profound changes at the school in these years, including a new campus and the launching of innovative programs. So, it was a surprise for us at this stage of our lives to be offered a position in the Graduate School at Wheaton College.

Beginning this fall, I will assume a Blanchard Chair in Old Testament. In addition to teaching in the masters-level biblical studies program at Wheaton, I advise doctoral students, some of whom, Lord willing, will be internationals and U.S. minorities. It has long been a dream of mine to mentor these two groups at the highest level, and now the Lord has granted me that opportunity.

This move also puts us much closer to our grandchildren, which is important for us as family. We leave our friends and the students at Denver Seminary with a heavy heart, but we are sure that the hand of God is on this place.



## Skills for Effective Counseling: A Faith-Based Integration (2016)

by Elisabeth A. Nesbit Sbanotto, Heather Davediuk Gingrich and Fred C. Gingrich

Suitable for both beginning students and seasoned practitioners, *Skills for Effective Counseling* provides a biblically integrated approach to foundational counseling skills that trains the reader to use specific microskills. <u>Pre-order</u> a copy today.

# **Faculty Travel Schedule**

Our faculty speak across the globe. Find out if any will be near you soon. Schedule

# Come Back to Campus!



We would love to see you and hear your story. In fact, we have a gift for every alumnus that comes to the Advancement office! You are a part of the Denver Seminary family, we care for you, and we invite you to stay in touch.

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