

The Pentecostal Way

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The McGruders

The last weekend in January held much excitement for the students and faculty at ABI. Carroll and Priscilla McGruder, Kennett, Missouri, brought Southern gospel to Minnesota that weekend! On Friday, they held a special seminar for the entire student body. Both of them shared their powerful testimonies with the student body and challenged them all to never lose their faith. On Saturday night, they held a concert in which we had a fantastic turnout! Visitors came from the surrounding states and all over the Minnesota district to hear this couple use their talents for the glory of God. They both spoke to us from their hearts, and God moved in a mighty way.



Priscilla and Carroll McGruder



Part of congregation at concert

Soulwinning & Prayer Seminars

Rev. Donald Butler's, Florissant, Missouri, Soulwinning Seminar taught us helpful evangelism methods and how to have an effective altar ministry.

In a Prayer Seminar, Rev. Joseph Gastineau, Omaha, Nebraska, taught on "Building an Altar" and daily prayer. That night in "Prayer Powerhouse" 10 PM-midnight, God moved miraculously; hearts were forever changed.



Donald Butler and Gerald Grant



Joseph Gastineau

Rev. James G. Lumpkin

(Father of James Lumpkin, Jr., Mickey Mangun, and Tanya Nordstrom)



This former Vice-President of ABI went to be with the Lord, April 17, 2007 in Alexandria, Louisiana. He was a natural-born leader and loyal friend who loved the work of the Lord. He understood administration. This was exhibited as he served on the ABI Board of Directors. He was a salesman! While a student at ABI selling Fords, he convinced Rev. S.G. Norris to give up driving a Buick to buy a Ford.

Men followed his leadership skills of strong ethics, sacrificial giving, solid doctrine, and encouragement.

His titles included: minister, pastor, Arkansas Dist. Sup't.; Chairman of the Board of Tupelo Children's Mansion and UPCI Budget committee; Harvestime Director. Founder of "Church in a Day" and Northside Christian Academy.

College Days

High school students from all over the Midwest and Canada are probably still talking about ABI College Days 2007.

The weekend began with Prayer Powerhouse on Thursday night. If you would have had the opportunity to be in the gymnasium that night, everywhere you looked you would have seen young people consecrating their lives to the Lord. God even filled one prospect with the Holy Ghost that night. What a fantastic way to start the festivities!

On Friday, the prospective students combined with the freshman class and heard insightful lessons from Rev. Phillip Frankford, Rev. Robert Trapani, and Rev. Gerald Grant. After lunch everyone boarded vans and cars and made their way to the Mall of America for a day of shopping. That night began the College Days Crusade with Rev. Gary Trzcinski, Toledo, Ohio. He told us of some of his former ABI experiences and referred to ABI as the "Burning Bush Bible Institute." He compared some of the experiences that are faced here with the one that Moses had at the burning bush.

Later on that night, everyone traveled to a nearby roller skating rink which had been rented for students and prospects to enjoy after-hours fun!

On Saturday, we all boarded the bus and went on a tour of the beautiful city of St. Paul! We stopped at several locations, including "Grand Ole Creamery" for delicious ice cream!

That night we all got touched in a mighty way as Rev. Trzcinski encouraged us all to never lose the truth. After service, everyone went to the gymnasium for food, fellowship, and games.

During the Sunday night service, a transport truck driver, traveling on Interstate 94, was compelled by God to turn his truck around and come into the church. He obeyed and received a refilling of the Holy Ghost. He told us that he was the backslidden son of missionaries to Brazil. God ended the weekend in a glorious way! Our visiting prospects then made the long trips back to their homes after an exciting weekend of meeting new friends and life-changing experiences in the presence of God.



Students with Rev. Trzcinski



Rev. Trzcinski preaching



Holly Bamber, Jenifer Diaz, Ashley Garcia, and Janina Pinsonnault at Saturday brunch



Prospects and students worshipping in chapel service



Prospective students in class with freshmen

God Hides Things



*Rev. Kelsey Griffin,
Adjunct Faculty*

Proverbs 25:2

“It is the glory of God to conceal a thing: but the honour of kings is to search out a matter.”

It is the glory of God to hide things. He hid gold and silver in the earth, and man has to mine for it. It was His glory to hide oil, coal, chemicals and minerals in the earth. He hid the diamond in carbon. It is our glory to discover these hidden things. He makes us hide seeds in the ground where they lose their life. But, when we lose them, we find food. He hid the knowledge of technology for centuries, and men are now finding it. Searching in His hidden electricity, we have found light. That opened up a whole new world of telephones, radios, televisions, and computers. Look what George Washington Carver found in a peanut. But the greatest things of God are hidden in His Word which gives purpose to a Bible College. Here, men and women who are anxious to find the things of God are given instruction on how to dig in the right manner, with the right tools, and in the right place. Wisdom of the ages are mined from the Proverbs. Direction for daily life is found in the Epistles of Paul and the General Epistles. God’s plan of redemption can be traced from the beginning to the end of the Bible by those who are willing to search. The Bible gives a portrait of the bloodline, from the first blood shed by animals to make coats for Adam and Eve, to Jesus, whose blood clothes us with righteousness. A study of the life of Christ is found in the Gospels. Yet, it is not enough to just find what the Gospels contain, we must also discern the differences between the Gospels, the Book of Acts, and the Epistles. Even our future is found in the Book of Revelation. God put everything necessary for human life within the pages of the Bible. Thank God that there is a place like ABI where we learn the use of mining tools.

Student Activities



Students with Arlo Moehlenpah, Adjunct Faculty



Students help coach Bible Quizzing teams of First UPC, our church home.



Angela Harwood and Stephanie Larlee take a break in between classes.



Grants celebrate 50th Wedding Anniversary



Students enjoy fellowship at nearby coffee shop

ABI GRADUATION WEEKEND

2007 is the 70th year of the Apostolic Bible Institute!! Mark your calendars to attend the 70th graduation weekend, June 1-3, 2007!!! You won't want to miss it!

- Fri. 7:30 pm All School Drama
(reception immediately following)
- Sat. 6:30 am Golf Tournament
Call Mel Raab for reservations 651-775-0450
7:30 pm Music and More!
- Sun. 11:00 am Alumni and Friends Brunch
3:00 pm Commencement
- Speaker: Rev. Stan Gleason,
ABI alumnus and pastor



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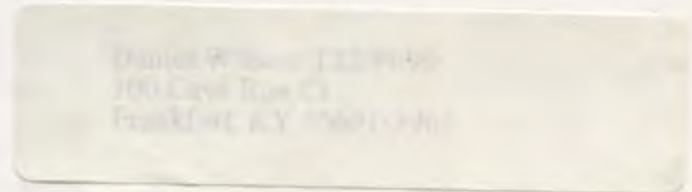
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Alumni News

ANNIVERSARIES

Rev. & Mrs. Gerald '57 and Eleanor (Norris) '50 Grant celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on April 20, 2007.

BIRTHS

- Ashley '2003 and Desiarae (Simmons) '2005 Dixon, a son, Dale Gavin, April 7, 2007.
- Louis '2006 and Marie (Cruz) '2004 Brown III, a son, Micah Xavier, April 3, 2007.
- Brandon and Janie (Norris) 9/94-5/95 Milles, a daughter, Samantha Isabelle, February 13, 2007.
- Dave and Sandy (Long) '93 Maracci, a son, Aaron Michael, November 19, 2006.
- Michael '2004 and Paula (Kessler) 9/2002-6/2004 Wright, a son, Caleb Michael, November 14, 2006.
- Ricky '99 and Angela 9/95-12/95, 8/96-12/97 Ward, a daughter, Raeanna, September 12, 2006.

WEDDINGS

- Pamela DeMerchant '90 to Carl Schuessler, Houston, Texas, January 20, 2007.
- Alyson Crossman 1/2006-present to Philip Haner 9/2004-present, St. Paul, Minnesota, February 1, 2007.

BOOKS

Rev. John (Jack) S. Leaman '58 and Dolly (Delores Loeffler) McElhaney '58 published a book entitled *Faith Brings an Empty Basket*.

IN MEMORIAM

- Lovella Yohe, widow of Jim Yohe, Sr. '55, co-founders of UPCI Lighthouse Ranch for Boys, died April 1, 2007.
- Viola Haigh '48, LaCrosse, Wisconsin, passed away January 29, 2007.
- Rev. Kirby Tiller '38, Bloomington, Indiana, passed away January 7, 2007. He was a student in the first class of ABI in Fall 1937.
- Rev. Donald L. Ball '64, Columbus, Ohio, passed away in October, 2006.

MINISTRY

- Rev. Jerry Burns '70, Rio Rancho, New Mexico, has been elected as UPCI Texico District Superintendent April 2007.
- Rev. Daniel Flemming '97, Ames, Iowa, has been elected as UPCI Iowa District Superintendent April 2007.
- Rev. David Ferrell '88, was elected pastor of Calvary Tabernacle, Perth-Andover, New Brunswick, Canada, April 2007.
- Tony Labunski '87, is the pastor in Dalford, Texas, January 2007.
- Holly Sponsler '2006, AIM work in Japan, December 2006.
- Rev. Phillip Frankford, Jr. '2006, St. Paul, Minnesota, received his Local License July 2006.
- Rev. Duane '68 and Bonnie (Fleming) 9/64-11/65 Wallace pastor in Scottsbluff, Nebraska.
- Chaplain (Major) Raymond A. Robinson, Jr. '88, has been selected by the Military Chaplains' Association to receive the 2007 Military Chaplain of the Year award for the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marines, VA and Civil Air Patrol.