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MAJORING ON THE MAJORS

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he Lordship of Christ is our *Update* theme for this year. We have already considered this Lordship over the world and in society. In this issue we focus upon His Lordship in the Church.

Frederick the Great, King of Prussia, won a strategic battle with comparative ease and with little loss of men. When asked the explanation of his victory over the enemy, he

said, "The enemy had seven cooks and one spy, but I had seven spies and one cook." He majored on the majors.

It's possible that the greatest problem in the Church today is that we major on the minors and minor on the majors! Hence a lack of power, failure and defeat.

Dr. Sherbino, in our feature article, highlights what, to our Lord at least, is certainly a major. And so it is at OBC/OTS. Do read it prayerfully. To minor in that one area will do more to perpetuate our weakness and ineffectiveness than almost any other single thing. To major on it could change the world!

The urgency of the day demands a realignment of our values to the values of the early Church.

In his book, *The Decline and Fall of the Roman Empire*, Edward Gibbons identifies five reasons for the success of the primitive Church:

- the simplicity and certainty of their belief in God and miracles;
- their zeal for God and men;
- their austerity and purity of their morals;
- their statesmanship in planning new work;
- their unity and mutual affection.

Here are some majors worth majoring in!

As I reflect upon this list, I could wish no more for our evangelical community. Where are these on the priority list of your Church? Of your life?

These are the *real* majors at OBC/OTS! I am thrilled to see them developing in the lives of scores of students. Your faithful prayers and partnership are vital factors in what God is doing. Thank you so much.

Wm. J. McRae, DMin
president OBC/OTS

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JESUS: Lord of the Church

BELONGING TO THE CHURCH

When we confess Jesus is Lord, we become members of the Church. Some may not join a particular denomination, but nevertheless, all are members of the Church. Eugene Peterson declares "Our membership in the Church is a corollary of our faith in Christ. We can no more be a Christian and have nothing to do with the Church than we can be a person and not be in a family...God never makes private, secret salvation deals with people. His relation with us is personal, true: intimate, yes; but private, no. We are family."¹

GOD'S DESIRE FOR THE CHURCH

If your family is typical of most, there are times when there can be petty jealousy, sibling rivalry, resentment, anger and bitterness. Such is the fabric of humanity. However, the desire of most families is expressed in the words of the Psalmist: "How good and pleasant it is when brothers live together in unity!" (Psalm 133:1.) This desire was expressed by Jesus in the garden prior to his arrest and subsequent crucifixion:

...that they all may be one, Father, just as you are in me and I am in you. May they also be in us so that the world may believe that you sent...I in them and you in me. May they be brought to complete unity to let the world know that you sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me (Jn 17:21,25).

This is the prayer of the Lord of the Church for His people. Can we fail to ignore it? Yet the divisions that exist within the Church suggest that the family of God has not strived to fulfill His desire. David Watson has captured an uncomfortable element of truth in his parody of a well-known hymn:

Like a mighty tortoise
Moves the Church of God
Brothers we are treading
Where we've always trod
We are all divided
Many bodies we
Very strong on doctrine
Weak on Charity².

The prayer of Jesus is that we be one. Scripture tells us, through the death of Jesus the walls of hostility that divide us were

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broken down and we are all united in one body through Jesus Christ. One of the remarkable strengths of the early Church, in spite of great opposition, was that they "stood firm in one spirit, contending as one man for the faith of the gospel" (Phil. 1: 27).

THE DIVERSITY OF THE CHURCH

What type of unity does the Lord desire of His people? Surely it is not administrative or organizational unity. Nor is it a type of conformity whereby everyone would be alike. There ought to be diversity among the people of God. Uniformity is dull and lifeless. But we must confess that the differences within the family have bothered some, threatened others, and as a result we have not learned to appreciate the richness of the family. David Watson expressed his sentiment about the diversity of the Church in these words:

I welcome the strong emphasis on the sovereignty and holiness of God stressed by some of my Calvinist brethren; I am profoundly thankful for the joyful enthusiasm of the Pentecostal churches that has made many of us look at our doctrine and experience of the Holy Spirit; I shall always be grateful for the thorough Biblical foundations given to me by evangelicals from the time of my conversion onwards; I thank God for the disturbing challenge that the radical Christians gave me toward social reform; I have been enriched by the deep devotion and disciplined prayer life of many of my high church friends; and I have benefited enormously from Roman Catholics in my understanding of community and the corporate nature of the church...⁵

THE BASIS OF OUR UNITY

The unity that is referred to is a unity of personal relationships on a vertical and horizontal plane. This involves a relationship between the Father and the Son and God's people, and a relationship between the people of God themselves. The unity that Jesus prays for is a unity that He has had with the Father. What He did was what the Father would do. Thereafter, our relationship with the Lord will be reflected in our unity with one another. This type of relationship is not gritting our teeth and trying to get along with others. Rather, it is a consequence of our relationship with Jesus overflowing to our relationships with one another.

WHAT OUR UNITY WILL ACCOMPLISH

Is this really possible? Jesus said if we abide in Him and He abides in us, we would bear much fruit (Jn 15:5). In other words, the reality of Jesus' life would be reproduced in our lives. But more dramatically, He declared the "glory of God" would be manifested in our lives. Listen to what he says, "I have given them the glory that you gave me" Jn 17:22. Jesus' earthly activity was the revelation of the nature of God. Thus,

in our relationship with Jesus and our unity with one another we reveal the likeness of God.

Can we begin to grasp the impact this will make on our culture? It seems more natural for people to be divisive than united. The reality of our oneness could be explained only by the supernatural intervention of God in our lives through a dynamic relationship with His Son Jesus. This oneness could convince the world of the truth and power of Christianity.

HOW CAN WE OBTAIN UNITY?

What shall we do? I am convinced that in our day, as in previous generations, it is only the renewing work of the Holy Spirit that can bring together people of different traditions with a renewed love for Jesus and for each other. David Watson has put it into the right perspective when he states:

When you travel by air and the plane lifts off the ground, the wall and the hedge which may seem large and impressive at the ground level at once lose their significance. In the same way, when the power of the Holy Spirit lifts us up together into the conscious realization of the presence of Jesus, the barriers between us become unimportant.¹

This unity is not easy to attain. If it was, the Lord would not continually pray for His Church to be one. As we submit to the Lordship of Jesus, we must seek to maintain the unity He has established (Eph. 4:2-4). Thus, we need to work together, pray together, worship together, break bread together and with our whole heart love and trust each other.

Permit me to suggest three ideas as a beginning. First, if we have harbored wrong attitudes towards other Christians, we need to repent. Second, we need to focus upon the cross of Jesus as the place of reconciliation. Third, we need to work at establishing good relationships with other Christians. There have been times when we have been kept apart by our spirit of competition. We need to work together for the extension of God's Kingdom here on the earth.

AN EXPERIENCE OF HEAVEN

Many people wonder what heaven will be like. It is possible to begin to experience part of the reality here and now. Does it sound incredible? Not really. That is what occurs when the people of God live in unity. Listen to the Psalmist:

How good and pleasant it is when brothers live together in unity... For there the Lord bestows his blessing even life for evermore. (Psalm 133:1).

1. Peterson, E.H.A. *Long Obedience in the Same Direction*, Downers Grove, I.V.P., 1980, pg. 169.
2. Watson, David, *I Believe in the Church*, London, Hodder and Stoughton, 1982, p. 338.
3. *Ibid.*, pg. 344
4. *Ibid.*, pg. 347.

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MEMORIAL OF REV. WILLIAM H. CRUMP (BRE '49)



The memorial service for Rev. William H. Crump at Bayview Glen Church,

Toronto was packed to capacity on February 14, 1988 as family, friends, colleagues, the congregation of Immanuel Baptist Church, and other Christians of Toronto and elsewhere gathered to honor a beloved husband, father, grandfather, pastor and Christian citizen.

After a lengthy struggle with cancer, Bill's time on earth came to a close when, on February 5, God saw fit to take Bill Home to be with Himself.

For eight years after graduation from the Toronto Bible College campus of OBC in 1949, Bill and his wife Ruth (nee Falconbridge, also a grad of '49) pastored Bethel Bible Church (AGC), Toronto. In 1957, he joined the staff of Calvary Church, Pape Avenue, Toronto, as director of Christian education and music. It was during this time that Bill started helping out at Fairhavens Bible Conference, which he subsequently directed for 21 years. He also served as minister-at-large and Christian education consultant for the Associated Gospel Churches of Canada, and pioneered several churches, including Bridletowne Park Church, Agincourt and the Fairhavens Community Church, Beaverton, Ontario.

For 12 years, Bill taught part time, then full time at TBC. His responsibilities in those days included being the director of music, dean of students and Christian service director, in addition to being instructor in theology, speech, and Christian education.

Bill served as vice-president of the OBC Alumni Association and as a member of the OBC/OTS Corporation, Ontario Sunday School Association, Christian Camping International, and the Far Eastern Gospel Crusade (now SEND Int'l).

At Immanuel Baptist Church, Finch Avenue, Toronto Bill served as senior pastor since 1981. "We appreciated his Bible teaching ministry, his warm personality and his deep devotion to Christ" is how one member of the congregation expressed their feelings.

At Immanuel, Bill was involved in working with interns from both OBC and OTS. With reference to this, Bill affirmed "Apart altogether from the solid contribution they (OBC/OTS interns) make to our church life, I feel as our people do, that it is a privilege and a ministry to be able to pour my life into theirs to some limited degree and to help them see in practical terms what the ministry of Christ, through the local Church, is all about."

Dr. Bill McRae, president of OBC/OTS states, "The impact of his life upon thousands of us came from the beautiful balance of a healthy sense of humour and a deep devotion to Christ."

Mr. Crump is survived by his wife Ruth, and four children. Son Laird, BTh '80, is youth pastor at Spring Garden Baptist Church, Toronto. Daughter Janice served as a missionary with

her husband, Herb Rempel for 18 years, while her sister Beth is wife of Rev. Jim Fast, pastor of the Minden Gospel Church. Daughter Kristen attends high school in Toronto. There are eight grandchildren.

Do continue to pray for God's continued comfort, direction, and supply for the family.

PEOPLE MAKING A DIFFERENCE



*Left to Right:
Phoensavciut
Pasphaphorn,
John Conrad,
Kham Fai,
Khamphen Lin*

Last fall, John and Yvonne Konrad took a well-earned three-month sabbatical from their work with the Lao Church in Toronto: the Church's need to develop more self-sufficiency and the Konrads' own needs for renewal were two of the reasons.

After a summer of language study in Thailand in 1981, John started a Bible study group for Lao refugees in Toronto that has developed into a Church of approximately 30 adults and 20 children now meeting at 9:30 a.m. for worship each Sunday in Northminster Baptist Church, Toronto.

While the leadership is now balanced between the Lao congregation and the Konrads, the Konrads want to see the Laoatians become totally responsible for the work. In 1985, John wrote in a newsletter, "Pray too that they would be willing at the right time to take over the full leadership of the Church."

John had been preaching weekly in Thai (he speaks Lao in informal conversation) and visiting other congregations in Ontario every four to six weeks to teach.

Yvonne is responsible for the children's Sunday school which is integrated into English. For her, one of the rewards is seeing the children, "the future of the Lao Church," become Christians and grow.

Yvonne very realistically stresses that there are many challenges in working cross-culturally and that understanding each other takes a lot of time and energy. "It is very hard and it hasn't gotten any easier. There are so many aspects of culture involved." She says that as everyone becomes more comfortable and more open, new issues arise.

The Konrads' financial support comes from John's work as a carpenter.

Because the Lao believers are still developing, there have been many demands on John and Yvonne. They had taken no real break until the sabbatical. The Konrads resumed their ministry with the Laotians in January.

Krysia P. Lear

Gold Medal for OBC/OTS Donors!



The Apostle Paul would have enjoyed the Calgary Olympics. Pressing on toward the mark for the prize (Phil. 3:14) is something he could relate to!

Perhaps he was thinking of the excellence displayed by Olympic athletes when he wrote in II Corinthians 8:7 "But just as you excel in everything – in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in complete earnestness and in your love for us – see that you also excel in this grace of giving" (NIV).

God's people give because it expresses their love for Him, and their dedication to His work and His people.

The faculty, staff and student body of OBC/OTS would like to express their deep appreciation for the love demonstrated by our faithful donors. Each one of you deserve gold medals for the way you have excelled in "the grace of giving" over the first seven months of our fiscal year, and for that we praise God and thank you most sincerely.

But it's the inner satisfaction of helping young men and women become established in their faith and trained for Christian service that is the real reward for OBC/OTS supporters.

Do continue to give generously over these next few months. It costs \$120 per hour to operate the College and Seminary, over and above student tuition. Perhaps you could underwrite one hour or even one day. It would be a great encouragement to the almost 750 men and women who are excelling in their training for the mission field, church leadership or other vocations.

God bless you for your gifts and prayers.

Louis Eizenga
vice-president, development

KEEPING IN TOUCH

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED

There are many routine but time-consuming and important tasks that need to be done at OBC/OTS:

- labelling, folding, stuffing envelopes;
- sorting for mailings;
- typing, filing, record-keeping;
- painting, maintenance, etc.

If you can assist us any day at any time, one hour - ten hours - your choice, please telephone 226-6380 ext 41, 42.



Shown here is Miss Marcelle Godfrey '43, performing her faithful volunteer service.

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PASTORAL

Mr. Stanley BALL, BTh '81 is presently serving as associate pastor at Kingsway Baptist Church, Toronto, ON.

Mr. Andrew DOHERTY, BRE '84, MTS '87 is pastoring at Walkerton Baptist Church, Walkerton, ON.

Mr. James FOSTER, BTh '86 is serving as youth pastor at Bayview Glen Church of The C & MA, Thornhill, ON.

Rev. & Mrs. Randy JOLLIFFE, BTh '80, MDiv '87 (Martha CASTLE, BRE '80) and family have moved to Listowel, ON, to take up responsibilities as pastor of First Baptist Church.

Mr. John KUCHER, BRE '86 was ordained on April 28, 1987. He is presently working at the Syracuse Rescue Mission.

Mr. Colin McCARTNEY, BRE '87 has assumed the youth ministry responsibilities at Parkway Bible Church, Scarborough, ON.

Rev. Steven SEMPLE, MTS '82 is presently pastoring at Lakeshore Fellowship Baptist Church, Mississauga, ON (December 1987).

Rev. Michael SHERBINO, BTh '80 is presently serving as senior pastor at Uptown Community Church, Thornhill, ON.

Lt. & Mrs. James STOOPS (Darlene BROWN, BTh '83) are presently serving at a local corps in Picton, ON. They were ordained and commissioned as officers in the Salvation Army in June 1986.

Mr. & Mrs. Jim SWAN, BTh '79 (Dianne BARBOUR, BRE '78) are serving at Glenelg Centre Baptist Church, Priceville, ON where Jim is the senior pastor.

Rev. & Mrs. Donald WEBSTER, BTh '57 (Thelma CUDNEY, BTh '57) are presently serving at Snowden Baptist Church, Montreal, PQ where Don is pastor.

Mr. Wilbert ZAVITZ, BRE '85 is pastoring at West Lorne

and Rodney Baptist Church, West Lorne, ON.

Rev. & Mrs. William FIETJE, MDiv '84 are presently pastoring at Forward Baptist Church, Cambridge, ON.

Rev. Ewald B. POINTNER, BRE '70, pastor of Austin Square Baptist Church, Lynn, Mass., received the Doctor of Ministry degree from Westminster Theological Seminary in May 1987.

Mr. & Mrs. Jim CLARK, BTh '84 (Susan FEHRENBACH, BRE '83) are pastoring Poplar Hill Baptist Church, Ilderton, ON.

Rev. & Mrs. Wrenfred BRYANT '49 (Helen L. DYALL '51) were honoured at a special service at Immanuel Baptist Church, Truro, NS on the occasion of the 25th anniversary of his ordination to the Christian ministry in the United Baptist Convention of the Atlantic Provinces.

MISSIONS

Mr. Andrew F. BARKER, BRE '87 is teaching English, History and Phys. Ed. at the secondary school level in International Christian Schools, San Jose, Costa Rica.

Mr. & Mrs. Bill WILKINSON, BRE '84 (Bonita STEADMAN, BTh '81) have returned to the Philippines, OMF, after the loss of Bill's father.

Miss Goldie BLAKENEY '44 received a Doctor of Letters degree from Toccoa Falls College on May 9, 1987 in recognition of her many years of missionary service in Nigeria. Present were her two brothers, SIM representatives, Nigerian colleagues and students.

Rev. & Mrs. Richard EBY, BTh '78 (Barbara GIBBONS, BRE '78) have resigned from Huron Park Baptist Church, Woodstock, ON after eight years of pastoral ministry. They are going out under F.B.F.M.B. to Columbia, S. America as career missionaries.

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BIRTHS

Kenneth Stephen William to Mr. & Mrs. Bill HIRTLE (Janice L. ESTABROOKS, BRE '79) January 31, 1986 (not previously announced).

Joanna (Jodi) Esther Noelle to Mr. & Mrs. Bill HIRTLE (Janice L. ESTABROOKS, BRE '79) December 15, 1987 in Peace River, AB.

Caitlin Natasha Rose to Mr. & Mrs. Steve WILSON, BRE '87 (Heather GAGE, BRE '85) on December 26, 1987 at Orillia, ON.

Charis, to Mr. & Mrs. Calvin CHU, MDiv '87 (Susanna, BRE '87) September 11, 1987 in Hong Kong.

Beverley Faith, to Mr. & Mrs. Doug ANDERSON, BTh '78, September 2, 1987, in Newmarket, ON.

Christina Dawn to Mr. & Mrs. Wayne MACLEOD, BTh '82 (Diane ARNOTT, BRE '82) October 26, 1987 in Mauritius.

DEATHS

Miss Marion E. TRIPLETT '36 at Manitowaning, Manitoulin Island, ON, April 16, 1987.

Mrs. Betty E. HILL '49, at Barrie, ON, December 7, 1987.

GENERAL NEWS

Mr. & Mrs. Alan GILMAN, BTh '81 (Robin KUNIGAS, BRE '81) are new serving with Zion Messianic Fellowship, Dollard des Ormeaux, PQ.

Mr. Wilfrid WRIGHT '60-'61 has become the Eastern Ontario District Secretary (Ottawa) for the Canadian Bible Society.

Rev. & Mrs. Martyn THOMAS '62 (Sandra JORDAN '64) have relocated to Calgary where Martyn has become the South Alberta District Secretary for the Canadian Bible Society.

Miss Nancy EDGETT, BRE '84 is serving as administrative secretary in promotion/recruitment for the Canadian

Baptist Overseas Mission Board, Mississauga, ON.

Rev. E. Bruce COOK, BTh '78 is now ministering in the Burin Pastoral Charge (2 churches), Newfoundland. Bruce and Donna have two children - a son David and a daughter Dawn Elizabeth, born on December 29, 1986.

Mr. Donald CRAWFORD, MTS '87 is presently associate pastor at Erin Mills Baptist Church, Mississauga, ON. Don is also involved part time in the Development Dept. OBC/OTS. His wife Karen (ALGUIRE '79-'80) works in the donor relations dept. at R.B.M.U. Int'l, Mississauga, ON.

Mr. Paul FABOK, BRE '84 is now serving as youth pastor at Guelph Bible Chapel and has begun his Masters at OTS. Mrs. Jane Fabok (GIBSON, BRE '84) is continuing on as program director at Camp Medeba as well as teaching the camp counselling course at OBC.

Dr. M. Roy GELLATLY has received his DMin degree from Toronto School of Theology.

Mr. Phillip HOLBROOK, BRE '85 is presently serving at the Salvation Army Catherine Booth Bible College as dean of men, Winnipeg, MB. Mr. & Mrs. Paul MILLER (Catharyn LLOYD, BRE '78) have a daughter, Carolyn Suzanne, born on September 22, 1986. Catharyn graduated from the University of Calgary in June 1986 with a BSc in psychology.

Mr. & Mrs. Frank NAGY (Ruth COLLETT, BRE '78) are presently serving as house parents at Homestake House, Kenora, ON.

Miss Marilyn A. WRIGHT, RN, BRE '66, is presently serving at Muskoka Baptist Conference on staff.

Mr. Gary K. WAITE, BTh '78 received the alumni award for having the highest academic achievement among the PhD graduates, University of Waterloo.

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OTS Alumni Association Presidents
Rev. Mike Bells, MDiv '84 (left)
succeeds Rev. Wray Graham MTS '82
(right).

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If you have not yet prepared your Will, or if you would like to update it, this brief seminar is for you. More are planned and you are warmly invited to attend one near your home.

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GRADUATE TESTIMONIES



HEATHER HEATON
vice-president, OBC student body

A s I reflected back on my three years at OBC, I began to see some of the purposes God had in bringing me here.

Attending OBC had been a dream of mine for some time and it was no surprise to me to receive my acceptance for I knew this was where God wanted me. What is a surprise to me now, as I draw to the end of my time here, is that God has taught me so much and caused me to grow in so many ways.

God took my 18-year-old life, the life of a loud, under-confident teen, and showed me how to relate to people, how to minister to others, how to be open and so much more. The greatest thing He has taught me through OBC has been this – He desires my obedience for my good (Deut. 5:29). When I am obedient to Him, He shows me and directs me towards His best for my life. Isn't that amazing? I continually thank Him for this fact, especially at this time as I prayerfully seek His guidance for this summer and next fall.

My time at OBC is coming to an end, but lessons like these will be with me for a lifetime, and I thank God for that.

"I am the Lord your God, who teaches you what is best for you, who directs you in the way you should go" Isaiah 48:17b.



PAUL PHILPOTT
OTS grad.

W hen I return home to Ottawa, I am frequently asked what I appreciate most about OTS. My consistent response has been "all things." By this, however, I don't mean that the Seminary is without its imperfections. What I do mean is that my time at OTS has been marked by an increasing comprehension of the pervasiveness of Christ's claim to "all things."

My mentors and colleagues at the Seminary have been instrumental in directing me in the challenging task of understanding the significance of Christ's Lordship in our contemporary world.

Immediate plans are for my wife and me to accept a posting with SIM International to participate in its medical ministry in West Africa. The task of understanding the implications of Christ's Lordship is no more difficult there than here, only different.

But wherever I am, in Africa or back in Ottawa, I will remain indebted to OTS for equipping me to understand and serve our God.

GRADUATE TESTIMONIES



SHELLEY L. MAXWELL
one-year special student

I had completed a Bachelor of Business Administration degree at the University of New Brunswick and was seeking God's direction for my life, when I enrolled for one year at OBC in a church music course. Through classes, chapels and friendships here, I have developed, learned and been equipped with the knowledge and skills needed to serve God. I've learned to bring everything before God and wait patiently for His answers. I've been challenged to find reasons for my personal beliefs, to trust people as well as God, to allow my words and actions to reflect that Christ is Lord of my life and to appreciate the good balance OBC offers between study and socializing. Professors have always been there for encouragement and guidance. Attending OBC has been an important step in my getting to know God and preparing to be an effective servant of His throughout my whole life.



PIETER NIEMEIER
president, OBC student body

"The stiff and wooden quality about our religious lives is a result of our lack of holy desire. Complacency is a deadly foe of all spiritual growth. Acute desire must be present or there will be no manifestation of Christ to His people. He waits to be wanted. Too bad that with many of us He waits so long, so very long, in vain." A.W. Tozer.

I entered OBC after spending a year overseas, working on a kibbutz in Israel and involved in missions. My vision was clear in that I wanted to prepare myself for the mission field. Over the years, my faith has been stretched, dismantled and rebuilt. My enrolment in the BRS program has challenged me extensively! My courses challenged me to understand my faith and why I believe! Leadership responsibilities have caused me to grow, conquering fears of inadequacies and reaching beyond self-imposed limitations. In my involvement in OBC and the Christian community, I have seen that complacency is a deadly foe of all spiritual growth. As I graduate and continue on with further education to prepare for the mission field, my prayer is that I, and God's people, will have an acute desire for Christ and to serve Him. May I never cause the Lord to wait in vain!

COURSES

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MAY 12 - JUNE 23, 1988

Wednesday and Thursday, 6:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.

Isaiah 614

Donald Leggett, professor of Old Testament, OTS

Tuesday and Thursday, 6:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.

Issues in Contemporary Evangelical Thought 635

John Vissers, professor of Systematic Theology, OTS

These courses have a value of four units.

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Monday - Friday, 8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

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SUMMER SESSION

AUGUST 8-19, 1988

(Monday to Friday)

Registration: New students (wanting to take course for credit) - must apply by August 4.

All students - August 8 (an hour prior to the course in which student wishes to enrol).

Each course has a value of 2 units.

Cost: \$160.00 per course for credit and \$80.00 per audit.

Room & Board: available in residence for \$130.00 per week.

Residence will be open Sunday evening, August 7, with breakfast on August 8 being the first meal available. (No discount for those not staying on weekends, and no refunds if meals or accommodation are not required.)

9:30 a.m. - 12:00 noon

Twentieth Century Theology 836(2)

Millard Erickson, vice-president and dean, professor of Theology, Bethel Theological Seminary, St. Paul, Minnesota; BA., University of Minnesota; BD, Northern Baptist Seminary; MA, University of Chicago; PhD, Northwestern University.

Pastoral Problems in the Corinthian Correspondence 845(2)

Mariano Di Gangi, lecturer in Pastoral Studies, OTS.

There will be a chapel period during the morning, 10:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Old Testament 'Calls' to Ministry 714(2)

Victor Hamilton, professor of Bible and Theology, Asbury College, Wilmore, Kentucky; BA, Houghton College; BD, ThM, Asbury Theology Seminary; MA, PhD, Brandeis University.

Renewal and Worship 942(2)

Robert Roxburgh, lecturer in Pastoral Studies, OTS.

7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Urban Evangelism: Salvation in the City 941 (2)

William Pannell, director of Black Ministries and associate professor of Evangelism, Fuller Theological Seminary; BA, Fort Wayne Bible College; DD, Malone College.

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9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Evangelism & Discipleship of Youth 594 (4)

Dann Spader, founder & director of Son Life Ministries; BA, Wheaton College; MDiv, DMin, Trinity Evangelical Divinity School.

BUILD YOUR FAITH

AUGUST 22-26, 1988

This program is offered under the joint auspices of OTS and InterVarsity Christian Fellowship.

Registration: All new students taking courses for credit must apply by August 18. Returning students and those auditing may register one hour prior to the first class.

Each course has a value of one unit.

Cost: \$80.00 per course for credit and \$40.00 for audit.

Room and Board: available in residence for \$130.00. Residence will open Sunday evening, August 21 with breakfast on August 22 being the first meal available.

9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon

Proverbs 812 (1)

Bruce Waltke, professor of Old Testament, Westminster Theological Seminary; BA, Houghton College; ThM, ThD, Dallas Theological Seminary; PhD, Harvard University.

There will be a chapel period during the morning, 10:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Atonement and Sanctification 840 (1)

John Webster, associate professor of Systematic Theology, Wycliffe College; BA, PhD, Cambridge University.

Movements of Christian Renewal 765 (1)

Ian Rennie, vice-president, academic and student affairs; professor of Church History, OTS.

7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Contemplative Dimensions of the Christian Life 967 (1)

Charles Nienkirchen, associate professor of Church History and director of Spiritual Formation, Canadian Theological Seminary, Regina; BTh, Ontario Bible College; BA (Hon.), MA, PhD, University of Waterloo.

OBC SUMMER EVENING SCHOOL

CREDIT COURSES

MONDAYS:

May 16 through June 27, 1988: 6:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.

Studies in Ephesians

Dr. Erwin Penner

Apologetics

Mr. Brian Allison

TUESDAYS:

May 17 through June 28, 1988: 6:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.

Jeremiah: The Reluctant Prophet

Miss Ruth Caldwell

The Gospel of John

Dr. Kevin Quast

WEDNESDAYS:

May 18 through June 29, 1988: 6:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.

The Sermon on the Mount

Mr. Livingston Huff

Methods of Bible Study

Dr. Brian McKenzie

THURSDAYS:

May 19 through June 30, 1988: 6:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.

God and Modern Thought

Mr. Brian Allison

Studies in Genesis

Dr. William Foster

DIPLOMA COURSES**TUESDAYS:**

May 17 to June 28: 7:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

The Second Coming of Christ

Rev. James Vold

THURSDAYS:

May 19 to June 30, 1988: 7:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

The Book of Micah

Rev. Jacob Small

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GOD USES INK

The 5th annual Christian Writer's Conference will be held November 10 - 12, 1988 on the OBC campus. This conference is sponsored jointly by OBC/OTS and Faith Today. Keynote speakers will be Marlene LeFever and Elisabeth Elliot. For further information contact Dr. John Unger, co-ordinator, Ontario Bible College, 25 Ballyconnor Court, Willowdale, Ontario M2M 4B5 or call (416) 226-6380.

CHINESE MINISTRY PROGRAM

This coming fall, the Chinese Ministry program begins at Ontario Theological Seminary. Dr. Milton Wan is coming from Hong Kong to direct this program and to teach certain courses. Adjunct faculty from the Toronto Chinese community will be involved also. The students who opt for this program will take the required courses at OTS, and then will take their electives in Chinese Ministry.

This program has been called into being because of the large number of Chinese in Toronto and southern Ontario. In fact, some say that this is the largest Chinese population

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concentration in North America. A few years ago, alert Christians were praising God that He was bringing Chinese to Canada so we could evangelize them. Now, however, as we see the Christian strength and vitality among the Chinese, we are beginning to realize that God is sending them to renew and give leadership to much of Canadian Christianity. A great company of young Chinese want to prepare themselves for a bicultural approach in which they will minister with an understanding of the oriental heritage of the Chinese people, and at the same time be sensitive to the fact that they are being profoundly influenced by North America. In the light of the potential of such ministry, OTS has committed itself to the Chinese Ministry program. This program will be helpful also to those who wish to minister among Chinese people around the world.

There is significant expense involved in this program, and two accounts have accordingly been set up. The one is the Chinese Ministry program account, to which those interested are asked to give on a regular basis. The other is the Hudson Taylor Memorial Trust Fund, which is an endowment account to which large gifts will be given on a more occasional basis, and from which the interest will be used regularly.

JOHN STOTT SPEAKS AT OBC/OTS

John Stott, a graduate in arts and theology from Cambridge University and one of God's special gifts to the Church worldwide, spoke to students and staff of Ontario Theological Seminary on Tuesday, March 1, and in a broader, public ministry in the Ontario Bible College chapel on Wednesday, March 2. Stott's wealth of experience drawn from 20 years as rector of All Souls Church in London, England, his worldwide preaching teaching ministry and his prolific writings enhanced his ministry to the College Seminary population as well as the general public.

A final forum session produced lively discussion on subjects representing a broad gamut of current socio-religious concerns.



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

April 20 - OBC Baccalaureate Service

April 23 - Corporation Meeting

April 29 - OBC Graduation Banquet

April 30 - OBC Graduation, 7:45 p.m., Peoples Church

May 6 - Board Meeting

May 7 - OTS Graduation, 7:45 p.m., Bayview Glen Church

May 8-23 - Holy Land Study Mission.

Tour host, Dr. Robert Duez

VOCATIONS

We prepare young people for these vocations at Ontario Bible College:

- pastoral or assistant pastoral ministry
- youth pastor
- parachurch youth ministry
- missionary work
- church music leadership
- ministry to special age groups
- Christian education leadership
- early childhood education
- camping
- secretarial work with a Christian education orientation
- ministry to people with special needs (development services)
- Christian discipleship in *whatever* vocation a person pursues



Every Christian is called to serve Christ in whatever vocation he/she chooses!

To accomplish this, a student may prepare at Ontario Bible College to adequately fulfill a Christian calling. Some students train here to fulfill a calling in non-church-related service; others prefer church-related vocations. Whatever career choice is made, we offer the finest in Christian discipleship training, allowing one to be at his/her best wherever and however he/she chooses to serve.

*Margie Vaughan
working at a
day care centre*

