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## Yingling Scholars Announced

The College of Bible and Religion is excited about the new Louie Yingling Family Endowed Bible Scholarships. On November 3, 2009 several select Bible majors, now known as "Yingling Scholars," enjoyed a luncheon honoring Louie Yingling, a farmer from near Pangburn, AR, who left his estate to fund scholarships for Bible majors at Harding. His gift has practically doubled the amount of scholarship money available for our students. Although Yingling only attended Harding for one year, he loved the school and wanted to do something to make a differ-



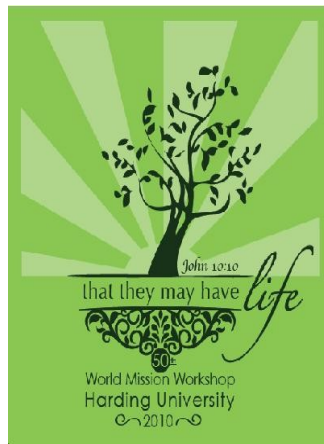
Front row L to R: Monte Cox, Eric Suddeath, Chris Knipple, David Schilling, Dewitt Yingling. Second Row L to R: Daniel Smith, Addison Keele, Swayne Parsons, Cory Spruiell. Back Row L to R: Lacey Bates, John Birke, Abigail Mosby, Savannah Steiner.

ence for the school and for the Lord's church. This scholarship is making quite a difference.

This year thirteen students are benefitting directly from the scholarship fund, with eleven upperclassmen

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## Harding to Host Missions Workshop



In 1961, 80 students from eight Christian colleges and one state campus ministry gathered at Harding for the first annual World Mission Workshop entitled, "Go Ye Into All the World." Students from Abilene Christian College actually planned and organized the event but decided to hold it at the more centrally located Harding campus. At the time, most Christian schools offered little opportunity for formal missions training, and the conference attracted students interested in meeting and learning from missionaries to five continents. Over the years the event has grown in attendance and complexity. By Harding's

workshops in 1996 and 2005 approximately 1600 students from more than 15 schools and campus ministries converged for this unique experience. At its last workshop, Harding offered 125 different classes and keynote presentations together with excursions to HUT (Harding's Global Village) and an international food festival. In the course of its fifty-year history, the workshop has trained and

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receiving \$5,000 each and two freshmen receiving \$10,000 each. Each year as upper classmen receiving \$5,000 scholarships graduate, additional funds will become available for the College of Bible to add two new \$10,000 freshman recipients. Ultimately there will be eight Yingling Scholars at any given time who are receiving these large scholarships.

Recipients of the \$5,000 awards were chosen on the basis of their regular Bible scholarship applications while the freshmen recipients underwent a much more rigorous se-

lection process.

In addition to the normal application they were also required to submit an essay describing their dreams for ministry. On the basis of these applications and essays, the Bible Scholarship Committee chose finalists to interview before making the final selections.

In addition to the thirteen "Yingling Scholars," other Bible majors are also benefitting indirectly from these funds. This summer the College of Bible and the Honors College are offering a special Harding University in Greece international program for

Bible majors. The Yingling funds have made it possible to offer additional scholarship money for Bible majors going to Greece, without reducing the amount of scholarships offered for the regular school year.

If you know a young person interested in majoring in Bible at Harding University, he or she can contact Dr. Allen Diles, Chairman of the Bible Scholarship Committee, [rdiles@harding.edu](mailto:rdiles@harding.edu), for information about the freshman Yingling Scholarships.

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motivated thousands of college students to become cross-cultural evangelistic workers.

October 14-16, 2010, Harding students and missions faculty will host the 50<sup>th</sup> World Mission Workshop. Declining attendance and the lack of representation of several key Christian universities at recent gatherings of the World Mission Workshop has threatened its continuance. Two schools withdrew from the hosting rotation, creating the need and the opportunity for Harding University to hold the 50<sup>th</sup> workshop. Harding's

organizational committee hopes to revitalize and transform the event into a useful and motivational experience for the next fifty years. Current and past missionaries point to the workshop's call to make a pledge to become full-time foreign missionaries as the defining moment that changed the course of their lives. Harding students and faculty are convinced that the conference, if given new life, will continue to play an important role in the recruiting and sending of missionaries for years to come.

Student leaders of the 2010 workshop chose

the theme, "That They May Have Life," to capitalize on recent enthusiasm for holistic missions to rally young people to a proper balance of evangelism and service. Although they are not sure what final form the new workshop will take, they want it to be interactive, participatory, and engaging. Harding students are praying that men and women from all the Christian universities and dozens of campus ministries will take advantage of this opportunity to unite for worship, rally for the Kingdom, and mobilize for mission.