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The College of Bible and Ministry of Harding University seeks to lead all students to know, live and share God's Word and to understand, love and serve God's world through and beyond their chosen vocation.

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Andy T. Ritchie, Jr. Distinguished Chair of **Discipleship and Church Planting Established**

Dreams, prayers and generous donations have come together to create a unique and inspiring opportunity for Harding students and God's kingdom. Beginning in the fall of 2019 Harding's Center for World Mission will have a new full time faculty member dedicated to teaching discipleship and church planting.

The person will be tasked with the mission of inspiring, recruiting, and training students to plant and relaunch churches in the United States. This endowed chair will also generate funds and allow enough release time so that faculty member can take students on survey trips, accompany them to their target cities and make encouragement visits.

Dr. Marty Spears, Provost; Dr. Shawn Daggett, Director of the Center for World Missions; Dr. Bruce McLarty, President; Dr. Monte Cox, Dean of the College of Bible and Ministry

It is also our hope that a new emphasis on discipleship at Harding will challenge all Harding students, regardless of major, to share faith in Christ and join in God's mission to build up His kingdom.

The newly endowed chair is named for Andy T. Ritchie, Jr. who was a spiritual giant and influential teacher at Harding from 1946 to 1974. His classes emphasized an experiential personal relationship with Jesus. He led campaign and student groups

Andy T. Ritchie, III spoke on behalf of the

family

in evangelism to the Northeast and abroad. His example and teaching inspired a whole generation of students to become missionaries and church planters. It's our hope that the new teacher that sits in this chair will possess the same kind of spiritual passion that will kindle the fire of a renewed church planting movement.

Beginning in November of 2018, the College of Bible and Ministry at Harding will receive applications for this position.

Doyle Kee Named 2018 Alumnus of the Year by College of Bible and Ministry

Doyle Kee was recognized for his many decades of mission work in the French-speaking world by being named 2018 Alumnus of the Year by the College of Bible and Ministry. According to Dr. Monte Cox, Dean, "Doyle Kee is a senior statesman for global missions in Europe and beyond. He and Barbara are highly regarded for their nearly 50 years of service in the French-speaking world. We were very pleased to name Doyle as our 2018 Alumnus of the Year."

Doyle received his high school diploma from the Harding Academy in Searcy. He earned a B.A. from Harding University with a major in Bible and a minor in math. In 1963, he received a M.A. from the Harding Graduate School with emphasis on Old Testament studies. Later, Doyle received the "Diplôme de théologie moderne" (equivalent to the Bachelor of Divinity in the States) from the University of Geneva, Switzerland.

In 1958, Doyle married Barbara Ethridge. Barbara has a B.A. from Harding University in music. They have three living children: Mark, David, and Bonnie. A fourth child, Daniel, passed away in January 2003. The three older children are married and are all active, committed Christians. Two of the children, David and Bonnie, are teachers at Harding University. Doyle and Barbara have eight grandchildren.

Doyle and family moved to Geneva, Switzerland, in January, 1970, to begin the church. Their work there led to an independent church by 1989. Doyle and Barbara worked a year (1990-91) in the States to inform the brotherhood of needs and opportunities in the French-speaking world and to recuit workers, then returned to Geneva to initiate several new ministries in the context of the French-speaking mission world. This has involved publications in French, and evangelistic and medical campaigns in Europe and Africa. Follow-up work and church planting continues in Romania, Strasbourg, France, Central African Republic, Mali, and Madagascar, New Caledonia, and the Democratic Republic of the Congo.

Additional work and activities include establishing Bible schools in French Africa, organization of European International fellowships, and the development of a French World Missions' correspondence course program. Doyle has also set up World Bible School offices in fifteen French African countries.

Barbara has raised four children, worked with a world-wide French correspondence course program by Internet and the post, and has developed a complete three-year French Bible study program for children's classes.

Doyle and Barbara helped in the purchase of a site for children's camp and retreats for French European churches and they work two weeks each summer in the "Colonie Harmonie" for 120-130 children.

The Kee's work has been sponsored by the Prestonroad church in Dallas and the Mastin Lake Road church in Huntsville, Alabama. The Kees moved to Searcy, Arkansas in September 2017 and they are now sponsored by the College Church of Christ.





2018 LECTURESHIP REPORT

We experienced another outstanding lectureship in 2018, with strong attendance and a positive response to the theme of "WRITTEN IN STONE: The Enduring Relevance of the Ten Commandments." Some highlights of this year's program:

- The number of family units registering for Lectureship increased by 18% over last year.
- We welcomed guests from 37 different states (four more than last year) AK, AL, AR, AZ, CA, CO, DE, FL, GA, IA, IL, IN, KS, KY, LA, MA, MD, MI, MN, MO, MS, NC, NE, NM, NV, NY, OH, OK, OR, PA, SC, TN, TX, VA, VT, WA, and WV. We also had guests from 6 foreign countries - Canada, China, Guatemala, Haiti, Thailand, and New Zealand.
- Participation in the Celebration of Ministry dinner on Monday was up 21% from 2017.
- And Monday night's Lectureship Offering set an all-time record with \$15,384 (more than double last year's contribution)! All of the money given will go to fund preaching scholarships to help raise up the next generation of faithful gospel preachers.

Audio recordings of Lectureship presentations are now posted online and may be accessed at http://scholarworks.harding.edu/ lectureship/.

A highlight of each year's Lectureship is the presentation of Distinguished Christian Service awards. The DCS award is given to individuals who have made a significant contribution to the kingdom through their life and ministry. This year there were two recipients.

On the opening night of Lectureship, Dr. Bruce McLarty presented a DSC award to Dr. David Lane, Resident Retired Minister of Marsalis Avenue Church of Christ in Dallas. Texas. He was recognized for a lifetime of distinguished ministry, having preached in forty-two states and twenty-two foreign countries, and personally trained and mentored

> Dr. Lane has also been the On-Site coordinator for the National Lectureship of

over ninety-five ministers.

Churches of Christ, serves on the Board of Trustees Executive Committee of Southwestern Christian College, and is

Dr. Bruce McLarty presents award to Dr. David Lane.

president of Tau Phi Kappa, the national ministerial fraternity.

Dr. Dan Williams presents award to Bob and Jan Towell.

On Tuesday night of Lectureship a DCS award was presented to Bob & Jan Towell. For more than three decades Bob & Jan have been stalwarts in the work of World English Institute. They have provided invaluable behind-thescenes leadership that has made WEI more effective, personally creating innovative ways to teach the Bible over the Internet.

The 96th annual Harding Bible Lectureship will be held on September 29-October 2, 2019. The theme of next year's program is "FAN THE FLAME: Renewed by the Power of the Holy Spirit (Acts)." Updates will be posted throughout the year on our website at www.harding.edu/lectureship and on Facebook (www.facebook.com/HULectureship).

Upcoming Events



The HU Preachers' Conference: Preaching (the rest of)
Revelation – Tuesday, February 19, 2019
www.harding.edu/preaching

2019 Women in God's Service (WINGS) Conference – February 22-23, 2019 www.harding.edu/WINGS

2019 Annual Bible Lectureship – FAN THE FLAME: Renewed by the Power of the Holy Spirit (Acts) -September 29-October 2, 2019 www.harding.edu/lectureship

FACULTY NOTES

Our Bible faculty are serving the kingdom all over the world. Here are some examples:

- ♦ The following COBAM and HST faculty (and adjunct faculty) presented at the annual Bible Lectureship at Harding on September 30—October 3, 2018: Dr. Tom Alexander, Dr. Andrew Baker, Dr. Carisse Berryhill, Dr. Joe Brumfield, Dr. Ross Cochran, Dr. Monte Cox, T.J. Davidson, Dr. Ed Gray, Alexander Jamerison, Dr. Dale Manor, Dr. Jim Martin, Karl McLarty, Dr. Dan Oden, Dr. Rick Oster, Dr. Bill Richardson, Dr. Terri Rine, Dr. Mac Sandlin, Dr. Devin Swindle, Dr. Phil Thompson, Bob Turner, Dr. Anessa Westbrook, Dr. Randy Willingham, and Dr. Kevin Youngblood.
- ♦ Kay Gowen traveled to Orlando, Fla., to speak and display Abundant Living materials at the annual EQUIP conference in June. She also displayed materials at Lake Tahoe Family Encampment in California in July. Senior Adult Rallies were conducted in Searcy, Ark., and Cincinnati, Ohio, in August. Abundant Living initiated two new events the GrandParenting for Eternity Conference in May and a Widowhood Workshop in August.
- ◆ Dr. Dale Manor spoke on the book of Joshua at the Austin Graduate School of Theology Preaching Seminar in May. During June and July, he traveled to Israel on a study trip with Dr. Daniel Oden. July saw him delivering a series of lectures on geography to the Georgia School of Preaching in Adairsville, GA. In August, he delivered several lectures on 1 Samuel at the Jack P. Lewis Christian Studies Seminar for the White Station congregation in Memphis.