

Changes of Ministry

Joshua and Ruth Barron recently began working in the areas of youth ministry and family evangelism with Belvue church in Kingsport, TN.

Anniversaries



Harry and Lila (Pierce) Orn of Sun City, AZ, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary Feb. 1. To celebrate the occasion, the Orns traveled to Georgia and Florida for a month-long reunion with family and friends and visits to Walt Disney World and Kennedy Space Center. Mr. and Mrs. Orn were married in 1953 at the Westside Church of Christ in Springfield, IL, the late Luther Perrine officiating. They met while students at Lincoln (IL) Christian College. The Orns have three children, Larry, Cynthia, and Brent, and nine grandchildren. Mr. Orn held ministries in Illinois, Pennsylvania, California, Nevada, Arizona, and Oregon. He also has served with Revival Fires, White Fields, the North American Christian Convention Committee, Double Vision USA, the Southern California and Arizona evangelistic associations, Oregon Christian Evangelizing Fellowship, and other parachurch boards. He retired in 1997. During retirement he has served interim ministries in Oregon, Washington, and Arizona. He serves as outreach minister with the Sun City West church and chaplain for the Sun City Sheriff's Posse. Mrs. Orn worked in the Yuma and Tucson school districts and retired from the Portland (OR) school district in 1996.

In **"His" Service**, an inner-city ministry (Kansas City, KS and MO) of the Johnson County Christian Church in Overland

Park, KS, recently began her 11th year of ministry. Begun in 1993 by Don and Winnie Gear, Mary Lue Alonzo, and Dean and Gloria Hickerson, the work has grown to having 15 or 16 teachers each week reaching 60–80 children and 15–20 adult Mexican women. From the beginning, clothing, food, and furniture provision have played a big part in meeting the physical needs of these newly arrived immigrants. In addition, the ministry to homeless men at the KC Rescue Mission has been a blessing to the Companions in Christ Bible Study as they regularly provide and serve the evening meal and lead the chapel service. Approximately 140 are touched each night of the year. Contact the church at 12525 W. 119th Terrace, 66213-2217; phone, (913) 897-2610.

Carl and Marty Roubush began their 19th year of ministry with the Windfall, IN, church on March 16.

Dean Cripe recently began his sixth year of ministry with the Mount Zion, IL, church. During his five years there, the church has built a new building and doubled in size.

Matt and Brenda Schmidt began their fourth year as homeparents with Shiloh Christian Children's Ranch in Kahoka, MO, on April 18.

Russell Shoemaker began his 11th year as counselor with Shiloh Christian Children's Ranch at Shelbyna, MO, April 23.

On March 16, **Al and Marylyn Covell** began their 35th year of ministry with the Frankton, IN, church.

Personals

Bob Blazek preached at First church, Lordsburg, NM, Jan. 26 and preached a weekend revival at Central Christian, Truth or Consequences, NM, Feb. 21-23.

L. Palmer Young has preached at the following Kentucky churches since last report: Southern Acres and Hill-n-Dale in Lexington; Moreland in Hustonville; Kentucky Christian College in Grayson; Eastwood in Louisville; Victory in Lancaster; Carpenter's in Harrodsburg; and Grange City in Hillsboro.

Robert A. Scott closed a seven-month interim ministry with the Hume, MO, church on March 9 and began an interim ministry with the Mound Valley, KS, church on March 16.

Roy Blackmore preached in the following Oklahoma churches between December and March: Lakeview church in Mannford; First and Towne and Country, both in Coweta; Central in Claremore; First church in Sallisaw; and Sandusky Avenue and Town and Country, both in Tulsa.

Ordinations



Eric Tripp was ordained into the Christian ministry Jan. 19 at the High Hill (MO) Christian Church. Eric plans to graduate from Central Christian College in Moberly, MO, in May. He is associate minister with the church in Cabool, MO. CCC Professor William Walton led the devotional, Cabool minister Robert Martin read Scripture, and Jim Cook brought the message and prayer of ordination. Cook is minister with the High Hill church. Those participating in laying on of hands were William Walton, Martin, Charles Harman, Larry Hartman, Everett Beller, and Cook.



On the Web

This week's treatment of the International Sunday School Lesson (for May 18) is written by **Kelly Carr**, editor of EN-COUNTER, the teen magazine produced by Standard Publishing, Cincinnati, OH. The lesson, entitled "Expressing Honest Faith," is taken from Mark 9:14-29. It is available online at www.christianstandard.com.



Matt Harenza was ordained into the Christian ministry at the Ninth Street Christian Church of Eldon, MO, on Sept. 22, 2002. He has served with the Ninth Street congregation as youth minister in the past and now ministers with the youth at First Christian Church in Seminole, FL. Matt and his wife, Theresa, have two children. Tom Farrington and Robin Sigars issued the charge. Standing behind Matt are, from left, Sigars, Dan Schulte, Clifford McKinley, Dave White, and Tom Farrington.



Michael Allen Mazeikas was ordained into the Christian ministry March 9 by the Cherry Lane Christian Church in Meridian, ID. He is a 2002 graduate of Boise (ID) Bible College where he earned a bachelor of science ministerial degree. He serves in pastoral and recovery ministries with the Cherry Lane church. Ordination services included remarks by senior minister Steve Moore, worship minister Mark Botsford, elder Allen Bates, outreach minister Larry Woodard, his son Phillip Mazeikas, and BBC Academic Dean Charles Faber. Pictured with Mazeikas are elders Dave Durfee, Darrell Taylor, Bates, and Dale Newberry.

Report From Colleges

Lincoln (IL) Christian College and Seminary announces the advancement of **Dr. Robert C. Kurka** to chairperson for the Evangelical Theological Society—Midwest Region. Kurka's chairmanship will extend to the next regional meeting

on the campus at Lincoln March 19 and 20, 2004. Renowned evangelical theologian Dr. Millard Erickson will headline the Lincoln Conference. ETS is a scholarly organization of more than 3,500 members throughout the U.S. and Canada, committed to "foster(ing) conservative biblical scholarship." Dr. Kurka is in his 11th year of teaching at LCC&S, and he is the author of several books, essays, and journal articles.



Deaths

"Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord from now on. . . they will rest from their labor, for their deeds will follow them" (Revelation 14:13, New International Version).

Eugene N. Kitzmiller, 89, died Feb. 7 in Elkins, WV. The 1948 graduate of Lincoln (IL) Bible Institute served with churches in Urbana and Oak Grove, IA, Tampico and Brookport, IL, Rutland, OH, and Valley Bend, WV.

Clayton Kent, 89, of Yucca Valley, CA, died of heart failure March 9 in Palm Springs, CA. He is survived by his wife of 69 years, Claudia; one son, Travis of St. Cloud, MN; one daughter, Kay Janelle Adams of Yucca Valley; 13 grandchildren; 33 great-grandchildren; and two great-great-grandchildren.



He was preceded in death by one son, Carter. Mr. Kent was born Jan. 31, 1914, in Stanhope, IA, to Jackson G. and Bernice Stark Kent. He served with churches in the Midwest and California for 46 years. He attended Minnesota Bible College and served on its board of trustees 1956-67. During his ministry, he and his family were active in the evangelistic field. He initiated the "Mentor" program so important today in training young ministers. He managed Pine Haven Christian Camp (Park Rapids, MN) for several years. Funeral services were conducted March 12 at First church in Yucca Valley, Ted Hurlburt officiating. Internment was at the National Cemetery at Riverside, CA. Memorial gifts may be directed to First Christian Church, 56284 Buena Vista Dr., Yucca Valley, CA 92284, and will be forwarded to Mashoko/Hippo Valley Christian Mission in Zimbabwe, Africa.

Tracey Delbert Chamberlain, 82, died Dec. 15, 2002, at his home in Casey, IL, after suffering a stroke on Sept. 20. He was born Dec. 31, 1919, the son of Ovid F. and Anna (Ator) Chamberlain. On Aug. 11, 1945, he married Betty Taylor. He was a 1951 graduate of Minnesota Bible College and served in the ministry for more than 50 years, retiring in 2000 at age 81. He served with churches in Wisconsin, Indiana, Missouri, Iowa, and Illinois. He was very active in youth camp work. He was an Army Air Corps veteran of World War II, serving in the South Pacific. In addition to his widow, Betty, survivors include one son, Tracey J. of Austin, MN; one daughter, Mary Medsker of Casey; six grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; and one sister, Donna Broad of Winamac, IN. He was preceded in death by his parents and one brother, Russell. The funeral was conducted by Randy Murphy, with the eulogy given by Edwin Buell. Military rites were by the Casey Veterans of Foreign Wars.

Vanda Rodgers Kineman, 78, died suddenly March 3 at Boswell Hospital in Sun City, AZ. She was born in Knoxville, TN, the daughter of Neal and Mary Rodgers. She attended Johnson Bible College in Knoxville, and graduated from the University of Tennessee. She worked for the Tennessee Attorney General's office for several years but spent most of her life teaching in Knox County, TN. She was married to Lanis Kineman of Anderson, IN, on Sept. 1, 1996, in the Alumni Chapel of Johnson Bible College. She and her husband spent time between Anderson and Sun City, AZ. They had just moved to Sun City West before her death. She was a member of Christ's Church of the Valley, Peoria, AZ. She and her husband were serving an interim ministry with the Mountain View Christian Church, Wickenburg, AZ, for the past three years. She was preceded in death by her parents and her brother, Gerald Rodgers. In addition to her widower, she is survived by one sister, Eldonna Ray of Maryville, TN; four stepchildren; and 10 stepgrandchildren. Services were conducted at Sunland Mortuary, Sun City, AZ, on March 6 with Don Wilson and Max Brandon officiating. A second service was conducted March 9 at Berry Funeral Home, Knoxville, TN, with David Eubanks, Harold Ray, and Kurt Parker officiating. Internment was March 10 at Woodlawn Cemetery, Knoxville. Memorial gifts may be made to Johnson Bible College.

Coming Events

An Alaska Christian Cruise is scheduled for June 14-21 from Seattle, WA, on MS Amsterdam. The cruise will feature Dennis Bratton, minister with Mandarin

church in Jacksonville, FL; Betty Gray, speaker and dramatist with Encourage Me Ministries in South Dayton, FL; Julie Nevel, musician from Harrisburg, PA; and Max Smith from Jacksonville, FL, who will lead devotions. For more information contact: Your Travel Service, 813 Park Trail Dr., Clermont, FL 34711; phone, (800) 300-3487; fax, (352) 243-0350; e-mail, don@yourtravelservice.com.

The Dagsboro, DE, church is planning her 32nd homecoming for July 13. All former evangelists are invited to attend the celebration, and share the testimony of their lives and work since leaving Dagsboro. Special events are planned relating to the homecoming; contact minister James Pence at (302) 732-9462 for more information.

A Caribbean cruise is being planned for March 15-20, 2004, with Ben Merold as lecturer on church growth. For information contact (863) 902-0497 or garutter@gate.net.

Miscellaneous News

Lifeline Christian Mission has unveiled a new program to provide quality housing for Haitian families. "Homes for Haiti" gives the opportunity to purchase a home for a needy family in Haiti. These homes are built of polymer composite (recycled plastic materials) side panels, steel trusses, and galvanized steel roofs. These durable, lasting homes are far superior to current Haitian homes, which typically consist of scraps of wood, metal, or cardboard. Purchase a home for a Haitian family for \$2,500 (U.S.). For more information, contact the mission at 184 Olde County Line Rd., Westerville, OH 43081; phone, (614) 794-0108; e-mail, info@lifeline.org.

Our Exchange

Churches using this service of the CHRISTIAN STANDARD are urged to investigate and thoroughly examine all applications before calling ministers.

We regret that we cannot carry announcements offering investment opportunities.

Workers Ready for Service

Bob Blazek of New Mexico is available to help small churches with interim ministries or any way he can be of service. Phone (541) 261-1374 or e-mail preacherbob32527@yahoo.com.

Christian church minister available for pulpit supply May 25 through Aug. 17, within 65 miles of Mason City, IA. E-mail, jvalenti@cox.net. After May 20 call the department of Missions and Ethics at Mercy Medical Center, (641) 422-7383 and ask for the chaplain supervisor.

Experienced minister is relocating from the southwestern U.S. to Indianapolis, IN, in May and desires to use his experience in some capacity (preaching, personal evangelism, involvement, shepherding, soft skills training, leadership training, marriage preparation and enrichment, etc.) with a church in that area. Experience includes short-term mission trips, tour host, teaching at colleges and universities, and varied funeral-related activities. Would consider senior adult ministry, adult education, funeral-related ministry and any other associate position. Also available for training seminars, men's retreats, revivals, etc. Due to family concerns, he desires to serve in Indianapolis or in the I-74 corridor between Indianapolis and Cincinnati, OH. Has M.A. and is enthusiastic about and committed to the ideals of New Testament Christianity. Resume and references available upon request. Call (505) 710-3209; e-mail, piertoper@juno.com.

Retired minister with 44 years of preaching experience is available to hold "old-fashioned" revivals anywhere on church's terms. References available. Contact Dan Brossman, 705 Robbies View, Lander, WY 82520; phone, (307) 332-6388; e-mail, dbrossman@onewest.net.

Phil Cook, who recently concluded a nine-year ministry, is available for supply preaching to churches in central Oklahoma. Call him at (405) 682-4868; e-mail, pcook553@cox.net.

Needs of Churches

Filipino-American Christian church is seeking an associate pastor whose primary area of responsibility will be evangelism. Prefer a graduate of a Christian church/church of Christ Bible college. Must be able to speak Filipino and English fluently. Contact: Sedy Jimenez, P.O. Box 55252, Shoreline, WA 98155; phone, (206) 362-6545; e-mail, Sedy0122@aol.com.

First Christian Church, 1125 Walnut St., Eldorado, IL 62930, is seeking a worship leader. A background in music is required. Job duties include (but are not limited to) choir direction and the organization and leadership of Sunday music services. An ability and willingness to work with youth programs (and possibly establish a youth choir) is highly desirable. Church will consider part-time or full-time, depending on qualifications. Send a resume to Rick Deadmond, 350 Whitlock Rd., Raleigh, IL 62977; or e-mail, RJJ@Shawneelink.com.

Northern Minnesota church is seeking a full-time minister. If you like to hunt and

fish, we have it all. If you have a fervent desire to fish for the lost, we want to hear from you. Salary negotiable. Send resume to S. Nielsen, Pulpit Committee, Nevis Church of Christ, P.O. Box 168, Nevis, MN 56467.

Pleasant Valley, an emerging church with a vision for the lost, including young people, is seeking a weekend-only youth minister. Seeking a Bible college student who loves the Lord and is eager to be a good example. No experience necessary. Good pay to help with college expenses plus room and board for Friday evening through Sunday morning. Located on southeast side of Indianapolis, IN, in Acton. Contact Joe or Karen Vergara at k.vergara@worldnet.att.net or (317) 862-3394.

Needs of Schools

International Christian College of Manila (Philippines) is seeking six short-term professors who can go to the field and teach block classes in the 2003-04 academic year. Teachers are needed in the following areas: music, Christian education, Bible—both Old and New Testament—and English. For more information, contact Kingdom Ambassadors Inc., Ross and Cheryl Wissmann, P.O. Box 320, Loudonville, OH 44842; forwarding agent phone, (419) 994-4347; Philippines phone, 0063-2-658 3913; e-mail, wissmann@missionaries.com.

The Beardstown (IL) Christian Academy is seeking a full-time administrator for the 2003-04 school year. BCA is a dynamic Christian school that has taught a Christian worldview for 21 years. The school has 21 staff members and 153 students in preschool for 3-year-olds through eighth grade. Administrator will also oversee the day care program. Contact Mary Upp, BCA Interim Administrator, c/o Beardstown Christian Academy, 1421 Beard St., Beardstown, IL 62618; phone, (217) 323-1685; e-mail, bca@ilovejesus.net.

Miscellaneous

The Owosso, MI, church has some nice pews available free to a church or Christian organization that can use them. There are 18 pews 15 feet long, and six that are 14 feet long. Phone (989) 723-5407 for more information.