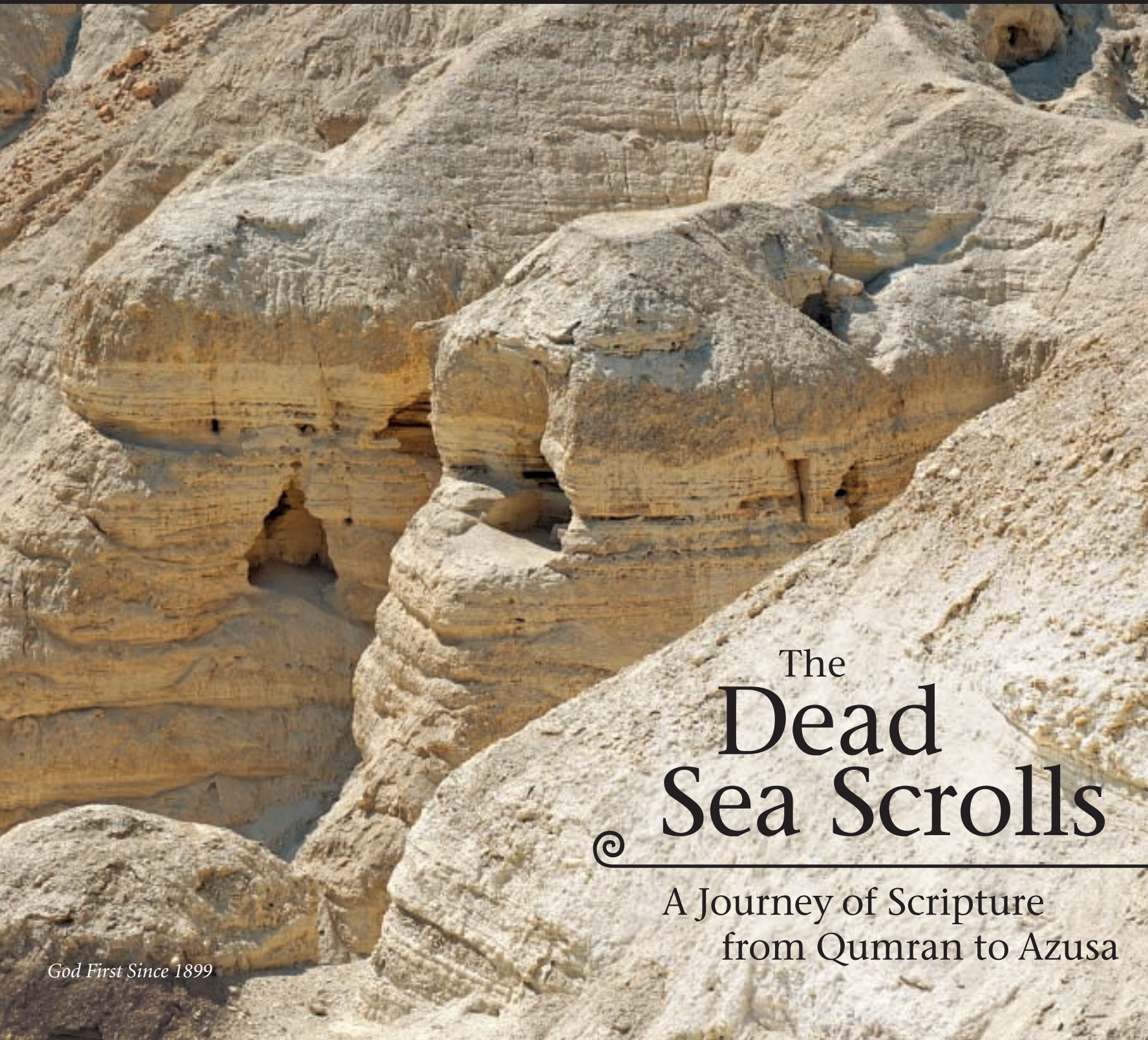


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Sea Scrolls

A Journey of Scripture
from Qumran to Azusa



I have a friend who absolutely loves country western music. He tells me that the unquenchable optimist in me should lean more fully into this great American poetry. Recently, he sent me a CD with many of my favorite hymns composed and written by country western artists. I must admit, I thoroughly enjoyed the CD.

In my thank you note to him, I mentioned I was thankful that he did not send me any of the following songs (these are real titles): "I Bought the Shoes that Just Walked Out on Me"; "Billy Broke My Heart at Walgreens and I Cried All the Way to Sears"; "If I Had My Life to Live Over, I'd Live over a Delicatessen"; "I'm Getting Gray from Being Blue"; "Mama, Get the Hammer (There's a Fly on Papa's Head)"; and my personal favorite, "I'm Just a Bug on the Windshield of Life."

The truth is, I don't think I know any of those songs. They were sent to me as part of a list of songs with terrible titles. But they caught my attention because they are sung from an empty, painful, and disappointed place. Have you ever had one of those days? A day where your life felt like a poorly titled country western song?

Recently, while *feelin' lower than a rattlesnake in a gully*, I was stopped by a group of students with a remarkable idea. They noticed how a friend of theirs who spends most of his waking hours in a wheelchair displays such an encouraging personality and "can-do" spirit, even as he navigates parking lots, sidewalks, ramps, and classrooms. As a way of opening their own understanding of the issues he and others like him face, they decided to spend a week living out of a wheelchair. There was no great crisis. This was just APU students looking for a way to recognize their friend's unique challenges, and by extension, others who use and navigate this campus (though I suspect some observations for improvement will come).

The brief time I had with these students lifted me from my own "country western" day. Their transparent commitment to a Christian faith that loves God and loves their neighbor is one of the most powerful and defining values of a true disciple of Jesus Christ. Our mission is to prepare students through the transformational work of God in scholarship, service, and community to impact and change their world, or as stated in this year's university Scripture, Matthew 5:1-16, to be salt and light.

This core mission of APU—to develop students as disciples and scholars so that this world will be able to taste and see the love of Christ—remains strong and unwavering, as evidenced by these students.

In May, the entire APU community will have an opportunity to be that salt and light to the world by hosting *Treasures of the Bible: The Dead Sea Scrolls and Beyond*, an exhibition that sheds light on the origin of the Bible. For believers, this will be an amazing, tangible connection to their faith; and for those still searching, it just might be the evidence they need to realize that the Bible is real and reliable.

As I watch the daily transformation of our students and witness the magnitude of this university's efforts to reach the world for Christ, I know that we are moving in the right direction. I know that our eyes are focused upward, our arms are outstretched, and the world we touch is different because we keep *God First* in all we do.

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Introduced five years ago, *SoulQuest* brings graduate and professional students to a deeper knowledge of God through Jesus Christ and affirms Azusa Pacific University's Christ-centeredness. Through regular fellowship, learning events, and weekly messages, *SoulQuest* provides tailor-made programs at all seven regional centers as well as the Azusa campus. These intentional gatherings and resources encourage students to thoughtfully consider their spiritual journey as they pursue vocational growth.

IN BRIEF

Keeping History Alive in Southern California

Azusa Pacific University, together with the Historical Society of Southern California and the Los Angeles County Office of Education, distributed grants to 252 elementary, junior high, and high school teachers during three ceremonies that took place January 23 and 30 in the Darling Library's Stamps Rotunda on APU's West Campus. Totaling \$182,000, the funds were donated by several foundations, including Webster, Ahmanson, Canyon City, and Bannerman, among others, as part of the Keeping History Alive Program.

The program was restarted by APU in 2007 under the direction of Thomas Andrews, Ph.D., research historian for Special Collections. The program extends to all of Los Angeles County. More than 40 teachers in the Azusa and Glendora unified school districts benefited by receiving grants that go toward funding field trips, buying supplies, and other education-related expenses for their students. Though the majority of the funds go to public schools, no discrimination is made between public, private, and parochial school teachers when allocating the donations.

The program furthers APU's interest in partnering with nearby communities and allows the university

to reach out to fellow educators. "Part of being a Christian university requires us to look for needs in our community and fill them," said Andrews of the university's involvement. "The Keeping History Alive Program allows APU to be a good neighbor to its surrounding communities."

History Day L.A.

On March 13, more than 700 students participated in the annual History Day L.A., a day-long event where students from 47 Los Angeles County schools present projects to a panel of judges comprised of community members and social science professionals. Hosted on APU's West Campus, 2,000 guests, including students, families, and friends

of participants, gathered to view student projects and tour the campus.

Students chose one of six genres in which to present their contribution: historical paper, Web page, documentary, performance, exhibit, or poster. "Each of these options allows students to engage their individual learning styles and strengths in a way that gives them the opportunity to show what they have learned while also learning from other students' strengths," said David Landers, M.Ed., assistant professor in the School of Education. Projects were judged during the day, and families, teachers, and students attended an awards ceremony to hear the competition results. In May, winners will represent Los Angeles County at the state History Day in Pasadena.

Approximately 20 prominent historical societies and nonprofit organizations participated in the event, providing activities such as Civil War encampment reenactments, Buffalo Soldier horse demonstrations, and blacksmithing, rope-making, and colonial dancing demonstrations. Visiting students and their families also enjoyed APU's Presidential Signature Collection and experienced firsthand the university's commitment to fostering academic excellence both on campus and in the surrounding community.

APU Participates in Urbana 2009

Approximately 90 APU students, faculty, staff, and alumni joined more than 17,000 worldwide representatives at the 23rd annual Urbana Student Mission Convention hosted by InterVarsity in St. Louis, Missouri, in December 2009. Occurring every three years, the conference provides a forum for college students to learn about critical worldwide issues from dynamic speakers, worship collectively with other students interested in global missions, and hear firsthand accounts from their peers regarding their work in the world.

A longtime participant in this significant gathering, APU saw this year's attendance triple from 2006. "It is critical that the APU community come alongside the global Church at Urbana and learn what it means to be trained as a Christian worker in the new millennium," said Chiraphone Khamphouvong, director of the Office of World Missions. "The deep conviction and obedience of our students and greater community indicates APU's success in producing excellent scholars that will effectively make an impact for Christ in our hurting world."

During the conference, students learned about what it means to do the work of Christ both locally and abroad, and were encouraged to take leadership opportunities and participate in evangelistic activities such as Bible studies and mission trips upon their return. "To see our APU students engage in the powerful message of Urbana was truly exciting," said Andrea McAleenan, Ph.D., special advisor to the president. "I see these responses as fruit of the classroom experience and the Offices of World Missions, Global Studies, and Chapel Programs, working together to prepare students for lifelong commitments as Christians with global worldviews and action. God truly is speaking to this generation of students in life-changing ways."

"As Christians, we are called to be 'salt and light' in the world. The APU community members who attended this convention came back better prepared to do just that," said Khamphouvong.

APU Hosts 45th Annual Wesleyan Theological Society Conference

On March 5-6, the Wesleyan Theological Society held its 45th annual conference on APU's West Campus for the first time. The two-day event included speakers from Christian colleges and universities throughout the United States, as well as approximately 20 APU faculty, staff, and students. "The Wesleyan Theological Society Conference gave

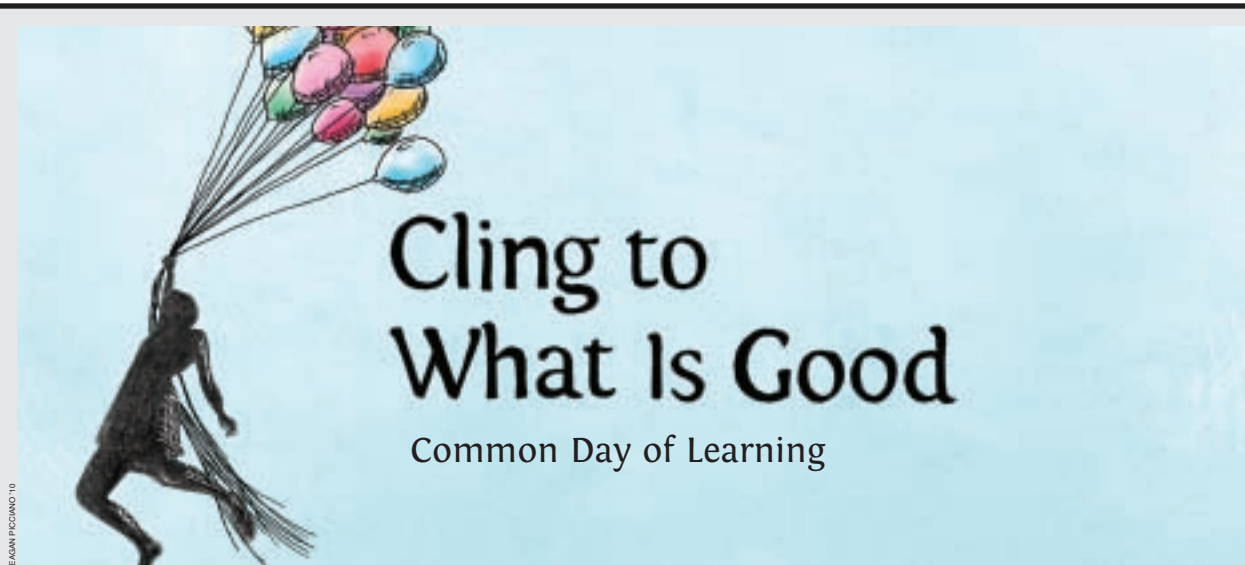
our School of Theology professors the chance to report on their work on the Dead Sea Scroll fragments recently acquired by APU," said Karen Winslow, Ph.D., director of the Free Methodist Center and professor of graduate biblical studies. The conference encompassed a broad range of theological issues,

from science and theology to practical theology, with each session centered on this year's theme, "The Future of Scripture."

APU participants presented papers on a variety of theological topics during 14 of 38 sessions. President Jon R. Wallace, DBA, served as a panelist for

a discussion entitled "Leadership in Christian Higher Education," moderated by Don Thorsen, Ph.D., chair of the Department of Theology and Ethics in Haggard Graduate School of Theology. Thorsen was one of three APU faculty members to chair a session.

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APU students, staff, and faculty gathered March 3 for the 18th annual William E. and Earnest L. Boyer Common Day of Learning. The university ceases normal academic activity on the first Wednesday of March each year, allowing APU community members to present their latest research and learn from special guest speakers from around the world. This year, the event included 68 sessions and approximately 200 speakers. "This year's theme, 'Cling to What Is Good,'

based on Romans 12:9, served as a reminder that despite these uncertain times, Christian scholars can continue to strive for what is good," said Jennifer E. Walsh, Ph.D., professor of political science and director of Common Day of Learning.

Special guest speakers and visiting scholars included professionals in a wide variety of fields, and Dallas Willard, Ph.D., professor in the School of Philosophy at the University of Southern California,

gave the keynote address, "Reclaiming Knowledge for Faith: How What You Don't Know Can Gut Your Faith." A highly sought-after speaker and renowned author of bestselling books such as *Renovation of the Heart* and *The Divine Conspiracy*, Willard discussed the effects of current culture on Christianity and explained the need for Christians to reclaim a biblical understanding of faith and knowledge.



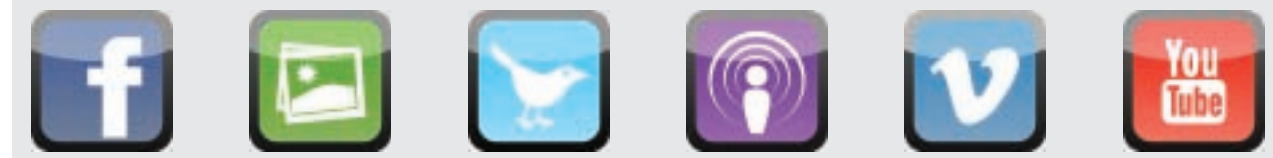
Mobile Upload Makes APU Accessible

The native iPhone application that launched in February provides APU community members with information concerning campus events, schedules, and general information. Easy access to faculty information; connection with Facebook, Twitter, student blogs, YouTube, iTunesU, and Flickr accounts; and the capability to check the score of any APU sporting event highlight some of the features of this new application, making it a powerful resource for current students—the primary audience. "Our

goal is to build an online community and distribute content on multiple platforms," said Christian Brazo '95, M.A. '01, creative and Internet director. Essentially, the application provides its users with a mini version of APU's website that they can access from their iPhone.

APU beta tested the new application to determine functionality and ease of access before its launch, and it is now available in the iTunes App store. Eighty-seven percent of those who

access the APU website from their mobile device use an iPhone. "Ultimately, we would love to include more academic information online. It would be great if students could interact with professors, check grades, and turn in assignments using this application. It could be a valuable supplement to regular classroom teaching," said Brazo. **To download the app, go to www.apu.edu/iPhone/.**



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Keith Reeves, Ph.D., professor of biblical studies, and Winslow moderated sections entitled “Interpreting the New Testament I” and “Women’s Studies” respectively. The opportunity to present also allowed theology students to gain valuable experience in teaching and

interacting with both scholars and peers. Graduate student and presenter Holland Prior ’10 said, “Exposure to the academic world is important for graduate students. As I finish my Master of Divinity at APU and look toward doctoral studies, opportunities like these allow me to meet well-known

scholars and better understand life in academia.”

Keynote speakers Richard B. Hays, George Washington Ivey professor of New Testament at Duke University; and William Abraham, Albert Cook Outler professor of Wesley studies in the Perkins School of Theology at

Southern Methodist University, presented two plenary sessions on Friday, March 5.

Mexico Outreach Celebrates 40 Years

In April, Mexico Outreach celebrates 40 years of ministry with a two-part celebration both in Mexico and at Azusa Pacific University. This influential ministry, founded in 1965 by Carolyn Koons, then an APU professor and now the executive director of *Rancho El Refugio* and the Ensenada International Campus Development, expanded in 1969–70 to include church groups along with APU students.

“APU’s Mexico Outreach has impacted thousands of youth and adults, and has allowed APU students to get a glimpse of what it takes to do ministry in another country,” said Koons. “My life as a young person was set on a new trajectory while on a missions trip led by my youth pastor, and my passion was to see others impacted in the same way.”

During the week of April 3–9, past Mexico Outreach participants are invited to attend the annual Easter 2 Outreach. This year, the weeklong outreach will encompass a specific program to celebrate the experiences of the past 40 years. Special guest Ron Cline, who served as speaker for 25 consecutive years, will take the stage once again, and Peter Newman, who led Mexico Outreach worship for a number of years, will lead music.

On April 10, APU will host a banquet on campus to honor the churches and individuals who have participated in the program’s success. President Jon R. Wallace, DBA, will serve as keynote speaker for this portion of the celebration. Each of the participating churches will receive two complimentary tickets to the banquet and recognition for its commitment to and support of this remarkable ministry.

domestically and globally with attention to research and clinical practice.

Baltimore affirmed the panelists’ advocacy for the integration of several disciplines to best prepare students as health care providers, and encouraged attendees to study international medical professionals’ roles and satisfaction levels to gauge what a future career in health care might look like in the United States. “To interact with scientists with such high standing in the field in an intimate setting on topics that we are all deeply concerned about will be something our students will never forget,” said Milhon.

The third and final installment in the Segerstrom Science Symposium series takes place on Friday, March 19, and focuses on bioethics.

Prior to Baltimore’s keynote address, Jon Milhon, Ph.D., professor in the Department of Biology and Chemistry, moderated a panel discussion that took place in the fully packed Segerstrom Science Center’s Perry Lecture Hall. Panelists included Baltimore; James Miser, MD, APU scholar-in-residence, former CEO of City of Hope Medical Center, and pediatric oncologist; Claire Pomeroy, MD, MBA, vice chancellor for human health services and dean of the School of Medicine at UC Davis; and Aja Lesh, Ph.D., RN, NP, dean of APU’s School of Nursing. The conversation centered on medical professionals’ responsibility to develop new teaching methods that will educate a new generation of students and inspire them to seek creative solutions to discipline-specific problems. Panelists also engaged in energetic dialogue about the future of public health care



Training Scientists for Tomorrow

Nobel Laureate and President Emeritus of the California Institute of Technology David Baltimore, Ph.D., gave the keynote address at the second installment of a three-part symposium celebrating the completion of the \$51 million Segerstrom Science Center. He addressed the audience regarding his current research on the control of inflammatory and immune responses, and on a program that employs gene therapy to treat HIV and cancer. Baltimore’s presence on campus gave APU students an exciting opportunity to hear from and interact with a prominent scientist; and they took full advantage of the occasion by actively engaging in thoughtful dialogue with him. “It was truly amazing to watch my peers ask questions and interact with Dr. Baltimore in a way that would be impossible in an everyday setting,” said Clifford Gee ’12, a chemistry major.



Renovated Wynn Academic Center Addresses APU’s Changing Needs

The APU community and honored guests gathered to dedicate the Carl E. Wynn Academic Center on Thursday, February 4, with a ribbon-cutting ceremony. Formerly the Carl E. Wynn Science Center, the recently renovated 30,000-square-foot building underwent an extensive \$4 million remodel, and now enables the university to offer expanded facilities to better serve current and prospective students.

“The Wynn Academic Center solidifies APU’s dedication to excellence,” said President Jon R. Wallace, DBA. “The learning and growth that happens in these new classrooms will reflect that commitment.”

The center features 11 classrooms, a 1,800-square-foot lecture hall, 28 faculty offices, two research laboratories, a library, a computer room, and a conference room. The Welcome Center offers prospective students and guests an inviting place to learn more about the university and serves as the starting point for campus tours.

APU’s Honors Program, Department of Psychology, and Department of Social Work are now housed in the renovated center as well. “The Wynn Academic Center allows psychology and

social work majors to be under the same roof, giving them a better opportunity to create relationships and enhance the educational process,” said Executive Director of Development Louise Furrow.

Named for the Wynn Foundation, which paid for more than half of the original construction costs, the Carl E. Wynn Science Center was first dedicated on February 17, 1976. The original building was purposed to serve the 2,000 students attending APU at that time. The student body has greatly increased since 1976, and now includes more than 8,500 students. The completion of the state-of-the-art Segerstrom Science Center now meets the university’s growing needs in the field of science, freeing the renovated space to better accommodate other needs within the university community.

“The new facility is a great asset to Azusa Pacific,” said journalism major Karla Shirvanian ’10. “It will be a great place for future students because the building shows APU’s commitment to giving students the best education possible—and with Wynn, this is definitely possible.”

COUGAR SPORTS ROUNDUP

February, the busiest time of the year in the Cougar Athletics Department, follows 10 different sports at once, including 5 in the midst of postseason pursuits and 5 others just starting their seasons.

Basketball

The Cougar women’s basketball team, on the verge of producing one of the finest seasons in program history, keeps fans on the edge of their seats. Under the direction of third-year Head Coach T.J. Hardeman, the Cougars won 11 straight Golden State Athletic Conference (GSAC) games to assume sole possession of first place in the conference ahead of perennial powers Point Loma Nazarene University and Vanguard University. Led by All-Conference players Alex Moore-Porter ’11 and Kristie Hala’ufia ’10, the Cougars wrapped up a seventh consecutive National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA) tournament bid.

Meanwhile, the Cougar men find themselves in a battle to maintain their streak of 14 consecutive NAIA tournament appearances. A series of injuries and mishaps forced starters to miss a combined 18 games. Plus, their top recruit went down with a season-ending injury just three weeks prior to the start of the campaign.

Track and Field

Azusa Pacific men’s and women’s track and field teams set their sights on their respective NAIA Indoor National Championships in early March. The Cougar men, led by All-American Staphon Arnold ’10 and NAIA champion Monti Sutton ’10, vied for their first-ever, four-year string of indoor championships, having won the NAIA crown in 2007, 2008, and 2009. The women endured

incredible heartbreak the past two seasons, missing out on the national crown by a single point. NAIA champions Tiffeny Parker ’11 and Jacky Kipwambok ’11 will carry the Cougar banner at the NAIA meet in Johnson City, Tennessee, in early March.

Stunts and Tumbling

Formerly known as the competition squad, the stunts and tumbling team proved to be the best in the state of California when the Cougars finished second at the USA West Coast College Championships in mid-February. The University of Oregon won the overall competition, but the Cougars were a close second and, in the process, beat teams from California State University, San Diego; California Polytechnic University, San Luis Obispo; University of California, Santa Barbara; California State University, Fresno; and San Jose State University, among others.


Baseball, Tennis, and Softball

Cougar baseball, which has advanced to the NAIA postseason each of the past three years partly because of Brice Cutspec’s ’10 school-record 61 home runs, opened the 2010 campaign ranked number 17 in the coaches’ preseason poll.

Men’s tennis opened the season at number 5 in the NAIA, and the women ranked number 11 in the preseason poll.


Azusa Pacific softball, the youngest team in the program’s 25-year history, features 10 freshmen on its 2010 roster—six of them started during the Cougars’ season-opening doubleheader against the University of Redlands. All-GSAC Erin Halma ’10, the lone senior on the team, shouldered much of the team’s leadership.

OFF THE PRESS Faculty and Alumni Books




Pocket Orthopaedics: Evidence-based Survival Guide (Jones and Bartlett Publishers, 2010) by *Michael Wong, DPT, associate professor of physical therapy*

Pocket Orthopaedics covers essential subject matter for those just entering the physical therapy field. Designed to aid newcomers in navigating their first few years as a physical therapist, this practical survival guide is helpful for professionals and soon-to-be graduates alike. Wong skillfully integrates the mechanical aspect of physical therapy with the relational mindset needed to effectively care for patients.




Christian and Critical English Language Educators In Dialogue: Pedagogical and Ethical Dilemmas (Routledge, 2009) edited by *Mary Shepard Wong, Ph.D., director, TESOL Program, and associate professor, Department of Global Studies, Sociology, and TESOL; and Suresh Canagarajah, Ph.D., professor of applied linguistics at Pennsylvania State University*

Organized into four sections, this book incorporates ideas from 31 authors on integrating spiritual values into classroom teaching, and includes discussion questions to encourage dialogue and engagement on the part of the reader. Professionals wrestling with the role of spirituality and religious dilemmas in the field of education are asked to consider an important question: How should spiritual values be expressed in education, if at all?




Hidden Worldviews: Eight Cultural Stories That Shape Our Lives (InterVarsity Academic, 2009) by *Steve Wilkens, Ph.D., professor of theology and ethics, Department of Theology and Philosophy; and Mark Sanford, Department of Practical Theology*

Culture influences almost every aspect of life. In their book, Wilkens and Sanford talk about the difficulty Christians face when trying to live out their faith in spite of the unseen forces that impact society's decisions, habits, and even institutional structures. Special attention is given to subtle forms of thought, such as moral relativism, that inform society's thinking, providing a way for Christians to recognize and challenge undetected, destructive cultural ideas.



God in Pursuit: The Tipping Points from Doubt to Faith (Beacon Hill Press, 2010) by *Joseph Bentz, Ph.D., professor of English*


This book identifies and celebrates the sparks that allow faith to catch fire in the lives of new believers who were once hostile or indifferent to God. Filled with insight, encouragement, and solid biblical wisdom, this examination shows readers how those tipping points from doubt to faith continue to operate throughout the Christian life, as believers confront spiritual crises and grapple with questions that will bring them deeper into relationship with God.



Qumran Through (Real) Time: A Virtual Reconstruction of Qumran and the Dead Sea Scrolls (Gorgias Press, 2009) by *Robert R. Cargill, adjunct professor of theology at APU, archaeologist, biblical scholar, instructional technology coordinator for the Center for Digital Humanities at UCLA, and chief architect and designer of the Qumran Visualization Project on site at Khirbet Qumran*

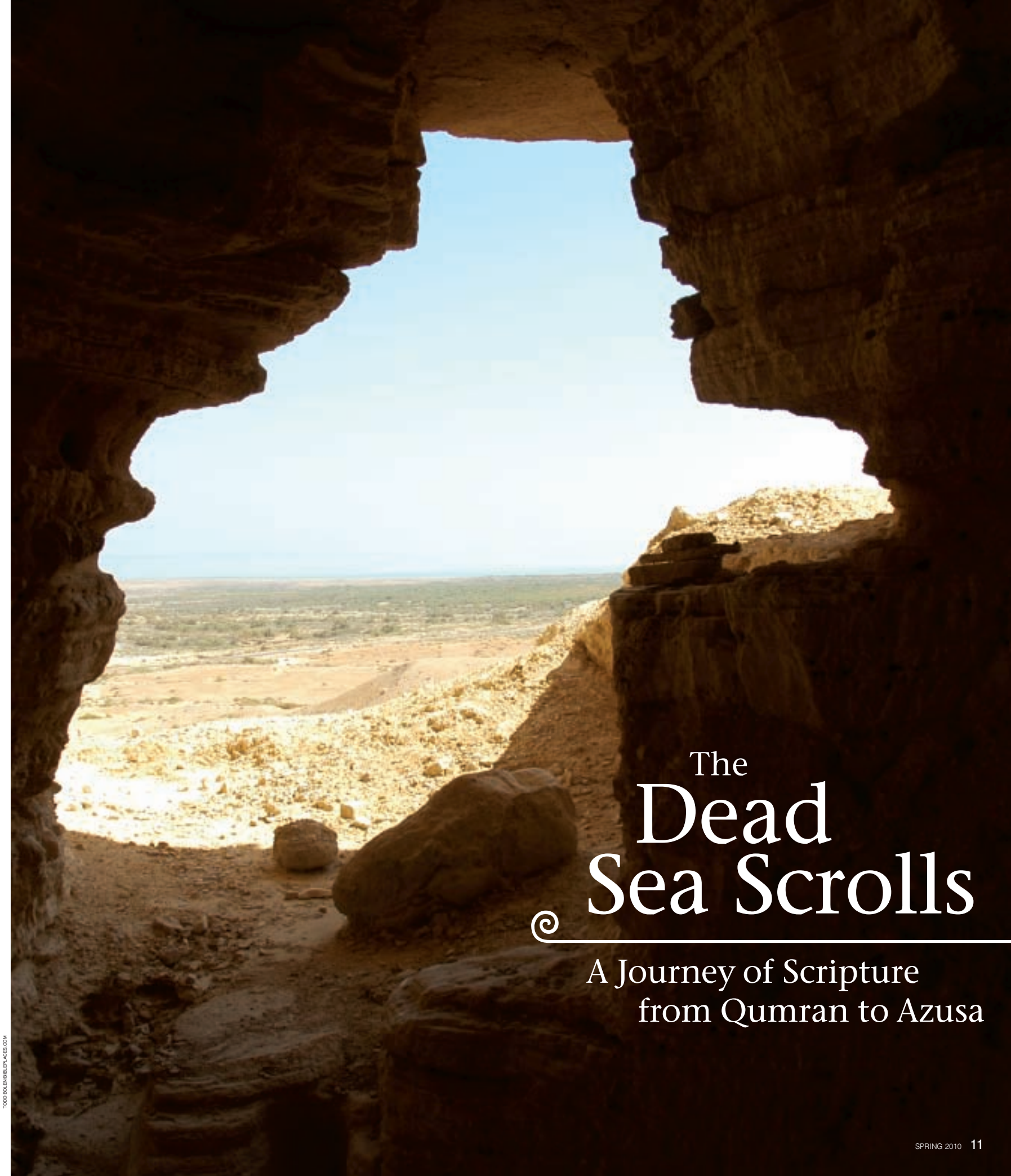
In this work, Cargill discusses the history of individual theories about the settlement of Khirbet Qumran and introduces readers to a new, digital method that can be used to analyze its remains. As an archaeologist and biblical scholar, Cargill gives his professional interpretation of the history of this important site and its succession of ancient inhabitants, paying special attention to the group ultimately responsible for several of the Dead Sea Scrolls.

REEL TO REEL Faculty and Alumni Films



Ship in a Bottle (Fool's Errand, 2010) produced by *Michael Smith, associate professor of theater, film, and television; and directed by Lonnie Urven, technical director of APU cinematic arts*

Ship in a Bottle tells the story of a mystical encounter that tests the friendship and character of five college friends on a high-seas adventure. The story takes the audience on a journey with these friends as they discover an enchanted ship in a bottle. Each character must make a choice to have faith in or attempt to control the things they cannot understand.



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 A Journey of Scripture
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Discovery and Scholarship

by Cyndie Hoff

A DESERT DISCOVERY

Leaving his flock to search for a stray, a young Bedouin shepherd explored the limestone cliffs and caves along the northwestern rim of the Dead Sea near Qumran. As the story goes, he tossed a stone into a cave tucked into the rocky cliffside hoping to hear a goat's bleat. Instead he heard something shatter. Curiosity drew him into the quiet darkness of the cave. His goat did not materialize, but he did discover a very old clay jar offering the prospect of hidden treasure. To his disappointment, there were no jewels or gold—only some old scrolls bundled in linen. He thought perhaps they would make a good fire. Fortunately, he decided to sell rather than burn what turned out to be priceless biblical and other religious texts that the world now knows as the Dead Sea Scrolls. Since that initial discovery in 1947, similar finds in 10 nearby caves uncovered more than 800 different texts written in Hebrew, Greek, and Aramaic, dating from 200 BC to AD 68.

WHERE ARE THEY NOW?

Today, most of the Dead Sea Scrolls are housed at the Shrine of the Book in Jerusalem. Other scroll fragments and the Copper Scroll reside in Jordan's Archaeological Museum. Various European libraries keep some other fragments and a few private collectors own fragments. The University of Chicago's Oriental Institute Museum houses a single scroll fragment. Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary in Fort Worth, Texas, recently acquired three scriptural fragments. Outside of the Middle East, however, the largest number of biblical Dead Sea Scroll fragments to be found at an academic institution are now in APU's Special Collections.

AN HISTORICAL ACQUISITION

In 2009, APU acquired five small scriptural Dead Sea Scroll fragments: four in Hebrew from the Pentateuch and one from the Aramaic portion of the book of Daniel. The results of preliminary paleographic and radiocarbon analyses suggest that APU's fragments were made near the first part of the first century AD—roughly contemporaneous with Jesus and the very early Church. How did APU come to own these scriptural treasures? The story begins with Legacy Ministries International (LMI), an organization with a number of biblical antiquities, endeavoring to establish a permanent Bible museum. In early 2009, LMI presented an exhibition of Dead Sea Scroll fragments and biblical rarities at a church

in Peoria, Arizona. Among the 20,000 visitors who attended was APU Board of Trustees Chair David Le Shana, Ph.D. "My granddaughter invited me to the exhibition, and it was a spiritually moving experience," he said. Le Shana immediately sought out LMI's Executive Director Anthony Naimo and said, "This is a powerful exhibition and fits perfectly with APU's commitment to *God First* and our high view of Scripture. Is there any chance we could work with LMI to bring this exhibition to APU?" That question launched a series of discussions between LMI and APU that resulted in a collaboration both institutions believe was led by God.

The two organizations signed an agreement on August 5, 2009, to transfer the majority of LMI's holdings to APU's Special Collections. APU will support world-class scholarship related to these historic documents, sponsor scholarly conferences, and eventually build a permanent museum on the APU campus that will generate traveling exhibitions of artifacts from the primary collection. In the meantime, the university will hold annual exhibitions of historic artifacts associated with the Bible. "It was evident from the beginning that God was linking together people with a oneness of spirit and purpose," said Rev. Andy Stimer, chair of the LMI Board of Trustees. "This strategic alliance unites the strengths of two institutions completely committed to the primacy of Scripture. Together, we can make these treasures accessible to scholars and believers on a grand scale."

"This acquisition allows us to tell the remarkable story of how humanity came to have the Bible, and how Scripture has been preserved through history," said President Jon R. Wallace, DBA. "Having these documents also reinforces APU's history and commitment to the authority of Scripture. This is a milestone for APU, and we are deeply grateful to LMI for allowing us to continue their devotion to protect these ancient documents that mark the very beginnings of the written Bible."

In addition to the scroll fragments, APU received the first five Barker folio editions of the King James Bible, 1611–40, a collection of rare Bible leaves, two


late-17th-century Hebrew Torah scrolls, and other items from LMI. With these acquisitions, APU can study, research, and share these biblical rarities with scholars and the public while carefully preserving the history of Scripture.

"This opens the door for numerous scholarship opportunities," said Russell Duke, Ph.D., acting dean of APU's School of Theology. "Our theology faculty will be able to study these manuscripts firsthand, share them with students, and bring new depth to biblical history in the classroom."

"Since their discovery, many Dead Sea Scroll fragments have been known only to their owners," said James Charlesworth, Ph.D., George L. Collord professor of New Testament language and literature at Princeton Theological Seminary and director and editor of the PTS Dead Sea Scrolls Project. "Now, thanks to the president and scholars at Azusa Pacific University, these fragments have been recovered and will be scientifically protected. Each one preserves priceless data from the beginnings of Western culture and is a unique witness to documents in the Bible of Jews and Christians." Charlesworth is working closely with several APU faculty to publish these fragments.¹

"Four out of five of the fragments in this collection have never been looked at through a scholarly lens," said APU Executive Vice President David Bixby, Ed.D., who spearheads the exhibition team. "While this represents an amazing opportunity for our scholars to shed new light on the reliability of Scripture and inform society about the significance of this find, ultimately the message for all of us is that the Bible is real and we can trust Scripture." A public exhibition, *Treasures of the Bible: The Dead Sea Scrolls and Beyond*, slated for May 21–July 18, marks the first collaborative effort between APU and LMI.

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Isin-Larsa Cuneiform Tablet
ca. 1950–1750 BC



Dead Sea Scroll
Deuteronomy 27:4–6
ca. 1st Century AD



Gutenberg Bible Leaf
1455



Complutensian Polyglot Bible Leaf
1514–17



Tyndale New Testament
1552



Rheims New Testament Leaf
1582



King James Bibles
1611,
1613,
1617



Aiken Bible Leaf
1782

TREASURES OF THE BIBLE: THE DEAD SEA SCROLLS AND BEYOND, A PARTIAL EXHIBITION TIMELINE



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Treasures of the Bible: The Dead Sea Scrolls and Beyond

by William Yarchin, adapted from the forthcoming exhibition viewbook

An exhibition of Bibles and biblical manuscripts offers the chance to learn more of the Bible's history by directly observing its tangible textual traces. APU's 2010 exhibition, *Treasures of the Bible: The Dead Sea Scrolls and Beyond*, will provide such an opportunity. In this exhibition, the textual treasures will be displayed according to a sequence of five overlapping historical phases: the Written Word, the Inspired Word, the Translated Word, the Printed Word, and the Word in the New World.

THE WRITTEN WORD

The act of inscribing spoken words enhanced their permanence through transmission from generation to generation. Ancient communities used the powerful technology

of writing to preserve their most important cultural traditions. The exhibition will begin with ancient pictograph and cuneiform tablets that reflect the earliest emergence of the written word in human culture and the role it played in early societies.

THE INSPIRED WORD

Jews and Christians received their sacred books as bearing the authority of divine inspiration. The second section of the exhibition will feature examples of the earliest manuscripts, such as the Dead Sea Scrolls, that were copied not simply because they were important texts, but because they were divinely inspired texts, or, in a word, Scripture.

THE TRANSLATED WORD

Because Jews and Christians often found themselves in multilingual societies, the need arose for translation of their sacred texts. Translated Scripture has played a uniquely decisive role in the history of Christianity even to the present day. The exhibition will include representative manuscripts of the translated Word, such as the Latin Vulgate, prior to the arrival of the printing press.

THE PRINTED WORD


Printing technology exponentially accelerated the dissemination of information at a time of seismic changes in European society. The printed Bible helped transform the religious landscape of the emerging modern European world. This section will present examples of some of the most influential Bibles ever produced in the West, like Martin Luther's German translation, with particular attention to the English vernacular tradition, such as William Tyndale's New Testament and the first printings of the King James Version.

THE WORD IN THE NEW WORLD

The Word in the New World section of the exhibition will embrace all the preceding phases of the Bible's history, displaying many of the first Bibles printed on American soil. Other Bibles will be included that reflect Christian faith born from understanding Scripture in a variety of translations and media.

TIMELESS RELEVANCE

In keeping with its Christian heritage, Azusa Pacific University maintains the conviction that Scripture is vitally relevant to the people of God in America and everywhere in the world. An exhibition of tangible biblical treasures offers an opportunity to celebrate Scripture in its fascinating history as a textual object. Beyond that, however, the items on display speak also of the countless lives that have been shaped by the singing, praying, teaching, preaching, and meditation of Scripture since the days of the faithful Dead Sea Scrolls scribes. We might consider that these lives, nurtured by Scripture, constitute the greatest, albeit intangible, treasures of the Bible.

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Hebrew Bible Leaf
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Lunar Bible
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TREASURES OF THE BIBLE: THE DEAD SEA SCROLLS AND BEYOND, A PARTIAL EXHIBITION TIMELINE, CONTINUED

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HOLDING FAST TO OUR BELIEFS:

Religion and Pluralism Since 9/11

BY MARK EATON



STUDENTS AT AZUSA PACIFIC UNIVERSITY UNDERSTANDABLY GRAPPLE WITH THE CHALLENGE OF RELIGIOUS PLURALISM,

the idea that we should respect and show tolerance toward religious others. Like many contemporary Christians, students are asking important questions such as: How do we hold onto our core beliefs in the face of serious intellectual challenges to religious faith from so many quarters? How do we resist pressure from all sides to conform to the culture's values? How do we respect other world religions without compromising our faith? Since the events of 9/11, another pressing question arguably looms over all of these: How can we hold firmly to our beliefs while living peaceably in a world of many faiths?

Surely we don't need to set aside our beliefs, much less water them down, to suit a skeptical, relativistic age. Now, more than ever, we need the courage of our convictions. I urge Christians to draw upon the resources of our tradition to emphasize practice as well as belief. Scripture reminds us repeatedly that what we do is at least as important as what we believe or say, as in Jesus' great aphorism "do unto others as you would have them do unto you" (Luke 6:31), or in Paul's insistence that love is greater than either faith or hope (1 Corinthians 13:13). In Jesus' parable, the Good Samaritan treats a total stranger as he would his neighbor.

Might not this ethic of reciprocity be a model for how we approach pluralism? In her essay "The Challenge of Pluralism," Diana L. Eck, Ph.D., founder of the Pluralism Project at Harvard University, suggests that genuine pluralism goes beyond the mere recognition of diversity: "I can observe diversity. I can even celebrate diversity, as the cliché goes. But I have to *participate* in pluralism. . . . Pluralism requires the cultivation of public space where we all encounter one another."¹ We don't have to check our beliefs at the door, but we do need to enter these public spaces with humility rather than hostility. We need to be good neighbors.

The classroom serves as one such public space in which students can wrestle with the challenge of pluralism safely. Even at a Christian university, students are often surprised and even disconcerted by the diversity they encounter, but most of them understand that the world beyond campus is extremely diverse and that religious pluralism is one of the dominant ideologies of our culture. In fact, I tell my students that we need to think carefully about what it means to be a Christian in a pluralistic society like the United States. I can only hope that by dealing with religious pluralism directly, honestly, and open-mindedly, I am not putting my students' faith to the test so much as helping them grow in their faith, giving them some intellectual tools, and fostering the kind of spiritual maturity that will allow them to hold fast to their beliefs even as they enter into meaningful dialogue and lasting relationships with those who may believe differently than they do. After all, when we listen to and try to learn from others' viewpoints, they tend to be more receptive to hearing ours. Judging by my students' eagerness to talk about these matters, I sense that the challenge of religious pluralism is very real to them.

SUGGESTIONS FOR FURTHER READING:

Religious Literacy: What Every American Needs to Know—and Doesn't (HarperCollins, 2008) by Stephen Prothero

A Nation of Religions: The Politics of Pluralism in a Multireligious America (University of North Carolina Press, 2006) edited by Stephen Prothero

A Secular Age (Harvard University Press, 2007) by Charles Taylor

Believing Again: Doubt and Faith in a Secular Age (Eerdmans Publishing, 2009) by Roger Lundin

Think Again Stanley Fish's Ongoing Blog at fish.blogs.nytimes.com


America and the Challenges of Religious Diversity (Princeton University Press, 2005) by Robert Wuthnow

The Pluralism Project at Harvard University at pluralism.org

Some would prefer to exclude believers from public discourse altogether. Stanley Fish never tires of reminding us that religion stands as the litmus test of pluralism. Because there are always "some believers who hold to their faith in a way that is absolute and exclusionary," he argues that religion is ultimately incompatible with pluralism and tolerance, those twin pillars of secular modernity.² The philosopher Jurgen Habermas insists that believers must simply come to terms with the "inevitability of religious tolerance," while so-called new atheists like Christopher Hitchens exclaim more shrilly that the "inevitable biases" of believers "should be enough" to exclude them from rational debate.³ For these and other champions of secularism, religion is safe only when it is confined to the private sphere, since any form of "deprivatized religion," as religious studies scholar Talal Asad puts it, is deemed "intolerable to secularists."⁴ Ironically, of course, such intolerance of religion amounts to a kind of secular fundamentalism.

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The way to counter such attitudes about religion is not with defensiveness or stridency of our own, but with thoughtful considerations of what we, as Christians, might bring to the table. Insofar as we retreat into comfortable, yet insular and often complacent, communities made up of those just like us—preaching to the choir, as it were—we miss an opportunity to take up the challenge of pluralism and meet that challenge with intelligence, humility, and mutual respect. To get beyond the apparent impasse—a "clash of civilizations," as author Samuel Huntington called it—between various religious groups, as well as between believers and unbelievers, we need to try something a little different. We can start by equipping our students to take part in public conversations about the properly prophetic role of religion in a pluralistic society. Clearly, Christians are called to engage in the dialogue and make their voices heard. Yet, we must also be prepared to listen with open hearts and minds, to roll up our sleeves and help others, guided in all our actions and interactions by charity and love. Remember that for Jesus, everyone is our neighbor, and behavior speaks louder than beliefs, important as they may be. Let us hold fast to our beliefs even as we strive to show Christ's love by our example.

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²Stanley Fish, "Religion Without Truth," *The New York Times* 31 March 2007. Web. See also Stanley Fish, "Religion Without Truth, Part Two." *The New York Times* 15 April 2007. Web.

³Jurgen Habermas, *Religion and Rationality: Essays on Reason, God, and Modernity* (Cambridge: Polity Press, 2002), 151; Christopher Hitchens, *God Is Not Great: How Religion Poisons Everything* (New York: Twelve, 2007), 8.

⁴Talal Asad, *Formations of the Secular: Christianity, Islam, Modernity* (Palo Alto: Stanford University Press, 2003), 199.

INTO HIS WORLD

BY TALLY FLINT

INDIA



MIDDLE EAST

On a dusty road in the Middle East, Justin Strong '08 shuttles an Iraqi child across the border into Jerusalem. Faced with a life-threatening medical condition, the Muslim child's hope for survival rests in the hands of a Jewish surgeon, and in the care and support of a Christian humanitarian organization that brings such polarized worlds together.

Twenty-six hundred miles away in Chennai, India, Wilson Prabu, M.A. '09, divides his time between serving HIV/AIDS patients and their communities, and assisting Youth with a Mission (YWAM) development projects in south India.



One undergraduate alumnus, one graduate student, working in two very different regions, both offering unique programs and services. Their humanitarian efforts will never cause their paths to cross, but neither of them would be where they are if not for one common institution: Azusa Pacific University. Strong and Prabu represent APU's intentional and passionate drive

to send out students equipped and specifically prepared to transform lives by healing the sick, comforting the distraught, welcoming the lost, and redeeming the victimized.

Each year, the H.I.S. (Hearing, Investing, Serving) Years Program matches recent graduates, like Strong, with humanitarian organizations in need of willing workers, and assists participating

students with school loan repayment and finances during their time of service. This past fall, the Master of Arts in Transformational Urban Leadership (MATUL) Program launched its own family of students eager to learn more about how to best meet the needs of the urban communities in which they serve.

Housed in the Office of International Programs, H.I.S. Years provides a "bank" of students each year ready and willing to serve overseas with Christ-based community development/mission organizations for two years after graduation. Three goals underwrite the program: to bring the Gospel message to people who have not heard it; to enable APU students to participate in ministry early in their life, increasing the likelihood of continuing to serve for many years; and to work in partnership with ministry organizations in need of resources and people.

Developed from a late-night brainstorm by Matt Browning, M.A. '95, Ed.D., associate vice president for

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internationalization, the program identifies volunteers in their senior year at APU. Program staff members help volunteers select an approved organization, apply to work with that organization, and provide support and encouragement throughout the preparation process. Consistent and intensive time is spent with each volunteer, including training, mentoring, and budget planning, to ensure that they are as prepared as possible for the two-year mission experience.

But the aspect of the program that really sets it apart from other service opportunities is the financial component. In addition to personal support and development, Azusa Pacific University provides finances for each H.I.S. Years volunteer by paying their student loans while serving overseas. If a volunteer does not have student loans or is able to defer his/her loans, APU provides other financial support over the two-year period. Entirely funded by a private donor, H.I.S. Years opens the door for global service to students who might otherwise be unable to go.

"I knew that I had a heart for the world and a desire to serve cross-culturally at some point," said Emily '08*, a Bachelor of Social Work graduate. "I just assumed that I would have to wait until I was older, had more experience and less debt, etc. However, when I found out that H.I.S. Years could equip and prepare me to serve now, I had no excuses not to go!"

Emily serves in East Africa reaching out to youth, where she teaches English, leads summer camps, hosts kids' clubs,

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and participates in counseling with schools. “I think it is really amazing that APU is willing to invest in students beyond their four years of school,” she added. “After emphasizing a global vision while we are at Azusa Pacific, they take it seriously enough to support us in putting that vision into practice. It can be really hard for a young person to navigate through the entire process of overseas service, especially if you are going alone like I did, so it is invaluable to have the support and encouragement of the program.”

“I have a vision that H.I.S.Years participants would be ‘ruined for the ordinary’ after their service experience,” said Browning. “Now that they understand and see the great need, I hope that they decide to make this much of their life’s work, that some would decide to dedicate more, the bulk, or all of their lives to these problems.”

Case in point: Daniel Browne ’08. With a degree in social science, Browne’s APU liberal studies education informs his work as a university oral English teacher in Asia. “The service attracted me because it fit well with my joy of teaching, and I just felt like that is where God wanted me,” said Browne. “The organization I am involved with focuses on both excellent teaching and disciple making, so we prepare the nationals to share the Gospel and have a strong faith.” Browne’s experience has been so encouraging that he can very easily see himself staying in Asia indefinitely, and is even considering pursuing a master’s degree in English as a second language.

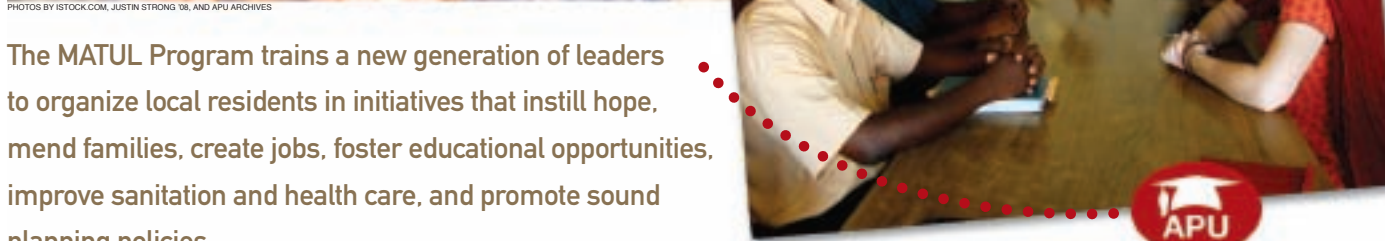
Since its debut two years ago, the H.I.S.Years Program has supported and matched 16 students with organizations serving in nine countries. Students have worked to stop sex-trafficking, support orphanages, build schools for orphans, and complete other basic infrastructure projects.

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initiatives that instill hope, mend families, create jobs, foster educational opportunities, improve sanitation and health care, and promote sound planning policies. The program is embedded within a broader movement to link a new generation of Christian internationalists from the global north with those from the global south in vocations dedicated to advancing God’s redemption within urban poor communities. Program graduates, as “servants among the poor,” utilize their understanding and skills within such fields as international relations, community development and planning, environmental policy, church leadership, nonprofit management, global health, or public diplomacy. It is here where their extraordinary grasp of the urban poor condition can guide policy formulation and project development, both in their homelands and internationally.

“Thousands of ‘new evangelicals’ graduate every year from religious and secular colleges and universities like APU,” said Rich Slimbach, Ph.D., program director and professor in the Department of Global Studies, Sociology, and TESOL. “Many of these have participated in off-campus service and study programs, either abroad or in domestic settings, and now find themselves considering longer-term service or even a career among ‘the least of these.’ While some choose to enroll in



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While some choose to enroll in advanced studies, others realize that in order to maximize the benefits of grad school, they need the kind of extended field experience that produces a high level of intercultural competence, second-language proficiency, and firsthand knowledge of development issues under the tutelage of indigenous organizations.

advanced studies, others realize that in order to maximize the benefits of grad school, they need the kind of extended field experience that produces a high level of intercultural competence, second-language proficiency, and firsthand knowledge of development issues under the tutelage of indigenous organizations. The MATUL Program provides students with this opportunity, culminating in a professional graduate degree.”

The entirely field-based degree program is cosponsored by entrepreneurial training institutions on four continents (Asia, Africa, South America, and North America). APU-enrolled students (both U.S. citizens and foreigners) complete coursework side by side with “national” classmates enrolled through the host institution. While the MATUL Program debuted in 2008, last fall marked the first time both U.S. citizens and national students enrolled.

“Most master’s or doctoral degree programs in development-related fields are predominantly classroom based where students learn about particular realities, and ways to address them, without necessarily living among the people most affected by them,” said Slimbach. “What they do well is synthesize expert conceptual knowledge from various disciplines to understand the complexity

of the urban poor condition. Where most are deficient is in arranging circumstances whereby students join those theoretical understandings to an in-depth experiential awareness of urban problems.”

For Prabu, a national student enrolled in the MATUL Program, this hit home during his Urban Spirituality course. “The course changed my understanding of prayer and devotion,” he said. “I was able to [better] understand Indian spirituality aspects and urban spirituality [in general].” His increased understanding enhances his ministry to the local Indian people—neighbors he interacts with on a daily basis and continually seeks to better serve.

The MATUL Program features a 45-unit curriculum that includes two years of field residence, study with senior development practitioners, and the completion of supervised internships in areas that include land rights, health care, small business development, educational center development, and service to marginalized populations, including sex workers and street children.


“The real lives of poor people, whether in rural or urban areas, are often rendered invisible by mainstream institutions. Slum-dwellers, in particular, are often viewed as ‘losers’ in a world system that favors the quick, the strong, the educated, and the technologically savvy,” said Slimbach. “But some of the world’s most progressive and often

radical urban movements have been catalyzed by those with little material and political power—those who have somehow managed to struggle against displacement for better living conditions. The MATUL Program hopes to strengthen this latent potential by shaping intelligent, ethical leaders who are able to organize residents around initiatives that improve and transform the lives of the urban poor.”

By offering both substantial support for students seeking entrance into missions work and equipping them with a degree specifically tailored to their service within growing urban communities, APU’s H.I.S.Years and MATUL programs exude the vision and passion of the university’s heritage of transformational scholarship. According to Slimbach, they “challenge students to discern the radical difference between the logic of success and the logic of vocation. The logic of success says that our only responsibility is self-enlargement, and that any job will be satisfying if it leads us ever upward to any higher-paying job that can be done sitting down. The logic of vocation holds that there is an indispensable justice, to ourselves and to others, in finding the meeting place between what we want to do and what needs to be done.”

Somewhere in Iraq, two parents can finally watch their now-healthy child run and play. And a centuries-old rift between two warring communities lessens the slightest bit because a Muslim family entrusted the care of their loved one to a Jewish physician. In India, the caring hands of a humanitarian introduce an HIV/AIDS patient to a glimpse of Christ’s hope and love. And one more life recognizes its identity as a child of God, no longer unwanted, forgotten, and cast off.

So builds the Kingdom of God.

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BY CAITLIN GIPSON

When Westmont scored the final goal in the 2008 men’s soccer postseason championship game, both sides of the field roared in approval. The goal signaled the end of APU’s national championship hopes, but by then, no one really cared. Just days after a fire devastated the Westmont campus, leaving one coach and several players homeless, the game was no longer about soccer. It had come to symbolize Westmont’s struggle to pick itself up from the ashes, and Azusa Pacific’s willingness to set aside competition for the sake of compassion.

Just a week prior, prospects looked good for an APU win. As the returning National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA) champions coming off a five-game winning streak, the Cougars had walked away the victors of a previous Westmont match-up. Then-APU Coach Phil Wolf was looking forward to pitting his team against Westmont’s Warriors, coached by his brother, Dave Wolf, this time with a championship bid on the line.

However, two days before the match, the Montecito “Tea Fire” raged through the Westmont dorms and faculty housing, and the game changed. Consuming 15 percent of Westmont’s campus, the fire left more than 50 students and two dozen teachers homeless. Several of the team’s student-athletes lost everything, and Dave Wolf’s home burned to the ground.

As Phil Wolf raced north to help his brother and family, Bill Odell, APU’s director of athletics, began negotiating with the NAIA national office to postpone the title game. While APU could have taken the win by forfeit, neither considered that to be an option. “Taking the forfeit didn’t feel right, and making them play on Saturday was out of the question,” Phil explained. “You want to look across the field and know that you’ve given your opponent a fair chance to win.”

Instead Phil, along with Odell and APU Associate Athletics Director Gary Pine worked tirelessly to provide for the beleaguered Westmont team and rally the community. In addition to delaying the game, they arranged for APU dorm rooms

and free meals for all Westmont soccer players and personnel for as long as they needed them. They spread the word that Westmont supporters who traveled to the game would receive free admission, and coordinated a free lunch of pizza and salad. APU students painted and hung posters (“APU Loves Westmont!”) and assembled bags of toiletries and other necessities to hand out to the opposing crowd. “I’ve lost a lot, but right now, I can’t think of one thing I need,” said Dave. “The people of Azusa Pacific have given us everything.”

When game day finally came, both teams were greeted with a raucous, record-breaking crowd. Though Westmont was still officially closed, hundreds of its students, faculty, and staff had driven two hours to cheer the team on. “I know this has been said before, but this time it’s true,” said Westmont freshman Austin Crowder, who was covered in Westmont’s red and white. “We’re here to show how we will rise from the ashes.”

The nearly 600 fans cheered and never let up. Not when play stopped. Not through intermission. Not till the Warriors gained their second goal and secured an emotional 2-0 win. “They had so much going for them—the fans, the momentum, the situation; it was too much for us to overcome,” said APU midfielder Eric Winblad ’09.

The fans poured onto the field, lifting coaches and players into the air. They danced. They sang. They cried. Then, with lighter hearts, they loaded back up onto buses and made their way back to Westmont—back to begin the process of rebuilding home.

Today, nearly two years after that historic game, Westmont is well on its way to recovery, and the Azusa Pacific Athletics Department received an unexpected reward for its generosity. On November 19, 2009, APU received the “All That’s Right in Sport” Award at the 11th Annual AT&T National Sportsmanship Award Banquet. A nationally televised event, the banquet recognizes NAIA institutions, teams, or players that have displayed an inspiring level of sportsmanship.

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“The actions of Azusa Pacific and Westmont illustrate how intercollegiate athletics can bring people together,” said Jim Carr, NAIA president and CEO. “In this extremely competitive situation with a national championship berth on the line, the generosity exhibited by Azusa Pacific clearly sends a message to society. True sportsmen understand that there is a standard higher than victory. The willingness of the Azusa Pacific family to embrace a rival in a time of need sets a standard of which we can all be proud. The actions of all involved make the NAIA proud to have Westmont and Azusa Pacific as members of our association.”

Bill Plascke, a *Los Angeles Times* reporter who covered the game and wrote a moving article, agreed. “Rarely in Southern California sports has there been a better

show of sportsmanship than this, Azusa Pacific sacrificing its chance at a title defense to give Westmont a fair shot at taking it.”

Westmont walked away from the 2008 championship game the winners—the underdogs that, in the arms of their community, overcame great odds. For their opponents, and friends, at APU? A different sort of victory.

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Alumni and Friends Cruise Review

The weekend of January 8–11, 2010, found a group of alumni and friends in Ensenada, Mexico, via the Carnival Paradise. A significant number of Haggard Graduate School of Theology alumni attended and held sessions with faculty while aboard. The cruise ship docked in Ensenada Harbor Saturday morning, allowing the attendees to visit APU's ministry ranch, *El Refugio*, for the day. After a short walking tour of the ranch, the staff served a delicious, authentic Mexican lunch.

Mornings on the ship began with inspirational group devotions led by Russell Duke, Ph.D., Enrique Zone, Ph.D., and Gordon Coulter, Ed.D., and set the tone for a

meaningful and joyful experience every day. In addition to scheduled activities and plenty of free time throughout the day, alumni and their families enjoyed memorable evenings filled with gourmet cuisine, exciting entertainment, and quality time with loved ones.

Missed this excursion? Start making plans now to celebrate with family and friends on APU Annual Alumni Cruise 2011. Watch for more details to come.

1970s

MICHAEL HARRISON '77 marked his 30-year anniversary with Xerox in December 2009. He blogs at <http://michaellharrison.wordpress.com/>. He and his wife, Donna, also celebrated their 30-year anniversary in May 2009 with a trip to Denver. They attend Cornerstone Bible Church in Glendora. Their daughter, Danielle, and son-in-law, Matt Langley, live in Chino Hills, California. She teaches in the Upland School District, and he works as an accountant in Redlands. The Harrisons' son, David, graduated *cum laude* from the Collins School at California State University, Pomona in June 2009 and serves with the Peace Corps in Uganda. David blogs at <http://davidinthepearl.wordpress.com/>.

limitations. Windsor's purchase, training, equipment, and medical expenses cost \$7,000. He arrives at Christy's home in spring 2010, but she still needs to raise the funds. Please visit hopeforchristy.com to see pictures/videos of Windsor in training, read Christy's story, or make a donation. 22847 Ridge Route Ln., Lake Forest, CA 92630-3675. hopeforchristy@gmail.com

2 LISA BUNOW-TAYLOR '99 and her husband, **STEPHEN '99**, celebrated their 10th wedding anniversary in November 2009. Stephen is a corporate accounts manager for AT&T, and Lisa is the office administrator for Calvary Chapel Temecula Valley. Together, they lead worship at church, and Stephen participates in an internship program that develops the next generation of church leadership. They have two children, ages 9 and 7. 44910 Corte Sierra, Temecula, CA 92592.

1980s

KIM (KEMPER '86) and **DOMINIC MACCHIAROLI '87** live in Arizona with their two teenagers. Dominic recently published a book, *My Parakeet Was an Anarchist and Other Short Stories* (Pneuma Springs Publishing, 2010). www.pneumasprings.co.uk/MyParakeetwasanAnarchist.htm 6933 E. Montebello Ave., Paradise Valley, AZ 85253-5976. Insighted@aol.com

2000s

3 DAVID IRVING '00 received his master's degree in physician assistant studies and was commissioned as a first lieutenant in the U.S. Army. The ceremony was held at Fort Leonard Wood in Missouri. Lt. Irving and his wife will move to Fort Knox, Kentucky, for their next assignment. gfriving@gmail.com

1990s

1 CHRISTY MILLER '92 sustained a traumatic brain injury following a car accident in 2003. Prior to the accident, she spent 10 years teaching elementary students and English as a Second Language for adult education, and serving as a mentor to student teachers in the Saddleback Valley Unified School District in Mission Viejo, California. She participates in the Belgian Brain Protocol Program and has made incredible progress. With limitations, she can now speak, use her eyes to read, work at the computer, and participate in horse rehabilitation therapy. The next step in her journey is the acquisition of a service dog, Windsor, currently training in Kansas. He will assist Christy by opening doors, picking up dropped items, providing balance when walking or climbing stairs, helping her when she falls, and alerting others of her physical

SCOTT R. TUDEHOPE, M.S. '00, works for Advanced Academics, Inc., as a full-time teacher. He and his wife, Cindy, live in Tracy, California. Cindy teaches special education in Rialto. They have two college-aged sons. John attends Citrus College, and Andrew, Chaffey College. 2800 N. Tracy Blvd., #125, Tracy, CA 95376. spikeidaho@yahoo.com

DALLAS STOUT, M.A. '05, who has spent years working on substance abuse and violence prevention efforts in Orange County, has accepted a one-year term as vice president of the California chapters of the Brady Campaign to Prevent Gun Violence that exist to educate and mobilize communities for sensible gun laws, regulations, and public policies at the local, state, and national level. Drdallas@aol.com

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ALUMNI INTERVIEW



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MARK STUCKEY, M.A. '09

APU LIFE: Describe your time at APU. How did your experiences prepare you for your career?

MARK: I earned a Master of Worship Leadership, now called a Master of Pastoral Studies with an emphasis in Worship Leadership. My classes included aspiring worship leaders from all over the world. Everyone had different backgrounds, which brought a unique worldview to discussions. It was awesome to know that we were all going to affect different corners of the world for Christ.

I also gained a sense of spiritual grounding and an understanding of Scripture that gives depth to the worship experience I hope to bring to the Church.

APU LIFE: How and why did you get into the professional music industry?

MARK: Making a professional album connected me to people who love music as much as I do. Everyone I worked with and hired to help with the album were exemplary professionals as well as Christians. They believed in me *and* the songs I had written, and their excitement about the project was contagious. We all had the same goal, which was to affect the worship experience that congregations have in church.

APU LIFE: Tell us about your recently released album.

MARK: This is my first album, and it has a pop/acoustic feel to it. The theme of the album is "Jesus is our hope," but it's not all worship songs. In fact, the song "Born in His Heart" is the story of my sister,

Amy, and her husband's decision to adopt after being unable to have children, and about the two miracles God blessed them with—the baby girl they adopted and the son they had soon after. The song shows how their story parallels the miracle of a Christian's adoption into God's family. The album is already a success, with the single "I Will Go" reaching the number one spot on the Song Discovery *Worship Leader Magazine* charts for two months right after its release in August 2009. That song, along with "When We Need Hope," started playing on Christian radio stations in January. The entire album is also available on iTunes and Amazon, and a number of churches have started playing some of the songs at their gatherings.

APU LIFE: Has the album's release enabled you to interact with other well-known Christian artists?

MARK: I did get to play with Scott Underwood, who was popular in the 1990s. He wrote the song "Holiness" that is still sung in a lot of churches. Also, I had lunch with Chris Tomlin and David Crowder a few years ago, and they were incredibly supportive of my future plans, which was encouraging. Performing actually makes me pretty nervous!

However, performing with famous artists was never my goal. Leading people into the throne room of God is what I feel called to do.

APU LIFE: What do you have planned next?

MARK: The biggest event on the horizon is releasing another worship album next fall. I'm also working on an acoustic project with my friend, Chad Bohi, which aims to create a sound for contemporary worship leaders who are working without a full band. Beyond those two projects, I am planning a California radio tour. On a nonmusical note, I recently became the spokesperson for Lifewater International (www.lifewater.org), an organization that builds wells in Africa to bring people water and hope, which matches the theme of this record.



New Life

by Dan Woolley

I am a survivor.

On January 12, 2010, a major earthquake shook Port-Au-Prince, Haiti, reducing buildings, large and small, to rubble throughout the poverty-stricken capital city. I was in Haiti to film stories for Compassion International's Child Survival Program (rescuebabiesnow.org). Within seconds of the earthquake, I found myself trapped at the bottom of a collapsed six-story hotel with my leg pinned, blood flowing from the back of my head, and a large gash on my leg. Breathing thick dust and hearing loud sounds of falling debris and shouts for

help, I determined that my blindness was due to absolute, complete darkness and the loss of my glasses.

In the midst of the chaos, God gave me clarity of mind in those first minutes. I was able to use the camera hanging from my neck to light up and take pictures of my surroundings. I staggered to an open elevator and treated my wounds after consulting information I had stored in my phone.

Then, the reality of my situation washed over me. I had just survived a major, major earthquake. From my experience with earthquakes in California since my childhood, I knew this was far greater than anything I had seen—probably 6.5 or greater (turns out it was a 7.0). The fact that I was in one of the world's poorest countries meant that the destruction would be extreme and help would be slow to arrive. Given the building's instability, the unknown severity of my injuries, and rescue efforts likely delayed for some time, I put my chances at 20–30 percent that I would survive long enough to be rescued and return to my family.

It is not easy to come to the conclusion that you are likely to die soon. I know many people face this in the seconds before an impending car accident, or in the months following a terminal medical diagnosis, but this was my first time in a life-or-death situation, and I didn't know whether I had minutes, hours, or days for this question to haunt me: "Am I ready to die?"

This question really represented a combination of concerns and other questions.

Questions about God

Am I sure of my eternal destiny—really sure? Upon crossing the threshold, will I hear, "Well done, my good and faithful servant," or will I hear, "Depart from Me, I never knew you."? Is my current lukewarm condition with God—weak devotional life, stilted prayer life, too-active sin life—an indication that I have deceived myself about my faith in Christ? Are my beliefs about God really true? Am I His beloved?

I addressed these questions—truly some of life's primary questions—immediately and with more seriousness than anything ever before. I could write pages on what this process involved, but to summarize: in my dark hole, I spent time praying, confessing, listening, reciting Scripture, and even in worshiping. And God met me where I was, with my big questions and doubts, and He wrapped me in His love. In the midst of my insecurity and doubt, God showed me that my heart was aligned with His heart by giving me opportunities to minister to the others trapped with me. And because He chose to work through me, I knew, once again, that I am His, and He is mine.

Questions about God's Will and His Care of My Family

If I am taken from my family, from my wife, Christy, and two young boys, can God—will God—provide for them? Will my wife be able to handle everything on her own? Will my boys stay on God's path, even through their teen and young adult years, without a father in the mix? Can I trust God's will even if it doesn't turn out the way I think it should, even if I don't understand it?

This was indescribably difficult. But part of aligning my heart with God's required trusting, deeply trusting, that God was loving enough to hold my family in His hands. I cannot explain how God did it, but at some point during my communion with Him, I came to believe that His will in this situation was perfect, and that I could trust Him and be okay with either outcome. I still pleaded with Him to return me to them, as I feverishly desired, "but Thy will be done."

Relationship Questions

What messages and thoughts remain "unsaid" in my key relationships? If I could say a few last things to my wife, to my mom and sisters, what would I say? What messages could I leave my two young boys that they might carry with them as they grew up and became men?

Having time was an unexpected luxury, and I used it to tie up some loose ends in case my body was found with my pocket journal intact. To my wife, I wrote some long-needed notes of love, reminding her of my deep and loving commitment to her and reminiscing about some special memories. To my boys, among other things, I wrote this note: "I was in a big accident. Don't be upset with God . . . He always provides for His children, even in hard times. I'm still hoping that God will get me out, but He may not. But He will always take care of you."

Rescue

As you may have guessed, God's plan for my life included a miraculous rescue 65 hours after the earthquake—a rescue that brought me back to sunlight, safety, and my family. I still have not found words to express the joy I felt when I was in the arms of my wife, and days later, my kids—there are no words. Now I find myself back home with my family, adjusting to the changing realities of life (including opportunities to tell this story) and healing. And I continue to mourn for my friend who lost his life and the millions of Haitians impacted by this tragedy.

Aftershocks


God used a crisis (literally an earth-shaking disaster) as a catalyst to get me to address fundamental issues in my life. My APU family, please don't let it come to that in your life. Create your own "crisis moment" (without the crisis) right away to get traction on key issues in your life.

In regards to your relationship with God, ask the hard questions now: Is my relationship with God where it should be? Am I really, truly sure that my standing with God qualifies me for heaven? I'm not talking about earning heaven, but the true state of a heart given to Christ through faith. I'm also not suggesting anyone should start to question what they believe through faith, but if you *DO* find that you have questions, why not address them now through an analysis of your heart and counsel from a pastor or spiritual leader? Ask yourself, do I trust God's will, even if I don't agree with or understand it?

Then turn to these questions: Is my relationship with my spouse where it should be? Are we working through issues that come between us, or have we started to simply "contain" them and tolerate them because it's easier than resolving them? Do I have an intimate, heart-to-heart conversation with my spouse every single day? This is one change Christy and I have already made since my rescue, and it has already borne such fruit in the strength of our relationship!

And finally, if I died today (or my family died today), is there something I would wish I had said to a loved one, or would I know that those important things have been said, recently and regularly? When I leave my kids (to run errands, to go to work, for a business trip, etc.), does my last interaction with them include loving messages and support?

I am a survivor, and God has given me a new life.

 Dan Woolley '93 is an Internet and interactive marketing strategist at Compassion International. He is currently working on a book to chronicle the whole story of his experience and how his life has changed as a result. danwoolley@mac.com

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MARK TAPLETTE, Ed.D. '05, serves as program director for Family Promise of Bryan-College Station, an interfaith, nonprofit organization, where he coordinates host and buddy congregations, volunteers, referring and supporting agencies, the day center, and transportation for the effective provision of services to homeless guests. 2302 Quail Hollow Dr., Bryan, TX 77802-2974. newcovenant3@verizon.net

DAVID HEFLIN '09 recently relocated to Portales, New Mexico, to serve as the preaching minister at the Third and Kilgore Church of Christ (www.3kchurch.org). churchofchrist_david@yucca.net

FUTURE ALUMNI

4 To MELANIE (DEBAKE '95) PEYTON, and her husband, Matt, a son, Isaiah, 5, and daughter, Makeda, 3, adopted from Ethiopia in June 2009. Isaiah and Makeda join big brother

Jacob, 10, and big sister Madelyn, 6. Melanie works for a promotional product company, and Matt teaches at Pusch Ridge Christian Academy while attending Covenant Seminary. 5346 E. Edwin Rd., Tucson, AZ 85739-9789.

5 To JIM MATHISON '96, and his wife, Bryn, a son, Metchor Kai Keith, on October 3, 2009. He joins big sisters Tacy, 6, and Lauren, 3. Jim owns a hardwood company, and Bryn works as a marketing manager for a manufacturing company. 17581 Manchester Ave., Irvine, CA 92614. brynmathison@gmail.com jmathison@ampaclumber.com

6 To JEFF SMITH '96 and his wife, **JEN (WORKMAN '96)**, a son, Colton Guy, on July 30, 2009. He joins big sister Emma, 7, and big brother Caden, 5. Jeff is a sergeant for the San Luis Obispo Police Department, and Jen runs her ceramic handprint business, Prints Charming. 7275 Tecorida Ave., Atascadero, CA 93422. jeffnjensmith@sbcglobal.net

7 To ANGIE (ELLIS '97, M.A. '01) DEHOOP and her husband, Kenny, a son, Hudson Kenneth, on May 14, 2009. Kenny works for Real Networks in downtown Seattle. He also leads a worship band, Torn Curtain, for Mars Hill Church (Bellevue Campus) in which Angie sings harmony. angiede hoop@gmail.com

8 To JENNIFER (LANDIS '98, M.A. '99) HALE and her husband, Jim, a daughter, Jane Evelyn, on July 9, 2009. She joins big brother Jackson, 5. Jennifer stays at home and also enjoys teaching and speaking for a women's Bible study at her church, First Evangelical Free Church of Fullerton. Jim is director of operations for American First Credit Union. 18632 Oaklawn Ln., Yorba Linda, CA 92886. jandjhale2000@yahoo.com

9 To CHERI (HACKER '98) HARRIS and her husband, Dylan, a daughter, Amelia Antoinette, on September 13, 2009. She joins big brother Ritter.

The family evangelizes and ministers in Bariloche, Argentina. Visit www.harrisfamilyargentina.blogspot.com for more details. 21388 Kristin Ct., Bend, OR 97701-9868. cheri_hacker@yahoo.com

10 To JENNIFER (COLLINS '01) BOAL and her husband, Dan, a daughter, Hannah Joy, on July 9, 2009. 744 Magnolia Ave., Upland, CA 91786-4507. jennboal@hotmail.com

To CARRIE (STEPHENS '02) BADESCU and her husband, Vio, a son, Joshua Sebastian, on March 2, 2008. He joins big sister Summer, 5, and big brother David, 3. Carrie met Vio while participating in APU's Global Learning Term in Romania in 2001. They live in Portland, Oregon, where Carrie works from home, and Vio is a high school teacher's assistant. 10288 SE 43rd Ave., Apt. A17, Portland, OR 97222-5898. mura4him@yahoo.com

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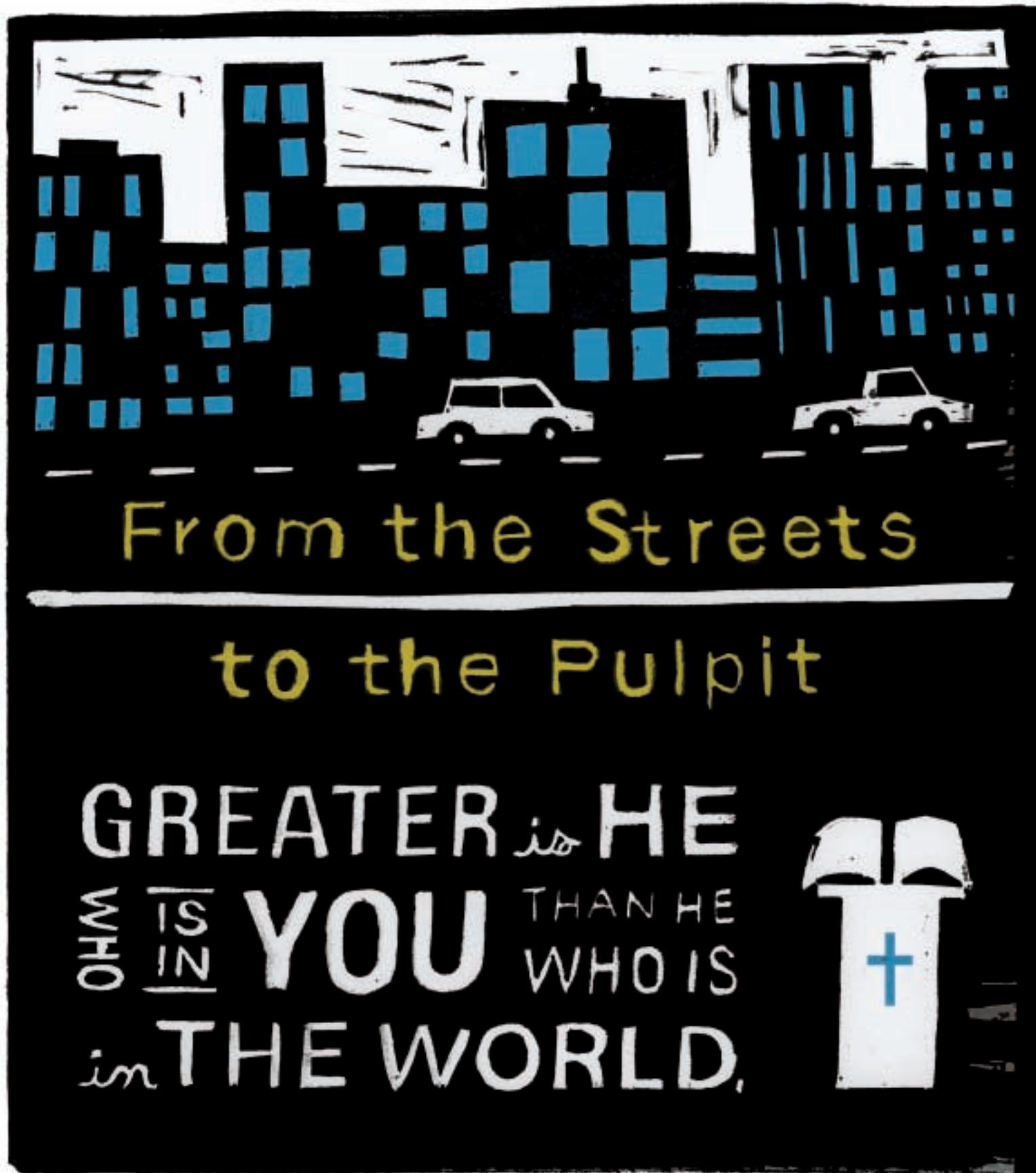
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by **Paul Lehman-Schletewitz**
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Powerful conversions pepper every period in the Christian Church's long history. It started with disciples like Matthew, who, at the call of Jesus, abruptly left his tax collection booth to follow. Then there was Saul, a persecutor of early Christians, who met Jesus on the road to Damascus. What followed was a complete life change. These remarkable transformations shaped the Church through its famous adherents, like Augustine and Wesley, as well as the everyday believer. None who come to Christ ever remain the same. Case in point: Pastor Steve Mays, M.M. '81, M.Div. '91, D.Min. '07.

A longhaired, gun-carrying thug who had lived life hard, Mays was sick, stoned, and sleeping where he fell. When he awoke, he stared into the face of Shirley Hinke. Just a few days before, Shirley and her husband, Henry, had been in church where Pastor Chuck Smith challenged the congregation to practice hospitality by taking in the sick and needy. Now, Mays lay needy in the Hinkes' driveway. In a profound act of obedience to Christ, the Hinkes took this broken young man into their home. They fed and cared for him and took him to church. There, Mays met the man behind the Hinkes' kindness, and he accepted the One behind Smith's message. When given a chance to make a clean break from the streets, he jumped at the opportunity to live this new life he found.

His first night at the Mansion Messiah House ministry, Mays had a dream. He carried a gun after being shot by enemies in his gang, so when he saw Jesus in his dream, he acted out of fear and drew his gun. To Mays' surprise, Jesus pulled a bigger gun. Suddenly, though un-churched and never having read the Bible, these unfamiliar words came with the vision, "Greater is He who is in you, than he who is in the world." The fear that had driven him was gone. During his time at Mansion Messiah, Mays also received these words from the Lord: "One day, you will be a great teacher of God, a shepherd to shepherds; you will stand together with presidents and kings."


Having a calling is one thing; rising to grasp hold of it is another. Mays soon immersed himself in active ministry and education. In the late 1970s, he began a long relationship with Azusa Pacific University. Here, a man interested in hearing the living God and experiencing His active presence could find cultivation, encouragement,

and the intellectual tools needed for ministry. The professors Mays met at APU each left their indelible mark on his life. "Dr. Earl Grant kept me in," Mays said. "Dr. Les Blank challenged my ministry, and Dr. Lane Scott challenged my mind." Mays, in measured intensity, further reflected, "Lane taught me ethics, and that's the thing that has kept me in ministry, being ethical. It's the fear of God." And then there was John Park, Ph.D. When Mays succumbed to a protracted illness that forced him to leave the master's program, Park personally worked on his behalf to ensure his return. Like a shepherd leaving the 99, "He brought me back to APU," Mays said. "He loved me back in, and I won't forget that."

Now, Mays pastors Calvary Chapel South Bay—a congregation of 9,000 in Gardena, California. Throughout his Christian life, he has shown compassion for all people. The fact that the Gospel is for everyone clearly resonates from Mays and finds reflection in his ethnically diverse congregation, reaching across cultural barriers and uniting people through the ministering love of Jesus. "It is the closest expression of the Kingdom of God I have witnessed anywhere," said APU's Executive Vice President David Bixby, Ed.D.

Throughout the history of the Church, dramatic conversions and effective ministry always flow from a life spent listening to and obeying God. Mays walks the church halls with an intense interest in the people with whom he pauses to speak. Listening on two levels, he hears the concerns and discerns needs. This intentional obedience to what God shares with him often leads Mays to make seemingly random phone calls. "As a key administrator of a major Christian university, I face lots of challenges," said Bixby. "It is uncanny, but at just the right moment, Pastor Steve will call me, saying he felt led by God to call and pray with me. This has happened way too many times for it to be a coincidence."

Living by the Holy Spirit's leading has taken Mays from the streets to the pulpit. The prophetic utterance given to him at the beginning of his life in Christ is still in fulfillment because people had the courage to obey, to seek, and to save that which was lost, and Christ is always faithful.

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11 To **ALISON (GHAZARIAN '03, M.A. '04) FLEMING** and her husband, **ERIC, M.A. '04**, a son, Owen Ezekiel, on August 31, 2009. Alison teaches fourth grade in West Covina, and Eric teaches high school English and coaches soccer at Damien High School in La Verne. 229 E. Annapolis Dr., Claremont, CA 91711-5328. alisonbrooke@gmail.com

12 To **KRISTI (LOGAN) GARCIA '03** and her husband, James, a daughter, Rachel Anne, on August 19, 2009. She joins big sister Natalie, 2. Kristi works in the Office of Undergraduate Admissions at Fresno Pacific University, and James

works for the Central California Endoscopy Center. 3418 E. Balch Ave., Fresno, CA 93702-3208.

13 To **LYNETTE (WRIGHT '04, '05) BROWN** and her husband, **MATT '05**, a daughter, Sarah Elisabeth, on September 28, 2009. Lynette works in APU's Office of Institutional Research and Effectiveness, and Matt is a physical therapist at Kaiser Permanente in Fontana. 4165 Glenhaven Ct., Chino Hills, CA 91709-6120. cowboy_4_god@yahoo.com

To **MICHAEL HUIZAR '04** and his wife, Susan, a daughter, Anessa, on August 19, 2009. She joins big sisters Priscilla, 18; Kathelynne, 9; and Hayley, 9. Michael completed his master's degree in

management at Redlands University in 2008, and currently serves in the United States Coast Guard. 2321 Magnolia Ave., Unit 9E, Ontario, CA 91762-6081.

14 To **DANA (COUGHTRY '05) BEAM** and her husband, Keith, a daughter, Bella Ann, on August 11, 2009. Dana stays home with Bella and loves it. 1201 E. West Hwy., Unit 216, Silver Spring, MD 20910. dana.beam@gmail.com

JUST MARRIED

15 **VICTORIA KOOPMANS '90** to Jeffrey Albalos on May 18, 2008. Victoria serves as staff counsel at State Compensation Insurance Fund. 1041 Canyon View Pl., Norco, CA 92860-3849.

16 **ALICIA BOSCO '03** to Michael Johnson on November 14, 2008. Alicia graduated with a master's degree in public administration in May 2008 while serving her fourth year with the mayor of San Jose. She and Michael relocated to Singapore in February 2009. Aliciajohnson214@hotmail.com

17 **KATIE FAVELLO '04, M.A. '06**, to John Julius on October 4, 2009, at South Coast Botanic Garden in Palos Verdes. Katie works at the Crystal Cathedral as an administrative assistant for relational ministries, where she started a mentoring program for high school girls attending Crystal Cathedral High School. John

works in engineering services at the BP (Arco) plant in Carson. As of mid-April: 12391 Pine St., Garden Grove, CA 92840.

18 **CHLOE YANTA '03, M.A. '08**, to Johnathan Hamlow on July 12, 2009, in Walnut, California. Chloe is a first grade teacher, and John is a heating and air conditioning technician. They recently purchased their first house and happily reside with their two dogs, Rambo and Adrian. mschloekins@gmail.com

19 **MELINDA MONTE '05** to Lieutenant JG Brian Barrow of the United States Coast Guard on June 6, 2009, in Whittier. They recently relocated to New York City for Brian's work in the Coast Guard. 101 Titus Ave., Unit B, Staten Island, NY 10306. melinda.a.barrow@gmail.com

KAREN PRYDE '06, M.A. '08, to Ryan O'Connell on May 31, 2009. They met while working as counselors at Alpine Camp and Conference Center. They currently live in San Bernardino while Ryan completes his master's degree in public history at California State University, Fullerton, and Karen substitute teaches. Kpryde@hotmail.com

KIMBERLY BOLES '08 to MATT BOWMAN '08 on April 25, 2009, in Bakersfield. Kimberly is an auditor with Ernst & Young, LLP, and Matt teaches high school music at Crean Lutheran South High School and coaches football. 912 Simplicity, Irvine, CA 92620-2874. kimberlyelainebowman@gmail.com

20 **MELISSA MILLER '08** to Brandon Sisk on November 15, 2009, at Palm Event Center in Pleasanton, California. Melissa works at Coggnoc.com as a marketing relations manager. Brandon plays baseball in the Kansas City Royals organization. Last year, he served as their main closing pitcher. 1476 Cherry Garden Ln., San Jose, CA 95125-4843. siscoclass2003@hotmail.com mmiller34777@yahoo.com

IN MEMORY

PAUL M. SPATES '70 passed away on November 6, 2009, after a long battle with cancer. Paul was one of the founders of The King's Academy in Sunnysvale, where he served as vice principal of all nonacademic affairs as well as athletic director. He is survived by wife, Sylvia;

children Emily Cabot (and her husband, Mike), Hank, Caroline Ghiossi (and her husband, Bryan), Luke, and Joanna; mother, Esther; sisters Ann Wolf and Mary Crapuchettes; and grandchildren Ella and Audrey.

DAL JONES IV '93, a four-year Cougar baseball player who graduated with a business degree, died of a heart attack February 16, 2010, at the age of 38. After battling Hodgkin's Disease, he graduated from Temple City High School in 1989. Primarily a pitcher, Jones played at Azusa Pacific during an era when the Cougars won four straight Golden State Athletic Conference titles. He had a career record of 10-3, registering 66 strikeouts with a 4.65 earned-run average in 41 career appearances. He was one of just two players on the 1993 squad who played on all four of APU's GSAC championship teams from 1990-93. A former horse trainer, Jones worked in the marketing and group sales departments at Hollywood Park in Inglewood. The Dal Jones IV Memorial Fund has been established on behalf of his wife and two children through the San Gabriel branch of Wells Fargo Bank, (626) 237-3900.

RYAN VILLALPANDO, M.A. '09, went to be with the Lord on February 13, 2009, along with his wife, Veronica, and two small children, Mateo and Bella Rose. The family lost their lives in a multiple-vehicle crash on Interstate 15. An exceptional graduate of APU's M.A. in Educational Leadership/Tier I Program, Ryan served as an assistant football coach at Moreno Valley High School and was also a promising new school administrator. Even more important, his love for his family and God was clearly evident in his life.

SHILA WIEBE, professor emeritus of nursing at Azusa Pacific, following 28 years of faithful service, went to be with the Lord on November 30, 2009, after a recent diagnosis of cancer. Just prior to her death, she repeatedly affirmed to friends her love for Christ and her desire to be with Him and her husband, Mel. Shila's gentle spirit and willingness to follow God wherever He led her characterized her ministry and work.

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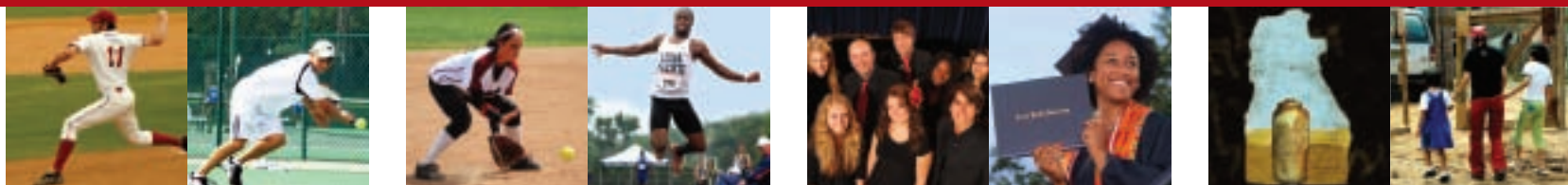


Mexicali, 1978

During Easter 1978, more than 700 students, representing 55 churches from as far away as Colorado and Oregon, spent their much-anticipated spring break participating in a unique Christian ministry by traveling to small villages throughout the Mexicali Valley of Mexico. To prepare, these eager young people immersed themselves in learning songs in Spanish, creating Vacation Bible School materials, and practicing children's puppet shows. Ron Cline, former dean of students at Azusa Pacific College (forerunner to Azusa Pacific University), gave challenging talks while the musical group, Session (above), performed inspirational songs.

Since its founding, Azusa Pacific University has maintained a strong missions focus. This long-standing tradition continues today. During Easter vacation 2010, APU students will once again choose to give their time in Christian service, offering children's programming, youth sports challenges, and women's ministries to the people of Mexico through Mexico Outreach, celebrating 40 years of faithful service.

—Ken Otto, M.L.I.S., associate professor, special collections librarian



ALUMNI

APRIL

- 6 TU 6:05 p.m. **Baseball vs. Quakes** | Rancho Cucamonga, CA |
For more information, please contact Joe Reinsch in the Athletics Department.
- 10 SA 5 p.m. **Mexico Outreach 40th Anniversary Banquet** | Felix Event Center |
West Campus
- 17 SA 5:30 p.m. **Alumni Dinner Theater: Crazy for You** | Heritage Court | *West Campus*
- 24 SA **Dead Sea Scrolls Exhibition** | Bayside Church | *Sacramento, CA*

MAY

- 7-9 FR-SU **50-year Reunion: Class of 1960** | Upper Turner Campus Center |
East Campus | *For more information, please contact the Office of Alumni Relations.*
- 16 SU 2:05 p.m. **Murrieta Regional Center Alumni Event: Storm Baseball Game** |
Murrieta, CA

ATHLETICS

APRIL

- 7 WE 5 p.m. **Women's Water Polo vs. Chapman** | Orange, CA
- 9 FR 12 p.m. **Men's and Women's Tennis vs. Vanguard** | Munson and Bavougian
Tennis Complex | *West Campus*
- 14-15 WE-TH 9 a.m. **Track and Field California Invitational/Mt. SAC Relays Multi Events** |
Cougar Athletic Stadium | *East Campus*
- 17 SA 12 p.m. **Softball vs. Biola** | *Softball Field* | *West Campus*
- 20 TU 4 p.m. **Softball vs. Hope International** | *Softball Field* | *West Campus*
- 28 WE 6 p.m. **Baseball vs. Westmont** | *Baseball Field* | *East Campus*

MAY

- 8 SA 10 a.m. **Track and Field Occidental Invitational** | *Los Angeles, CA*
- 10-13 MO-TH **Baseball GSAC Postseason Tournament** | *TBA*
- 18-22 TU-SA **Men's and Women's Tennis NAIA National Tournament** | *Mobile, AL*

JUNE

- 20-25 SU-FR **Junior Tennis Camp**

ARTS AND CULTURE

APRIL

- 7 WE 6:30 p.m. **Robert Kane, Ph.D.** | "Are All Values Relative? Seeking Common Ethical
Ground in a World of Conflicting Views" | *Perry Lecture Hall* |
Seegerstrom Science Center | *West Campus*
- 8 TH 7:30 p.m. **Crazy for You** | *Mary Hill Theater* | *West Campus*
- 15 TH 5 p.m. **Roger Lundin** | "Believing Again: Faith and Doubt in a Secular Age" |
LAPC Board Room | *East Campus*
- 16 FR 8 p.m. **Vocal Jazz Ensemble** | *Munson Recital Hall* | *East Campus*
- 19-30 MO-FR **Earth Day Exhibition** | *L Art Gallery* | *Duke Academic Complex* |
West Campus
- 20 TU 7:30 p.m. **Piano Etude Recital** | *Munson Recital Hall* | *East Campus*
- 21 WE 6:30 p.m. **James Miser, M.D.** | "Medical Ethics Today" | *Perry Lecture Hall* |
Seegerstrom Science Center | *West Campus*

MAY

- 1 SA 7:30 p.m. **Chamber Singers Spring Concert** | *St. Frances of Rome Church* |
501 E. Foothill Blvd., Azusa, CA
- 3 MO 8 p.m. **Faculty Recital Series** | *Stephanie Stetson, french horn* |
Munson Recital Hall | *East Campus*

SPECIAL EVENTS

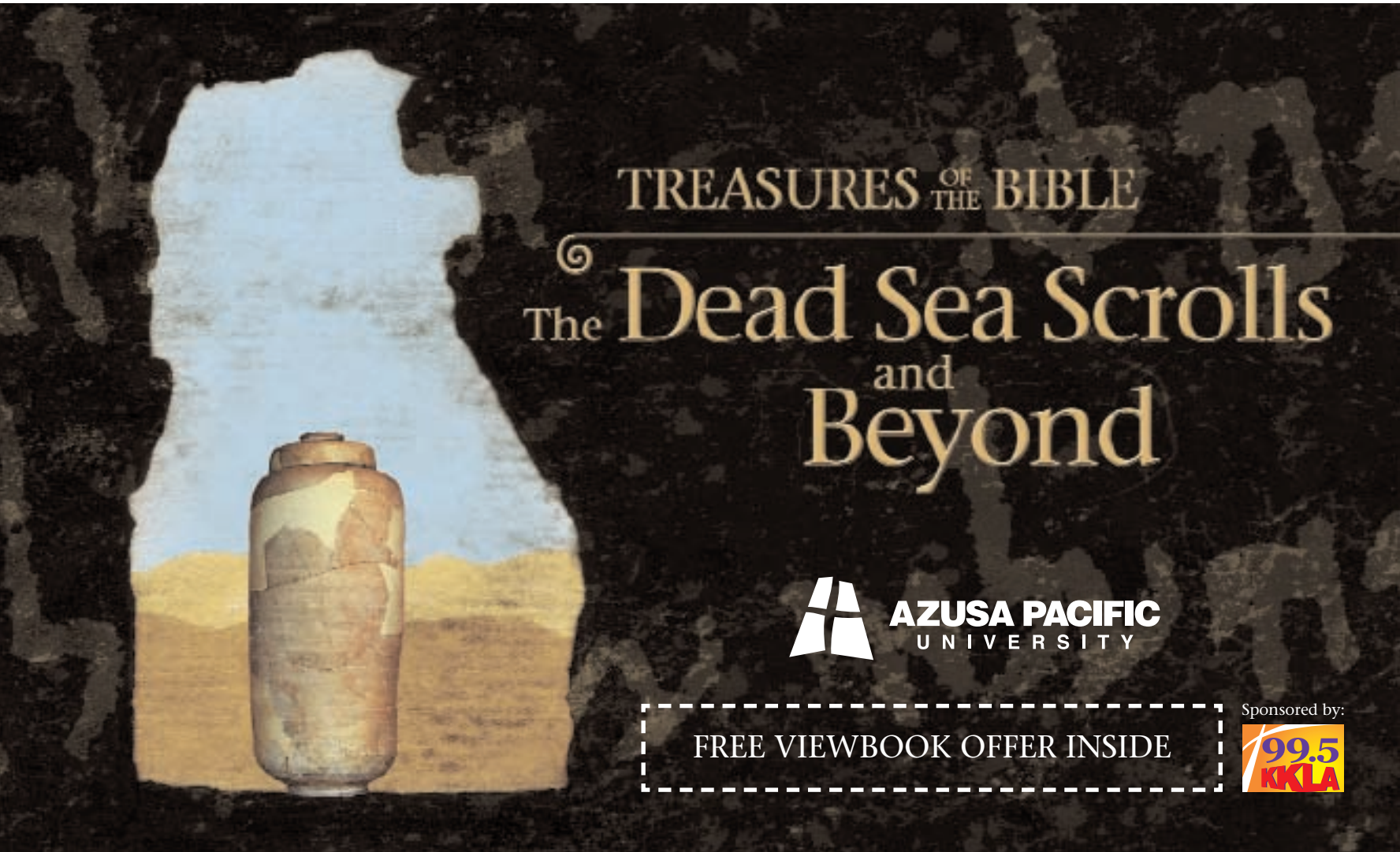
MAY

- 8 SA 9:30 a.m. **Graduate and Adult Professional Studies Commencement Ceremony** |
Cougar Athletic Stadium | *East Campus*
- 6:30 p.m. **Undergraduate Commencement Ceremony** | *Cougar Athletic Stadium* |
East Campus
- 21-July 18 **Treasures of the Bible: The Dead Sea Scrolls and Beyond** |
Darling Library | *West Campus*

JUNE

- 19-25 SA-FR **Mexico Outreach: Summer** | *Ensenada, Mexico*

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