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A look at the ministry of the Los Angeles Bible Training School April 2004



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4/24Alumni & Student Body Fellowship

4/30, 5/1 Spring Men's Bible Conference, Christ Temple

5/3 & 5/6 Alumni Week

5/16 Commencement

5/17 - 6/7 Summer School

Set your heart to study the word of God

Spring 2004 Statistics

- 334 Students
- 65 new students
- 73 students attending Monday morning
- 164 students attending Monday evening
- 86 students attending Thursday morning
- 134 students attending Thursday evening
- 11 students attending Ontario extension
- 13 classes (OT Survey II; NT Survey II [main campus and Ontario]; Doctrine I; Romans: I Corinthians: Revelation II; Pastoral Theology II; Hermeneutics; Hebrews; Jeremiah; Biblical Counseling; Philippians)

BECOMING A MISSIONS-MINDED CHRISTIAN

Each year during the Spring semester, LABTS sets aside 4 chapels to focus on missions. The purpose of these extended chapels is to consider what God is doing in "Judea and Samaria, and even to the remotest part of the earth". Throughout the years God has used these chapels to challenge and bless numerous students. This year was no exception.

The Missions Conference was held on March 22, 25, 29, and April 1. The theme was "Becoming a Missions-Minded Christian". Students were challenged to be missions-minded by knowing, praying, giving, and going.

President Felix began the conference by expounding Romans 1:14-17 from the perspective of "The Anatomy of a Missionary Heart". Robert Conover, a former instructor at LABTS and a current Th.M. student at The Master's Seminary, stressed the importance of prayer in having a heart for missions. Utilizing Scripture (Eph. 6:18-20; Col. 4:2-4), his service as a missionary in Morocco and Jordan, and his regular contact with missionaries, he



Standing: Plumer Bryant, Ron Roberts, Jr. Michael Spencer

encouraged the students to be involved in missions through prayer. Jim Wilson, "a semiretired" missionary with Wycliffe Bible Translators (began

serving in 1954), challenged the students to use the resources that God has given them to advance the Kingdom.

The final chapel service emphasized the importance of going on short-term missions trips as an aid in becoming involved in

missions. Those in attendance were encouraged by the reports of current and former students who had gone on short-term missions trips. Through the agencies of Have Christ Will Travel, International Interns, Ambassadors Fellowship, and two local churches, students told of their experiences in Belize, Tijuana, Montserrat, the Seated: Leroy & Cassandra Grady; Linda Wiggins; Rudy Dolloso Philippines, and Nova Sco-

We are grateful to tia. Plumer Bryant, Rudy Dolloso, Leroy and Cassandra Grady, Ron Roberts, Jr., Michael Spencer, and Linda Wiggins for their excellent testimonies.

LABTS Announces Summer School 2004

Not ready for a summer break? Then set your heart to study the word of God during its Summer session. LABTS is pleased to announce it will be offering three classes during its Summer session. Classes will be held May 17 - June 7 (no class on Monday, May 31). Each class will meet three times a week on Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday, from 6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. New and returning students are eligible to take a class, but it should be kept in mind that a student is only allowed one absence since the class will

only have nine sessions.

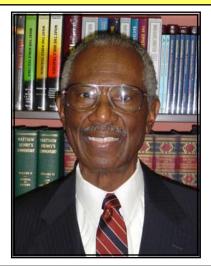
The courses that will be offered are Doctrine I (doctrines of the Scriptures, God, and the person and work of Jesus Christ), The Epistle of James, and I and II Thessalonians.

Registration for the Summer session will take place on Monday, April 26, and Thursday, April 29, from 5:30 p.m. to 6:45 p.m. The registration cost is 50.00 and is non-refundable. Enrolled students should be prepared to purchase textbooks

on the first night of class. LABTS is located at 2008 E. 87th Street. If you have questions regarding Summer School, please feel free to call the school at 323-588-3711.



Faculty Profile: Dr. George Moore



Birthday: March 21, 1932

Wife: Mae (married 51 years; December 31, 1952)

Children: 3 adult daughters (Carol Renee, Kathryn Louise, Joy Yvette)

Education: Diploma, Bible Institute of Los Angeles (BIOLA); B.A., Biola University; M.Div., Talbot Theological Seminary; Th. M., Talbot Theological Seminary; D.D., Hindustan Bible Institute & College (India)

Ministry Involvement: Teacher in local church; Director of Fishermen's Gospel Ministries

Hobbies/Interests: I enjoy teaching the word of God and have a great interest in overseas missions.

Courses taught at LABTS: Acts, I Corinthians, Revelation I, Pastoral Theology I & II

Favorite verse: 2 Corinthians 12:9 - "And He has said to me, 'My grace is sufficient for you, for power is perfected in weakness.' Most gladly, therefore, I will rather boast about my weaknesses, that the power of Christ may dwell in me."

Current church: Miracle Baptist Church in Los Angeles

Favorite Bible personality: My favorite Bible personality is the apostle Paul because of his steadfastness, humility, and obedience.

Words of encouragement for LABTS students: 1 Corinthians 15:58 - "Therefore, my beloved brethren, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that your toil is not [in] vain in the Lord."

LABTS News Briefs

Fun, Fellowship and Praise

On Saturday April 24th from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., the LABTS Alumni Association and Student Body will have a time of fun, fellowship and praise. This event will take place at Optimal Christian Academy, 1300 E. Palmer Street, Compton. If you are interested in attending, please contact the school office.

Spring Men's Bible Conference

Formerly known as the January Men's Bible Conference, the Spring Men's Bible Conference will take place April 30th and May 1st at Christ Temple Church in Los Angeles. The theme for the conference is the Great Commission. Scheduled speakers and workshop leaders are John MacArthur, Alex Montoya, George Moore, Rod Davis, Carl Hargrove, Calvin Sills, and Anthony Kidd. For further information call Westside Bible Church (310-410-9366) or LABTS.

Home-going of Frederick Arthur Ritterrath (1918-2004)

LABTS Board member Art Ritterrath went to be with the Lord on Thursday, March 18. Ritterrath, a retired Aerospace Engineer, began serving on the board in the late 1980s and just recently resigned due to illness. He was instrumental in establishing the initial computer systems used at the school and faithfully served for many years as the board's secretary. "We are of good courage, I say, and prefer rather to be absent from the body and to be at home with the Lord" (2 Corinthians 5:8).

Commencement 2004

The Faculty and the 24 students of the Graduating Class of 2004 invite you to attend its Commencement Exercises on Sunday afternoon, May 16, at 3:00 p.m. The speaker will be Dr. Ronald E. Roberts, Sr., who serves as the Senior Pastor at Baldwin Hills Baptist Church in Los Angeles.

A Word from the President Paul W. Felix

The mission of LABTS is to come alongside of local churches to train the people of God in the word of God that they might do the work of God. The primary way we accomplish this is by the conducting of classes throughout the school year. During 2003-2004 we have offered a total of 25 classes. It is our desire to expand upon that by offering 3 classes during the Summer.

Another way we accomplish our mission is by having our staff speak at various events sponsored by different local churches. As president, I count it a great privilege to minister in the local churches of our students. Just recently, I served as one of the speakers at the Citizens of Zion Missionary Baptist Church Men's Retreat. We had a marvelous time in Big Bear. I also had the opportunity to be a Guest Lecturer at the California Association of Ministers' Wives and Ministers' Widows 25th Annual Conference. I spoke on the subject of "African American Men and the Church".

Please feel free to invite one of our staff or several of them to come alongside of your church to help train God's people in His word. We are here to serve you. God's best to you!