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# UPDATE

• **Sports Roundup PG 2**

• **Your Campaign Opportunity PG 4**

• **Just Announced:**  
At press time, the Board of Governors announced Dr. Wm. McRae's appointment as chancellor for an initial three-year term, 1991 - 1994.

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## Seminary Expansion Started

by Krysia P. Lear

Space at last! On recommendation of its Campus Facilities Committee, the Board of Governors approved a \$2.4 million expansion of the Seminary. This will double the size of the Seminary to 22,000 sq. ft. and includes construction of a much-needed covered walkway to connect the Seminary to the College and residence building.

Lael Construction Co. Ltd. said it could start in mid-May and expected to finish by March 1992. The work will be done in two phases. After the new two-storey expansion is completed, renovations will be done to the present building to make it more functional.

Among the gains will be two more classrooms, a chapel, which can also be used as a classroom, a preaching lab, a student reading room, a board room, which can be used for seminars, more faculty offices (at present four OTS faculty work out of the College) and a faculty lounge.

Dr. Ian Rennie, vice-president and academic dean, OTS, says that with a total of seven class rooms the Seminary will be able to offer more courses in the part-time program, scheduled on Mondays and in the evenings.

A new student lounge, in the centre of the complex, will connect the new and old sections. The project architect is Gary Rankin of Deacon, Arnett, Murray and Rankin, Architects.

The Seminary expansion is the largest project of the Commitment to

Excellence campaign. Funds received have already been used for faculty and staff professional enhancement and to do the College retrofit. Phase one of the library expansion is also part of the campaign.

### Ground breaking

A ground breaking was scheduled for early afternoon on May 22nd in the courtyard. One disappointment was that, with the spring semester over, only a few students could be present for the ceremony.

At this point gifts and pledges to the campaign stand at \$3 million. J.D. Smith, chair of the campaign committee, said the past faithfulness of

professor at the College and another for Robert McClintock, a former board member. Other dedications will be made public in the future.

### Parking Lot Costs

Plans are not final on the driveway and parking lot. The Campus Facilities Committee is still investigating the requirements for paving an expanded parking lot, after getting initial estimates of between \$500,000 and \$600,000. The Committee, under the direction of chair, John Love, will bring back a recommendation at a later date; it had been hoped that work might commence this summer. Certainly for staff, faculty, students and frequent

visitors, pavement will be a welcome relief from the potholes and the sea of mud in wet weather.

Commitment  
to  
Excellence

Total Needed \$3,750,000  
Gifts and Pledges \$3,000,000  
Still to Go \$ 750,000

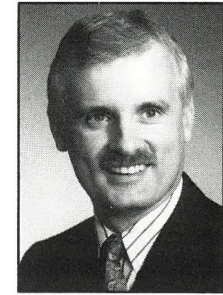
supporters in fulfilling pledges gave him confidence that those with outstanding pledges would continue to do the same.

At the same time, to cover the total needs, another \$750,000 must be raised. All involved in the campaign are grateful for the generosity of OBC/OTS friends. This spring one donor alone committed himself to giving \$400,000.

Some supporters have taken the opportunity to commemorate family or friends. The chapel will be named for Dr. Stewart Boehmer, former president and chancellor, and one class room will be named for William Crump, a former

## Acting President Announced

With Dr. McRae moving on May 31 to the position of vice-chancellor, the Board of Governors has appointed Bruce Gordon acting president effective June 1, 1991. He will continue to carry his responsibilities as vice-president,



Bruce Gordon

administration and finance. As acting president, he will co-ordinate all administrative duties and chair Cabinet meetings.

An active search for a new president is still under way; the Presidential Search Committee

comprises the Board's Executive Committee and the vice-presidents of OBC and OTS respectively.

At that same May 3rd meeting, the Board announced it would host an evening reception to honour Dr. and Mrs. McRae on May 27. All faculty, staff, Board and Corporation members, with their spouses and friends, were invited to this special event.

## Graduation Highlights

The culmination of the academic year for both schools is graduation, with its ceremony and joy.

This year the College held its service April 27th at a new location, Agincourt Pentecostal Church, Scarborough, ON. A crowd of nearly 1275 celebrated with the 69 degree and diploma graduates.

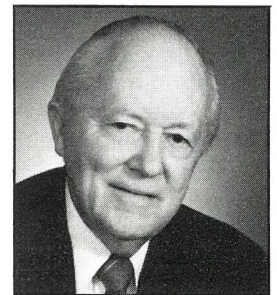
Bachelor of Religious Education 43  
Bachelor of Religious Studies 15  
Bachelor of Theology 8  
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Each year the faculty asks students, who have contributed academically and in Christian character, to share their testimonies. At the graduation service, Andrew Stringer, BTh, and Jennifer Matheson, BRS, spoke, while at Baccalaureate (the last chapel of the year) on April 17, Lynn Pomery, BRE, and Phil Ulrich, BTh, shared some of their personal journey.

Both Andrew and Jennifer were nominated to the Honor Society of the American Association of Bible Colleges.

Rev. Brian Stiller, executive director of the Evangelical Fellowship of Canada, challenged the graduates to use the personality God has given them, because today many leadership styles

## Dr. Stewart Boehmer



A great servant of the Lord remembered: memoriam page 3.

are possible.

That evening, though, one student couldn't make the ceremony. Ken Driedger, BRE, was with his wife Dawne at a local hospital as she gave birth to a baby daughter at 8:00 p.m.

### Seminary Service

The Seminary graduation was May 11th at nearby Bayview Glen Alliance Church. This year 74 graduated from the three programs.

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## Reorganization at OBC This Summer

by Dr. Robert Duez

In order to give better service to students, several changes will be implemented at the College in the summer of 1991.

### Admissions Streamlined

After reviewing the previously separate recruitment and admissions procedures, the College decided to combine them, so students only have to work with one department from their initial contact until their arrival here. During the spring a newly formed Admissions' Committee revised the admissions process, and the application forms. Stephen Thomson, now has responsibility for the new department. Previously, the Registrar's office supervised the admissions program.

Student Financial Aid will also move from the Community Life Department to Admissions. With this streamlining students will receive acceptance sooner and the new student enrollment should increase.

### Extension Ed Amalgamated

In another move, the Extension Education Department will be integrated with the Day School.

To facilitate service, all registration will be conducted out of one location -- the former day school office. Glenn Wyper continues as the OBC registrar and Shirley Brush, formerly registrar of Evening School, will become assistant registrar. Glenn will have responsibility for full-time students and Shirley for part-time students.

Dr. Robert Duez will no longer serve as vice-president, Extension Education. He will assume responsibilities for the Independent Study Program at the credit level and will return to the class room on a full-time basis.

### Music Program Modified

The Bachelor of Sacred Music program is being suspended due to lack of funds. No new students will be accepted for the immediate future, unless they have advanced standing in music and can complete the program with the courses offered.

The College will continue to offer a three-year Music major in the Bachelor of Religious Education. Students may also choose a four-year joint major combining Church Music with a focus on Christian Education, Missions, Pastoral Studies or Youth Ministries.

Dr. Robert Duez is acting vice-president and academic dean, OBC. He happily looks forward to shifting his emphasis from administration to teaching.



Standing are some of the 57 OBC one-year Certificate students as they are recognized for their achievement at the Baccalaureate service.

## Budget Passed

At its May 3rd meeting the Board of Governors approved the '91-'92 operating budget. The Cabinet has planned conservatively and the increase, even taking into account inflation, is only 1% over last year's revised budget. Among the cuts made to accomplish this, were those to the library budget and to the number of support staff positions.

## A Safe Recovery

Staff and faculty gave thanks in April for the safe recovery of Grant Gordon, OTS Director of Field Education, from major surgery. A few weeks earlier the possibilities were less certain, when it seemed he might have cancer.

## Ontario Prayer Breakfast

Sel Belsler, a member of the Board of Governors, was guest speaker at the May 1 Ontario Prayer Breakfast held at the Royal York Hotel, Toronto.

## Ordination Record

On March 23, four grads and students of OBC/OTS, were ordained at North York Chinese Baptist Church, North York, ON. Kaman Chan, BRE '85, Richard Choy, BTh '86, Michael Lau, BTh '83, and Kelvin Luong, MDiv '81. Michael, who is pastor of the thriving congregation using the OBC chapel for worship services, is working on his MDiv, as is Kaman.

## Application Deadlines

Remember the deadlines for applications for new students are August 15 for OBC and OTS.

## OBC Well-Represented By Athletes



PHOTO BY YEARBOOK STAFF

'90-'91 Women's Volleyball Team. At back left coach Steve Wilson, OCCAC Tournament MVP Leslie Snooks beside Steve and team MVP Lesley Kelso at back far right.

by Steve Wilson

The 1990-91 Athletic Program at Ontario Bible College culminated in the annual Sports Banquet on April 17 capping a fine season for all our events, teams and athletes.

For the first time in recent history, only full-time students were eligible to participate on our varsity teams. Although it significantly reduced the number of potential players and, perhaps, the calibre of our teams, the new standard reinforced our priority that all our athletes are first and foremost students. It also keeps OBC consistent with the standards of the other colleges and universities against whom we may compete.

The Ontario Christian College Athletic Conference (OCCAC) began its second season of operation with men and women's volleyball. OBC fielded two quality teams with the men's being one of the strongest in years. However, they could only manage a third place finish in the championships after finishing the regular season in second spot.

It was the women, with seven freshmen on the team, who surprised many observers and won their second consecutive OCCAC title. Led by veterans Leslie Snooks and Lesley Kelso, they defeated Redeemer College 3-1 in the championship match.

The basketball and hockey teams, after practising hard in the fall semester, kicked into full gear in January. Their dedication did not result in any more OCCAC championships, but the benefits were far greater elsewhere. Both basketball teams and the hockey team played against non-Christian teams and showed strong Christian character, even in defeat. In one game, the hockey team lost 13-3, but the opposition's coach remarked on the positive impact the OBC team had on his players.

Other highlights included Caroline Hoffmann winning the women's singles title at the OCCAC Badminton Championships; exciting new events in the intramural program such as beach (two-person teams) volleyball and softball; and the selection of Hugh Morrison and Caroline Hoffmann as Students-Athletes of the Year.

We are seeking sponsors for our teams to help defray costs and enable the teams to enter local leagues. Plans also include re-introducing the OBC golf tournament and promoting Alumni vs OBC volleyball, basketball and hockey games. The OCCAC will continue to grow and develop with Eastern Pentecostal Bible College entering the conference in 1991-92.

Steve Wilson is OBC Director of Student Activities

## OBC Homecoming October 19. See You There

Reunions for Classes of

'46, '51, '56, '61, '66, '71, '76, '81, '86 Golden Milers 1941

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Wm. J. McRae, DMin  
 President, OBC/OTS

## Prayer for the Future

I think I would be forgiven if in my last editorial as president and editor-in-chief I were to engage in a little reminiscing, but I have never been much for that. Rather, I would like to share with you my prayer for the future of the College and Seminary.

*Thank you, Lord, for your faithfulness in the past and for your promises for the future. Thank you sincerely, for being our guide.*

*Lord, many times over the last eight years you have reminded me that these are your schools; at stake is the honour of your name, not ours; ultimately the responsibility is yours, not ours; the students are yours, not ours.*

*Therefore, O Lord, I humbly pray that you will open the windows of heaven so that the blessing will be more than we can contain.*

*More specifically though, Father, I pray that your Word shall always be the first word and the last word in every aspect of our faith and life. I pray that our Board shall more and more be men and women of vision, faith and courage. O God, give us faculty members who are growing in their commitment to godliness and servanthood. Thank you, Lord, for staff who serve so faithfully and sacrificially; may their number increase.*

*And, Lord, bring to us more and more students with a great sense of the call of God, and a commitment to serve their God and their generation. May their leadership expand your kingdom on earth.*

As I enter my new role as vice-chancellor and minister-at-large with OBC/OTS, I dedicate myself to be used by the Lord in whatever ways He may wish in the answering of this prayer. Won't you join me too!

Thank you for your partnership in every way.



## A SHATTERED VISAGE: THE REAL FACE OF ATHEISM

Ravi Zacharias (Tennessee: Wolgemuth & Hyatt Publishers, Inc., 1990, 205 pp, \$12.95).

*A Shattered Visage* contrasts atheistic and theistic approaches to human existence. First the author examines the deficiencies of an atheistic world-view and then explores the merits of a theistic world-view.

Drawing upon varied illustrations from philosophy and literature, Ravi Zacharias, BTh '72, cogently challenges the atheistic perspective. He writes that the affirmation of the non-existence of God faces four hurdles which cannot be overcome:

- If there is no God, the question of origins has no explanation. No intelligent reason for morality can be established.
- If there is no God, no intelligent reason for morality can be established. On atheistic assumptions no basis for right or wrong behaviour can be espoused.

- If there is no God, there are no grounds for affirming the meaningfulness of existence. The death of God and the death of meaning go hand in hand.
- If there is no God, all hope for existence beyond the grave is eliminated. The best atheism can offer is silence about human destiny or an argument for ultimate nothingness.

Having established his case, the author proceeds to present a positive case for a theistic base for existence, morality, meaning and hope. A very convincing apologetic is given for theism over atheism as being more cohesive intellectually and more meaningful existentially.

In this short volume, Ravi Zacharias has grappled with the great questions facing humankind. He argues his case in a compelling manner, reflecting a good blend of mental clarity and spiritual fervour. This volume is recommended for stretching your thinking and strengthening your faith.

*Dr. Robert Duez is acting vice-president and academic dean, OBC.*

*During the year, John Franklin, chair of the Department of General Arts, OBC, co-ordinates Ex Libris.*

## Dreams Come True

by Susan Tucker Braid

Two childhood dreams have been fulfilled for Lorna Arndt, business office supervisor, during her 30 years of working at OBC/OTS. She wanted to use math, and to teach. Math is essential in her often hidden accounting ministry and teaching is her avocation. She consults for Scripture Press and serves as Sunday School superintendent at Calvary Associated Gospel Church, Toronto.

Over the years she has seen many changes, but says "There is an excitement in experiencing God's provision in very trying circumstances. The move to this massive building from the cramped quarters on Spadina is one example."

Lorna expresses gratitude for the support she has felt from staff and faculty, and each of the board chairmen. She also appreciates the lasting friendships made within the department.



Lorna Arndt (left) with business office staff Anne McLean, Liane Richardson, and Anita Harvey.

PHOTO BY YEARBOOK STAFF

## Special Needs Program First Grad

As OBC's first student to complete the Special Needs major run jointly with Humber College, Cheryl Mazurk found the program gave her a way to develop personally and professionally.

This April, she graduated with a Bachelor of Religious Education degree from OBC and completed the requirements for the Developmental Services Worker diploma from Humber.

Cheryl's desire to work with those who are developmentally delayed goes back a long way. Her mother Joan once babysat a little girl who was handicapped and her father David is now in this field as Director of Christian Horizons in Bracebridge, ON.

In fact she originally came to OBC for a one-year Certificate intending to go elsewhere for D.S.W. studies. But a new program in this specialty meant that Cheryl could register in the first Special Needs class in 1988. Vito Mezzapelli started in that class too; he graduated with his BRE and is completing his D.S.W. internship.

In the preceding year, Beth Posterski, OBC co-ordinator for the Special Needs major, had acted on a request by Christian Horizons for a new program. Officials had said they liked to hire OBC students for their group homes because of their ministry perspective and compassion, but felt they needed

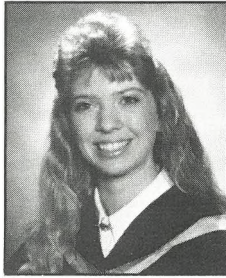


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specialized training.

Drawing on the model of the cooperative program she had developed earlier with Seneca College in Early Childhood Studies, Beth worked out a program with Humber at its Etobicoke, ON, Lakeshore Campus.

After two years of study at OBC, upon recommendation of the College, students are accepted at Humber for their third year. In 1991, 10 OBC students will start at Humber and another 10 are expected to start in 1992. At Humber they will take selected D.S.W. courses during the fall and winter semesters in a module designed for OBC students.

Finally a practicum is scheduled for April through July. But Cheryl pushed to complete it by the end of April.

And on the Monday after graduation she was putting her training to work as an instructor in an adult development program.

Both OBC and Humber speak highly of the joint relationship. Cheryl said, "All the instructors were helpful." Seaton Lewin, Humber's co-ordinator of D.S.W., commented, "I think [the program] is working exceptionally well."

Taking a BRE enabled Cheryl to fulfil her personal desire to make her Christian beliefs concrete.

## Teaming Up, Reaching Out

Dr. Tat-Kwan Wong and his identical twin Dr. Tat-Ying Wong are just two of a number of OTS students who make room in packed business and professional lives for graduate studies.

Tat-Kwan and Tat-Ying share a family

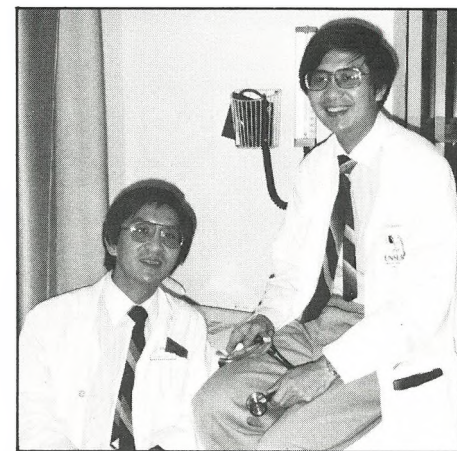
practice with two other physicians in Downsview, a residential area of Toronto. Another high priority for the brothers is contributing as part of a 15-person ministry team to help Grace Gospel (AGC) Church grow.

Last year they were among a group of 80 sent out by Chinese Gospel Church of Toronto to plant a Chinese AGC congregation in mid-town Toronto near Yonge Street and Eglinton Avenue. The church, which meets in a public school, has grown to between 110-120 mainly through evangelism.

The brothers started in the MTS program in 1987. Tat-Ying graduated in 1990 and is now working part-time on his MDiv. At this point Tat-Kwan, who is graduating this year, is not sure he wants to team up with his brother on that venture. He claims a few reservations about tackling Greek or Hebrew for an MDiv.

But he says, at OTS both he and his brother fulfilled their goals of getting to know God better, and of equipping themselves to serve the Lord effectively in their work and churches.

Combining family life, medical practice, studies, and ministry is "tough," says Tat-Kwan, but he asserts "You really get to experience God's provision and God's grace." Tat-Kwan recalled one example of God coming through for them: on one occasion around exams,



Brothers in ministry: on the chair Tat-Kwan Wong and on the table Tat-Ying Wong.

their practice slowed down for two weeks and they could prepare properly.

He particularly appreciates the practical nature of his program. His four counselling courses help in dealing with patients, and the Bible and theology courses have made both brothers better teachers, preachers and leaders.

Jim Tam, an assistant pastor with Chinese Gospel Church, describes the brothers as key leaders in Grace Church. Tat-Kwan, himself, credits Jim's effective leadership for guiding the Grace team. Jim graduated this year with his MDiv.

In spite of all his accomplishments, Tat-Kwan insists with genuine humility that "What has happened in my life is all of God's grace."

## Graduation *continued from pg. 1*

The faculty asked graduates Michael Wilkins, MDiv, and Alan Goh, MDiv, to give the valedictory addresses. Michael followed a precedent as his father Rev. Robert Wilkins, gave his testimony at the OBC (London) graduation in 1966. Bob is now associate executive minister of the division of Shared Ministry of the Baptist Convention of Ontario and Quebec.

Last year, Mike and his wife Pamela, who has taken a number of courses for audit, won the Watkin Roberts Memorial Fellowship in Missions and Development, given by the Christian Children's Fund of Canada. As a result,

they did research work in Sri Lanka last summer investigating the recipients' participation in development projects.

Their findings showed, among other things, that participation increased the recipients' sense of ownership in the project, their sense of community and self-esteem.

This year Alan won the Joseph McDermott Scholarship in Evangelism. Alan also has a family connection with OBC; his brother Victor, BTh '89, is a grad and now serves on the pastoral staff of Toronto Chinese Methodist Church. In his last year Alan gave leadership as Chair of the OTS student council missions committee.

## OBC/OTS ALUMNI KEEPING IN TOUCH

### BIRTHS

Sean Wesley Eric to Gary (BTh '87) & Cindy (nee Latford, '83-'85) Harvey, April 29, 1990, Toronto

Leigha May Caroline to Ralph (Cert. '85) & Cheryl Matthews, September 15, 1990

Adam James to Fred (BTh '84) & Sandra (BSM '86) Broad, October 24, 1990, Toronto

Matthew Alan Thomas to Rod (BRE '88) & Sherry (nee Lewis, BRE '88) Gauthier, December 5, 1990, Toronto

Elijah Kay-Lok & Evangel Kay-Wai to William (MDiv '89) & Margaret Wong, January 13, 1991, Montreal, PQ

Joanna Raye to Stephen (Cert. '85) & Patricia (nee Cosman, BRE '85) Moss, March 13, 1991, Oshawa, ON

Sarah Michele to Kevin & Michele (nee Smith, Cert. '87) Shutt, March 16, 1991, Cobourg, ON

Reid to Brian (MDiv '90) & Lynn Armstrong, March 25, 1991, New Liskeard, ON

Kirstyn Lauren to Michael (MDiv '85) & Brigitte (nee Weidlich, BSM '83) Krause, April 5, 1991, Toronto

Daniel Gerhard to Dave (BRE '90) & Sandy (nee Omstead, '80-'81) Klauke, April 17, 1991 in Holland Landing, ON

### MARRIAGES

Brian Horrobin, MDiv '89, to Ruth Thomson, October 6, 1990 Windsor, ON

Roxanne Menezes, BRE '87, to Robert Grego, March 19, 1991, Costa Rica

Marvin Penner, BRS '90, to Colleen MacLeod, BRE '90, March 30, 1991, London, ON

Jim Sanderson, MDiv '89, to Jennifer Paterson, April 27, 1991, Ingersoll, ON

John Tsang, MDiv '91, to Karmie Tsim, May 4, 1991, Scarborough, ON

### DEATHS

Walter Zimmerman, '46-'47, March 24, 1990, Oshawa, ON

Inez A. Davey, '35, January 9, 1991, Toronto

Erma Voelzing, '56, February 1991, Toronto

Harold McIldoon, '38, April 1991, Toronto

### PASTORAL

Mark Banyard, MDiv '87, church planting at Oakville Alliance Church, Oakville, ON

Bruce Barber, MTS '86, resigned and will complete ministry at First Missionary Church in Pembroke, ON, June, 1991; then going with Operation Mobilization

Peter Bongers, MDiv '90, ordained on May 19, 1991, Oshweken Baptist Church, Oshweken, ON

Andy Ching, MTS '82, pastor of the Chinese Christian Alliance Church, Northridge, CA

Maureen Chung, MTS '84, assistant pastor of the Hallelujah Chinese Evangelical Free Church, Scarborough, ON

Dr David Donovan, MDiv '90, ordained January 1991, Danforth Baptist Church, Toronto

Terry Dorey, Cert. '78, minister of Christian Education, Wortley Baptist Church, London, ON

J. Paul Francis, MDiv '88, church planting with the Mennonite Brethren in Halifax, NS as of June 1991

Phil Holbrook, MTS '90, associate pastor for Youth and Education at White Rock Baptist Church, White Rock, BC

Paul Johansen, MDiv '87, ordained April 21, Good Shepherd Community Church, Agincourt, ON, serves there as associate pastor

James Jong, MDiv '88, youth pastor of the Korean Philadelphia Presbyterian Church, Vancouver, BC

### MISSIONS

Michael Krause, MDiv '85, leaving The Stone Church, Toronto, to pastor Church on the Street, Toronto, as of June 9, 1991

Johnathan Lee, MTS '89, assistant pastor of the Toronto Chinese Pentecostal Church

Stephen Lindsay, MDiv '89, ordained April 21, 1991, pastoring Knox Presbyterian Church, Teeswater, ON and nearby Kinlock Presbyterian Church

Chris Little, MDiv '89, pastor of Innerkip Presbyterian Church, Innerkip, ON

Stephen Semple, MTS '82, pastor of Kenmuir Baptist Church, Mississauga

Roger Smith, MTS '88, ordained April 28, 1991 at Immanuel Baptist Church, Toronto

Brian Stewart, MDiv '91, ordained April 27, 1991 at Alta Vista Baptist Church, Ottawa, ON

John Tsang, MDiv '91, assistant pastor of youth ministry, Scarborough Chinese Baptist Church, Scarborough, ON

Ron Unruh, MDiv '81, resigned from Wishing Well Acres Baptist Church, Toronto, and accepted a call to Cloverdale Baptist Church, Surrey, BC

Mark, (MDiv '88), and Isobel (nee Wilson, BRE '82) Wagner, officers at the Salvation Army Citadel in Lower Sackville, NS

Paul White, MDiv '79, associate pastor of the Toronto Vineyard Christian Fellowship

Donald Wonnacott, MDiv '89, pastor of the Onondaga-Salt Springs Community Church near Brantford, ON

Alan Yip, MDiv '88, pastoring at Toronto Chinese Community Church

Hitty (Cert '91) and Pearl Banerjee returned to their homeland, India. Hitty is administrator of the Calcutta Bible Institute, where about 30,000 Hindus and Muslims are enrolled in correspondence courses

Robert Brown, MTS '84, with International Missions in Kisumu, Kenya, pastoring a multi-racial congregation

Alan Dick, MTS '79, headmaster of the Canadian Overseas Secondary School, Hong Kong

Robert & Roxanne (nee Menezes, BRE '87) Grego serving with Latin America Mission in children's ministries

Michael Lessard-Clouston, MTS '89, teaching English for the summer in China

Paul Webber, BRE '87, involved with youth ministry and teaching English with The Voice of Mission in Japan

Janice Webster, BTh '88, working with Student Mission Advance, Hamilton, ON

Lynne Westwood, MTS '87, on sabbatical/leave from May 1991 to April 1992. Will be working at InterVarsity Christian Fellowship's Christian Conference Centre in Austria

Sharon Chapman, MTS '82, chaplain at Whitby General Hospital, Whitby, ON

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Correction: Ivan Franck, received an MDiv in '89

## In Memoriam

The death, by meningococemia, of two-year-old Emily Philpott has touched many hearts. It happened in Niger, where her parents, Jane, a physician and a former student at OTS, and Paul ("Pep"), MTS '88, were working with SIM International.

On March 11 she woke up with a fever and died that day before her parents could reach the nearest hospital. The next day she was buried. Her seven-month old sister, Bethany had also come down with a fever on the 11th, and on the 13th the family flew to Toronto where Bethany could be cared

## Dr. Stewart Boehmer

For 41 years Dr. Stewart L. Boehmer, past president of OBC and chancellor of OBC/OTS, gave distinguished service to the schools, making an outstanding contribution to the growth of the College in particular.

On Saturday May 18, 1991, at Toronto East General Hospital he went to be with the Lord. He leaves his wife Evelyn and two sons and daughters-in-law, Dr. Fred and Vida of Brandon, Fla., and Jim (a member of the OBC/OTS Corporation) and Faye of Unionville, ON. He is lovingly remembered by them, by his grandchildren, great-grandchildren and by his many friends.

The family asked Dr. McRae to speak at the private service held Tuesday, May 21. A public memorial was held May 23, at Calvary (AGC) Church, Toronto, which Dr. Boehmer pastored before coming to the College as president in 1963.

Prior to assuming the presidency he had served from 1950 - 1963 on the Advisory Council and Board of Governors of Toronto Bible College. During most of this period he also served on the Board of Governors of London

## Emily Philpott

for if complications arose.

A memorial service was held for Emily at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Hespeler, ON, March 24. Dr. John Vissers and Dr. David Sherbino, with their wives, attended on behalf of the OTS family.

Jane and Paul are grateful to God for His comfort during their time of bereavement and concern. Bethany has stabilized and is doing very well now. They plan to return to the mission field in July.

*With information from SIM International*

College of Bible and Missions, London, ON. It was largely through his vision and initiative that the two colleges merged to form Ontario Bible College in 1968.

He was accepted unanimously as president of the new institution. After his resignation in 1974, the Board of Governors appointed him as the College's first chancellor and that of the Seminary when it was founded in 1976. As chancellor he officiated at many convocations and graduations, and continued to encourage staff, faculty and students.

Former faculty colleagues and students remember his warm-hearted nature and strong spiritual leader. A challenge he liked to give in chapel still rings true: "Let us not be recreant to our calling or to our task."

In introducing chapel speakers, he often said that there was no greater honour that could be bestowed than to call the person "a servant of the living God."

Dr. Stewart L. Boehmer was truly such a servant.



# Calendar of Events

All events take place on the Bayview Campus unless otherwise indicated. For further information on any events listed here, call 416/226-6380.

- September 5** OBC and OTS registrations for new full and part-time students for fall semester
- September 6** OTS and OBC registrations for returning full-time students
- September 9** OTS registration for returning part-time students
- September 9, 10, 12** OBC evening classes registration
- September 11** OBC and OTS Convocation
- September 16 - 20** OBC Spiritual Life Conference
- October 2** OTS Day of Prayer
- October 16** OBC Day of Prayer
- October 19** OBC Homecoming
- October 22** OTS Reach the City Conference Dr. David Lyon from the Department of Sociology, Queen's University, Kingston, ON

## OBC Theatrical Company Dramatizes Gospel

At the closing of the school year, the OBC Theatrical Company did seven well-received performances of St. John's Gospel. Two of these done in the OBC chapel for youth groups drew nearly 200 each night.

*St. John's Gospel*, adapted by noted English playwright Murray Watts, brought the joys and drama of Scripture alive in a high-energy mixture of humour, fantasy and realism.

The 10-member company, formed just this year, took on many tasks from playing multiple parts in the drama to organizing props and publicity. Nick Hunter, who taught a drama course in each of the fall and spring semesters, directed this production. Nick is known to many for his work with his wife Joy in their own company, Down to Earth.

John Franklin, chair of the Department of General Arts, called the project a "smashing success" and also enthused about the personal growth that students experience when they engage in this type of creative expression.

Nick Hunter will teach again next year and direct another touring piece.

## College Groups Tour

During March 1 - 10, 1991 two OBC teams toured in Southern Ontario.

John Bell, co-ordinator, Music majors, led the 34-voice choir on a tour of the Windsor, Sarnia, and Chatham areas, where a team has not been for some time. Some young people decided to attend Experience OBC (two days for high school students to visit OBC) because of the tour ministry.

Sharon Bell, adjunct music faculty, took the ministry team, made up of the octet and drama team through Brantford, Woodstock, London and Wyoming, up to Owen Sound and Shallow Lake, and then through Listowel, Stratford and Kitchener.

The group's main drama piece offers a powerful presentation of the death and resurrection of Christ. The music enhances this and ties the other dramatic pieces together. During the tour Colin Day, the student drama leader, spoke clearly of the choice we all must make for Jesus Christ; God granted a response to his first altar call.

The drama group and six members of the octet undertook a two-week tour at the end of April and beginning of May in New Brunswick and Nova Scotia with two stops in Quebec.

Adapted from a report by Sharon Bell.

## Faculty and Staff Notes

### PUBLICATIONS

**Dr. Kevin Quast**, OTS professor of New Testament, an article in *The Canadian Baptist*, March 1991, "Saying 'Yes' to Easter and 'No' to Christ" (1 Corinthians 15:1-23).

### OFF-CAMPUS

**Mr. Paul Friesen**, OBC part-time faculty, presented a paper on April 19, at the American Academy of Religion (North-Eastern Conference), University of Toronto.

**Dr. Grant Gordon**, OTS director of Field Education, presents a paper on June 28, at a Baptist History Conference in Regent's Park College, Oxford, England.

**Dr. Robert Hiebert**, OBC professor of Old Testament, spoke on April 29, at the Toronto Jewish Mission on "The New World Order."

**Dr. Roy Matheson**, OTS professor of New Testament, presented a paper on the demonic during April and May to various groups, among them the National Association of Christian Social Workers, Peterborough Evangelical Fellowship, Kitchener-Waterloo Evangelical Ministerial, Credit Valley Fellowship Baptist Ministerial, all in Ontario, and to Skyline Acres Baptist Church, Fredericton, NB.

**Dr. Ian Rennie**, OTS vice-president and academic dean, presented a paper, April 3, on "The Canadian Church: Responses to Secularization" at the Evangelical Fellowship of Canada's Conference on Secularization and Pluralism, Geneva Park, Orillia, ON.

On April 11, he participated in a class on Evangelical Anglicanism at Wycliffe College, Toronto; spoke at Yorkminster Park Baptist Church, Toronto, on "Where in Church History Are We?" on April 24; and on May 24, spoke on "Trends of Satanic Attack on North American Christians" at Scarborough Chinese Baptist Church, Scarborough, ON.

**Dr. Stephen Roy**, OTS registrar, spoke May 4, at the Leadership Renewal Conference, Chinese Presbyterian Church, Toronto.

**Dr. David Sherbino**, OTS professor of Pastoral Studies, conducted a retreat for St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Scarborough, ON, May 10 - 12. He was a commissioner to the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in Canada, Barrie, ON, from June 2 - 8. He speaks, June 14 - 16, at a family retreat, St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, Ottawa.

**Dr. John Unger**, OBC professor of Christian Education, spoke, April 21, at Bayview Glen Alliance Church, Thornhill, ON.

**Dr. John Vissers**, OTS professor of Theology, spoke to the Presbytery of Bruce-Maitland, May 14 on "The Church in The Postmodern World"; May 30 - 31, he chaired meetings of the Canadian Evangelical Theological Association, Kingston, ON.

### PASSAGES

**Mr. John Bell**, OBC co-ordinator, Music majors, will be acting chair for the Department of Ministry Studies during the '91 - '92 academic year.

**Dr. Gary Bredfeldt**, chair, OBC Department of Ministry Studies, begins chairing the Christian Education Department at Moody Bible Institute August 1, 1991. He graduates June 1991, from the EdD program at Trinity Evangelical Divinity School with a focus in academic administration.

**Mrs. Beth Posterski**, OBC co-ordinator, Early Childhood Studies major and Special Needs Ministries major, has completed 5 years of ministry. During '91 - '92 she will be on sabbatical, studying for her EdD at the Ontario Institute for Studies in Education.

Recognition for 5 years of service also goes to **Mrs. Lynn Smith**, OTS dean of students.

Completing 10 years of service are **Miss Charlotte Church**, OBC/OTS library technician, and **Dr. Ebenezer Sikakane**, OBC co-ordinator, Missions focus.

**Dr. Roy Matheson** has served at OBC and OTS for a total of 21 years.



## CONTINUING EDUCATION



For further information on continuing education programs, contact the OBC or OTS registrar (416/226-6380).

### Ontario Theological Seminary

#### SUMMER SESSION

Acceptance for new students must be completed by August 1, 1991

**August 5 - 16, 1991, Monday - Friday 9:30 a.m. - noon and 2:00 - 4:00 p.m.**  
*New Testament Introduction 522 (4)* Kevin Quast, professor of New Testament, OTS

**9:30 a.m. - noon**  
*The Old Testament in Its Ancient Near Eastern World 813 (2)* David Baker, professor of Old Testament, Ashland Theological Seminary  
*Teaching and Preaching the Parables of Luke's Gospel 825 (2)* Gerald Griffiths, former pastor, Calvary Church, Toronto

**2:00 - 4:00 p.m.**  
*The Johannine Epistles 826 (2)* Mariano DiGangi, pastor, Knox Presbyterian Church, Toronto

**7:00 - 9:00 p.m.**  
*Christology: Developing a Passion for Christ 832 (2)* Douglas Webster, lecturer in Theology

#### BUILD YOUR FAITH

Acceptance for new students must be completed by August 15, 1991

**August 19 - 23, 1991, Monday - Friday 9:00 a.m. - noon**  
*The Holy Spirit in the Pauline Literature 827 (1)* Gordon Fee, professor of New Testament, Regent College, Vancouver, BC

**2:00 - 4:00 p.m.**  
*Issues of Two-Thirds World Christianity 887 (1)* William Wan, interim pastor, Chinese Community Church, Washington, D.C.  
*The Church in a Pluralistic Society 883 (1)* Robert Roxburgh, lecturer in Pastoral Studies, OTS

**7:00 - 9:00 p.m.**  
*Prayer Paths to God 847 (1)* Charles Nienkirchen, director, King's Fold Retreat Centre, Cochrane, AB (only 30 admitted)  
*Evangelism in a Pluralistic Society 888 (1)* Donald Posterski, vice-president, National Programs, World Vision Canada

### Ontario Bible College

#### FALL SEMESTER CREDIT COURSES

**September 9 - December 12 Monday 6:30 - 9:30 p.m.**  
*Introduction to Psychology SOSC 0351 (3)* Timothy Quek  
*Children's Literature CHED 0202 (3)* Linda Cameron  
*The Theology of Paul THEO 0323 (3)* Erwin Penner

**Tuesday 9:00 - 11:50 a.m.**  
*Canadian Literature II LITR 0274 (3)* Elizabeth Davey  
*Marriage & the Family CHED 0302 (3)* John Unger  
*Integrative Theology I THEO 0321 (3)* Robert Duez  
*Genesis: A Study of Origins BIBL 0303 (3)* Rob Hiebert

**2:00 - 4:50 p.m.**  
*Modern Cults MISS 0302 (3)* TBA  
*Western Thought and Culture PHIL 0105 (3)* John Franklin  
*Children's Music and Movement MUSC 0205/CHED 0205 (3)* TBA

**6:30 - 9:30 p.m.**  
*Adult & Family Ministry CHED 0209 (3)* John Unger  
*Understanding the Old Testament I BIBL 0101 (3)* Rob Hiebert  
*Contemporary Perspectives on Women SOSC 0382 (3)* Elizabeth Davey  
*Children's Ministry CHED 0203 (3)* Joanne Leggatt  
*Understanding Child Abuse CHED 0200 (1)* Francey McKenzie

**Thursday 6:30 - 9:30 p.m.**  
*Understanding the New Testament I BIBL 0103 (3)* Stephen Thomson

#### FALL SEMESTER

**September 9 - December 5, 1991 Monday 9:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.**  
*Critical Youth Issues 593 (4)* John Wilkinson, professor of Youth Ministry, OTS  
*History of Christianity I 561 (4)* Wing-Hung Lam, professor of Church history, OTS  
*Christianity and Chinese Culture 501 (4)* Milton Wan, professor of Theology and director, Chinese ministry program, OTS  
*Christian Ethics 535 (4)* James Beverley, professor of Theology and Ethics, OTS

**2:00 - 5:00 p.m.**  
*Old Testament Theology and History 511 (4)* Donald Leggett, professor of Old Testament, OTS  
*Theology of Culture 731 (4)* Brian Walsh, lecturer in Theology  
*Historical Theology 536 (4)* John Vissers, professor of Theology, OTS  
*Exegesis of Hebrews (Greek text) 724 (4)* Roy Matheson, professor of New Testament, OTS

**6:30 - 9:30 p.m.**  
*Exegetical Method I 523 (4)* Kevin Quast, professor of New Testament, OTS  
*Pastoral Care and Crisis Intervention 741 (4)* David Sherbino, professor of Pastoral Studies, OTS  
*Ministry in an Urban Context I 787 (4)* Rick Tobias, lecturer in Urban Ministry  
*Systematic Theology I 531 (4)* John Vissers, professor of Theology, OTS

**Tuesday 6:30 - 9:30 p.m.**  
*Adolescent Development and Culture 591 (4)* John Wilkinson, professor of Youth Ministry, OTS  
*Missionary Anthropology 685 (4)* Irving Whitt, professor of Missiology, OTS  
*Romans 622 (4)* Roy Matheson, professor of New Testament, OTS  
*History of Christianity in Canada 662 (4)* Ian Rennie, professor of Church History, OTS

**Thursday 6:30 - 9:30 p.m.**  
*Elementary Greek I 321 (4)* Harry Hahne, lecturer in New Testament, OTS

*Ethical Studies PHIL 0333 (3)* John Franklin  
*Gospel of Matthew: Taught by Jesus BIBL 0207 (3)* Robert Duez  
*Cultural Anthropology MISS 0201/SOSC 0201 (3)* Ebenezer Sikakane

#### DIPLOMA COURSES

##### PART I September 10 - October 17

**Tuesday 7:30 - 9:30 p.m.**  
*Deuteronomy* Gordon Stephens  
*Life in the Kingdom of Heaven: What our Future Holds* Ken Quick  
*How Then Shall We Grow? Biblical Foundation for Spiritual Growth and Discipleship* Warren Lai

**Thursday 7:30 - 9:30 p.m.**  
*Acts* James Vold  
*Develop a Dynamic Dialogue with God Through Prayer* Mike Noble  
*Your Bible (ETA course)* Shirley J. Brush

**Saturday Seminars, October 26 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.**  
*Declaration of War: Personal Finances vs You and Your Family* Bruce E. Gordon  
*Training Teens For Active Service* Laird Crump  
*Successful Parenting* I.F. Elliott  
*End Times: Is the Battle of Armageddon at Hand?* James Vold

##### PART II October 22 - November 28

**Tuesday 7:30 - 9:00 p.m.**  
*Joshua* John Rush  
*Guitar - Beginners* John Cormier  
*Women in Crisis* Sharon Gernon

**Thursdays 7:30 - 9:00 p.m.**  
*Romans* James Vold  
*Consider the Care of Children* John Dart  
*Piano - Beginners* Fran Wong  
*Discipleship for Lay Leaders* (Korean) Tom Hwang

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