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# Connection

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for Jesus Christ



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## Celebrating 20 years at OTS

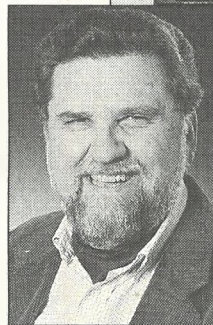
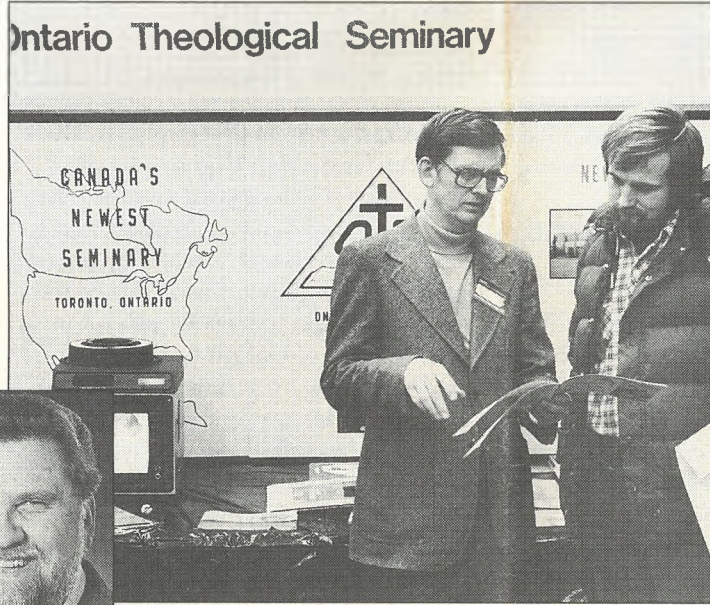
by Krysia P. Lear

In 1976 the Seminary welcomed 42 men and women on campus. This September it anticipates an enrollment of just under 600. To celebrate 20 years of God's provision of preparing leaders for the Church, the Seminary plans a year of events.

The school that borrowed rooms from the College until its building was ready in January 1977, doubled its space in 1992. With more classrooms available, OTS offered more courses. With new lounges, students had more opportunity to connect. Everyone welcomed the enclosed walkway connecting the Sem to the library, dining room and business office. Remember those winter sprints?

Leadership proved steady and visionary. Prior to 1976, a team headed by Executive Vice-President William Foster had established a strong foundation in philosophy and curriculum. Roy Matheson served as first dean until 1981, when Ian Rennie came on board after Mariano Di Gangi held the reins as interim dean. W. Ward Gasque is now at the helm.

And the Seminary remains progressive. The MTS degree has been reworked



Present OTS Dean  
W. Ward Gasque

Dean Roy Matheson marketing the new seminary at Urbana, '76.

to allow foci in Chinese studies, missiology, worship, youth, and in-depth studies in NT,

OT and Theology. It has also been repackaged in a modular format so that working professionals can complete the program without giving up their employment.

### Celebrations planned

The first public celebration is scheduled for November 1, when the leadership example of a humanitarian and former board member will be honoured.

That day,

noted South African strategist, conciliator and evangelist Michael Cassidy will speak morning and evening on "A Leadership

Led by God". Founder and international team leader

of African Enterprise, Cassidy has initiated and organized inter-racial conferences in South Africa since 1973. In 1994, he helped secure the participation of the Zulus in national elections.

Cassidy will inaugurate the Bernardo Lectureship Series, made possible through the generous sponsorship of the late Samuel R. Bernardo. The anniversary connection is apt given Bernardo's own commitment to servant leadership.

Founder and president of Brant County Motors, Brantford, Ontario, Bernardo, contributed to numerous

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## A Leadership Led by God

The first of the planned annual Samuel R. Bernardo Leadership Lecture series will take place at the OBC/OTS campus November 6. Michael Cassidy, world-renowned racial reconciliator from South Africa, will be

guest speaker for both lectures on the topic of, "A Leadership Led by God." Cassidy's impressive ministry includes the organization of South Africa's first inter-racial Christian conference in 1974, where 800 delegates from most of the country's denominations joined to amend political, racial, geographical and denominational barriers. In 1983, the Anglican Church admitted Cassidy to the Order of Simon the Cyrene, the highest award given to a layman for distinguished Christian service. The same year F.W. de Klerk became president (in 1990). Cassidy helped organize a conference for 230 Christian leaders. Delegates there witnessed the first public apology made by the white Dutch Reformed Church to all those who had been oppressed by apartheid. His reconciliation work has been steadfast over the years and continues in the form of book writing, conference organizing and guest speaking.

This series is made possible through the generosity of the late Samuel R. Bernardo, a tireless humanitarian and philanthropist who recognized the growing need for people of integrity to head industries, institutions and organizations around the world to ensure ethical decision making. Please call (416) 226-6380 ext. 2186 for more information and complimentary tickets.



## Strategic Plan calls for a new name

Discussions regarding a name change for OBC first began in 1988. In 1994, the Board of Governors voted to proceed with these discussions. Since then, further dialogue at the board and faculty levels have more clearly identified the nature of the ministry of OBC. With approval of the Strategic Plan this summer, the board agreed to proceed with the search for a new name for the entire institution.

This move flows out of the Strategic Plan which calls for an expansion of the ministry beyond the college and seminary to include life-long learning centres. These centres will serve important areas such as missions, pastoral leadership and preaching, to name just a few. With this new development, it was realized having a name such as Ontario Bible College / Ontario Theological Seminary - which speaks only of a college and seminary - would no longer speak for this larger spiritual enterprise that will essentially have three, not two, primary centres of learning. To stay with the cumbersome OBC/OTS name would no longer serve the long-term vision, nor would it be helpful in clearly describing to students, other universities and the public our heartbeat of serving Jesus Christ here in Canada and around the world.

As well, the use of a regional name may work at cross-purposes here in Canada. With Ontario as the largest province, using that as part of the primary name may be

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### Inauguration of Our President

You are cordially invited to join us on Sunday, October 20 at 2:00 PM at the inauguration of Dr. Brian C. Stiller as president of OBC/OTS. Dr. Leighton Ford will be guest speaker at the ceremony, which will be held at People's Church (374 Sheppard Ave., North York). Reception to follow.

### VISIT US ON THE INTERNET

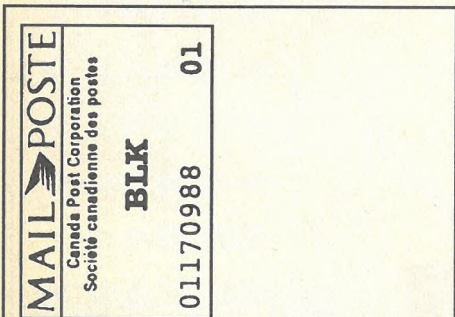
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OR CALL OUR LEADING EDGE BULLETIN BOARD, 416-223-0930. FOR DIAL UP SOFTWARE, CALL JOHN AT 250-5530. LOOK FOR INTERACTIVE, REAL-TIME, DISTANCE EDUCATION COMING SOON ON-LINE.

在我們裝備牧師及平信徒為耶穌基督發光的工作中，我們是被神賜予的希望及應許所充滿。多謝你們對安省神學院及聖經學院的事工給予寶貴的支持和參予！

~ 溫偉耀博士  
神學教授

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Please advise us when you change your address.

## CHRISTIAN HERITAGE TOUR OF BRITAIN

Next May, Dr. William McRae, chancellor of OBC/OTS, and his wife, Marilyn, will host a two-week Christian Heritage Tour of Britain. This trip includes tours of England, Scotland and Wales. The cost is \$3,399 if you register by September 30. The development of Christianity in the English-speaking world has a rich history that can be traced back many centuries. For more information, or to register, please contact Wilf Fryday at Pauwels Travel Bureau, 95 Dalhousie



St., Brantford, ON N3T 2J1, telephone (519) 756-4900, fax (519) 753-6376.

## THEY'RE BACK...

The ladies from London have done it again! Shortly after classes let out in the spring, seven faithful stewards – Aileen Wood, Doris Tiffin, Grace Archer, Grace Kemp, Joyce Hatch, Katherine Harris and Sally Suchard of the London Ladies' Auxiliary – arrived on campus with mops, pails and trowels. Their visit was like a breath of fresh air as they left behind gleaming surfaces, shiny windows and overflowing flowerbeds. The history behind the school's affiliation with the London Auxiliary dates back to 1967, when the London College of Bible and Missions and Toronto Bible College

merged to become OBC. The auxiliary was founded by a group of women from various London churches in order to maintain ties with the school. For about the past 10 years, these hard-working women have been coming to the school at least once a year to volunteer their time and services. Thank you for your kind dedication, London Ladies' Auxiliary!

## BARGAINS FOR BOOK LOVERS!

Save up to 30% on commentaries, encyclopedias, dictionaries, atlases, Bible software, and many new book titles at the bookstore's annual reference sale, from September 30th to October 11th. This is a great opportunity to buy Christmas gifts, materials for your per-

sonal library and professional studies source books. Store hours are 9 a.m. to 7 p.m., Monday to Thursday and 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Friday.

## THE LION, THE WITCH & THE WARDROBE

C.S. Lewis' children's classic, *The Lion, The Witch & The Wardrobe*, is coming to OBC/OTS on November 23, 1996. There will be two performances: a matinee at 2:00 p.m. and an evening show at 7:30 p.m. Step through the wardrobe and share the magic. Adult tickets are \$10 each, children's are \$8. For groups of 10 or more, tickets are \$8 each. Contact Jennifer for additional information at (416) 226-6380 ext. 2186.

## STRATEGIC PLAN

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perceived by some to reinforce regional preferences.

### What it means

Historically, Bible colleges have been schools in which pastors, missionaries, and Christian workers are trained. This certainly has been the case for OBC. For the most part, the emphasis has been on terminal ministry training.

During the past decade or so, much of this training and equipping for professional full-time ministry has become more of the mainstay of a seminary. As a result, the Bible college movement has been going through an identity crisis.

OBC has not been exempt from this experience. While it continues to play a key role in preparing people for a variety of Christian ministries, the educational focus is foundational and preparatory in nature rather than terminal. Furthermore, it has broadened its definition of ministry to also include the varied needs of those in lay ministry and the marketplace, as well as those desirous of pursuing further education at universities and seminaries.

As more of our young people desire university education in preparation for their vocational life, it is interesting to note that an increasing number are taking part of their university undergraduate classes at OBC. For these students, it is vital that their credits are transferable to other institutions. However, many universities, organizations and government departments simply will not recognize "Bible college" degrees.

Using the term "Bible college" with its traditional understanding conveys an inadequate perception, making it difficult for students to use their years of study as a basis for further education. For many students and their parents who wish for the best possible education, the term suggests an education which is not viewed by some as being of stellar quality. Regardless of the many innovations OBC has incorporated during recent years, this image prevails.

Increasingly, young people are

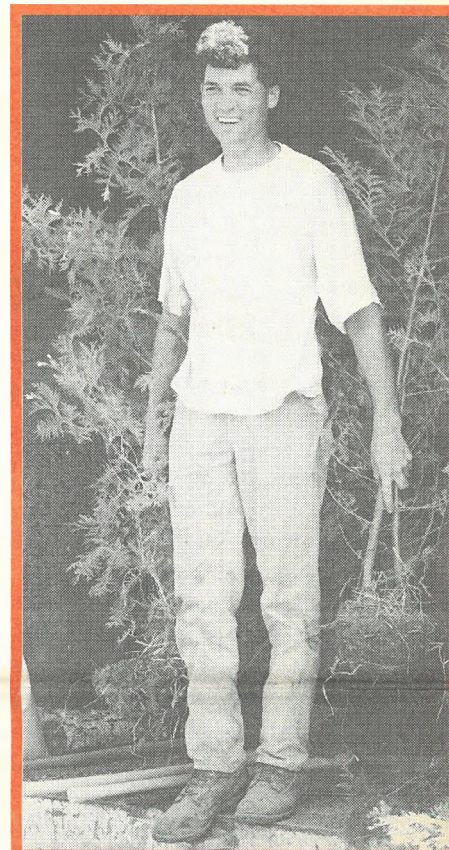
showing interest in doing some or all of their undergraduate degrees in a place where Christ is honoured and their studies are taught within a Christian world view. The advantage is that they not only receive many of their liberal arts courses at OBC, but the courses are offered in an environment of biblical teaching and spiritual nurturing. It is important that we respond to this new and vital request to serve our Christian community.

With the search for a new name, president Stiller has made it clear that "the college will continue to be a Bible-centred undergraduate place of learning, preparing people to live a Christ-centred life. While we see the need to prepare young people to work in the marketplace, we are very committed to their spiritual nurture."

The committee includes chancellor William McRae as chair; Laurine Schmelzle, board member and alumna; John Wilkinson, Vice-President of Strategic Planning and Dean of OBC; W. Ward Gasque, Dean of OTS; and ex-officio members, President Stiller and Larry Willard, Vice-President of Development. Dennis Bruce of Mindset Creative Planning will act as consultant.

## Commission for change

The committee will forward its recommendation to the executive committee of the board by early November. Members of the community are invited to submit suggestions for the renaming of the college and seminary to the Chair, Dr. McRae, no later than October 1, 1996. Questions or requests for further clarification should be directed to Dr. McRae, (416) 226-6380, ext. 6730.



Tommy Evert and a crew of OBC/OTS staff recently planted dozens of trees around campus. The trees were donated by the Evert nursery.

**CROSS  
CURRENTS**

**Tues.  
NIGHT  
10:30 EST  
ON VISION TV**

**JOIN  
Brian  
STILLER &  
his guests**

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TO A NEW TIME!  
10:00 EST  
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I believe

that it is important for OBC/OTS graduates to receive proper recognition of their courses

OBC/OTS

should consider changing its name

What name would you suggest?  
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Comments? \_\_\_\_\_

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“安省神學院及聖經學院在過去一年間，經歷到神豐富的恩典及神蹟奇事！除了衷心感謝神的厚恩祝福之外，我們也希望藉此誠懇地多謝各位主內兄姐及好友的代禱及捐獻，支持這個聖工。請不要客氣，隨時讓我們知道怎樣更有效的服侍您及貴教會。謝謝！”

~龔啓榮牧師

R.G. Mitchell is shown with his daughter, Gwenda Cheshire. Mitchell donated a generous monetary gift to the school which was used to purchase computers for the library. The new machines are set up to an on-line catalogue which provides access to other university libraries.



# Celebration to Crisis to Crossroads to Opportunity

STRATEGIC PLANNING UPDATE

In one swift year, centennial celebrations of OBC/OTS turned to crisis as the schools reached the thresholds of financial collapse. But in the providence of God, crisis became the catalyst in forcing the schools to take a fresh look at themselves, and to begin the process of fashioning a vision that will take them well into the new millennium.

In this climate of transition, as the process to develop a new vision began, two things became clear. The mission that the founders had articulated so clearly had not changed. Today, OBC/OTS continues to educate and equip Christians to serve the world with passion for Jesus Christ. This is, and will continue to be, the mission as the schools move away from the crossroads and into the future.

The vision casting process has been

one of the most comprehensive undertakings in the history of the schools. In order to understand more fully the changing needs of the schools' stakeholders, a Strategic Planning Committee was formed under John Wilkinson.

The immediate task was to embark on an information gathering process to allow these constituencies to share their insights, critiques, and dreams for the school of the future. In the process, stakeholders articulated a new vision for OBC/OTS – a vision that will place the institution on the forefront of theological education.

The committee's broader mandate is developing a long-range strategic plan for implementing the necessary structural, educational, and operational changes to embrace the new realities that are part

of this new vision. To give focused leadership to this process, Wilkinson was appointed by the Board of Governors as Vice-President of Strategic Planning and Institutional Change.

With the "vision casting process" well in hand, the committee's next task is to create a blueprint for introducing new academic, personal and ministry formation, and life-long learning paradigms that will position the schools on the forefront of educational and academic excellence.

President Brian Stiller and Wilkinson will be guiding the schools and the various departments through this planning process, with the end goal of a detailed five-year strategic action plan in place by April 1997.

In his book, *Visionary Leadership*, Peter Vail writes, "If the mission is the words, the vision is the music." May the music of our vision that we orchestrate together in the days ahead be a song of renewal and inspiration as we live out our mission with divine passion.

Dear friends,

There is nothing as critical to the church and thus to a college and seminary like OBC/OTS as our foundational beliefs. They form the base on which we build. As goes the foundation, so goes the building.

For me this is fundamental and it is why I am so committed to a long term building of this ministry. For at our base is a rock-solid biblical foundation.

A friend asked me if the theology of the college and seminary had in any way shifted from the historic evangelical position. In reviewing again our Statement of Faith, I'm thrilled by its language and strong affirmation to what, as evangelicals, we have affirmed for centuries, especially since the Protestant Reformation. Indeed, more than ever, we are deeply and profoundly anchored to a biblical vision which begins with a commitment to the Bible as God's Word. There is no fudging here.

Critical to an evangelical theology is its Christ-centeredness. We know historically that theological liberalism often begins with a slightly watered-down understanding. However, take a read of our Statement of Faith. It is Christo-centric held into the center of Jesus Christ as God's Son, the only Savior of humankind. (Please take a moment to read the Statement of Faith.)

As I sought the Lord for His leading this past spring, my appreciation for the college and seminary grew as I understood its great history. Right from the beginning, it kept with the biblical essentials. Through the twentieth century, it avoided the pitfalls and radical swings of religious ideas. Praise God for the wise leaders who held to an historic, trans-denominational evangelical theology.

As we begin to build this year, what I believe will be an exciting and world-reaching ministry, I pledge to you a "staying the course." We are informed by the Bible – God's Word; we are rooted in the life of Jesus Christ our Lord, and illumined and led by the Holy Spirit of God. From that there will be no wavering.

Sincerely,

*Brian C. Stiller*  
Brian C. Stiller,  
President OBC/OTS

## CELEBRATING 20 YEARS

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organizations including Gideons International in Canada and Abstainers Insurance Company. During the Munich Olympic Games and Expos in Osaka, Japan, and Montreal, he distributed Christian literature.

## The Difference 20 Years Makes

### 1976-1977

- Wide ties and bell bottoms.
- Long hair and short hair
- Lots of parking, no paving
- Multi-denominational, mostly Caucasian
- Guest lecturer, Ian Rennie, with a mop of dark hair.

### 1996-1997

- T-shirts and jeans.
- Long hair, short hair and buzzed hair
- Tight parking, no paving
- Multi-denominational, multi-cultural
- Distinguished professor of Church History, Ian Rennie, hair silver grey after 12 years as dean. Retired, but still teaching.

## SOME THINGS DON'T CHANGE

Twenty years ago Roy Matheson wrote that the group entering the new Seminary in September 1976, "will face even greater challenge than those who came in 1894. They will serve in an over-crowded, polluted world and minister to people who are unconsciously manipulated by the mass media. They face unique ethical problems brought by recent advances in science, technology and medicine. It is imperative that the training of Christian leaders keep pace with contemporary needs."

## You Want to What? Give Us an Anniversary Gift?

What a thoughtful idea. We have three anniversary projects that you could help us with:

- A library acquisition's fund
- New computer equipment
- Anniversary scholarship fund

Send your gift to 20th Anniversary Fund, OBC/OTS Foundation, 25 Ballyconnor Court, North York, ON, M2M 4B3. Please make cheques payable to OBC/OTS Foundation.



(left to right) Chancellor Bill McRae, Chairman and Chief Executive of Goforth Ministries Richard Holliday and Chairman of OTS Missions Department Irving Whitt displaying some of the new books and commemorative sword donated by Goforth Ministries.

## Goforth Leaves Rich Legacy to OBC/OTS

Goforth Ministries has generously donated historical material and publication rights to Jonathan Goforth's original writings to the school. Goforth (1859-1936) was a missionary statesman and risk-taker for Christ. He evangelized across China and Manchuria and was very influential in Korea, where he led church

revivals at Presbyterian churches between 1915-1925. Chancellor William McRae was instrumental in negotiating this agreement with the estate of Mary Goforth Moynan, daughter of Jonathan. Among the items donated to OBC/OTS is a replica of a sword used in a triple execution attempt on Mr. Goforth, which will be displayed in the Hall of Mission.

## Wilkinson Appointed Head of Strategic Planning Process:

OBC/OTS are pleased to announce the appointment of Dr. John H. Wilkinson, Ed.D., to Vice President of Strategic Planning and Institutional Change. In addition to this role, Wilkinson will also serve as Vice President and Academic Dean of OBC and Chair of Academic and Student Affairs Council of the Cabinet.

Wilkinson has been a professor at the schools for over 20 years and remains interested in and committed to supporting youth ministry whenever possible. President Brian C. Stiller, who has worked with Wilkinson for 25 years, says that his colleague is a visionary manager. "John is especially suited to provide us with leadership during this critical period."



Dr. Wilkinson (left) reviews planning document with President Stiller.

# Did You Know?

by Larry Willard, V.P. of Development

"I had no idea!" is the usual response I get when I tell students that their tuition fees cover about 60% of what it actually costs for their education. The other 40% is subsidized by the school's friends, alumni, and supporting churches. For example, the average student will pay from \$5,500 for a one-year program to \$16,000 for a three-year Masters degree. The latter actually carries a price tag of \$26,000, which means over \$3,000 of subsidy a year is needed per student. Many students cannot carry the full burden of their education, and the school understands this. That is why we rely on God's people to become partners in this ministry. Being a transdenominational school means that we do not receive funds on a regular basis from denominational sources, so we depend on gifts from people following God's prompting.

**40% of a student's education is subsidized by donations from OBC/OTS friends, alumni and churches**

The sad truth is, Christians are overwhelmed by the flood of evils in society. So now, more than at any other time in history, we need well-prepared dynamic Christian leadership who will take on these forces. Here at OBC/OTS, we have the means to prepare men and women for the battle. Our future is bright and inspiring, but we urgently

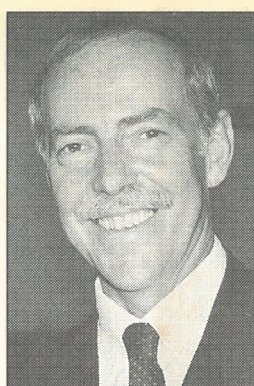
need the help of our friends who have the same vision we do to reverse these trends. In order to do so, however, the school needs to raise \$2 million this year, to cover the costs of our work.

In our vision we also see every student graduating from our school without a debt load that forces them to accept secular employment to pay off large student loans. We are already working toward a plan that would see additional scholarships, bursaries and endowments to help all students who need financial help. We are thankful for our current partners, who

are the most important part of our vision to be a powerful Christian influence on Canada, and the rest of the world. But we need many more to join us. We do have faith in God's provision, but we understand that He works through people like our supporters.

There are a number of ways our supporters can be more involved with the school's mission.

▶ If you have never sent a gift, sending a small contribution of \$25, \$50 or \$100



would go a long way to restoring our finances if everyone participates. The schools have 7,500 alumni who have benefited immensely from past support of their education but unfortunately, many alumni don't keep in touch. We want to challenge our alumni who have not supported us since they left the school to help us train new leaders for God's work.

▶ Get your church or friends together to sponsor a student. You can help a full time student for a donation of \$3,000 per year. If you can't afford this, support one for a single semester (\$1,500).

▶ You can give through one of our planned giving options. Trust funds, memorial gifts, annuities and gift-in-kind programs all have advantageous tax breaks. Ask for our booklet on these great opportunities.

▶ Volunteering time at the school, to assist with various activities. Helpers are always appreciated, and your gifts and talents can be used in a number of areas.

**We need to raise \$2 million this year to cover the costs of our work**

For more information, please call (416) 226-6380.

## Letter From a Friend

When I first went to OBC in the fall of 1972, I was practically biblically illiterate. I received good training at OBC and became more established in prayer and Bible study. The strong emphasis on missions at OBC at the time gave me a compelling desire to reach out with the gospel. The mentoring of men like Bob Duez and Brian Roe had a tremendous impact upon my life as I watched these men as they walked with God. I'm thankful for the ministry of OBC in my life. God bless you all as you seek to train a whole new generation of men and women for the cause of Christ.

Because of Calvary,

Pastor Rick Hayden

EDITOR'S NOTE: WE ENJOY HEARING FROM OBC/OTS ALUMNI AND WILL CONSIDER PUBLISHING EXCERPTS OF LETTERS OF ENCOURAGEMENT AND FAITH WE RECEIVE FROM OUR READERS.

## PRAYER & PRAISE

### Please pray that

▶ John Wilkinson, newly appointed academic dean of OBC, will continue to bear fruit in his new ministry

▶ many Christian professionals will be encouraged to deepen their faith through theological studies in the MTS modular program starting this fall

▶ the new students beginning in the fall will find their niches and surrender their time here to God

▶ faculty and student council representatives will effectively govern the student body, and that leaders will be wise in their decisions

### Praise God for

▶ the many new faces on campus this fall. Hundreds of students will begin their formal Christian education the week of September

▶ God's ongoing guidance to help us work toward this year's fundraising goal of \$2 million

▶ Christians from all walks of life who continue to support the school's special ministry through prayer, volunteer activities and financial assistance

If you have any personal praise or prayer points, please feel free to send them in to the Development Department. Staff, faculty and students would be honored to pray for your needs

- I'm an alumni of OBC or OTS and I accept your challenge. My cheque for \$ \_\_\_\_\_ is enclosed
- Yes! We will sponsor a student! Our cheque for \$ \_\_\_\_\_ is enclosed

- Please send me a copy of your booklet on planned giving
- I'd like to volunteer some time to OBC/OTS. My interests/special skills are \_\_\_\_\_

Please make your cheque payable to OBC/OTS Foundation.

Name \_\_\_\_\_  \$ 100

Address \_\_\_\_\_  \$ 200

City \_\_\_\_\_ Postal Code \_\_\_\_\_  \$ 500

VISA / Mastercard # \_\_\_\_\_  \$ 1,000

Expiry Date \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

## Do you know where these people are?

We need your help finding these people. We need their addresses or a contact, so we can notify them about their class reunion at Homecoming this fall.

If you can help us, call the Alumni Office, 416-218-6789 or fax 416-226-9464. Thank you.

### 1981

Melony Barber  
Sam Ko  
B. James  
Marilyn Bender  
David Draffin  
Sandra LeBlanc

### 1986

Andrew Gilbert  
Chris Heinbuch  
Dawn L. Tobin  
Han Nghan Chan  
Mr. & Mrs. David Reid  
Debbie Marling

## CONVOCATION & INSTALLATION OF OBC DEAN

Wednesday Sept. 11, 1996  
10:30 am

OBC/OTS Hooper Chapel  
25 Ballyconnor Court  
North York, Ontario

Please Join Us!

Rev. Bruce Amy, graduate of LCBM in 1951 and the Seminary in 1952, and Mrs. Eleanor Amy, a one year student at LCBM, celebrate their 50th Wedding Anniversary and 50 years in ministry this September 21st at Sauble Beach, Ontario. Family and Friends are invited to visit at the Sauble Community Center from 2 to 6 p.m.

The Alumni Office is looking for a volunteer (one morning or afternoon twice a month) to maintain alumni files, read incoming alumni mail and compile news for the Alumni News section of *Connection*.

For an interview, please contact Sandy Green at 416-218-6789.

# Alumni Keeping in Touch



## THE COLLEGE

### THE FIFTIES

Pray for Lorena Sharp (LCBM '52) whose husband passed away July 3, 1996. She praises God for happy memories.

### THE SIXTIES

Anne (Campbell '60) and Keith (BTh '60) Donald have asked for our prayers for the born-again Christian president of Zambia,

President Chiluba, who faces an election in the early fall. Pray also for their work of encouragement and administration in Zambia with AEF.



Pray for Kathy Bell ('62) who was in a serious driving accident in Pakistan in May. Kathy has broken bones and an injured back. Pray for a complete recovery.

Pray for Nancy (Reist BTh '62) and John (BTh '64) Pomeroy as they prepare to leave for Zambia in November. Pray especially for outgoing support and the timely sale of their home.

Larry (BRE '69) and Joanne Clements plan to return to the Rift Valley Academy in Kenya on August 18. Joanne will be teaching grade 3 and Larry will be teaching junior high English and geography.

### THE SEVENTIES

Part of the last class to graduate from the Spadina campus, Rick Hayden (BTh '76), is now pastoring the Lincoln United Baptist Church just outside Fredericton, NB and has recently graduated with his Master of Arts in Ministry from Moody.

Following a one-year assignment at Mission Ontario with Billy Graham and successful cataract surgeries, Marilou Wilson ('79) is now on staff at Chosen People Ministries Canada a mission focussed on Jewish evangelism, Messianic church planting and educating Gentiles about our Jewish roots.

Tom (BRE '79) and Ruth (Walden BRE, 75) Oliver returned to their water project in Kijabe in early July. Pray for the success of the water project that will allow some school development for the community.

Pray for Jim and Sandy (Mitton '79) Rendel as they prepare to return to Niger with SIM mid-August. Pilot Jim and fellow-SIMers recently purchased a 1987 Saratoga SP single-engine, six-place aircraft for their work in Niger. Pray for their safe travels and for the financial support needed to keep the Rendels "in the air."

### THE EIGHTIES

John P. Ross (BRE '80, BTh '82) has been serving the First Baptist Church in central Maine for two years and has graduated this year with a Master of Arts in Ministry degree from Moody Graduate School.

After spending 11 years overseas in India and Sri Lanka, Susan and David Frost (BRE '81) returned in 1994 to work at the WEC Canada headquarters. David serves on Finance Committee, Field Committee, and the Candidate Committee while Susan utilizes her gift of hospitality providing a home atmosphere for staff and visiting missionaries.

Pray for Roxanne (Menezes BRE '87) and Robert Grego as Roxanne recovers from surgery in June. Support the Gregos with your prayers as they seek to reach street kids in Costa Rica for Christ.

Andrew Geldart (BRE '89) married Beverly Petriew in London, ON on

December 29, 1995. They serve in the Canadian office of SEND International.

### THE NINETIES

Born to Janet (Redding, BRE '92) and Colin McLeod, a baby girl, Hannah Louise, October 7, 1995.

Peter Brubacher (BRS '95) was received into the Orthodox Church on April 13, 1996.

Steve Morgan (BRE '96) and Darlene Noble (OBC student) were married in Ajax on June 1, 1996.

Sean Elliot (BTh '96) has been licensed with Open Bible Standard Churches and is now serving as an assistant pastor with Word of Life Church in Barrie, ON.

### THE NINETIES

Pray for Mark (MTS '91) and Gretchen Potma leaving for Prague, Czechoslovakia where they will be working with TEAM in evangelism and church planting. Pray that they will be encouraged in their language studies, their youth outreach and their church ministry.

Born to Ron (MDiv '93) and Idalia Fairbanks, a son, Jason Delgado (May 1, 1996), brother for Hannah and Tamara. Pray for the Fairbanks who are leaving for mission work in Portugal on September 20.

Dave Hunt (MDiv '96) with wife Colleen and son, Nathan, are heading to Kasama, Zambia for two years of church planting and evangelism.



## THE SEMINARY

### THE EIGHTIES

Kathy and Mark Nelham (OT '86) have been at home on furlough since September from Mozambique where they serve as a nurse and doctor team. Pray with them for rest, safe travel and financial support.

On June 8, 1996 Pat Luyks (MTS '86) married Dawson Tennant. Pray with Pat for increased space and faculty for the Canadian Institute of Linguistics (formerly Canada Summer Institute of Linguistics) where she works as a staff member.

Carolyn and Douglas Brown (OT '88) arrived home for a one-year furlough from their agricultural development work in Likati, Zaire. They will be living close to family in Cape Breton, NS.

Nelson Leung (MDiv '89) has recently started working as Senior Pastor at Toronto Hebron Chinese Alliance Church.

## MEMORIALS

Ethel Thamer (Neale '30) went to be with the Lord on January 2, 1996. She and Orville served in Nigeria for 39 years. Three years before her death, Ethel completed her biography, *Little is much when God is in it*.

Rev. Andrew MacKenzie ('39) passed into the presence of the Lord on June 22, 1996. Rev. MacKenzie served as a minister of the Presbyterian Church in Ontario and Florida for 45 years.

Rev. Allan J. Hunter ('48) went home to glory November 18, 1995 in Rogers, Arkansas. He was active in ministry for 47 years, church planting, public relations for John Brown University in Arkansas and Christian theater.

Jean Linton (OB '49) gave herself wholeheartedly the Lord's work in west Africa, the SIM Canada office and her church. She has found her reward with the Lord.

*Alumni, send us your news!*

## OBC Alumni - See you in September

### Come to Homecoming 1996 on Saturday, September 28

#### See Your Friends

#### Informative Seminars

#### All-you-can-eat BBQ

#### Reflective Worship

#### Children's Program

#### Class Reunions

#### Children's Program

Puppets, snacks, games, music  
11 am - noon & 1 - 5 pm

#### Seminar topics

1:00 PREPARING COMMON PEOPLE FOR UNCOMMON SERVICE  
A FORUM WITH DR. JOHN WILKINSON ON THE FUTURE OF OBC/OTS

2:30 201 STRATEGIES TO SAVE MONEY AND LOWER YOUR TAXES  
FEATURING HARRY DENNING, OBC/OTS PLANNED GIVING SPECIALIST

2:30 RAISING CHRISTIAN CHILDREN IN TODAY'S SOCIETY  
FEATURING DR. BETH POSTERSKI, OBC/OTS FACULTY

2:30 REACHING TODAY'S SOCIETY FOR CHRIST  
FEATURING BILL RYAN, YONGE STREET MISSION

#### Golden Milers -

Class of 1946  
Reunion at 4:00

- pay for only your lunch - you are our guest at the banquet
- please register your attendance by September 15

#### Class Reunions

1951, 1956  
1961, 1966  
1971, 1976  
1981, 1986  
1991, 1996

- Visit with Faculty
- Catch up with your class
- Remember the good times at OBC!

#### SCHEDULE

10:30 Registration  
11:00 Worship  
12:00 All-You-Can-Eat BBQ  
1:00 Seminars I  
2:15 Seminars II  
4:00 Class Reunions and Golden Miler Reception  
5:00 Banquet

Costs		Early Bird	Sept. 1
BBQ	Adults	\$ 5	\$ 6
	Children	\$ 3	\$ 4
(Family max. \$20)			
Banquet		\$22	\$25
Children's Program - each child \$ 3 (all day)			

Early bird prices available if you call or mail your registration by August 26. Prices go up September 1. Final registration for meals and children's program is September 13 so we can make arrangements.

#### Pre-Registration Form

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Lunch \_\_\_\_\_ Banquet \_\_\_\_\_  
 Adults \_\_\_\_\_  
 Children \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
 Grad year \_\_\_\_\_

Don't send money with this form. Instead, please bring your payment to the Registration Desk on September 28. Cash and cheques accepted.

# From Iran and Islam to Canada and Christianity

by Laurie Chong

Fariborz Khandani is a polymath and he's not ashamed to admit it.

"I always sit in the front row during class because I love learning. I'm thirsty for knowledge," says the third-year OBC student. He is also an active Christian and isn't ashamed to admit that, either. Not that this was always easy to do. Born and raised in Shiraz, Iran, Fariborz lived in a country where constitutional rights to Christians only exist on paper.

Ironically, he became a Christian while trying to dissuade his newly converted sister.



"When my oldest sister went to university, she was in contact with Christians. According to Islamic laws, apostasy-leaving your faith-is a sin punishable

by death. So I read the Bible, trying to convince my sister to leave Christianity. But it backfired because reading it converted me," laughs Fariborz, remembering that cool summer night when he was 16.

Conversions such as these usually bring disgrace to Islamic parents, who

also fear for their child's safety. But Fariborz couldn't believe otherwise. Jesus is too real to him.

In 1985, Fariborz tried to leave Iran but was caught at the border. He was sent to prison and it was there his spirit was broken. He denied his faith to guards to escape torture. But upon doing so, he was miserable and knew he needed to fix his relationship with God. He lived one day at a time there. When he was released, he renewed his commitment to God. After serving in the army for 28 months, he went to Cyprus, claiming religious asylum. Four years later, in 1992, he came to Toronto and attended Wycliffe College. In January 1994, he enrolled at OBC. Presently, he is volunteering his time, serving as an assistant pastor at the Iranian Church of Toronto. When Fariborz finishes at OBC, he'd like to go to OTS, and eventually work in the

areas of ministering, research, writing, teaching and translating. In fact, it was in the latter area that the Bible really came alive to him.

"I was translating Mark 6:39. When Jesus fed 5,000, He told the crowd to sit on the green grass. The description of color was a touch of reality to me. Legends don't have this kind of detail. Mark was not making a story up. He was telling the story as it really happened," explains Fariborz.

Fariborz's time at OBC has been the best of his life, and he hopes to have many more happy years, learning and serving.

A few years ago, a friend nicknamed him Fozzy Bear, after the comical, bad joke-telling Muppet character. The similarities, according to Fariborz, lie in the physique and curly hair. But unlike the Muppet, this is one individual to take seriously.

## LANGUAGE PROGRAM

One of the best features of OBC's student body is its diversity in cultural backgrounds. With this aspect, however, comes the need to help students with their command of the

English language. In September, OBC will be introducing a language and writing program, designed to ensure that students have college-level English skills.

All incoming students will take the Language and Writing Diagnostic Test before registration. Depending on the score achieved, students are placed in one of three programs - a Writing/Library Workshop, Introduction to College Essay Writing or English for Academic Purposes.

The length of each program varies. Please contact Elizabeth Davey for more information at (416) 226-6380, ext. 6713.

"Moving in"...  
In just a few short weeks this scene will be repeated for many of our new students. Please pray for them as they prepare to leave home to join the OBC/OTS community.



## PREPARING COMMON PEOPLE

### ONTARIO BIBLE COLLEGE FALL 1996

TIME	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
8:00 10:40	CHURCH IN THE WORLD CHED 0108 (RUSSELL) C251 KINGDOM OF ISRAEL BIBL 0201 (WYPER) C252 JOHN BIBL 0205 (THOMSON) C253	UNDERSTANDING OLD TESTAMENT I BIBL 0101 (Section 2) (WYPER) C251 SUPERVISED TEACHING CHED 0200 (POSTERSKI) C253 INTRODUCTION TO PHILOSOPHY PHIL 0205 (FRANKLIN) C254	UNDERSTANDING NEW TESTAMENT I BIBL 0102 (Section 2) (PENNER) C251 BIBLICAL ETHICS THEO 0326 (DUEZ) C252 LEADERSHIP AND ADMINISTRATION CHED 0212 (DENNISON) C253 HISTORY OF CHRISTIANITY HIST 0104 (SECTION 2) (FRIESEN) C254	THEOLOGY I THEO 0221 (Section 2) (BRGLEZ) C251 INTRODUCTION TO COLLEGE ESSAY WRITING LANG 0111 (SECTION 2) (FRIESEN) C253 HISTORIOGRAPHY AND HISTORICAL METHOD HIST 0442 (FRIESEN) C254 PREACHING I PAST 0331 (RUSSELL) OTS S103	FRIDAY MODULAR COURSES 8-11am and 1-4pm Sep 13, 20, 27, Oct 4, 18 WESTERN THOUGHT AND CULTURE PHIL 105 (SECTION 2) (FRANKLIN) C251 8-11am and 1-4pm Oct 25, Nov 1, 8, 15, 29 PROVERBS & ECCLESIASTES BIBL 301 (HIEBERT) C251
10:45 11:15	CHAPEL (MONDAY, WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY ONLY)				
11:45 1:00	LUNCH				
1:00 3:50	ADOLESCENT AND ADULT DEVELOPMENT PAST 0203 (COLE) C251 EDUCATIONAL HISTORY AND PHILOSOPHY CHED 0305 (FERRONE) C252 HISTORY OF CHRISTIANITY HIST 0104 (SECTION 1) (FRIESEN) C254	GROUP DYNAMICS CHED 0106 (KAUFFELDT) C251 CHILDREN'S LITERATURE CHED 0202 (POSTERSKI) C252 PASTORAL PROCEDURES PAST 0333 (RUSSELL) C253 INTEGRATIVE THEOLOGY (SALVATION) THEO 0335 (DUEZ) C254	BIBLICAL HERMENEUTICS BIBL 0209 (WYPER) C251 INTRODUCTION TO ENGLISH LITERATURE LITR 0171 (DAVEY) C252 CHRISTIAN LIFE AND DISCIPLESHIP PAST 0109 (THOMSON) C253 CULTURAL ANTHROPOLOGY INT 0201 (SCOTT) C254 GREEK READING AND SYNTAX LANG 0471 (HIEBERT) OTS S102	****0600 FIELD EDUCATION COURSE (CLAYTON) First Year Students only C251 1:00-3:00pm PASTORAL EPISTLES BIBL 0404 (LAU) C252	Sept 20/21, 27/28, Oct 4/5 MUSIC AND SOCIETY SOSC 0203 (KYDD) (students must be prepared for field trips on September 22 and 27) Oct 25/26, Nov 1/2, 8/9 ROMANS BIBL 0309 (PENNER) S102 RELIGIOUS THEMES IN LITERATURE LITR 0271 (DAVEY) S101
6:00/7:00	CHAPEL 6:00 to 6:25				
7:00 9:50	INTRODUCTION TO PSYCHOLOGY SOSC 0351 (LAWRENCE) C251 CHRISTIANITY AND SCIENCE RLG 0321 (HINTON) C252 YOUTH MINISTRY CHED 0216 (CRUMP) C253 MARRIAGE AND FAMILY CHED 0302 (MOSEY) C254	UNDERSTANDING OLD TESTAMENT I BIBL 0101 (Section 1) (HIEBERT) C251 FORMS OF FICTION: NOVEL & SHORT STORY LITR 0276 (DAVEY) C252 FUNDAMENTALS OF TEACHING ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE TESL 0310 (O'DONNELL) C253 THE ABUSED PERSON CHED 0200 (MCKENZIE) C254 (OCT 1,8,15,22)	UNDERSTANDING NEW TESTAMENT I BIBL 0102 (Section 1) (PENNER) C251 WESTERN THOUGHT AND CULTURE PHIL 105 (SECTION 1) (FRANKLIN) C252 INTRODUCTION TO COLLEGE ESSAY WRITING LANG 0111 (SECTION 1) (HOOGSTEEN) C253	THEOLOGY I THEO 0221 (Section 1) (DUEZ) C251 ELEMENTARY GREEK I LANG 0371 (PENNER) OTS S102* COUNSELLING SKILLS PAST 0361 (STEVENS) C252 FOUNDATIONS OF TEACHING CHED 0112 (POSTERSKI) C253	NOTE: ENGLISH FOR ACADEMIC PURPOSES (DAVEY) T.B.A.



# From Victim to Victor

by Laurie Chong

In Acts 20:24, Paul says that his life is worth nothing unless he finishes the race God has planned for him. For Sjane Tjitrahardja, she not only plans to do as Paul did, but also plans on winning. Winning souls, that is.

"I want to travel the world to tell people about God's goodness," says 37-year-old Sjane. Sjane graduated from OTS in May 1996, with a Master of Divinity in Counselling. Although she

completed her degree in just three and a half years, her road to graduation wasn't an easy one.

After getting married in 1989 to an Indonesian-Canadian in her native Indonesia, Sjane moved to Canada with her husband, leaving a successful career, her own home and her loving Christian family. The couple had plans to go to China as missionaries, and they were happy. But two months later, he made a 180 degree turn. He denied his faith, became abusive and gave Sjane an ul-

matum - choose him or God. Either road led to divorce but the former meant landed immigrant sponsorship. With a step of faith, Sjane chose the only Way. She remembers shedding many tears and saying many prayers. Around the same time, Sjane was reminded that back in 1986, God called her to be a minister. After renewing this commitment, her healing began. God put people in her life that helped her with housing, immigration and jobs. One of these people was Dr. P.G. Soetopo, a pastor from Vancouver. He introduced Sjane to her present church, the Indonesian Christian Church. She began working there as the secretary in February 1991.

In 1992, Sjane applied to OTS, trusting that God would provide (verses dear to her include 1 Thess. 5:24 and Prov. 3:5&6), as her financial situation reflected otherwise. Through a surprise inheritance, student loans and volunteers to help with her English, Sjane was able to overcome these barriers. She had a fulfilling internship as a student chaplain at Etobicoke General Hospital. Her time at OTS allowed her to heal and build relationships with caring staff and peers.



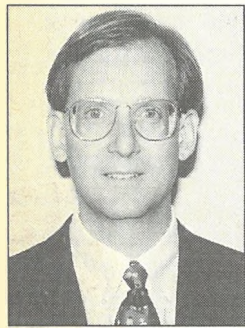
Sjane visits and prays with a 76-year-old resident of Hainan, China, injured in a bicycle accident.



At the end of July, Sjane left for Hong Kong and from there, will go to China, Vietnam and Australia. She plans to work with Chinese-Indonesians and Chinese locals. By January 1997, she will be back in Toronto.

"I need to find a job to pay off my student loan," explains Sjane with a laugh. Her goals for the next five years include to be ordained, complete an ESL teaching certificate and taking courses with the American Association of Marriage and Family Therapy.

One of Sjane's childhood dreams was to travel the world, working as a flight attendant. Now, in God's predestined way, she is doing exactly what she dreamt - serving people while overseas.



## Earn a Graduate Degree On Your Own Time!

The new Master of Theological Studies modular program is being launched in September. Designed for people presently employed in full-time careers, students will have one four-hour class once a week. This program allows students to complete their degrees in just two and a half years. "Our new program will enable OTS to extend their reach of its mission (to equip workers)

by making a program accessible to more people," says Mr. Jeffrey Greenman, director of the MTS modular program. This will allow students to build a strong rapport with classmates, as they will be with the group throughout the two and a half years.

On a related note, OTS is delighted to welcome Greenman, a doctoral candidate in religious studies at the University of Virginia, as director of this new modular program. His leadership abilities are reflected in his time at the U of Virginia, where he served as a teaching assistant in Theology, Ethics and Medicine, and Religious Ethics and Moral Problems classes.

## FOR UNCOMMON SERVICE

### ONTARIO THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY FALL 1996

TIME	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY
9:00 12:30	HEBREW GRAMMAR OLD T 0611 (KESSLER) 11:15-12:45 (MONDAY & WEDNESDAY) S102  INTRODUCTION TO NEW TESTAMENT NEW T 0522 (MATHESON) S105  THEOLOGY AND PRACTICE OF MINISTRY PAST 0541 (SHERBINO) S106	ADOLESCENT DEVELOPMENT AND CULTURE YMIN 0591 (TBA) S101  FOUNDATIONS OF CHRISTIAN SPIRITUALITY PAST 0546 (SHERBINO) S101  INTRODUCTION TO PREACHING PAST 0641 (EDWARDS) S103  COUNSELLING FOUNDATIONS I COUN 0572 (CUNNINGTON) S105  WORLD EVANGELISM: TRENDS IN GLOBAL MISSIONS MISS 0585 (WHITT) S106	CHRISTIAN ETHICS THEO 0535 (BEVERLEY) S101  HEBREW GRAMMAR OLD T 0611 (KESSLER) 11:15-12:45 (MONDAY & WEDNESDAY) S102  SYSTEMATIC THEOLOGY I THEO 0531 (section 2) (VISSERS) S105  NT SEMINAR: KEY ISSUES IN THE NT NEW T 728 (GASQUE) S201	EFFECTIVE YOUTH MINISTRY IN IMMIGRANT CHURCHES YMIN 0695 (SONG) S101  THE THERAPEUTIC RELATIONSHIP COUN 0676 (CUNNINGTON) S102  LIFE OF PAUL NEW T 0629 (CALVERT-KOYZIS) S105  LUTHER THEO 0634 (SHEPHERD) S106
10:45 11:15	CHAPEL (MONDAY, WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY ONLY)			
12:30/2:00	LUNCH			
2:00 5:00	GALATIANS NEW T 627 (CALVERT-KOYZIS) S101  OLD TESTAMENT EXEGESIS I OLD T 0711 (KESSLER) S102  SYSTEMATIC THEOLOGY I 531 THEO 0531 (section 1) (TBA) S105  EVANGELISM AND THE LOCAL CHURCH PAST 0645 (MCLAVERY) S106  IMPACT OF TWENTIETH CENTURY PENTECOSTALISM (AT CANADIAN PENTECOSTAL SEMINARY)	PASTORAL CARE AND CRISIS INTERVENTION PAST 741 (SHERBINO) S101  PHILOSOPHY OF RELIGION THEO 0734 (BEVERLEY) S102  ADVANCED PREACHING PAST 0745 (EDWARDS) S103  OLD TESTAMENT THEOLOGY & HISTORY OLD T 0511 (LEGGETT) S105	INTRODUCTION TO PREACHING PAST 0641 (ROTTMAN) S103  RESEARCH METHODOLOGIES (TBA) (NON CREDIT SEMINAR) S201	ROMAN CATHOLICISM THEO 0639 (BEVERLY) S101  COUNSELLING INTERNSHIP COUN 0771 (CUNNINGTON) S102  THE TEN COMMANDMENTS AND MODERN ETHICS OLD T 0517 (LEGGETT) S105
5:00/6:30	CHAPEL 6:00 to 6:25			
6:30 9:30	URBAN MINISTRY I: UNDERSTANDING THE CITY MISS 0787 (TOBIAS) S101  EXEGETICAL METHOD I NEW T 0534 (FOX) S102  JEREMIAH OLD T 0617 (LEGGETT) S105  INTRODUCTION TO ISLAM MISS 0587 (KULTHGUNGHAM) S106	PREACHING IN THE CHINESE CHURCH CHIN 0601 (KAO) S103  INTERPRETING AND APPLYING THE BIBLICAL TEXT BIBL 0101 (KESSLER) S105  CONTEXTUAL ISSUES I: CROSS CULTURAL PERSPECTIVES IN MARRIAGE & FAMILY THERAPY COUN 0671 (POON) S106	THEOLOGY OF MISSIONS MISS 0586 (WHITT) S101  NEW TESTAMENT BOOK STUDY (TBA) S102  WOMEN IN THE NEW TESTAMENT NEW T 0620 (CALVERT-KOYZIS) S105	CHRISTIANITY AND CHINESE CULTURE CHIN 0501 (WAN) S101  ELEMENTARY GREEK I NEW T 0321 (PENNER) S102  HISTORY OF CHRISTIANITY HIST 0561 (GOERTZ) S105  LUKE NEW T 0725 (MATHESON) AT CHARTWELL BAPTIST CHURCH, OAKVILLE  IMPACT OF TWENTIETH CENTURY PENTECOSTALISM (AT CANADIAN PENTECOSTAL SEMINARY)

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# Counselling Focus Seminars

Counselling and Homosexuality -  
Wednesday October 2, 1996, 1-4 PM  
Diane Bollis

Counselling and the Abusive Male -  
Tuesday November 5, 1996, 1-4 PM  
Kelvin Mutter

## Theory Intensive

The Theory Intensive seminars will be led by Brian D. Cunningham and will focus on the theoretical perspective and therapeutic application of "Transactional Analysis", developed originally by Eric Berne. The seminar fee is \$100 for four sessions and pre-registration is by Friday September 27, 1996.

Transactional Analysis Training #1:  
"Structural Analysis" - Saturday  
October 5, 1996, 8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Transactional Analysis Training #2:  
"Transactional Analysis" - Saturday  
November 16, 1996, 8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Transactional Analysis Training #3:  
"Game and Racket Analysis" - Saturday  
January 25, 1997, 8:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Transactional Analysis Training #4:  
"Script Analysis" - Saturday February  
22, 1997, 8:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

## Videofest

This year's Videofest will feature three live interview videos in the field of "Narrative Therapy" by Michael White, Davis Epton, Jiff Freedman and Gene Combs. Admission is \$10 at the door.

Narrative Approach to Therapy -  
Wednesday October 9, 1996, 1-5 PM

Led by individuals with expertise in the various issues being considered, these seminars are designed to provide an introduction to the theoretical and therapeutic aspects related to common counselling challenges. Open to students and the general public.

## Assessment and Treatment Series

The Assessment and Treatment Series considers the theoretical and therapeutic approaches to specific presenting problems. Each seminar will feature a theoretical introduction to the issue by Brian D. Cunningham, followed by a video of the therapeutic approach as demonstrated by a world-recognized authority in each area. The seminar fee is \$10 at the door.

The Angry Couple - Wednesday  
October 23, 1996, 1-5 PM  
Brian D. Cunningham (video featuring  
Dr. Susan Heitler)

## Brown Bag Lunch Videos

The Brown Bag Lunch videos provide participants with an opportunity to see what is currently available in video format from the American Association of Christian Counsellors. Each video lasts approximately 45-60 minutes and features a theoretical discussion along with clinical vignettes on the following topics: survivors of sexual abuse ("Broken Trust"), depression ("Coping with Depression"), children struggling with pain of separation and divorce ("Caught in the Middle") and recovery following divorce ("Divorce Recovery"). There is no fee.

Broken Trust - Wednesday September  
25, 1996, 12:30-1:30 p.m.  
Video featuring Dr. Dan Allender

Coping with Depression - Wednesday  
October 30, 1996, 12:30-1:30 p.m.  
Video featuring Dr. Chris Thurman

## 華人事工快訊

OBC/OTS 於七月廿七日在民眾教會舉辦了一個名為「浮世恩盟雲中見」電影奮興音樂會。當晚內容豐富，其中主要是放映陳成貴弟兄及呂院雅姊妹的錄影帶去見證神無比的大愛及復活的大能是足以面對癌病死亡的挑戰。回應中有 35 位朋友立志讀神學，學習作無愧的工人服侍神。雖然不是一個佈道會，但感謝神，當晚約有三十多位舉手決志信主。十位行到台前接受培談跟進及轉介到教會。是晚參加者有二千七百多人，另外有一千多位朋友因座位有限而不能參加。故此在八月十日加開一場。求主不斷興旺神學院及聖經學院的聖工，忠於聖經的教訓，培養神的僕人服侍神。請代禱及支持！願主親自祝福您！



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# Faculty and Staff Notes



OTS welcomes Dr. Nancy Calvert-Koyzis to their staff in September as a New Testament professor. Calvert-Koyzis is a former assistant professor of New Testament studies

at Wheaton College in Illinois. Her Ph.D. is from the University of Sheffield in England, whose Press will publish her dissertation on the traditions concerning Abraham in Galatians and Romans. Calvert-Koyzis is ordained in the Presbyterian Church (USA).

Paul Friesen, M Div., Th.M., professor of history at OBC, was recently named Vice-President of the Canadian Society

of Church History for the period of 1996-1997.

Dr. John Franklin's main motivation for pursuing and maintaining a career as an OBC professor (since 1972) is the opportunity to teach and learn from students. "Many of us who have been raised in a Christian context are taught to fear learning, particularly critical thinking," says Franklin. Dealing with that fear has been pivotal in his teaching. Over the past academic year, he served as acting dean of OBC, where he used his leadership skills to face new tasks and challenges. In September 1996, Franklin will resume his post as professor of philosophy at the college. Thank you for your long and fruitful service, John!



## Let us Entertain You

Our music team is available for performances most weekends and some mid-weekdays from September 21 to December 8, 1996 and January 17 to April 6, 1997. They provide services from evangelistic or praise nights, to leading worship times. You are asked to provide a sound engineer and to allow the recruitment display to be set up. Although there is no performance fee, an honorarium to cover travel costs would be appreciated. Please contact Jennipher MacCormack at (416) 226-6380, extension 2186 to discuss your needs.

## At Your Service

Book Your Event or Retreat here at OBC/OTS! Check out our affordable services for conferences, banquets, group meetings and receptions with gymnasium, chapel, dining room, classrooms and overnight accommodation facilities available. We offer a range of facility packages and friendly staff to ensure the success of your event. For information please call our public services co-ordinator Lori Hoyes at (416) 218-6705 or fax (416) 226-6746.

## Name Game

We've had dozens of name suggestions for our new coffee shop - but there's still time for yours!

Some of the wonderful suggestions so far include:  
"Coffee Haven",  
"Coffee Grounds",  
"Campus Blend"  
and "Java Jireh (J.J.)".

Can you top that?  
Win gift certificates to the book store! Pick up an entry form at the reception desk or send your ideas to: OBC/OTS Development Department, marked, "Coffee Shop Contest". Contest closes September 28, 1996. Enter today!

# Don't Get Stressed!

There's still time to apply to OBC/OTS for the fall semester!

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