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With approximately 20,000 students currently attending our five Wesleyan institutions, and a legacy of over a century of Christian education, there is an impressive throng of alumni making a difference in our world for Jesus Christ. Here are a few who were made new by God.



Austin Bonds

('01 and '10, Indiana Wesleyan University)



Austin Bonds grew up poor in Marion, Ind., the child of parents who battled addiction. Years later, as he prepared for college at Indiana Wesleyan University, his mother was murdered.

It's through these difficulties that Austin knew he wanted to make a difference in others' lives. Austin is CEO and founder of Metro Relief, a non-profit organization that holds the mission "to mobilize, empower, restore, and satisfy the needs of the oppressed . . . these things we do, that others may live." Metro Relief is based in The Colony, Texas, a suburb of Dallas, and through the ministry, residents in the community can receive food, shelter, clothing, and more. Austin and his wife, Darcy, launched Metro Relief in 2011.

Austin and his team go where the needs are. The team drives a ministry bus to neighborhoods full of those with the greatest needs. "The bus becomes part of the relationship with the people," said Austin. "We build a bridge with the people through the bus. Once people get to the bus we try to help them. The resources we provide are what bring them to us so we can care for them."

Austin's love for missions began at the invitation of IWU faculty member Dr. Wilbur Williams, who took a team of students to New York City to serve short-term in 1992. He says it was the influence of Dr. Williams that compelled him to study at IWU.



Candace Hoyt Gregory

('87, Kingswood University)



Before entering the social service and family ministry profession, Candace Hoyt Gregory was a successful businesswoman who launched and managed family-owned pizza restaurants in Canada. In 1995, she began working as a case manager for Open Door Mission, a gospel rescue mission that serves the homeless in Omaha, Nebraska. Nineteen years later, she is president and CEO of Open Door Mission.

"My first of many psychology and sociology classes were taken at Kingswood University, which sparked my interest in further humanitarian studies," said Candace. "And my relationship with Jesus Christ became personal there. The discipline of studying God's Word, personal devotions, and a prayer journal that I established in school has been a big part of preparing me for my ministry today."

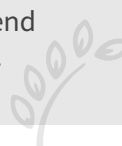
Candace has become an advocate for the homeless, both locally and nationally. She is frequently sought out for her experience in implementing community prevention programs that help end the cycle of homelessness and poverty.



COVER PHOTO


Sylvain Brevil

of Kissimmee, Fla., graduated from Southern Wesleyan in 2014 with a Bachelor of Science degree in exercise science. A student leader, he was selected by his fellow students in 2013 to be homecoming king. He talks about the tremendous spiritual environment at SWU. He plans to attend medical school.



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GOD IS FAITHFUL




My grandmother was the first person on both sides of her family and my grandfather's family to become a Christ-follower. She was rocking her beautiful 2-year-old daughter, who was suffering from pneumonia. In the 1920's there was not much help in small-town Kansas. Suddenly she realized her baby had died. She knew there must be a God someplace, so in her grief she cried out, "Lord, take me, too." She said God answered, "You can't go where she is going." Those words kept ringing in her ears. Then one day she thought of an older couple who were joyful and had praised the Lord. She made her way down a dusty road, fell into their arms, and said, "I am lost and need God." There in that small kitchen next to a wood-burning cook-stove, my grandmother repented and was enveloped by the love of Jesus.

She only had a 4th-grade education but did much self-education. My mother and grandmother both wanted my mother to go to a Christian college after high school, but my grandfather was not a believer and was antagonistic to the idea. He wouldn't pay and thought that was the end of it. But my grandmother

prayed and then put her faith into action.

She began doing laundry for people and saving it toward my mother's tuition. My mother worked in a "dime store," saving every penny. When the day came to make the 500-mile trip to the Christian college in Colorado Springs, there was no money to pay for the trip. My grandmother prayed again. Just before the deadline, a phone call came. *"Sister Carter, I was praying this morning and I felt the Lord telling me to call you, but I don't know why.* My wife and I are driving to Colorado Springs tomorrow." You can imagine the shouting my grandmother and mother did!

This faith, prayer, choice, and sacrifice changed the trajectory of my family now to the fourth generation and counting. Yes, Christian higher education takes sacrifice and faith in the 21st century just as it did in the early 20th century. And yes, *"... He is the faithful God, keeping his covenant of love to a thousand generations of those who love him and keep his commandments."* (Deut. 7:9) 



JO ANNE LYON
General Superintendent
The Wesleyan Church



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@heatherbrickner
I'm in @WesleySeminary's ministerial leadership program and love it! They have several other programs too!



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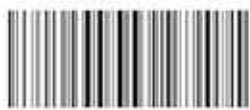
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Judy Fox

('89, Houghton College)

Judy Fox's dream of starting a sports ministry came true in 2003. A walk-on volleyball player at Houghton College, she became an All-American. She coached volleyball in high school and then in college at the top level of NCAA Division I universities. Later, she founded Ignite International, a non-profit that uses sports to inspire and empower others in the U.S. and abroad.

It was after a short-term mission trip to Mexico that Judy felt led to make an impact for Christ through sports ministry. Ignite's primary focus is to take college and high school athletes on mission trips to make Jesus known. Ignite has ministered in 12 countries and has played a key role in building bridges between Israeli and Palestinian teams. The Houghton volleyball team has traveled with Ignite to Nicaragua four times, the first U.S. collegiate team to ever compete there.

"We do our best to be Christ wherever we go," said Judy. She attributes her passion for sports outreach to time spent at Houghton. "Everything that I do now—the countless lives that have been touched by Ignite—stems back to guidance from God to attend Houghton College. For that I am and always will be grateful."



**WE DO OUR BEST TO BE
CHRIST WHEREVER WE GO.**



Myron Glick

('88, Houghton College)

Dr. Myron Glick, M.D., has seen desperation at Jericho Road Community Health Center in Buffalo, N.Y. Many of his patients are uninsured, on Medicaid, or are refugees. One patient became blind because he was uninsured and could not pay for cataract surgery. Another patient with lung cancer chose not to receive treatment because he didn't want to burden his family with the astronomical bills.

Myron and his wife, Joyce, opened Jericho Road in 1997 on Buffalo's west side. The facility now includes two sites, with 15 medical providers and it receives over 40,000 patient visits per year on the east and west sides of Buffalo.

According to Myron, "Injustice in health care is illustrated by the disparity of health outcomes between the poor and the rich. People living in under-resourced communities die younger and suffer more chronic disabilities." That's why the team at Jericho Road has done its best to create a model of care that serves both the rich and the poor.

"Our goal is to provide the same care to each patient whether he or she is President of the United States or a refugee who just arrived in Buffalo." Myron is hopeful "for the day when justice is restored in our nation's health care system and all people are treated as if they are created in the very image of God." Until then, he works to bring care and hope in his city.



Mark Taber

(’82, Kingswood University)

“I’ll never forget the chapel service when God called me to help make his Word accessible to the unreached in their own heart language,” said Rev. Dr. Mark Taber.

Two years later in 1984, Mark began serving with Wycliffe Bible Translators, reaching people of Asia and the Pacific with the truth of God’s Word. He and his wife, Kathy, learned the unwritten language of the Luang people of Maluku, Indonesia, and wrote an alphabet and grammar for the language. Their goal of translating the Scriptures was accomplished in 2005 when the published translations of the New Testament and the book of Genesis were dedicated.

Mark currently serves as the Pacific Area Director for SIL International (Summer Institute of Linguistics), providing leadership for over 300 Bible translation projects and 1,000 missionaries throughout all the South Pacific. “Kingswood University is where God ignited within me an all-consuming, burning passion for the living, life-transforming Word of God,” he said.



Francis Mustapha

(’72, Indiana Wesleyan University)

Francis Mustapha’s lifelong dream has been to return to his native Madina Village, Sierra Leone, to build a school. Seven of his siblings, including his twin brother, died before age five. Francis was not expected to live, but his dad heard of an “educated woman” who was a nurse.

“The only difference between me and my seven lost siblings was the intervention of an educated lady,” said Francis. “For me, education meant life.” In Francis’ home area, children rarely can attend school, but he was able to go away to a bigger town where he graduated at the top of his class from a Christian high school.

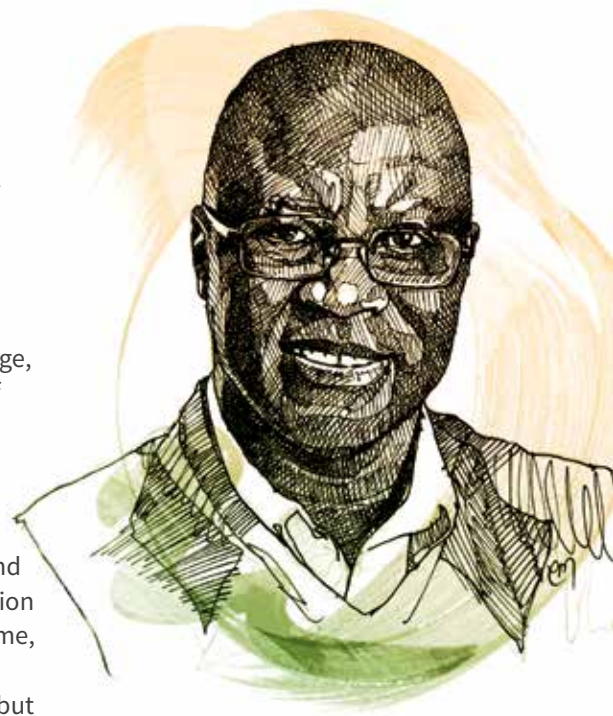
His biology teacher in Sierra Leone was a professor from Indiana Wesleyan University (Dr. Thom Davidson) who bought him a plane ticket to check out the university. Francis enrolled and worked jobs to pay for college and lived with another professor during school breaks.

Francis was an outstanding student and also a star on the soccer field. His fellow students remember that his face always shone with a broad smile. He graduated with a degree in biology and became a teacher. He and his wife, Bobbie, also an IWU grad, moved to Liberia, Africa, in the late 1970’s to teach. The couple later relocated to Sierra Leone, but because of the deteriorating conditions, Francis feared for his family’s safety and emigrated to the U.S. Later, during the civil war in Sierra Leone, over 1,200 schools were destroyed. New schools are needed now more than ever.

Teaching high school for nearly thirty years in Fort Wayne, Ind., Francis has received numerous awards. Among them, in 1994, he was named Indiana Teacher of the Year and runner-up as National Teacher of the Year. He has received the Milken Family Foundation National Educator Award, Alumni World Changers Award from Indiana Wesleyan University, and has been inducted into the National Teachers Hall of Fame.

But none of these awards are as important to Francis as fulfilling his God-given dream of building a successful school in his home village in Sierra Leone. Two attempts to begin a school failed due to rebel warfare and destruction. So Francis deferred his dream until retirement in 2011, when he returned to Sierra Leone and used \$50,000 of his retirement money to build the school. With help from his church and others, it opened in 2013. Ninety percent of the children attending had never been to school before. The school’s second year was postponed by the deadly 2014-15 Ebola virus outbreak.

In April, 2015, the school reopened, and Francis was present to help make it happen. Almost three hundred K-3rd grade students attend the school now, and it will eventually expand to high school level education. A man of deep faith and prayer, Francis never gave up on his God-appointed task. He says, “I appreciate the prayers of God’s people. And I am so grateful for the spiritual and professional foundations I received at Indiana Wesleyan.”





Steve Moore

(’84, Kingswood University)



Rev. Dr. Steve Moore has three passions: personal growth, destiny fulfillment, and world evangelization, with a focus on developing leaders. He founded Keep Growing, Inc., an organization designed to help leaders and their organizations maximize their potential.

For nine years, Steve has served as president of Missio Nexus (formerly The Mission Exchange), a ministry devoted to helping churches and mission organizations accelerate the fulfillment of the Great Commission. This summer he will join the executive team of ABHE, the Association for Biblical Higher Education, as executive director of the Center for Excellence in Leadership. He will seek to multiply leadership development opportunities for students who attend the association’s member institutions.

Steve has written numerous leadership articles, and his monthly video blog, “Learning @ the Speed of Life,” is widely viewed by mission leaders around the world. His books include *The Dream Cycle: Leveraging the Power of Personal Growth, While You Were Micro-Sleeping*, *Who is My Neighbor?* and *Seize the Vuja De*.

A Wesleyan pastor’s son, Steve has a deep appreciation for his Wesleyan heritage. “While a student at Kingswood University I developed a love for God’s Word and a burden for the world,” said Steve. “The direction of my life and ministry continue to be impacted by these powerful currents.”



Phill Tague

(’01, Oklahoma Wesleyan University)


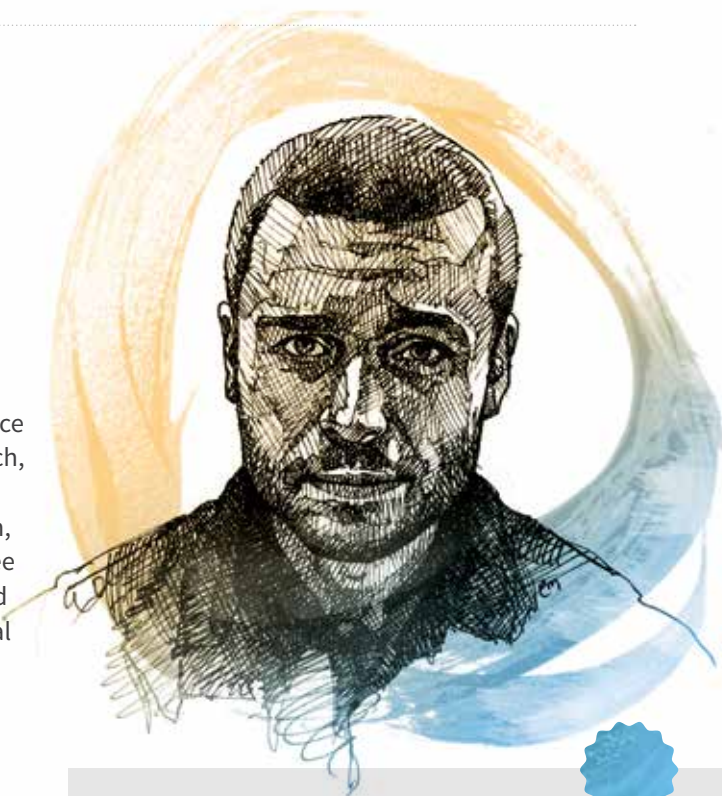
In 2008, God began to stir in the hearts of Rev. Phill and Stephanie Tague for church planting. The couple desired to know that God was, indeed, leading them and that they weren’t just making a “trendy” decision. So they prayed about it separately for a week, and when they discussed the subject after praying, both confirmed that God wanted them to start a church to “set the captives free.”

With a degree in pastoral ministry from OKWU and seven years’ experience as a youth pastor and worship pastor, Phill and his wife began Ransom Church, opening in 2009 in a small movie theatre, in Sioux Falls, S.D. In six years the church has been one of the fastest growing churches in The Wesleyan Church, but remains true to setting captives free. Worship free, live free, and serve free are the basic tenets of the church, and those who attend are invited to attend worship services, join a small group, and participate in community and global outreach.

Ransom Church partners with several organizations to meet needs of community residents: holding backpack giveaways for students, providing a place with free clothes, meeting teachers’ needs through a parent-teacher association, and donating turkeys to families at Thanksgiving.

Phill reflects on his time at Oklahoma Wesleyan, providing advice for current and future students.

“Don’t neglect the study of the Bible or opportunities for practical application,” he said. “Follow the advice in Micah 6:8, especially holding onto humility. You’re surrounded by people who have been through this before, so humbly take advice from them.”



**THEY WERE NOT JUST
MAKING A TRENDY DECISION.
GOD CALLED THEM TO
“SET CAPTIVES FREE.”**



Brittany (Buchanan) Jolly

('10, Southern Wesleyan University)

For Brittany (Buchanan) Jolly, children's ministry has a personal side. The Southern Wesleyan University graduate placed her faith in Jesus at age five during vacation Bible school. Knowing the importance of children's ministry is what motivates her as children's director at Residuum, a Wesleyan church plant in North Charleston, S.C., in an area of deep poverty and addiction.

The new church's launch team began by meeting at SWU's Charleston learning center and recently started holding services. This fall, the church will relocate to a local elementary school.

"We spend many afternoons chatting with neighbors while our kids play together. We give (and receive) home cooked meals while a neighbor is sick, a husband is deployed, or a new baby is born," said Brittany.

Since the Jollys do not live near their relatives, the importance of learning to "grow" an extended family no matter where they live is needed. Brittany knows her experience at Southern Wesleyan helped prepare her to see "how wide her sphere of influence could span."

"In my home, I influence our three kids and my husband," said Brittany. "In my North Charleston community, I influence parents at the playgrounds, at the beach, at the community pool. My education at SWU taught me how to rise to this type of challenge and face it head-on."

Scott Harris

('98, Oklahoma Wesleyan University)

After graduation from Oklahoma Wesleyan University, Scott Harris took a job in banking. But just months later, he chose to follow a childhood dream: enlisting in the Marine Corps.

His journey first took him to Japan, where he served as a combat engineer, and within five years' time he was deployed several times in the Pacific Rim and Iraq. In Japan, Scott was given a flight contract and graduated as an officer from flight school. He spent a year in Virginia at the career level school for Marine Captains.

In June 2009, he became a pilot of the HMX-1, the United States Marine Corps helicopter that transports the President of the U.S., vice-president, Cabinet members, and other VIPs. He is also qualified to pilot other military helicopters. Scott has made numerous trips around the U.S. as well as a trip to Oslo, Norway, to support President Obama when he received the Nobel Peace Prize.

After five years of service at the White House, Major Scott Harris currently serves as aircraft maintenance officer (AMO) for Marine Medium Tiltrotor Squadron 261. They will deploy this summer in support of Special Purpose Marine Air Ground Task Force in Africa. The main purpose will be to help bring stability to Africa for crisis response.





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FATHER & DAUGHTER TEACHERS OF THE YEAR



Amanda (Link) Harris

('08 and '14, Southern Wesleyan University)

Dale Link

('85, Southern Wesleyan University)

Education appears to be in the bloodline for Amanda (Link) Harris and her father, Dale. Both are graduates of Southern Wesleyan University. Amanda's sister, mother, and maternal grandmother are also SWU graduates and teachers. Watching his parents work as missionaries in the training of pastors and Christian workers instilled in Dale an early interest to go into Christian education.

The father-daughter teaching duo independently received Teacher of the Year awards this year at their respective schools: Amanda teaches English at Walhalla High School in Walhalla, S.C., and Dale teaches Spanish at Tamassee-Salem High School in Salem, S.C.

"Nothing trumps the feeling I have when students who said they hate reading come up to me with smiles on their faces, wanting to tell me how much they loved this book," said Amanda. Teaching comes with challenges, but watching a student's love for reading come alive spurs Amanda on.

Dale was grateful that he could enroll at Southern Wesleyan because the university had made a strong commitment to the families of Wesleyan missionaries. His parents were under overseas assignment with Wesleyan World Missions (now Global Partners).



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REASONS WESLEYAN SCHOOLS ARE AMAZING

by Kerry Kind



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Founded: 1883 **Main Campus:** Houghton, NY

HOUGHTON COLLEGE

1. Houghton is among the very few schools in the nation to offer to repay new students' education loans. If future graduates earn less than a target amount of annual salary, the school pays back the loans.
2. More than half of Houghton College's electricity is provided by a massive solar power array, the largest campus installation in New York State, which will save millions in power costs.
3. Houghton College recently completed a \$23 million Kerr-Pegula athletic complex that includes a 107,000 sq. ft. field house that will seat well over 6,000.
4. **Houghton College was recently named one of the top 100 Affordable Elite Colleges and Universities in the nation by *Washington Monthly*.**
5. 40% - 50% of Houghton students do a portion of their studies in off-campus programs, most often in well-run international venues.

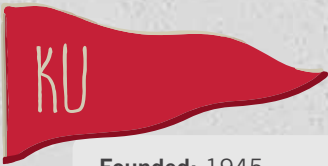


IWU

Founded: 1920
Main Campus: Marion, IN

INDIANA WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY

1. *U.S. News and World Report* has ranked Indiana Wesleyan University as high as 17th among all Midwestern regional universities.
2. **With over 15,000 students (3,000 of these on-campus), Indiana Wesleyan University is the largest private school in the state of Indiana, and the largest of over 100 schools in the Council of Christian Colleges and Universities (CCCU).**
3. By acquiring Wesley Institute, Australia's leading Christian arts college, Indiana Wesleyan University added a major anchor to international initiatives in China, Africa, and other locations.
4. IWU went nineteen seasons in a row without losing a women's tennis fall-season match.
5. **Wesley Seminary at Indiana Wesleyan University, founded in 2009, achieved full accreditation in record time, has grown to well over 400 enrolled, and is housed in a new \$7 million seminary building.**



Founded: 1945
Main Campus: Sussex, NB

KINGSWOOD COLLEGE

1. Over half of the Kingswood University students are engaged in ministry over the summer. Students doing internships, mission trips, and forming all kinds of teams are giving service in camps and local churches in the U.S. and Canada and in other locations around the world.
2. **Kingswood has recently retired all debt (millions of dollars) on their iconic chapel, started a Master's degree program, and saw the largest classes ever graduate.**
3. Although Kingswood University is located in eastern Canada, close to half of its students come from the U.S. from all across the church, making it truly a denominational Bible college. 90% of its full-time faculty are Wesleyan.
4. Kingswood University has named a new president this year. Dr. Steve Lennox, a lifelong Wesleyan pastor, religion professor, and leader, had an extraordinary track record at Indiana Wesleyan University for twenty-two years.
5. Kingswood University is a single-purpose institution, historically, preparing "workers for the harvest." Its sole focus is on preparation for vocational Christian ministry, with spiritual formation as a strength.



Founded: 1910 (in Calif.)
Main Campus: Bartlesville, OK

OKLAHOMA WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY

1. According to the Center for College Affordability and Productivity, Oklahoma Wesleyan had the best professors in the nation for three years in a row. The results came from unsolicited reports of students on the "Rate my Professors" site.
2. **For twelve years in a row, the *U.S. News and World Report Best Colleges Guide* has ranked Oklahoma Wesleyan University a first tier college in the West. The 2015 Guide ranks them the sixth best in the West.**
3. OKWU is among very few schools in the nation to offer to repay new students' education loans. If future graduates earn less than a target amount of annual salary, the school pays back the loans.
4. OKWU recently won its third national croquet championship in the last five years, besting such teams as the U.S. Naval Academy, The State University of New York, and Princeton University. (There have also been national championships in other sports such as baseball, soccer, and basketball at all our Wesleyan universities.)
5. OKWU has recently become **totally debt-free**, and is therefore able to hold down tuition or increase student aid due to having no debt service in their budget.



Founded: 1906
Main Campus: Central, SC

SOUTHERN WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY

1. Southern Wesleyan University has a record of being welcoming to minorities. Over 25% of the traditional students are African-American, contributing to healthy diversity on campus.
2. **The University Singers at Southern Wesleyan University had a unique opportunity to minister in a series of visits to military installations at Ft. Jackson and Parris Island (both in South Carolina). Over a period of two years, they saw more than 9,000 recruits and Marines stand and say 'yes' to Jesus.**
3. Southern Wesleyan University and Houghton College have made the move toward NCAA Divisions II and III, respectively, and are adding major developments to their extracurricular athletic programs.
4. The new million-dollar track facility at Southern Wesleyan includes a huge flag and prayer plaza that Senator Lindsay Graham named "one of the best memorials in the state." A revival among student-athletes has led to many of them being baptized in water-filled steeple-chase pits.
5. According to *U.S. News and World Report* rankings, Southern Wesleyan University has become a strong Tier 2 regional university in the South. 🌿



Story



GENEROUS MINISTRY

By Ron McClung





According to District Superintendent Dan Bickel, the **Wisconsin District** has sustained a partnership with Nicaragua that helped establish the field as well as sending medical, construction, pastoral training, youth, and education teams. They have set up a district office, given missionary and team support, sent medicines, hygiene kits, provided training, purchased land, and done construction. The district has invested more than \$1.4 million and immeasurable volunteer service over the past fifteen years.

TURNING THE WALLS OF THE CHURCH INSIDE OUT

A culture of generosity drives many of the local churches as well. **Red Cedar Church** in Rice Lake, even while raising money for a new building, emphasized not just the building, but giving to others. “We want to instill the idea,” said Senior Pastor Heather Semple, “that we give because God has called us to give, not just because it is linked to certain projects.”

Instead of limiting to special offerings, they budget large, based on what they believe God has called them to do. When they provide support for various efforts in the community, they can tell their people, “Because you have been generous, this is what we are able to do.”

“We want to give our people the tools to live a full life and be so active in the community that they serve without strings attached, so maybe others will want to trust the Jesus we serve.”

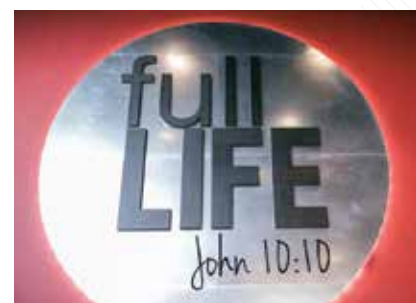
They conduct mission trips to their own county, repairing homes, taking care of people, and **unleashing the church to do all sorts of acts of kindness**. “In other words,” says Pastor Semple, “we want to be the church.”

At a Hispanic church nearby they work with immigrants. They are also starting to help an Islamic Somali group with tangible, physical needs. Superintendent Bickel said, “That church is connecting with its community and turning the walls of the church inside out.”

At Red Cedar, 134 people received Christ on Easter Sunday and 98 were baptized the following Sunday. On May 3, 2015, the congregation moved into its new building and attendance jumped from 1,000 to 1,400.



DAN BICKEL, D.S. OF WISCONSIN DISTRICT SINCE 2001



RED CEDAR CHURCH OPENING MAY 2015



TRANSFORMING THE CITY

Nearly 300 miles southeast of Red Cedar is **Transformation City** – an ambitious name for a church, especially one that is located in an under-resourced urban community. Yet transformation is exactly what Pastor Jason Butler, his staff, and his congregation are doing.

When Jason and his wife Alya arrived in Milwaukee in 2007, the church plant was a “parachute drop,” with no staff, no core group, and no facilities. They began with a vision to become a community of faith that worshiped, reached people for Christ, disciplined believers, and developed leaders, but also ministered to the tangible needs of the community.

Today, in addition to the 250 persons who worship each weekend, they also pour themselves out for the needs of the community. They founded “Inhabit,” an organization that rehabilitates distressed houses and recruits Christians to live in the community, not with a “drawbridge mentality,” coming and going, but being neighbors and becoming part of the community.



UNDER-RESOURCED URBAN COMMUNITIES IN MILWAUKEE SERVED BY INHABIT

People who need jobs are connected with employers. They help young people take responsibility for planting and tending gardens on vacant lots and selling the crops. This adds dignity to young lives.

Young girls in the community are being exploited for sex. The congregation founded "Exploit No More." In cooperation with twenty other churches and law enforcement, they will open a safe house to minister to girls who have been rescued from this exploitation. The first of its kind in Wisconsin, they hope to have it ready by early 2016.

The church encounters many sixth and seventh graders with reading difficulties. So they provide weekly after-school tutoring, including a hot meal, as well as exposure to Bible stories and teachings.

Transformation City now has seven staff persons, including an African-American woman who has been part of the church almost from the beginning. As an associate pastor, she helps build bridges to the multiethnic community.



THE "167 PRINCIPLE"

Eighty miles to the west is a new suburban church near Madison. **"Dane County is known for chewing up and spitting out new church plants,"** said Brent Bickel, pastor of **North Ridge Church** in Waunakee.

So why is North Ridge thriving? "We started differently," Brent said. They moved to the Madison area early in 2011 and focused on prayer and becoming immersed in the community. After much research and building relationships, God guided them to Waunakee to concentrate their efforts.

They began a midweek kids' ministry, called North Ridge Kids, which ran for ten weeks in the fall of 2011, teaching principles for life and the truth about God. They averaged 20-30 kids per week. They began holding monthly services in January 2012, conducted the kids program again in the spring, and officially launched the church in September 2012 in a community center.

Originally a history teacher, Brent taught in a school system in North Carolina before God called him into full-time ministry. After serving on staff at a church in North Dakota, he felt a "directive from God" to plant a church. They hit a high attendance of 246 on Easter and have been averaging 180.

A key principle of North Ridge Church is its emphasis on "167." Brent explains that of the 168 hours in a week, one is spent in church worship on Sunday morning. But being the church is all about how we spend the other 167 hours outside the church walls. He points out, **"We focus heavily on the relevance of God to everyday life.** Since we are a church plant, we have been able to ingrain that in the DNA of the church."



CELEBRATING BAPTISMS AT NORTH RIDGE, SPOONER WESLEYAN, AND HAYWARD WESLEYAN



A 40-MILE STRETCH OF HIGHWAY

The River in Minong, Wisconsin, is another unconventional church plant. They held services for nine months before calling a pastor. Pastor Ben Kidder arrived and now, eight years later, the church averages 200 in worship.

They meet in a sanctuary that feels crowded with 100 people in it. While the town of Minong has a population of about 500, the people come from all over the county, which Kidder says has 4,000 unreached people. His target is a "40-mile stretch of highway."

So what draws people to this small-town church in the North Woods of Wisconsin? Pastor Kidder believes the people are hungry for Bible teaching and worship that feels alive.

Beginning with a core group of 8-12 people from Hayward Wesleyan Church, just over 20 miles away, the original intent was not to begin a separate church. They held Bible studies, but decided to conduct a Christmas Eve service in 2006. One hundred people came and they saw the potential.

People come from a variety of denominational backgrounds, as well as no church background. "If an unchurched person in the community dies, we'll hold their funeral," he said, as a ministry to the grieving survivors.

Their facilities are taxed – they conduct three worship services and also need more parking space, but their focus is on developing the people. The first additional staff member oversees students ministries and discipleship ministries. A retired couple in the church who were professional therapists provide free Christian counseling.

Pastor Kidder gives great credit to Rev. Mark Wilson, the pastor of Hayward Wesleyan Church. "The mother church set us up for success," Kidder says. "They provided money, helped us with the building, and released gifted lay people."



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GETTING OFF THE PLATEAU

Also in upstate Wisconsin, **Spoooner Wesleyan Church** found growth had stalled. Superintendent Bickel had talked to the church leaders about the life cycle of a church and the danger of going into a decline.

Pastor Ron Gormong has been at Spoooner for 27 years. He is only the second senior pastor to lead the church in nearly fifty years. In the 1990s, the church was growing and in 2003 they built a new sanctuary. Church attendance exceeded 400, but after a few years, it plateaued.

“The culture was shifting,” said Pastor Gormong. “We were well-positioned to serve a 90s culture, but that was not working well in the mid-2000s.” The church gave him a sabbatical in 2008, which he used to gain a greater understanding of postmodernism and other cultural issues, and he realized the church needed to refocus. “While the gospel does not change,” he said, “our methods do, if we want to reach generations yet to come.”

He formed a team consisting of a variety of ages and viewpoints. They spent over a year re-envisioning the church, devised a new vision statement and developed new strategies to make it a reality.

Their worship style was “all over the map,” so, among other changes, they settled on a contemporary style that fits their culture. It is band-driven, has attracted several young families, and the congregation is growing again. “Constructive, vision-driven change is harder than it looks, takes longer than you think, and is never over, but the change for us has been healthy.”

Spoooner’s spiritual vitality is also seen in its generosity. When the Philippines typhoon disaster hit recently, it was announced that all the tithes and offerings on one Sunday would go to help the victims. They ended up contributing over \$14,000!



ANOTHER KIND OF GENEROSITY

Hayward Wesleyan Church, situated in a town of 2,100 people, experienced exponential growth for several years, reaching more than 600 attendees. Since then, the church has been investing its people to bless others.

When they planted the church in Minong, Hayward gave away people and money to help **The River Church** get a strong start.

The Spider Lake Church, 13 miles to the northeast, was struggling to remain open. Hayward sent one of its gifted lay leaders, who became the pastor. That church now averages 150.

Andrea Wittwer came to Christ through the ministry of Hayward Wesleyan, felt a call to ministry, trained for ministry through the FLAME program, and now drives an hour west each weekend to minister at the **Woodland Wesleyan Church** in Danbury, Wisc.

Tim Young was on staff at Hayward, but **Stone Lake Wesleyan**, 13 miles south, was struggling. Tim felt called to be their pastor, but Stone Lake could only afford to hire him half-time. Hayward invested in that ministry to enable him to be a full-time pastor. That church is growing again.

Tim Hagburg, also from Hayward Wesleyan Church, now pastors **First Congregational Church** in Hayward. Under his leadership, with Mark Wilson’s warm encouragement, God has breathed new life into this historic congregation.

The Shack, a Native American fellowship on the LCO reservation (Ojibwe nation), is another outreach ministry of Hayward, with several from the congregation ministering there regularly.

Hayward has been an inspiration to many other churches in small towns. Hayward’s Pastor Mark Wilson, author of the book, *Purple Fish*, says, “If you draw a big circle of 25 miles radius around our church, there are 20,000 people, of which only 4,000 attend church. Every town has plenty of fish in its sea.” 🐟



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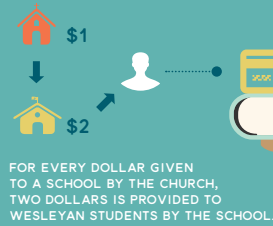
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In every decade since 1980, there have been experts in higher education who have predicted that private education would go into serious decline, forcing the closing of hundreds of private institutions. In spite of reductions in educational spending by federal and state governments, those predictions have not proven generally accurate. True, some schools that lost the support of their constituencies or failed to change with the times have disappeared. What about our five Wesleyan institutions?

One of the constant strengths of The Wesleyan Church that contributes to optimism about our future is our commitment to Wesleyan higher education. *The partnership between the schools and the Church has been healthy and consistent.* Over the last dozen years or more, the enrollment trend, in spite of a couple blips, has been stable or positive. This has been true of traditional undergraduate education as well as adult education.

What about Wesleyan students? Are our own young people still considering Wesleyan colleges, and are the schools serving the Church well? Yes, over 1,000 of the traditional undergraduate students are Wesleyans, and have been so for the last generation. About half of those are ministerial students. *Wesleyan students received \$10,371,000 in financial aid from their schools, not counting government and other outside financial aid.* This is nearly \$10,000 per student, on average.

Wesleyan churches provide educational support to the institutions as a portion of the United Stewardship Fund that all churches contribute. *But interestingly,*

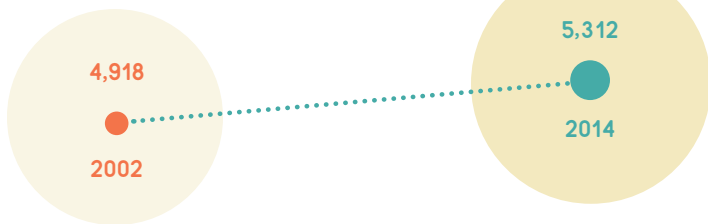
for every dollar in support going to Wesleyan colleges from the churches, nearly two dollars in scholarship aid is provided to Wesleyan students by the schools.

MINISTERIAL TRAINING

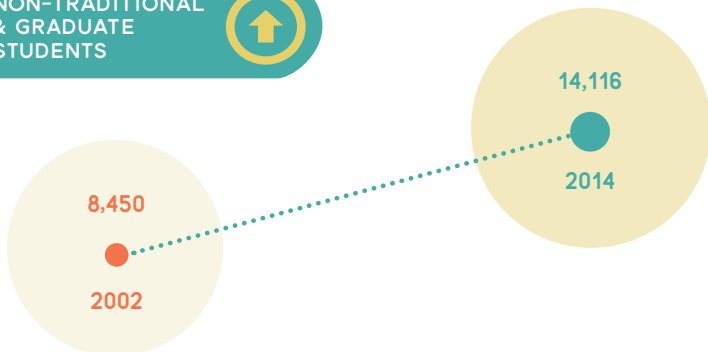
Ministerial training is of special importance to the Church. With the establishment of Wesley Seminary at Indiana Wesleyan University, the trend toward seminary education is up. There are approximately 200 Wesleyans pursuing graduate ministerial training at Wesley Seminary and other seminaries and graduate programs. And with the FLAME program (essentially a Bible college on wheels), there are other alternative pathways of training available for adults of non-traditional age in our churches.

But the undergraduate ministerial component at our colleges still anchors our leadership development and is vitally important to the Church's future. The metrics show that even with growth in graduate and non-traditional programs, our core undergraduate training programs are remaining stable.

TRADITIONAL UNDERGRAD STUDENTS



NON-TRADITIONAL & GRADUATE STUDENTS



TOTAL STUDENTS



MISSION FOCUS

Many have noted that vital Christian education at the college level is getting more scarce. The historical trends there are undeniable. *At one time, 60% of all higher education in North America was decidedly Christian in its assumptions and focus.* Particularly since the middle of the twentieth century, most Christian schools have become more secular. Today, only 2-3% of all college students in North America are attending an institution that is evangelically Christian in its character and mission.

Our Wesleyan colleges are Houghton College in western New York; Indiana Wesleyan University; Kingswood University in New Brunswick, Canada; Oklahoma Wesleyan University; and Southern Wesleyan University in South Carolina.

We are fortunate that all five of our institutions remain absolutely committed to the purposes for which they were founded, to the partnership with the Church, and to a Christ-centered mission and focus. The governing boards of the institutions are appointed by the Church, which helps ensure that mission, but it requires the active leadership of each generation to keep the relationship vital and working well.

The Wesleyan Church, against all the trends of most other denominations in North America, has been steadily growing in conversions, baptisms, attendance, and other metrics. A strong case can be made that the health and clear Christ-centered mission of our five colleges have been a factor in this, and that it will continue to be so.

WHAT GRADE FOR WESLEYAN COLLEGES?

Final grades? In overall quality of the institutions, including academic programs, the grade is A, as validated by independent raters across the board. In keeping the Christ-centered mission vibrant, our Wesleyan colleges and universities are extraordinary, and all receive a well-deserved A+! 🍃



John Wesley on EDUCATION

Wesley's formation of class structures for discipleship and education on the local level was revolutionary in the church.

But he also was the founder, promoter, and defender of various schools and colleges, primarily because the poor and all of the new church members did not have access to higher education. Wesley had great concern for

the salvation of people. But he was also a great reformer of society. His compassion for the disadvantaged was a chief motive behind his formation of schools and colleges. And those institutions were to be agents not only of discipleship and learning, but also social reform, as the poor were both empowered and taught to resist evil. 🍃

act now Nepal

Nepal, after the quake

The April 25 Nepal quake was **22 times more powerful than the one that demolished Haiti in 2010**. The toll is 8,800 killed, 23,000 injured, and 2.8 million displaced/homeless. The new homeless are predominantly the poor. The cold monsoon rains have begun, and untold thousands of families are still exposed and have little in the way of resources. Pipes and water sources were disrupted and disease and suffering are on the rise. Five hundred major avalanches blocking roads still keep many mountain villages from receiving aid.



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In spite of the difficulties, grief, and loss, Wesleyan pastors and leaders are engaged in ministry. There are 52 churches and 150 preaching points in the fledgling church. Five Wesleyan churches were completely destroyed and many families affected.

The **Wesleyan Emergency Relief Fund** has been a trusted channel for disaster aid. One hundred percent of the gifts for Nepali victims reach Nepal. Along with our partners, World Hope International and Global Partners, we are engaged in supplying hundreds of tents, water filters, sleeping bags, other relief aid, and beginning to rebuild churches. **Teams are even backpacking tents and water filters into mountain villages where roads are blocked!**

Pastor Balsamser lives in the town of Barpak. An area pastor, he oversees several churches and the *JESUS* film team working in his area. In the last year, he has planted seven churches. The church has been growing rapidly. In one village alone, 130 people have given their hearts to Christ.

Barpak is near the epicenter of the earthquake. Out of 1,200 homes there, only a handful were left standing. **Over 700 people died, and five members of Pastor Balsamser's immediate family lost their lives. Yet in the midst of his own loss, he is helping lead a relief effort for his area, and is also passionate to see Christ proclaimed and people saved.**

Praise God for the gifts already at work in Nepal. They are helping the churches to be lights in their communities. Thank you.

National leader Pastor Babu has cast a vision for a holistic strategy of compassion and development going forward (**Act Now Nepal**), enabling people to serve and be served and strengthening and growing more churches in the wake of the disaster. Now is the time to act by visiting globalpartneronline.org/partner/nepal. Never have the Nepali people been more receptive, especially as they see the churches loving their communities. 🙌



**PASTOR BALSAMSER
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MEMBERS LOST THEIR LIVES.**

AFRICA

MOZAMBIQUE

MADAGASCAR

Update on MOZAMBIQUE FLOODS

Flooding has damaged large areas of Mozambique in 2015. Wesleyan pastors, Zito and Marcelino, reported that many people's homes were completely destroyed, along with their livelihoods, including their crops.

Assistance from the Wesleyan Emergency Relief Fund in North America is an encouragement to the victims and they are experiencing God's compassion through those who have given.

Food help is still needed as crops had to be replanted and there is hunger.



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Landmark evangelism rallies in Cuba bear fruit

Thirteen years ago **Pastor Yunio** and his wife, Nancy, planted a church in Cuba. The goal was to plant one house church per year, a challenge in Cuba. Eleven churches have been planted in 11 years. **The Florida District** of The Wesleyan Church has provided funding for bicycles to mobilize lay pastors and some financial assistance to church planters.

As a result of people coming to the Lord, the number of house churches has increased to 24 in the past two years. Evening rallies with large crowds are now being held, and pastors are being trained. Recently, 57 people in Cardenas placed their faith in Jesus. Pastor Yunio said they must start a new church in Cardenas for those new believers.



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Ebola fight enters final phase

The Ebola fight in Sierra Leone and Liberia is entering its final phase, it is hoped. The number of Ebola victims continues to drop and the number of survivors is increasing. Prevention strategies and medical interventions, along with great prayer, have helped curb Ebola's rapid spread. Every dollar raised through Wesleyan Emergency Relief Fund has helped Kamakwie Hospital and other Ebola fighters. By this summer the Kamakwie team hopes to be able to carry on more independently once again.

God of second chances

Jomar from the Philippines is one example of how the *JESUS* film changes lives. He had abandoned his wife and children. As he watched the film, he became convicted of his sin, placed his faith in Jesus, and sought forgiveness from his wife.

Today he is back again with his family. The *JESUS* film also changed the life of a Muslim woman, who was moved by Jesus' love for women and the miracles he performed. She gave her life to Jesus and seeks to follow him, even in the uncertainty of her husband's response to her new faith.





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BALL, REV. BILL (64)

Rev. Bill Ball lived in Flagstaff, Ariz. He served as a Wesleyan pastor in Kansas for 15 years as well as various roles with the Navigators throughout his life. He is survived by Lois, his wife of 40 years, two sons, two daughters, and 13 grandchildren.

BETTERS, REV. JOHN (76)

Rev. John Betters lived in Salcha, Alaska. He was an ordained minister with The Wesleyan Church and served in churches in the Kansas District. In 1970, he helped found Far North Missionary Fellowship in North Pole, Alaska. He taught in a local high school and also ministered to Native villagers. He was preceded in death by his wife, Yvonne, and one brother. Survivors include one daughter, three grandchildren, three great-grandchildren, and one sister.

BOGHOSIAN, REV. THOMAS "TOM" (85)

Rev. Thomas "Tom" Boghosian was former president of Houghton Academy in Houghton, N.Y. He served as a Wesleyan pastor and chaplain for 62 years, ministering in churches in the Eastern New York/ New England District and the Central New York District. His chaplaincies included Syracuse University and Great Meadows Prison. He is survived by Vera, his wife of 62 years, three sons, one daughter, 11 grandchildren, 10 great-grandchildren, and one sister.



COX, REV. LEROY (88)

Rev. Leroy Cox lived in Seneca, S.C. He served as a Wesleyan pastor for over 50 years in North and South Carolina. Survivors include Loma, his wife of 67 years, two sons, two daughters, six grandchildren, and one sister.

CULP, REV. RAYMOND (89)

Rev. Raymond Culp lived in Bethlehem, Penn. He served as a Wesleyan pastor in numerous churches in Pennsylvania and New Jersey. One son and two brothers preceded him in death. Survivors include Alma, his wife of 66 years, two daughters, five grandchildren, and six great-grandchildren.

DAWSON, REV. WALTER (86)

Rev. Walter Dawson lived in Waverly, Ohio. He served as a Wesleyan pastor in the Greater Ohio District. One son and one sister preceded him in death. Survivors include his wife, Aniebell, three daughters, two sons, five grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren.

DURHAM, REV. CHESTER "FRANKLIN" (84)

Rev. Chester "Franklin" Durham lived in Lexington, Ky. An ordained minister in the Kentucky-Tennessee District, he had pastored churches in Ohio and Kentucky. He is survived by his wife of 55 years, Opal Powell Durham, two daughters, five grandchildren, twenty-two great-grandchildren, and one sister.

EARL, REV. HARRIS DELONG (89)

Harris DeLong Earl lived in Pittsburgh, Penn. He served as a pastor and missionary with The Wesleyan Church. Rev. Earl pastored Wesleyan churches in New York, alongside his wife, Marcia. Later the couple served in Colombia, South America, as missionaries. He also worked in a local print shop.



Rev. Earl's experiences as a printer were key to his entry to Colombia. He managed a printing company, which produced Christian literature. For the next 35 years the couple ministered and built churches and a Bible Institute in Medellin, Bucaramanga, and Bogota.

He and Marcia moved to Brooksville Wesleyan Village in Florida upon retirement and were devoted to Brooksville Wesleyan Church. For 20 years, they taught Bible studies in Spanish and English in prisons, ministered in nursing homes, and visited sick and shut-ins. At his time of death, Rev. Earl had a prayer ministry, maintained a website that housed Bible studies in English and Spanish, and faithfully supported churches and missions work.

He was preceded in death by Marcia and five brothers and sisters. Survivors include three daughters, two sons, eight grandchildren, 18 great-grandchildren, one sister, and two brothers.

Obituaries

GARDNER, REV. IRA (88)

Rev. Ira Gardner lived in Union City, Ohio. An ordained minister in the Kentucky-Tennessee District, he also worked as a carpenter. He was preceded in death by his wife Patsy Colleen Gardner in 2002. He is survived by two sons, one daughter, six grandchildren, and seven great-grandchildren.

MCKINNEY, GEORGE (89)

George Franklin McKinney lived in Ashland, Ky. He was a veteran of the U. S. Army in World War II and a commissioned minister in the Kentucky-Tennessee District. He was preceded in death by his wife of 62 years, Mary E. Gullett McKinney. Survivors include three sons, four daughters, 17 grandchildren, 21 great-grandchildren, three brothers, and two sisters.

MILLER, REV. FRANCES GILDOW (92)

Rev. Frances Gildow Miller lived in Kernersville, N. C. An ordained minister in the North Carolina East District, she had taught at Southern Pilgrim College as well as in public schools. She was preceded in death by one son. She is survived by her husband of 72 years, Rev. Gordon Miller, one son, four grandchildren, six great-grandchildren, two great-great-grandchildren, and one brother.

RHOAD, REV. CHESTER (85)

Rev. Chester Rhoad lived in Jamestown, Tenn. He was an ordained minister in the Kentucky-Tennessee District. He was preceded in death by his wife, Mable (Kline) Rhoad. He is survived by two sons, six grandchildren, twelve great-grandchildren, three step-great-grandchildren, three brothers, and one sister.

RHYNE, REV. HERMAN (93)

Rev. Herman Rhyme was an ordained minister in the Kentucky-Tennessee District, he was preceded in death by his son, David. He is survived by his wife of 72 years, Eva, one daughter, one son, and several grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

ROBERTS, GLEN (87)

Glen Roberts was a commissioned minister in the South Carolina District. He was predeceased by his wife of sixty-five years, Evelyn Jamison Roberts. He is survived by three daughters, three sons, ten grandchildren, seven great-grandchildren, three sisters, and three brothers.

ROCHA, ALFREDO (86)

Alfredo Rocha lived in Flushing, N.Y. A native of Colombia, South America, he was a lay supply pastor of the Penn-Jersey District. He most recently served at Iglesia Cristiana Evangélica in Corona, N.Y. He is survived by his wife Aminta Paternina de Rocha and six children.



SWAUGER, NANCY LEE (83)

Nancy Lee Phillippe Swauger lived in Marion, Ind. Nancy Lee and her husband, Paul, served as missionaries with Global Partners in South America.

Prior to her service as a missionary, Nancy Lee served alongside Paul while he pastored churches in New York and Georgia. She was also a public school teacher and professor at Indiana Wesleyan University.

Nancy's music and writings are in books, teachers' manuals, numerous other documents, both in Spanish and English, within The Wesleyan Church and beyond. On the Metro Move team, which her husband led, she served as instructor, which included seminars in numerous countries. Nancy was also co-hostess with her husband on mission group tours including repeated trips to various places.

Three siblings preceded her in death. Her husband Paul survives her, as do three sons and one daughter, eight grandchildren, 14 great-grandchildren, and two brothers.

VAN CISE, MARTHA (97)

Martha Van Cise lived in New Castle, Ind. In addition to home missionary service in eastern Kentucky prior to her marriage, she and her husband Rev. John Van Cise, served as pastors of Wesleyan churches in Kentucky, Indiana, West Virginia, Ohio, and Tennessee. Her husband preceded her in death. She is survived by two daughters, one son, eight grandchildren, 23 great-grandchildren, and two great-great-grandchildren.

WINCHESTER, REV. HELEN BROWN (102)

Rev. Helen Brown Winchester lived in Madisonville, Ky. An ordained minister in the Kentucky-Tennessee District, she served in several mission churches while her husband, Noah Winchester, farmed. He died in 1962. She had one stepson and is survived by many nieces and nephews.

WOLFE, REV. DONALD (75)

Rev. Donald Wolfe lived in Harrisville, N.Y. Rev. Wolfe pastored Colton Wesleyan Church in N.Y. for 15 years before he moved to Mission, S.D., to complete missionary work. His first wife, Doris, preceded him in death. Survivors include his wife, Sharon, two sons, three daughters, 13 grandchildren, and one sister.

WOLFE, REV. JAMES (92)

Rev. James Wolfe lived in Corydon, Ind. A veteran of the U.S. Coast Guard, he was an ordained minister in the Kentucky-Tennessee District. He was preceded in death by his wife, Mary E. Rhoads Wolfe. He is survived by one son, two daughters, six grandchildren, twelve great-grandchildren, six great-great-grandchildren, and one sister.



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