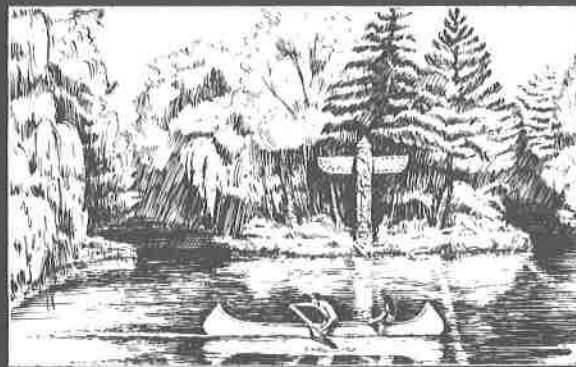


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Former Fairview church establishes Bible endowment

History took place on July 1 as former members of the Fairview Church of Christ in Detroit met in the Westside Central Chapel to present a major endowment gift to Michigan Christian College. The event not only represented future strength for the Bible Department, but marked the beginning of the college's first endowment fund.

At the program, Robert Jones, a former elder of the Fairview church, presented to the college a check for \$15,000, along with a land contract from the sale of their building. When matured to maximum size, the Fairview Memorial Endowment Fund will value nearly \$80,000, producing \$8,000 annually for the teaching of the Bible. As an endowment, the fund will never be spent, but will provide a constant interest income.

President Gilfilen, in stating appreciation for the gift stated,

"The Fairview Memorial Endowment Fund is a timely gift to the college. This should be a major aid in providing greater financial stability for the Bible Department, especially as we begin our four-year Bachelor of Religious Education program. We are most grateful for the vision of the members of the Fairview Church of Christ."

In past years, MCC has also received similar gifts from other congregations that decided to consolidate and sell unneeded buildings. The West Dearborn church made the first such donation in 1972. The Westside Central church provided the original funds for the new campus chapel. Plaques will soon be placed on campus to remember these congregations and the Fairview church.

Other former members of the Fairview congregation who would like to increase the size of the fund may make contributions to the Fairview Memorial Endowment Fund of MCC.

Major newspapers feature new MCC faculty member

Headlines of a feature in the June 7, 1979 *Washington Post* read "Law Degree Gives Vet Victory Over Blindness." A similar feature appeared a few weeks later in the *Detroit News*, describing John Todd, who recently moved to Rochester to join the MCC faculty.

In 1969, Todd suffered a major injury in the Vietnam War that left him legally blind. After returning home, he became a member of the White House speaker's bureau and at a State dinner met his future wife, Joyce, a former MCC student (1965-67). He was converted a few months later.

Both John and Joyce recently completed their J.D. with honors at Georgetown University in Washington D.C. John ranked as one of the top courtroom performers in his class. He served as a deacon of the Oxon Hill Church of Christ while in D.C.

Joyce will be serving as a prosecutor for Oakland County, while John will be teaching government, history, and business law at MCC. Both will provide valuable services to the college and community.

TOP LEFT: Robert Jones presents the first check toward the Fairview endowment to President Gilfilen. TOP RIGHT: Gerald Montgomery, former minister for the Fairview church, addresses guests. BOTTOM: Leaders of the former Fairview church.

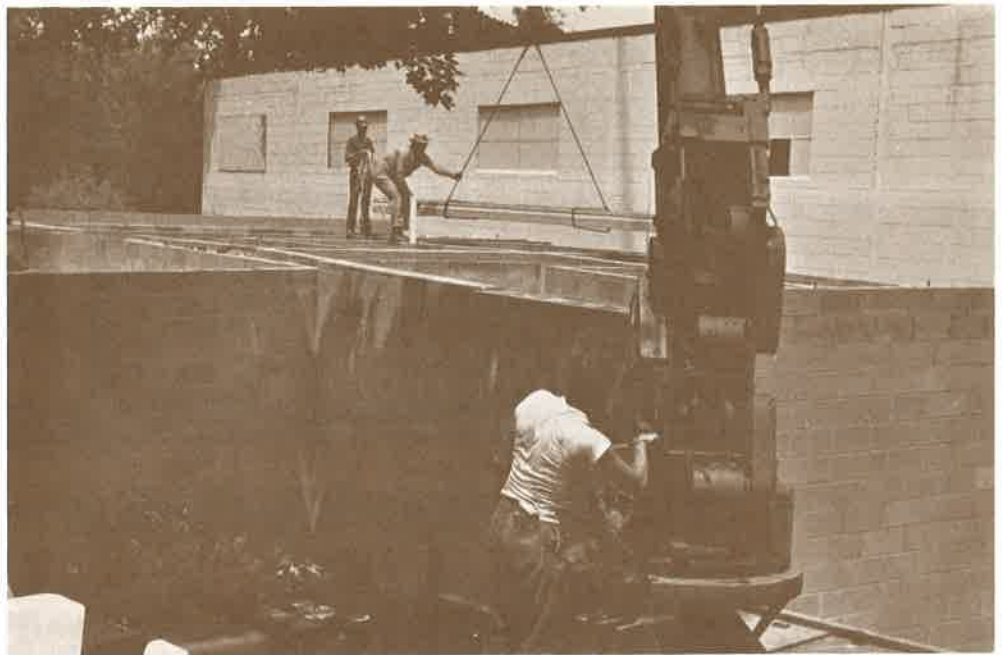


Gymnasium annex nears completion

Eyebrows began to rise last spring as maintenance personnel removed the old entrance on the MCC Gymnasium. Crews had installed sewer lines to the area during the previous summer, but construction of an addition then remained in the future.

Within days after the close of the school year, the G & H Construction Company began work on an annex connecting the Science Center and the gym. The building will house the heating unit, foyer and rest-rooms for both buildings, and offices and shower rooms for the gym. Workers are aiming for a September 15 completion date.

The project is being made possible through gifts of Jim and Bessie Gallaher, Del and Zel Reminder of Bay City, Michigan, and the Men's Club of MCC. Lectureship guests as well as students will welcome the addition!



MCC Bookstore provides funds for scholarships

Figures released from the close of the fiscal year report that the MCC Bookstore achieved a \$45,210 profit during the past year. Profits from the store provided scores of scholarships to MCC students.

The majority of the Bookstore's business continued to come from off campus. The store supplied Bible school and VBS literature and church supplies to almost all of the churches of Christ in Michigan and several in surrounding states. Churches purchased items from the store at publisher prices.

Concerning the store efforts, manager Larry Stewart commented, *"Everyone ought to clip out this article and take it to the person who purchases materials for their congregation. If the material is coming from MCC, pat the person on the back and thank them for helping to provide financial aid to many students. Remind them that it really does make a difference where they purchase."*



22nd Annual Lectureship Faculty

Paul Breakfield. Minister of the Central Church of Christ in Cocoa, Florida.

Jack Exum. Author, lecturer, and minister from Royston, Georgia.

Ben Foster. Dean of Students at Southwestern Christian College in Terrell, Texas.

Neil Lightfoot. Author and Bible teacher at Abilene Christian University.

Mary Oler. Author and lecturer from Dallas, Texas.

Wanita White. Author and teacher from Lafayette, Indiana.

Jim Woodruff. Minister of the College Church of Christ in Searcy, Arkansas.

Participants from MCC Family
Jesse Clayton, Eldred Echols,
Benny Ann Gilfilen, Walt Gilfilen,
Darlene Hindsley, Leonard Knight,
Coy Roper, and Mary Utley.

Calendar

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| Fall Semester Opening | August 25 |
| Associates Fall Festival | October 6 |
| Bible Lectureship | October 8-11 |
| Drama Performance | November 9-10 |
| High School Day | November 10 |
| Winter Semester Ends | December 14 |



Jack Exum Ben Foster Neil Lightfoot
Mary Oler Wanita White Jim Woodruff



**22nd Annual
Michigan Christian College Lectureship**

“Spirituality”

October 8-11, 1979

Monday Evening

- 6:00 p.m. Alumni Dinner*
Alumni Chorus
- 7:30 p.m. Leonard Knight
“A Road Less Traveled”
- 8:15 p.m. James Woodruff
“Spirituality: The Fullness
of Christ’s Personality”

Tuesday Evening

- 6:00 p.m. Preachers/Elders and Wives Dinner*
Jesse Clayton
- 7:30 p.m. Eldred Echols
“Determining God’s Will for
My Life”
- 8:15 p.m. Jack Exum
“The Doctrine of Me-ism”

Wednesday Evening

- 7:30 p.m. Coy Roper
“Renewing the Mind”
- 8:15 p.m. Ben Foster
“Unity of Spirit in the Bond
of Peace”

Thursday Evening

- 6:00 p.m. Bible Teachers’ Dinner*
“Spiritual Development: A
Life-Long Process”
Walt Gilfilen
- 7:30 p.m. MCC A Capella Chorus
Randall Gill, Director
- 8:15 p.m. Neil Lightfoot
“John: The Spiritual Gospel”

*Reservations necessary to attend dinners: Call Jan at (313) 651-5800.

Day Program

10:00 a.m.

MEN’S CLASS

- “Your Spiritual
Inventory” Paul Breakfield T
- tba Jack Exum W
- “A Serious Call to Diligent
Study of the Scriptures” Neil Lightfoot Th

WOMEN’S CLASS

- “Developing Spirituality
through the Bible
School” Wanita White T W Th

11:00 a.m.

MEN’S CLASS AND CHAPEL

- “Power in the Gospels” James Woodruff T
- tba Jack Exum W
- “Sharing in His
Holiness” Paul Breakfield Th

WOMEN’S CLASS

- “How Can I Have Peace?” Mary Oler T
- “I Must Understand” Mary Oler W
- “I Offer Willingly” Mary Oler Th

12:00 noon

MEN’S CLASS

- tba Eldred Echols T W Th

WOMEN’S CLASS

- “Spiritual Compassion” Mary Utley T
- “Spirituality in the Home” Benny Ann Gilfilen W
- followed by Luncheon by Associates
- “Spirituality on the Job” Darlene Hindsley Th

1:30-2:30 — Lunch on Your Own

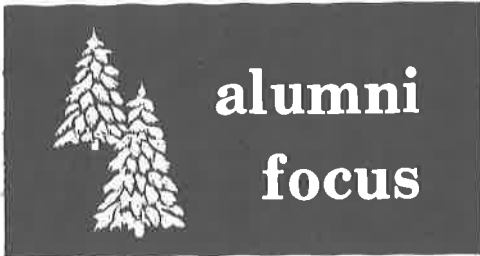
2:30 p.m.

- “Assurance in the
Gospels” James Woodruff T
- “Human Sexuality: the
Bible View” Jack Exum W
- “Evangelism in the Home:
a Success Story” Paul Breakfield Th

3:30 p.m.

- “Communicating Christ to
a Contemporary Culture” James Woodruff T
- “Human Sexuality: the
Bible View” Jack Exum W
- tba Neil Lightfoot Th

Men’s classes and general sessions held in Gymnasium.
Ladies classes and luncheon meet at Rochester church building.
Dinners held in MCC cafeteria.



LECTURESHIP will again provide a great opportunity for alumni to share an evening together. Based upon a good response at last year's dinner, an Alumni Dinner is planned for Monday evening, October 8, at 6:00 p.m. in the cafeteria. The Alumni Chorus will perform for the occasion. Reservations must be placed in advance with Jan at (313) 651-5800.

HOMECOMING 80 preparations continue as Carolyn (Francisco) Smith and Pat (Palmer) Pleasant plan for a special ten-year reunion for the class of 1970. In addition to the Alumni Luncheon for all classes, featuring former administrator Dan Woodruff, special activities will be planned for the class of 1970. Mark your calendar for February 9.

TIM ALLEN (class of 1976) will begin work this fall as music instructor at the Nashville Christian School.

WAYNE BAKER (class of 1962) recently began his efforts as Executive Vice President of Alabama Christian College.

MARJORIE (CLARKE) CRUTCHFIELD (class of 1972) will serve on the pioneer faculty of the Valley Christian Academy in Flint this fall.

ROYCE DICKINSON, JR. (class of 1975) is now preaching for the church in Cuba, Kentucky after completing his masters degree last spring.

LOIS FRENCH (class of 1976) will begin teaching kindergarden at the Lockett Christian Academy this fall.

VIOLET FRENCH (class of 1977) has accepted the position as director of the Metro Day Care Center in Sterling Heights.

MEL LOWE (class of 1970) recently began work in the Development Office of Harding College.

LARRY SMITH (class of 1968) passed the February bar exam and is working with the law firm Cox and Hooth in Troy, Michigan.

NEDRA SMITH (class of 1977) left on July 9 for a two-year assistance program of mission work in Limerick, Ireland. Among others, she will be joining HOLLY WISER (class of 1975).

ALUMNI NEWS? Please send us an update of any accomplishments, job changes, or news which we can share. Address items to Larry Stewart, Bulletin Editor, MCC.

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MCC Monday School

Increase your Bible knowledge and teaching skills by attending MCC's Monday School. For your convenience, many courses have been arranged to meet only one day a week. Enjoy the fellowship of other Christians. Take classes for college credit or simply set your own pace by auditing.

Mondays

- Romans and Galatians. 1:00-4:00 p.m.
- Wisdom Literature. 7:00-10:00 p.m.
- Introduction to Greek Studies I. 7:00-10:00 p.m.
- Art for the Teacher of Children. 12:00-2:50 p.m.
- Art for the Bible School Teacher. 1:00-2:50 p.m.
- Reading Techniques. 8:30 a.m., 9:30 a.m., or 7:00 p.m.

Other Days

- Survey of Church History. Wednesdays, 1:00-4:00 p.m.
- American Religions. Thursdays, 7:00-10:00 p.m.

Fall semester begins August 28. You may late register through September 17, but hurry!

to register call Mrs. Stewart at 651-5800

Presidents of two-year Christian colleges meet in Parkersburg

Presidents of four Christian junior colleges met July 10 on the campus of Ohio Valley College in Parkersburg, West Virginia to share ideas, discuss challenges, and explore mutually beneficial areas of cooperation. Participating were Walter Gilfilen of MCC, Elza Huffard of North-eastern Christian Junior College, Keith Stotts of Ohio Valley College, and Gary Bartholomew of York College.

In a joint news release, the presidents stated that the time is ripe for a coordinated effort to boost the effectiveness of Christian education in our Northern states. Commenting on the meeting, President Gilfilen stated, "Our four institutions are continuing to plan and to identify areas of mutual cooperation. I am excited about the potential of this effort, which should result in a major step forward for MCC, as well as our other two-year colleges."

All four colleges participating in the workshop began operations within four years of each other and hold a great deal in common in size, atmosphere, and mission.