AGTS Alumni Newsletter

Assemblies of God Theological Seminary
June 2014

Keeping You Connected

AGTS Alumni Chaplaincy Reception

AGTS welcomed over 125 alumni and friends at a special reception held during the AG Chaplaincy Conference in Springfield, Mo. Administrators, faculty and staff enjoyed connecting with alumni serving as military, prison and hospital chaplains. Pictures will be posted to Facebook soon.

Connect with AGTS President

Byron D. Klaus


August 7-10: AG Centennial Celebrations, Springfield, Mo.

AGTS News

2014 Sigma Chi Pi Honor Society Awards

The Alliance for AG Higher Education sponsors the Sigma Chi Pi Honor Society. Each year, the seminary faculty nominate a limited number of alumni who
Invest in Student Scholarships

Donate to the Pentecostal Leaders Fund for AGTS student scholarships:
* Online
* 417-268-1012
* development@agts.edu

DONATE

Contact Us

Dorothea J. Lotter
Director of Institutional & Alumni Relations
dlotter@agts.edu
(417) 268-1022

Deborah Fegler
Development & Alumni Coordinator
dfegler@agts.edu
(417) 268-1012

Jennifer S. Hall
Promotions Coordinator
jhall@agts.edu
(417) 268-1024

alumni@agts.edu
www.agts.edu/alumni

Contact Us

Dorothea J. Lotter
Director of Institutional & Alumni Relations
dlotter@agts.edu
(417) 268-1022

Deborah Fegler
Development & Alumni Coordinator
dfegler@agts.edu
(417) 268-1012

Jennifer S. Hall
Promotions Coordinator
jhall@agts.edu
(417) 268-1024

alumni@agts.edu
www.agts.edu/alumni

Invest in Student Scholarships

Donate to the Pentecostal Leaders Fund for AGTS student scholarships:
* Online
* 417-268-1012
* development@agts.edu

DONATE

Satisfy scholastic, character and leadership qualifications and graduated at least 10 years ago. The 2014 recipients include:

Lori S. O'Dea ('91, '02)
Lead Pastor, New Life Assembly of God, Grand Ledge, Mich.

Lori brings a wide range of experiences in ministry, having served at multiple staff churches as both an associate pastor and as a teaching pastor. She has an extensive speaking and teaching ministry at retreats, seminars, district events and churches. Dr. O'Dea specializes in small group ministry and team leadership development. She is an ordained minister and committee member of The Network for Women in Ministry.

Elijah Hankerson III ('96)
Founder and Senior Pastor, Life Center International Church of God in Christ of St. Louis, Mo.

He has over 25 years of ministry experience including 18 years as a pastor. Prior to his current pastorate he led the Christ Temple COGIC and later the Timmons Temple COGIC, both of Springfield, Mo. Dr. Hankerson served on the Sherman Avenue Area Project Committee, the Spiritual Life Committee of Evangel University and founded the Ann Hankerson Community Development Center. He serves on the board of directors and is the fourth administrative assistant for COGIC. He serves on the Jurisdictional Ordination Board, Grievance Committee, Program Committee, and is chairman of the Public Relations Department for Missouri Eastern First Jurisdiction.

Barnabas W. Mtokambali ('04)
Tanzanian Pastor and Superintendent of the Tanzanian Assemblies of God Fellowship

A prolific church planter, Barnabas implemented a strategy that led to the current initiative of building 547 primary churches to blanket Tanzania with one church every 25 square miles. Today, 10 years after completion of that first church, Barnabas is 75% toward that goal with 411 churches built or under construction as well as over 2,000 daughter churches. Thirty-one of those churches have an orphanage on premises to care for over 11,500 homeless kids orphaned by the devastating AIDS epidemic.

The Kern Family Foundation awards $194,100 grant to AGTS at Evangel University
The Kern Family Foundation, Inc., in Waukesha, Wisconsin, has awarded a grant of $194,100 to the Assemblies of God Theological Seminary at Evangel University to promote the integration of faith, work and economics (FWE) into a holistic discipleship model within the Assemblies of God and other Pentecostal and Charismatic communities. It is the third consecutive annual grant from this foundation to promote FWE in strategic ways. Read more.

Summer Institute for Islamic Studies

The Summer Institute for Islamic Studies begins June 30 featuring four courses on Islam and ministries to Muslim peoples. AGTS hosts the largest resident faculty in Islamic Studies of any seminary in the U.S. More info.

Alumni News

Did you know the first female chaplain in an Army combat arms unit is an AGTS grad? Read this article about Delana Small ('11)
David Ringer ('14) will publish an adaptation of his D.Min. project—*J. Roswell Flower: a Brief Biography*. He is pictured above with David Flower (left), son of J. Roswell Flower. Read more about this book. Read another article about Ringer published in the Springfield News-Leader, "Scholar realizes his dream of D.Min. after 39 years."

Tom Cogle ('92) completed 25 years as the lead pastor at Calvary Grace Assembly of God, La Plata, Md. He recalls one of the key components for the church board considering him back in 1988 was the fact he was a student at AGTS.

Congratulations to Connie Webb ('97) and her husband who will celebrate their 50th Wedding Anniversary on July 24, 2014. Connie has retired as a licensed professional counselor and writes "My experience at AGTS came late in life but it was such an amazing blessing to me as I ministered both as a pastor's wife and counselor in Springfield, Mo. I enjoyed especially being a volunteer mentor at the Pregnancy Care Center for over 10 years."
William David Epps ('00) was elected the senior vice commandant of the Department of Georgia, Marine Corps League. There are 27 MCL Detachments in Georgia and the senior vice commandant is the 2nd highest position in the state. Epps also serves as the chaplain for the Southeast Division, Marine Corps League.

Marshall Windsor ('04/'12) recently spent time working with AG chaplains Kristian ('09) and Damaris ('08) Carlson in ministry to our US Marines on the island of Okinawa, Japan. He was able to minister in the local base chapel’s Easter service as well as speak during their “Church Retro” revival event. The following Sunday he ministered at a local AG World Missions church (Neighborhood AG) where over 65 soldiers, family members and local residents responded to the altar call.

He also got to see AG chaplain Harvey Macklin ('05) briefly, who had just returned from the U.S. on leave.

Help Wanted!

Crossroads Fellowship in Raleigh, North Carolina is looking for a Children's Pastor. Read the job description.

Upcoming Events

AG Centennial Celebrations
August 7-10, Springfield, Mo.

Summer Institute for Islamic Studies
June 30-July 11, Springfield, Mo.
Alumni Phonathon
September 8-9

Fall Classes Begin
August 22, New Student Orientation/Registration
August 25, Classes begin
August 28, Convocation

We want to hear from you!

We are currently compiling news for the next issue of Rapport. Send your latest news and photos to alumni@agts.edu.