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Christy Ayres

Keeping Alumni Connected

Meet the AGTS Alumni Board



Larry Cooper, Ron Morein, Dan Morrison

Larry Cooper ('80/'04) is a retired hospital flight chaplain who now uses his time to assist students in education and serve in his local church. **Ron Morein** ('06) is the senior pastor at Oak Grove Assembly of God. **Dan Morrison** ('10) is the director of the Center for Biblical Preaching at AGTS. Currently, all members of the AGTS Alumni Board reside in the Springfield area and play an active role within the community.

It is time to vote for a new member to complete the AGTS Alumni Board. Please take time to review the nominees and [cast your ballot](#).

Connect with the President

- January 22-25: Attending the Association of Theological Schools Presidential Leadership Intensive Conference, San Antonio, Texas
- January 29-31: Hosting Barry Meguiar, president of Meguiar's car care products and founder of Revival Outside the Walls, at AGTS



AGTS News

Military Friendly Schools Status Awarded to Evangel

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Evangel University and the Assemblies of God Theological Seminary were honored when it was announced they have earned the 2017 Military Friendly® School designation, a national recognition for their efforts on behalf of veterans, military service personnel and their families. [Read more...](#)



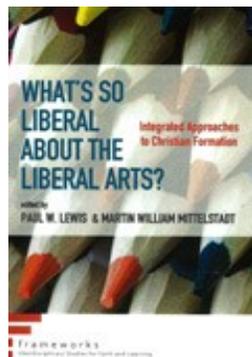
Sponsor a Knowledge on Fire Book



AGTS' commitment to developing Pentecostal leaders is seen in our faculty's numerous publications, which have inspired scores of students. To honor this legacy of Knowledge on Fire, we have showcased these publications in the halls of the seminary.



Courageous Compassion: Confronting Social Injustice God's Way, Beth Grant



What's So Liberal about the Liberal Arts? Integrated Approaches to Christian Formation, Paul W. Lewis and Martin W. Mittelstadt, eds.

Each book can be sponsored for a donation of \$500 with proceeds going to student scholarships. To sponsor a book, call the AGTS Development Office 417-268-1012 or email at development@agts.edu.



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What's new in the Development and Alumni Office?



Dan Shaffer ('99), Director of Development (since July of 2016), oversees the direction and management of the Development and Alumni Office. No stranger to AGTS, he has previously served as the Coordinator of Human Resources as well as the Director of Finance and Operations.

Christy Ayres recently joined the AGTS community as the Development and Alumni Coordinator. Before transitioning to AGTS offices, she served as a financial aid counselor to traditional undergraduate students at Evangel University for five years.



Connect to EU Alumni Newsletter--The Quad



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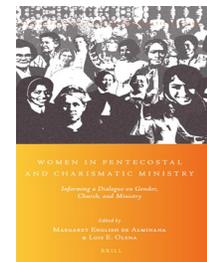
Do you know someone interested in attending AGTS? Use this [online form](#) or connect with [Christina Ketchum](#), AGTS Enrollment Representative.



Faculty News

Lois E. Olena ('06)

- Co-editor/co-author of the following book: Lois E. Olena and Margaret English de Alminana, eds. *Women in Pentecostal and Charismatic Ministry: Informing a Dialogue on Gender, Church and Ministry*. Vol. 12. Pentecostal and Charismatic Studies Series. Leiden: Brill, 2016



Charlie Self

- January 30-31: Leading the orientation and training of new City Directors for the Made to Flourish Network of Pastors



Randy Walls ('97/'04)

- January 20-21: Teaching "Conflict Management" at the Illinois District School of Ministry, Carlinville, Illinois



Alumni News

Louis A. DelTufo ('95) was promoted to the rank of Colonel in the United States Army at a ceremony at West Point, New York. An Ordained Minister with the New Jersey District Council of the AG, Chaplain DelTufo originally joined the New Jersey Army National Guard. After entering active duty as a chaplain, he has gone on to serve tours in Panama, Korea, Germany, Saudi Arabia, and Kuwait. He also has over 40 months deployed to Iraq for Operation Iraqi Freedom and Operation Inherent Resolve. Currently, Chaplain DelTufo is the Command Chaplain at the United States Army Cyber Center of Excellence located at Fort Gordon, Ga.

Helen Kim ('15) completed her theology of work curriculum, *God's Story of Work for Kids: Teaching Children to Think Wisely and Well About Work*. In a recent review, by Dr. Amy Sherman of The Green Room, it was deemed "theologically strong, well-organized, and user-friendly 12-week curriculum aimed at helping kids learn God's perspective on work."



Perry LaHaie ('88) recently landed at the top of the Independent Christian Radio Chart with title track, "Ahead." Written by LaHaie, along with Grammy-nominated songwriter, Jeff Pardo, and Grammy Award-winning engineer, Andy Hunt, "Ahead" was inspired by a quote from Navigator's founder, Dawson Trotman, who powerfully captured what the life of faith is in a single sentence: "When you can't see very far ahead, go as far ahead as you can see." [Click here](#) to see the new music video for "Ahead."



Lemuel Thuston ('81) was elevated at the COGIC Holy Convocation to the position of Chairman of the General Assembly, which is the highest legislative body within the COGIC. As Chairman, he will preside over the legislative session, establish legislative priorities, and work between convocations to shepherd legislation. Thuston will remain as Bishop of the COGIC Kansas East Jurisdiction.

Ministry Opportunities

John Alarid ('16) of CityReach Springfield is a part of a CityReach Network to plant churches throughout the Midwest. Alarid oversees a region that includes Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, South Dakota, Oklahoma, Texas, and Wisconsin. CityReach specializes in helping those who feel God leading them to plant a life-giving church. With 25 church planters in the process of planting in the

Midwest, CityReach is actively recruiting church planters specifically for the St. Louis and Kansas City areas. If you are interested, you may contact John Alarid directly: jalarid@cityreachnetwork.org or 417-631-9082.



Upcoming Events

Barry Meguiar: Revival Outside the Walls
January 29-31

AGTS Alumni Prayerathon
February 6-7

AGTS Spring Study Week
February 27-March 3

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