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Recently approved for tenure at Hardin-Simmons University were **Martha Kiel**, associate professor of art and department head; **Jooly Philip**, associate professor of English and director of the writing center; and **Jill Walters**, assistant professor of psychology and coordinator of internships. Promoted to professor were **Randy Armstrong**, communications, and **Andrew Potter**, mathematics. Earning promotions to associate professor were **Curtis Garner**, counseling and human development, and **Traci Thompson**, English. **Scot Miller** was promoted to assistant professor. Retired faculty members approved for emeritus status were **Taylor Rankin** and **Manfred Schubert**.



Ruby Moody was honored by First Church in Rocksprings on her 90th birthday. She continues to play the church's organ each Sunday as she has done for more than 65 years. She is pictured with Pastor Ron Van Der Weert

♦ Recently approved for tenure at the University of Mary Hardin-Baylor were **Ann Crawford**, associate professor of nursing, and **Audell Shelburne**, associate professor of English. Approved for summer development leave were **Deborah Jones**, **Sandra Wanner**, **Bill Harding**, **Raylene Statz** and **Peggy Craik**. **Harris Leonard** also was added to the faculty as assistant professor of psychology.

♦ Hardin-Simmons University professor **Bob Fink**'s essay "Twenty Years of Teaching Creative Writing" has been published in the Winter 2004 issue of the electronic journal, The Cortland Review.

Anniversaries

- ♦ Southmont Church in Denton, 25th, Jan. 25. **Larry Reynolds** is pastor.
- ♦ First Korean Church in Lewisville, fifth, Jan. 25. It also was the fifth anniversary of Pastor **Kyung Kim**.
- ♦ **Dusty Thompson**, fifth, as university minister at Southcrest Church in Lubbock, Feb. 1.
- ♦ First Church in Lake Dallas, 125th, Feb. 8. **Daniel Patrick** is pastor.
- ♦ **Don Wilkey Jr.**, 25th, as pastor of First Church in Onalaska, Feb. 8.

- ♦ **Roy Thoene**, 30th, as pastor of First Church in Gresham, Feb. 21. The western-themed celebration included guest speakers **Paul Powell**, dean of Truett Seminary; **Danny Pickens**, director of missions for Smith Association; and **Paul Saylor**, regional consultant with the Baptist General Convention of Texas.

- ♦ **Gary Singleton**, fifth, as pastor of The Heights Church in Richardson, March 14. The celebration will feature a homecoming service of gospel music at 6:30 p.m. and a dessert fellowship to follow. Artists will include **The Heightsmen Quartet**, **Clover**, **The Dudds**, **One Voice**, the **Faithful Men Quartet** and comedian **Al Fike**.

Events

- ♦ The Girls in Action leaders of Emmanuel Association recently recognized Willie Mae Sims, 87, as the oldest GA in the area. The recognition, at Friendship Church in Buna, was part of a nationwide celebration of the 90th anniversary of GAs. Sims related stories she recalled of being a GA as a girl and described her love of missions.

- ♦ Hunters' Glen Church in Plano recently commissioned four people as Mission Service Corps volunteers: **Kay Atkins**, assignment pending; **Doug** and **Sharon Grissom**, Center for Global Ministries at Hunters' Glen; and **Cal Westerhof**, Life Challenge, a residential alternative to prison for young men, in Amarillo. Kim Hall is pastor.



First Church in Granbury has been awarded a Texas Historical Marker. The church was organized in 1866 near where Lambert's Branch enters the Brazos River. Pictured during the dedication are deacon Chairman Bill Oneal, Pastor David Becker and Vircy Macatee, the church's historian.

♦ The Heights Church in Richardson will present a roundtable discussion of the movie, “The Passion of the Christ,” at 5 p.m. Feb. 29. The panel will include **Kerby Anderson**, executive director of Probe Ministries; **Sandy Glahn**, author and speaker; and **Glen Kreider**, professor of theology at Dallas Theological Seminary. The discussion will include the film's biblical and theological fidelity, the message and its impact on society. In conjunction with the roundtable, Pastor **Gary Singleton** is preaching a two-part sermon series on “The Passion Conversations” in the morning services Feb. 22 and 29.

♦ Trinity River Association is sponsoring a gospel music concert to be held at Mount Calvary Church, between Moss Hill and Batson, March 9 at 7 p.m. Featured groups will be **New Direction**, **Masters Family** and

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- ◆ First Church in Denton will be the site of a FAITH evangelism clinic April 26-29. The cost is \$325 for pastors (kit included), \$220 for Spanish-speaking pastors (kit included), and \$125 for others. Register by calling (800) 254-2022 or online at lifeway.com/FAITH. **Jeff Williams** is pastor.

Retired

- ◆ **Chuck Stevenson**, as associate pastor of First Church in Irving. He had two terms of service with the church that totaled 29 years. He previously served First Church in Mansfield, First Church in Alvin, Clarendon Drive Church in Dallas and Sunny Glen Church in Dallas. During his ministry, he served churches as minister of education, minister of music, minister of missions and associate pastor. He also was director of church services for Tryon- Evergreen Association eight years. He continues to live in Irving.

Deaths

- ◆ **Catherine Thomas**, 100, Jan. 18 in Olney. She was a former member of the Hardin-Simmons University board of development and a life member of the President's Club. She was a member of First Church in Olney. She was preceded in death by her husband, Frank, in 1969.

- ◆ **Earl Burgess**, 72, Feb. 8 in Plano. Burgess was pastor at six Collin County churches from 1964 to 1993: Friendship Church in McKinney, twice; Shiloh Church in Wylie; Westminster Church in Westminster; Second Church in Plano; Snow Hill Church in Blue Ridge; and Branch Church in Princeton. He retired 10 years ago and became a member of Meadows Church in Plano. He is survived by his wife, Elizabeth; sons, James and Richard; brothers, Gerald and James; sisters, Adene Lowe and Glynda Ashe;

and five grandchildren.

♦ **Correction:** In the Feb. 9 edition of the Baptist Standard, the obituary for Dolores Nelson included a misspelling of her name. We apologize for the error.

Ordained

♦ **Doug Reid** and **Jacob Perry** as deacons at First Church in Waxahachie.

♦ **Stefan Dorman, Jay Sawyer** and **Ben Telesca** as deacons at First Church in Alpine.

♦ **Sunny Deanda, Jerald Martin, Peggy Epley, Gary Oostveen, Brad Herbert** and **Bill Peacock** as deacons at Southland Church in San Angelo.

♦ **Clay Ames, Cliff Beaver, Glen Blisard, Tommie Conner, Tutt Garnett, Bennie Leps, Tommy Miller** and **Gene Preece** as deacons at First Church in Elgin.

♦ **Joe Longwell** as a deacon at First Church in Taft.

♦ **Grady Hall, Mike Hodges, Lonnie McDougal, Rex Plumlee** and **Lee Reese** as deacons at First Church in Comanche.

♦ **Mike Barnett** and **Curtis Breaux** as deacons at First Church in Belton.

♦ **Michael Barnes** as a deacon at Valley Creek Church in Leonard.

♦ **Joe Stultz** as a deacon at First Church in Bailey.

♦ **Ed Bingham, David Barganski, Waylon Walker** and **Mike Hiller**

as deacons at First Church in Sinton.

Revivals

♦ **First Church, Refugio**; Feb. 22-25; evangelists, The Cherrys; pastor, David Parks.

♦ **First Church, Victoria**; Feb. 28-29; evangelist, Barry Landrum; music, Matthew Blagg; pastor, Jim Shamburger.

♦ **First Church, Nome**, Feb. 29-March 3; evangelists, The Cherrys; pastor, Les Jacobson.

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