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Faculty Transitions

By
Jackie M. Stearsman

Brother **Clifford Newell** is leaving the school, July 1, 1991. The Board of Directors and administration of the *Florida School of Preaching* appreciate all that brother Newell has contributed to the training of preachers. We wish him and his family well in their new endeavors.

With brother Newell's leaving brother **Gene Stilwell** will teach a second class. Brother Stilwell has been teaching one class each semester and he also serves as one of the board members. **For a complete overview of the Fall Schedule see the back page.**


Billy R. Davidson

Teaching for the first time with the *Florida School of Preaching* this fall will be brother Billy Davidson. Brother Davidson is

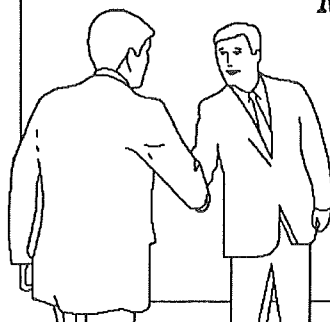
the preacher for the Central Church of Christ in Clearwater. He attended Freed-Hardeman University and has preached the gospel for thirty-eight years. Brother Davidson taught Bible at Madison Academy, Huntsville, Alabama for three years. In addition he has extensive experience in radio and television. He was the producer and moderator of KNOW YOUR BIBLE TV PROGRAM for six years in Columbus, Georgia. We feel confident that brother Davidson will contribute

much to the training of our students as they prepare for preaching the gospel.

Kenneth W. Franklin

Brother Kenneth Franklin is on the board of directors of the school. He also serves as one of the preachers and as one of the elders of the Bell Shoals Church of Christ, Brandon, Florida. Brother Franklin has received the B.A. in Speech, University of South Alabama, Mobile, Alabama; M.A. in Counseling Psychology, University of South Alabama; ThB and M.A in Bible, Alabama Christian School of Religion, Montgomery, Alabama. We believe that future students of the *Florida School of Preaching* will benefit from the classes taught by brother Franklin. 

New Faculty Members



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The Ministry of Singing

By
Wallace Maxwell

"Ah, the sweet ministry of song." "All nature sings and around me rings the music of the sphere." Recently someone asked, "Why can't we have a quartet number or a solo at the worship hour? Why is it right to have choruses and quartets sing at other times and wrong for them to sing at the worship hour? Choruses and quartets give scriptural teaching, encouragement, pleasure, and uplift us spiritually."

The answer to the question must be understood in light of our purpose in assembling. We assemble for congregational worship. We are instructed in the Bible to sing: "Speaking to yourselves in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord" (Eph. 5:19). Furthermore, we are to teach and admonish one another: "Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom; teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord" (Col. 3:16). These passages declare a reciprocal benefit in singing at the worship hour. Everyone who shares in this reciprocal benefit must participate in the

singing. This reciprocal benefit is lacking in quartet, chorus, and solo numbers. If I do not sing in the worship hour, then I do not worship in song. The solos, quartets, and choruses may teach, admonish and be pleasant to our ears but they lack the reciprocal benefits that are necessary to meet the requirements of Colossians 3:16 and Ephesians 5:19.



Why can't we have a quartet number or a solo at the worship hour? Why is it right to have choruses and quartets sing at other times and wrong for them to sing at the worship hour?

Therefore, they do not meet requirements for congregational worship.

The question then arises: How about songs in which one group sings and the other rest? Generally, it is not in propriety to sing songs of this nature at the worship hour because (1) many people do not understand what part they are to sing and therefore do not sing, and (2) these songs, by their very nature, are not generally suited for mutual edification. The congregation must be familiar with the songs we sing if we are to have mutual edification in singing. Using the words of Christ, we are to teach and admonish one another, singing songs and hymns that move the heart more

than the foot. [February 24, 1991, Bulletin, Wesconnett Church of Christ, 5223 Wesconnett Boulevard, Jacksonville, Florida 32210.]

Among Brethren

By
Jackie Stearsman

The following congregations were visited during May. To be among brethren is always enlightening.

North Carolina
Brother **B.C. Carr** and **Marlin Kilpatrick** were speakers at the Sixth Annual Rocky Mount Lectureship, May 2-4, 1991. Marlin is a graduate of the *Florida School of Preaching*. The theme for this lectureship was "The Holy Spirit."

Orlando
Sunday, May 5, 1991, the *Florida School of Preaching* was asked to conduct morning services for the **West Orlando Church of Christ**. Brethren there prepared a lovely meal following the services and we enjoyed being with them. Brother **Charles Orr**,

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their preacher, is a graduate of the school. **Charles Austin** taught the Bible class and **Neil Lopez** preached. **Brian Kenyon** led the singing. The brethren took up a special contribution for the support of the school and it was over \$500.00. We appreciate them for their generosity.

Bartow

Sunday, May 12, 1991, I visited with the brethren at the **Fifth Avenue Church of Christ**. Brother **Bernard McKeiver** is the preacher here. He is also a graduate of the *Florida School of Preaching*. These brethren are regular supporters of the school.

Cape Coral

Sunday, May 19, 1991, I preached for the **North Cape Coral Church of Christ**. These brethren are meeting at 307 South West 40th Street, Cape Coral, Florida. They are supporters of the *Florida School of Preaching* and are in need of a preacher that has some of his support.

If you know of someone in a position to assist these brethren please call them: (813) 945-7060 or same area code 549-0012. You may write them:

North Cape Coral
Church of Christ
307 SW 40th Street
Cape Coral, FL 33914.

Virginia

I participated in the **Eighth Annual Virginia**

Lectureship. This is held each year in the Christiansburg Church of Christ. I was there, May 22-24, 1991, speaking twice on the Book of First Samuel. This congregation is a regular supporter of the school and their preacher, **Clarence Lavender** and I have been close friends since our college days.

Clarence and the brethren in this area are doing a great job with their annual lectureship.

Among the former students of the *Florida School of Preaching* attending the lectures were Tom Blewett, Marlin Kilpatrick, and Keith Kozart.

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At this writing we are beginning the Summer School with two classes. Brother Daniel Denham is teaching a class meeting each Tuesday evening on Angels and Demons and Jackie Stearsman is teaching a class on Thursday evening on Eschatology. We are covering such topics as the Rapture, Dispensationalism, The Anti-Christ, Armageddon, and the false doctrine of Max King and the A.D. 70 Advocates.

As we look toward fall we are encouraged by having already enrolled eleven new full-time students. Why not give a consideration to the fall schedule and enroll in one

or more classes.

Greek

Thursday Evenings

Please note that on Thursday evening for the first time we will be offering New Testament Greek. This will provide preachers and serious Bible students the opportunity to take this course by itself.



One of the largest audiences ever to attend a graduation for the *Florida School of Preaching* attended the May 26 graduation. This followed the evening worship services at the South Florida Avenue Church of Christ. The congregation prepared a fellowship meal and invited the graduates and their friends to stay.

New Congregation Begins

By

Charles Austin

We are starting a congregation in Mulberry, Florida. We need Bibles, Song Books, chairs, etc. Would you help us? It would be greatly appreciated. You may reach me by contacting:

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Nichols, FL 33863.
Phone (813) 425-4809



Registration Schedule

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Fall Semester 1991

Date _____

Phone _____

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____



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Hours	Course	Instructor	Credit
Monday <input type="checkbox"/> 8:30 to 12:00 <input type="checkbox"/> 1:00 to 4:30	The Life of Christ Preacher and His Work	Davis	3
		Franklin	3
Tuesday <input type="checkbox"/> 8:30 to 12:00 <input type="checkbox"/> 1:00 to 4:30 <input type="checkbox"/> 7:00 to 9:30 p.m.	Revelation The New Testament Church Principles of Speech	Stearsman	3
		Stilwell	3
		Blackman	2½
Wednesday <input type="checkbox"/> 8:30 to 12:00 <input type="checkbox"/> 1:00 to 4:30	Hermeneutics-General Hebrews and Galatians	Stearsman	3
		Carr	3
Thursday <input type="checkbox"/> 8:30 to 12:00 <input type="checkbox"/> 1:00 to 4:30 <input type="checkbox"/> 7:00 to 9:30 p.m.	Genesis and Exodus First and Second Corinthians New Testament Greek	Stilwell	3
		Davidson	3
		Stearsman	2½
Friday <input type="checkbox"/> 8:30 to 12:00 <input type="checkbox"/> 1:00 to 4:30	The Psychology of Counseling Basic Logic	Franklin	3
		Stearsman	3

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