

Six Month Check-in With Dr. Nyquist

Moody President Reflects on 2009 and Looks Forward to the Next Year

The editors of *theMemo* recently had the pleasure of talking with Dr. Paul Nyquist about his past six months as Moody Bible Institute's President and new Chicago resident. They discussed the advantages of living in an urban center, the highlights of 2009 and what he is most looking forward to this year.



Dr. Paul Nyquist

theMemo: Now that you have had a few months to settle into your new position and new home, looking back, what would you say has been the biggest adjustment for you and your family?

Dr. Nyquist: I think the biggest adjustment for us has been getting acclimated to city living. During our marriage, my wife and I have always lived in suburban areas or even on country acreage, so as you can imagine, living so close to downtown Chicago was quite a change. We have been enjoying learning to live differently—using our car less, walking more and living in such close proximity to our neighbors.

theMemo: As you have been adjusting to Chicago, what is something that you have—but, did not expect to—enjoyed about the City?

Dr. Nyquist: There have been a number of pleasant surprises here, but I have to say, Lake Michigan is a wonderful blessing. I did not expect there to be so many miles of beautiful water, beaches and recreation areas so close to Moody and so close to our home. When the weather is nice my wife walks along the lakefront every day. It is really wonderful that the shoreline has been maintained for public access and not covered by high-rises.

theMemo: As you look back on 2009, what sticks out to you as a “highlight” of the year?

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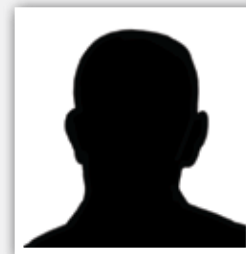
mysteryEmployee

Length of time at Moody: 35 years

Favorite Food:
Natural Peanut Butter

Favorite Sports Team:
Seattle Mariners

Favorite Movie:
A Christmas Without Snow



newEmployees



Steve Cascio

Security Officer,
Public Safety & Security

Previously served as a part-time Security Officer at Moody, Chicago, Ill.



Linda Pietrzak

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Marketing & Communications

Previously served as Manager of Donor Communications at the Baptist General Conference, Arlington Heights, Ill.

February

founder's week 1-5

share (wkcs, wrmb) 16-19

trustee board meeting 22-23

urban emphasis week 23-26

mts next step 24

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Dr. Nyquist: This was a big year for us, full of many exciting adventures and new blessings. I think what really sticks out in my mind as a “highlight” is witnessing how the Moody staff executes everything they do with the highest levels of excellence. From the beautiful Inauguration, which is something my family and I will never forget, to the delightful Candlelight Carols event in December, I have seen every person on the Moody staff strive to represent Jesus and Moody in a high manner. They are constantly working to be reflections of His image in all they do, and this is especially evident in the fact that every year our guests, listeners, readers and partners continue to return to Moody and our ministries.

theMemo: To shift directions towards the future, what are you most looking forward to in Chicago in 2010?

Dr. Nyquist: We are really looking forward to enjoying all of the great sights and sounds Chicago has to offer. We want to

visit the museums, farmer’s markets and sporting events. And, I am really excited for the Moody events we have planned this spring—Founder’s Week, May Commencement and the Pastors’ Conference. I can’t wait to experience these events as a member of the Moody family.

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theMemo: And, finally, what do you believe was done at Moody in 2009 that has set us up for success in 2010?

Dr. Nyquist: We did some really important work in 2009 to build a strong foundation for success in 2010. Last year, we took on the very challenging task of hammering out our mission, vision and values, and having these in place created a base that now allows us to boldly move ahead with our strategic planning initiatives in 2010. Sometimes this type of background work is not perceived as being very glamorous, but I truly believe that it has set us on the right path for the future.



IN SIGHT

by Larry Davidhizar, Vice President and Dean of the Undergraduate School

What a privilege to have served at Moody Bible Institute for more than 25 years and now step into the role of Vice President and Dean of the Undergraduate School. Moody’s Undergraduate School enrolls 1,600 students in Chicago and more than 300 students in Spokane. There are approximately 80 full-time and about 40 part-time faculty members in Chicago and Spokane, respectively. The Spokane campus serves our Missionary Aviation students as well as many who desire a Moody education, but were unable to enroll on the Chicago campus. There are students from 40 states at the Spokane campus, and the tuition these students pay helps to offset the expense of the “tuition paid” students in the Chicago undergraduate programs.

With the help of Moody Distance Learning, the Undergraduate School is developing online academic programs that will prepare Christian men and women for ministry as they live and work in their local communities. At the most recent faculty meeting, we approved a new

Bachelor of Science degree in Ministry Leadership for men and women rooted in their communities that will have concentrations in Women’s Ministries, Leadership and Preaching. This will also bring long-term financial benefits to Moody. Additionally, with the new Moody Theological Seminary (MTS) campus and additional programs in Michigan, the Undergraduate School looks forward to a growing, fruitful partnership with MTS as well.

Hopefully, you’ve sensed that this is an exciting and dynamic time in the Undergraduate School. We are all looking forward to working with Dr. Nyquist and the new Provost as our strategic plans move from creation to implementation. We cherish your continued prayers as our graduates move out into ministry, as our faculty teach and mentor students while doing their own ministry work, and as we collaborate across campus with many of you to make the task of training young men and women more effective and efficient.

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Benefits!

Human Resources Connection

Compare your January 31 pay stub with 2010 Insurance Rates.

If you find errors in the benefit deductions on your pay stub, please inform Human Resources Benefits by February 15 so errors can be corrected by the February 28 payroll.

Questions about insurance plans or address changes? Contact luci.harris@moody.edu or 312-329-2036.

Questions about investing with VALIC? Contact jean.jacobsen@moody.edu or 312-329-4233.

2010 MBI Health Plan Rates

Coverage	MBI PPO with Wellness	MBI PPO without Wellness
Employee	\$70.55	\$80.55
Employee + Child(ren)	\$149.65	\$164.65
Employee + Spouse	\$153.40	\$168.40
Employee + Family	\$249.90	\$269.90

2010 HMO Health Plan Rates

Coverage	HMO Illinois	Blue Advantage
Employee	\$77.80	\$70.80
Employee + 1	\$165.25	\$150.35
Employee + Family	\$272.10	\$247.60

2010 Dental Plan Rates

Coverage	MBI Dental	CIGNA PPO	CIGNA HMO
Employee	\$15.60	\$12.85	\$9.20
Employee + 1	\$31.15	\$26.50	\$18.60
Employee + Family	\$44.40	\$40.55	\$27.25

Full-time Student Status Verification

If you are on the MBI PPO Plan or the MBI Dental Plan (administered by Blue Cross Blue Shield of Illinois), proof of full-time student status for your children over the ages of 18 has to be submitted to BCBSIL each semester. Please fax all proof of status information to BCBSIL at 815-639-1705. Be certain to provide your name and Member ID, which are found on your BCBS ID card.

ID Cards for Health and Dental Plans

If you changed health or dental plans effective January 1, 2010, but have not yet received an ID card, please follow the instructions below:

- MBI PPO Medical Plan or MBI Dental Plan (BCBSIL): Log on to www.bcbsil.com and request an ID card, or phone BCBSIL at 1-888-979-4516 (Medical) or 1-800-367-6401 (Dental).
- CIGNA Dental HMO (Managed Care): Phone CIGNA Customer Service at 1-800-367-1037.
- CIGNA Dental PPO: Contact luci.harris@moody.edu or 312-329-2036.

Stories

ACCOUNTS OF GOD AT WORK THROUGH MOODY

Moody Student Brings Hope to Rwandan Street Children and Keeps Up with Homework

As a junior studying Elementary Education at Moody Bible Institute's Chicago campus, Hilliary Anderson brings God's love to street children in Kigali, Rwanda. Hilliary felt the call of the Lord when she was eight years old to someday start a home for children in Africa. Submitting to God's will, she entered the mission field immediately after high school and served for two years in Mexico and Rwanda.

While in Rwanda, Hilliary discovered the value of a formal Bible education, and decided, like her older brother, to attend



Moody. While at Moody, Hilliary was asked by Megan, an acquaintance from her home church, to participate in an internship teaching English in Kigali. While in Kigali, Hilliary and Megan formed relationships with the street children they encountered. Many of the children had been severely abused or orphaned, and Hilliary and Megan began to care for their physical and spiritual needs.

Two women from their church promised to continue ministering to the street children after they returned to the United States. "We had no intention of engaging in this type of ministry," Hilliary said. "But, as we began to form these relationships, we saw a deep need for the love of God and the message of Christ's salvation—in addition to many basic physical and educational needs."

God placed a deep desire in the hearts of Hilliary and her partners to create a safe place for the vulnerable children of Kigali, and they created Hope for Life, a ministry that works to transform the lives of Kigali street boys by equipping them with the spiritual, physical and educational resources needed to leave street life. God has worked through this ministry in mighty ways, and it is now a nonprofit organization legally recognized by the Rwandan government. It currently serves 19 boys, ages 6-16, by providing them shelter in a rented home and the guidance of four full-time staff members.

As Hilliary works to finish her degree, she provides accounting, administrative and Web support, while also raising financial support. "Moody has given me many of the tools I need to serve God's people through Hope for Life," said Hilliary. "My education has enabled me to teach sound doctrine and has given me the skills needed to be an effective leader."

Moody Bible Institute Library Services

Chicago, Ill., Spokane, Wash., Plymouth, Mich.

Perhaps one of the most geographically diverse departments at Moody Bible Institute, the Library Services staff is represented on every campus—Chicago, Spokane and Plymouth. As dedicated readers, the Library Services staff also has a diverse range of reading interests spanning from Tolstoy to the book of Deuteronomy in Hebrew, from Puritan devotionals to African literature and the children's classic *Goodnight Gorilla*.

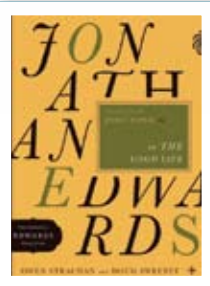
What this team is united on is their mission and purpose in serving the Moody community. The Library Services staff bands together to provide all students, faculty and staff with guidance and support in the libraries, while also advocating for the advancement of resources and services that meet the curricular and informational needs of the Moody community. They order and process quality materials for customers in a timely fashion, provide instructional orientations and responses to reference questions, and ensure the serials collection is organized into an efficient, accessible body of information.

There is something else the staff unanimously agrees upon—the building of teamwork through the consumption of high-energy snacks such as chocolate and coffee. This is so important that one aspect of their long-range strategic planning includes creating an interlibrary system for efficiently loaning chocolate and coffee to the various campus libraries. In fact, in the spirit of collaboration, they are hoping to engage Moody Aviation to contribute to this endeavor. Best of luck!



Sitting, from left to right: Holly Reid, Bethany Hovda, Amy Koehler
Standing, from left to right: Lori Johnson, Jim Preston, Joe Cataio
Not pictured: Amy Fields, Mary Harrington, Ken Solomon, Micah Jellinek

DEPARTMENT PROFILE



Read

Jonathan Edwards on the Good Life

By Doug Sweeney and Owen Strachan
160 pages • \$9.99

Jonathan Edwards on the Good Life, part of the six-book Moody Publishers series titled *The Essential Edwards Collection*, seeks to dissect the eighteenth-century pastor's views on happiness and fulfillment as found in the Christian life. At a time when the things of our troubled world continue to disappoint and destroy, Doug Sweeney and Owen Strachan use this master theologian's most prolific sermons and writings to better understand not only how he believed humans could find enduring joy, but also how his teachings can be applied to the world today.

The book was written for those who are unfamiliar with Edwards' work, but is beneficial for pastors, students, church leaders and small groups alike. Readers will find that being a Christian should be a genuinely emotional experience that enhances and beautifies one's life. Edwards argues that by clinging to Christ, obeying the Father, serving fellow man and trusting the promises of the Bible, Christians can turn from the emptiness of this world to instead fix their hearts permanently on the happiness God desires for His children. As the authors wrote, "Edwards believed firmly that Christianity offered humanity the deepest pleasure possible."

employeeSpotlight



Oakley Smith

Custodial Administrator

After 35 years of service at Moody Bible Institute, Oakley Smith considers his most encouraging accomplishment to be the witnessing of spiritual growth in so many students. "It is refreshing and energizing to see how God moves in our students' lives," said Smith. "The students of Moody and the good Spirit in them keep me young!" He has kept in contact with many of the students who have worked for him in the Facilities Department over the years by praying for them, writing letters and often meeting their families.

In his role at Moody, Smith works with four part-time students to encourage the populace to be responsible stewards of Moody's resources; manage Moody's Custodial and, on occasion, Facilities supply inventories, and develop a safe working environment. Smith is passionate about helping the Moody community understand how sustainability efforts can help us to be good stewards of what the Lord has entrusted to our care.

When he is not investing in Moody's students and community, Smith, a native of Upstate New York, spends time walking in his West Rogers Park neighborhood, Chicago's northern suburbs and southern Indiana with his wife, Sharon. He also actively prays for many missionaries, encourages friends who are in ministry and teaches Sunday School at First Presbyterian Church in Evanston, Ill.

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