

Undergraduate, Seminary and Distance Learning Collaborate on New Program

Five-Year Integrated Bachelor's and Master's Degree in Pastoral Ministry Seeks to Accelerate Pastoral Training

The Undergraduate School's Pastoral Studies Department, Moody Theological Seminary (MTS) and Moody Distance Learning (MDL) recently collaborated on an innovative, five-year program designed to equip students for pastoral ministry. Growing out of a concern that pastoral training is increasingly costly and timely for students, the Waukesha, Wis.-based Kern Family Foundation approached Dr. Paul Nyquist, president of Moody, with the desire to see an accelerated program in pastoral training.

"The foundation contacting us was rather timely because their desire fits nicely with our goal to integrate the faculty and expand the market for the Seminary," said John Koessler, chair and professor of Pastoral Studies in the Undergraduate School. Beginning in August 2011 John co-chaired with MTS professor Dr. Daniel Green the more than 10-member team who developed the five-year, integrated Bachelor and Masters in Pastoral Ministry program that was formally presented to the Foundation in consideration of a grant. "This program isn't meant to replace the Undergraduate Pastoral program or the Master of Divinity program; rather, each will continue to have their unique value."

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Get to know the new Chief Operating Officer

Mogck previously served as executive vice president and chief operating officer of the Midscale Hotel Division for Carlson Hotels in Minnetonka, Minn.

Moody's new Chief Operating Officer, Steve Mogck, has always been actively involved in serving at his church, but the Lord had bigger plans for him and his family. "The Lord put it on my heart and my wife's heart for some time that we were eventually going to end up in some form of gospel ministry, but about a year ago we felt a clear calling to start seeking that opportunity in earnest. We prayed fervently about this and the Lord's answer was Moody," said Mogck. Thanks to his pastors, Fred McCormick and recently retired Moody Alum Leith Anderson, Steve's home congregation in Minnesota is well aware of Moody's storied history and strong reputation.

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Stories Accounts of God at work through Moody

Compassion Scholarship Students Enter Final Year at Moody

Abbel Joseph and Lois Nangudi Share Their Story with Buffalo Bills Player, Jairus Byrd

As Abbel Joseph and Lois Nangudi enter their final year at Moody Theological Seminary (MTS), each is looking forward to returning to their home country. As former Compassion International sponsored children, both are working toward master's degrees through a scholarship from the ministry currently led by Moody graduate Wess Stafford.

"It's been amazing to look back at my time at Moody and see how God has used people with different backgrounds to shape me and

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The private, independent grant-making organization, which exists in part to promote and develop exceptional pastors to lead healthy churches, approved Moody for the grant in December 2011 and provided \$400,000 to start the new program. "We know that most pastors serve in congregations with less than 200 members and therefore cannot afford to take on the debt that accompanies a seven-year track," said Junias Venugopal, Moody's provost and dean of education. "So, this accelerated program seeks to train students who desire to get on the ground as quickly as possible with a strong Biblical foundation and advanced theological training."

Students in the program will complete 150 credit hours and have

the opportunity to earn a Bachelor of Arts or Science along with a Master of Arts in Pastoral Ministry and Congregational Leadership or Pastoral Ministry and Preaching. "This program is especially designed to fit with Moody's curriculum and our goal is to help train students to lead and shepherd the local church, preach an expositional sermon and demonstrate Christ-like character in all they do," John added.

The program is scheduled to begin in fall 2012. "I am very excited about this program and encouraged that there is already a strong, growing interest in it, even though we have only shared the news via word-of-mouth at this point," Junias added.



InSight

by Bill Blocker, Vice President, Educational Services

William Blocker

While travelling to Israel on Moody's "The Land and the Book" tour recently, Dr. Charlie Dyer introduced me to a gentleman whose name sounded familiar. He was a prominent businessman in Chicago who helped Moody fund a regional classroom for Moody Distance Learning (MDL). He told me that as a new Christian he began taking non-credit courses through MDL. In his words, "after the Lord arrested my heart for Christ, He arrested my wallet for Moody". To this day, he remains one of Moody's most generous and passionate contributors and is now enrolled in Moody Theological Seminary.

This encounter reminded me of how the Lord is using MDL to help fulfill our President's vision to equip people around the world and across cultures and generations with the truth of God's Word using new technology.

Having seen tremendous success over the past year in MDL, I am convinced it will continue to grow and help see this global vision come to fruition through our print courses, regional classrooms and online classes. In part, our 29 percent increase in enrollment and 24 percent increase in revenue from the previous year can be attributed to our team's hard work in discovering what our students desire and ensuring we deliver it to them in an accessible fashion, at an affordable price and with the highest level of quality.

Once these changes were successfully implemented we decided to hire the Institute for Professional Development (IPD) to help us in our continued effort to be the number one online option for students seeking a ministry-related degree. After a thorough review of MDL in June 2011, IPD made several key recommendations. Most importantly, they recommended MDL become a fully-functioning, separate school within Moody, which we have begun pursuing.

This significant shift into a third school will then allow us in spring 2013 to begin offering an innovative, 36-hour master's degree online, along with other master's programs such as one specifically geared toward chaplaincy. Further, we are looking to attract new students, especially from the southern portion of the United States, an area Moody has yet to fully reach.

What excites me is that we are also carrying out D. L. Moody's original vision to see men and women work during the day, study the Bible at night and positively affect the city for Christ. Through MDL we have the capacity to saturate and reach the world for the cause of Christ without limitations or boundaries. Given God's grace, eyes have not seen where Moody is going. Please be in prayer as we move forward with these exciting plans.

New Employees



Jim Elliott
Vice President, Stewardship

Previously served as vice president for Advancement at Tabor College in Hillsboro, Kan.



Gerson Garcia
Spanish Operations Manager,
Moody Radio Chicago

Previously served as a project manager for Back to God Ministries in Palos Heights, Ill.

prepare me for ministry," Abbel said. Lois added, "Growing up I always looked forward to studying the Bible, so my time at Moody has been an incredible blessing." Abbel is planning to return home to Haiti to work with street children and those in detention centers, something he explored during an internship this past May. "I was able to see what ministry might look like when I return, and God used that time to confirm my ministry," he said.



From left to right: Abbel Joseph, Jairus Byrd and Lois Nangudi.

Similarly, Lois returned home to Uganda this past summer to assist MTS professors Dr. John Fuder and Dr. Julius Wong Lois Sing in training local pastors and worship leaders, as well as serving pastors' wives. Lois, a musician, is looking to start a school in her home country to train musicians serving the local church. "I want to give back to my country and help them develop a strong biblical foundation

in their music." Additionally, she wants to pass on the hope given to her through Compassion with children through orphanage ministry.

Their passion, hard work and vision for ministry caught the eye of Jairus Byrd, NFL safety for the Buffalo Bills who sponsors a child in Brazil through Compassion. He sat down with the Moody students while in Chicago this past August for a pre-season game against the Bears. "During our time together we were able to share with him stories of growing up with Compassion, our current life at Moody and what we are looking to do with our education

back home," Lois said. "It was such an encouragement to see a young guy interested in using his influence for the Lord to help others who are in need," Abbel added.

Abbel is scheduled to graduate in December 2012, Lois in May 2013.

Benefits Human Resources Connection

Long-Term Care Insurance with John Hancock:

For several years, Moody has offered long-term care insurance through John Hancock Insurance Company to employees and their relatives. There is no change at this time to the coverage; however, John Hancock is not accepting new members effective Jan. 1, 2012, but might once again after the economy recovers.

Compare Jan. 31 Paystub with 2012 Insurance Rates:

Please check your pay stub to ensure your deductions are correct for:

- Life Insurance: Supplemental Life, Supplemental AD&D, Spouse Life and Child(ren) Life
- Health Care Spending Account with PayFlex
- Dependent Care
- Transit Benefit
- 403(b) Retirement Savings
- Long-Term Care Insurance

To access 2012 rates please log on to the "Staff" tab of my.moody.edu > Directory by Department > Human Resources > Benefits. If you find an error in your benefit deductions on your pay stub, please inform Human

Resources Benefits by Wednesday, Feb. 15 so it can be corrected by the Feb. 29 payroll.

Questions regarding insurance plans or address changes: Luci Harris (luci.harris@moody.edu or 312-329-2036).

Questions regarding long-term care insurance and investing retirement savings with VALIC: Jean Jacobsen (jean.jacobsen@moody.edu or 312-329-4233).

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If you changed health or dental plans effective Jan. 1, 2012, but have not received an ID card, please do the following based on your plan:

- Moody PPO Medical plan or Moody Dental plan (BCBSIL): Visit www.bcbsil.com, login and request an ID card and print a temporary ID. Or, call BCBSIL at 888-979-4516 (Medical) or 800-367-6401 (Dental).
- HMO Illinois and Blue Advantage HMO: BCBSIL will be sending new ID cards soon to all participants.
- CIGNA Dental HMO (Managed Care): Call CIGNA Customer Service at 800-367-1037 to request an ID and visit www.cigna.com to login and print a temporary ID.
- CIGNA Dental PPO: Please contact Luci Harris at luci.harris@moody.edu or 312-329-2036 to request an ID, and visit www.cigna.com to login and print a temporary ID.

Alumni Association

Chicago, Ill.

If you have completed at least 15 credit hours at Moody Bible Institute, you are one of the more than 39,000 living alumni serving the Lord around the world that the Moody Alumni Association represents. Lead by executive director Nancy Hastings, the Alumni Association is made up of two part-time non-student workers, five student workers and a board of directors who provide various resources for alumni, faculty, administration and students to network and provide opportunities for ministry.

"The focus of our office is to minister to our alumni and to be intentional about staying connected," said Nancy who has served for 20 years with the Alumni Association in several different capacities. "We also strive to build awareness within the student body so they know we exist before they complete their training. It's always exciting to see students come alive when alumni visit and share stories with them."

Additionally, the association seeks to have a ministry of encouragement to alumni, students and faculty. This takes place through their annual Faculty Citation Award, Alumnus of the Year Award, Faculty Travel Endowment Fund, scholarships and prayer. "Our weekly time of prayer for alumni serves as an ongoing reminder of the work begun through their time at Moody," Nancy added. "It keeps us connected with God's work around the world."

For more information about the Alumni Association, stop by the office in Crowell 2 or visit www.moody.edu/alumni.



(Back row from left to right) Emily Hartmann, MABS ('10), Frank King, Millie Benson (Swanson '64), Nancy Hastings (Andersen '80), (Front row from left to right) Tamar Karni, Alexis Berry, Nicole Thorsen, Birgitte Windfeld.

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Urban Praise Transitioning to 90.1FM HD3 and Online Stream

Music and Biblical Features to Highlight Broadcast

Moody Radio Chicago's Urban Praise program will transition in early February 2012 from WMBI-AM 1110 to 90.1FM HD3 channel and an online stream at www.urbanpraiseradio.org. "I think Urban Praise will be extremely successful in its mission to edify the saints and draw those who are not saved. It's all about Jesus Christ in this new format," said Roy Patterson, station manager for Moody Radio Chicago.

First launched seven years ago as a 2:30–6 p.m. broadcast Monday–Friday, it will now be 24 hours per day, seven days a week and feature primarily music. Artists such as Fred Hammond, Yolanda Adams, Israel Houghton and Cece Winans will be heard. Two to three-minute messages from Need Him and teaching features from Crawford Loritts, Beth Moore, Tony Evans and more will play as well.

"This effort fits nicely with Dr. Nyquist's vision to see Moody reach out across cultures with God's Word through new technology," explained Roy. "And, I am driven to see this isn't the only way we are reaching out to the urban community. The FM side will continue to have an urban emphasis as well."

For more information please visit www.urbanpraiseradio.org.

Steve Mogck

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As he becomes familiar with Moody's ministries, he is eager to apply his skills to spread the gospel. "With the recent completion of the strategic plan for Moody, it is a very exciting time to join the organization and be a part of the team that turns the vision into a reality," Mogck added. One of the aspects of his role that he enjoys most is leading teams in the development and execution of plans to accomplish goals. "Moody's vision and strategic direction inspires me, and I am encouraged to see the high engagement and devotion of Moody's current executive leadership and their teams. Engagement is a cornerstone to accomplishing major objectives, so the organization is in a good place to start the hard work of bringing the strategy to life," said Mogck.

In 2012, Mogck's connection with Moody will become even closer as his son has decided to pursue full-time ministry and will be attending Moody in the fall. Mogck's two younger daughters and his wife will make their official move to the Chicagoland area after the school year ends and they sell their home in Minnesota.