



## Laborers Together Newsletter

### Memphis School of Preaching Alumni Association

“For we are laborers together with God. . .” (1 Cor. 3:9)

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## ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE NEXT M. S. O. P. LECTURESHIP

*Keith A. Mosher Sr.*

The Forty-ninth annual Memphis School of Preaching Lectureship will take place from March 29th, 2015 through April 2, 2015. The theme this year, which coincides with the school's theme, is: “*Restoration: History in the Making.*”

Various restoration preachers will be discussed along with many biblical concepts that need "restoring" and also such topics as Restoration yesterday and today will be studied.

In a recent article in the Gospel Advocate, (August 2014), Phil Sanders lamented that the church is losing her idea of the sacred, her evangelistic zeal, and her distinctiveness. The Memphis School of Preaching has, for forty nine years, tried to restore those three ideas, and this lectureship is intended to emphasize the

task at hand. There should be large crowds of the faithful who are as concerned as we are about restoring New Testament Christianity in the hearts of all men.

[*Editor's Note:* Religiously, we use the term "restoration" among us to refer to a return to the complete restoration of the church which was established on the first Pentecost after the resurrection of Christ in the city of Jerusalem (Acts 2). To worship in the same way, to have the same organization, to wear the same name, to have the same guide, the New Testament, is to be the same as they were – New Testament Christians. The Restoration Plea is unique in the religious world today. I am excited by the announcement of this theme, and I am sure you are as well.]



# *FROM THE DIRECTOR*

*B. J. Clarke*

The second quarter of the 2014-2015 school year has now begun. Much good was accomplished last quarter.

### **MOST Program**

We launched the MOST program which stands for **M**emphis **S**chool of **P**reaching **O**ngoing **S**piritual **T**raining. In years past, this had been known as our “Third Year Program” because those who graduated from the two-year program at MSOP could take a year’s worth of additional classes, one day a week, and, upon completion, receive a “Third Year Diploma.” This will still be a part of the MOST program but, in truth, these classes have not been, and are not now, limited only to those who have completed the two-year program. The classes are open to all interested Bible students.

The Fall classes began on September 18<sup>th</sup> and continue every Thursday through December 11<sup>th</sup> with the exception being November 27<sup>th</sup> for Thanksgiving. Classes meet in room 405 on campus. Classes are also offered online ([www.msop.org](http://www.msop.org)) for those who cannot attend in person. The classes may be viewed live, or later, at a more convenient time for the student. The classes may be audited or taken for credit. [Please email Dan Cates at [dcates@msop.org](mailto:dcates@msop.org) for details on how to take part on-line].

### **Fall Graduation**

Two of our students recently finished their course work and completed their studies. One of them, Timothy Glasshof, was awarded the Most Outstanding Student Award at the MSOP Graduation Ceremony in June. He is an excellent student with a wonderful family, and will be working with the church in Farmington, Missouri.

The other student, Emmanuel George, will bless many by returning to India after two years of study at MSOP. He will take the Gospel of Christ to souls who are hungering and thirsting for someone to tell them the truth that makes men free (Jn. 8:32).

### **World Missions Program**

We are pleased to have two students enrolled in our one-year World Missions Program. Sao Joseph (from Sierra Leone) and Efrain Aranda (from Mexico) are graduates of the two-year program, but are busily engaged in studying a concentrated curriculum designed to prepare them for the mission field. This program, like our regular two-year program, is tuition free! If you know of someone who is preparing to go to the mission field, why not encourage them to attend the World Missions Program at MSOP?

### Recent Campaigns

Right after their final exams for the first quarter, our students conducted four Gospel Campaigns across the country. A number of students participated in a campaign in Portage County, Ohio. Four of the churches in the county (Kent, Ravenna, Streetsboro, and Windham), came together and worked shoulder to shoulder in knocking doors during the daytime in the four communities, and then attended evangelistic services each night. Over 5000 doors were knocked, and there were visitors from the community who attended the services.

Campaigns were also conducted in Moultrie, GA, and Milton, FL, and Munford, TN. All in all, nearly 10,000 doors were contacted with information about the Lord's

church. Many Bible correspondence courses were set up, and several home Bible studies were set up. In the Ohio campaign, we were blessed with two baptisms.

We believe it is very important for our students to learn in environments outside of the classroom as well as in the classroom. These evangelistic campaigns provide them with invaluable experience in how to approach people with the Gospel of Christ. Please pray that our efforts will continue to bring forth fruit for years and years to come.

We are indebted to our alumni and others for supporting our efforts to educate men to take the saving Gospel to a lost and dying world! You are making an eternal difference. May God continue to bless you!

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## MEMPHIS SCHOOL OF PREACHING CONDUCTS MILTON, FL CAMPAIGN

[**Editor's Note:** I found the following article and picture posted on the [www.brotherhoodnews.com](http://www.brotherhoodnews.com) website.]

MILTON, FL (BNc) — The Margaret Street Church of Christ, Milton, FL is hosting a Campaign for Christ this week, October 26-30.

Twelve students from the Memphis School of Preaching, Memphis, TN are in Milton knocking doors, setting up Bible correspondence courses, home Bible studies, and inviting people to attend the Gospel Meeting each evening at 7:00 p.m. As of Tuesday evening 1,094 invitations had been extended, 21 Bible correspondence courses set up, and three personal Bible studies arranged.

Barry Grider, Preacher for the Forest Hill Church of Christ in Memphis, is speaking at the 7:00 p.m. worship services. The Forest

Hills congregation is home to the Memphis School of Preaching. B. J. Clarke serves as Director of the school.

Memphis School of Preaching, or MSOP as it is lovingly called, has 50 students who are studying to become gospel preachers. The students have come from various states and several foreign nations including South Africa, Mexico, and Panama.

Before a student can graduate from MSOP, in addition to course work, he must participate in three Campaigns for Christ and one Restoration Tour. Campaigns are set up twice a year in the Spring following the school's lectureship, and in the Fall. During the Milton, FL campaign there were three

other campaigns being conducted across the country. One was in Ohio with B. J. Clarke preaching, one in Moultrie, Georgia with Jake Sutton preaching, and one in Munford, TN.

Any congregation wishing to host a

Campaign for Christ with the help of the MSOP students should contact Billy Bland at [office@msop.org](mailto:office@msop.org).

Preston Silcox is the preacher for the Margaret Street Church of Christ, Milton, FL.



**Front Row L-R:** Preston Silcox, local preacher, Sao Joseph, Barry Grider, T. J. Skelton, Trent Sherwin.

**Back Row L-R:** Josh Holloway, Efrain Aranda, Theo Scullard, Brandon Myers, Daniel Manning.

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## Have You Paid Your Dues For 2014?

Our MSOP Alumni Association dues are \$25 a year and may be sent to MSOP in care of our treasurer, Keith Mosher, at 3950 Forest Hill-Irene Rd., Memphis, TN 38125. Make checks payable to MSOP Alumni Association.

If it is more expedient, just go to the alumni page of the website at [www.msop.org](http://www.msop.org)

and pay using your PayPal account. These funds allow the Board of Directors of the Alumni Association to fund special projects for the school and to send death benefits for deceased members. This is separate and apart from any contribution taken up at our annual alumni and friends dinner for a designated purpose. Please send yours in today!

# AN APPEAL FROM FOUR SEAS COLLEGE, SINGAPORE

*Peter Chin*

4,427,000,000. This staggering number represents the population of Asia. To the Christian, it represents more than that though, as each number in that figure is a soul more valuable than the entire world (Matthew 16:26). Sadly, these souls are separated from evangelistic, mission-minded Christians in the USA by two walls: language / cultural barriers and unstable / antagonist governments. But what if there was a way to assist the 4,427,000,000 souls without having to learn the 2,269 languages and dialects spoken throughout the region, not to mention the cultures that support these languages and dialects? What if there was a way to bypass the "closed door" policies of Communist and Muslim countries? That's the opportunity presented by Four Seas College of Bible and Missions.

Four Seas College is located in the modern, English-speaking island nation of Singapore. Singapore is a regional hub for business and education, and its government is extremely tolerant of religion. Four Seas is able to operate openly and publicly as a religious school. We are registered with the government, allowing us to appeal to them for working visas for foreign teachers and, importantly, student passes for those who wish to study the Bible - even if they are from places closed to the gospel. We teach our students in English, and they return to their countries to teach in their respective native tongues.

Our primary goal is to strengthen the churches of Christ throughout Asia. As a consequence, we train both men and women.

Students are fed a steady diet of the word of God, studying five days a week and having classes for four to five hours a day. Each morning begins with a chapel service where the men lead in actions of worship and give devotional talks (ladies have their own separate chapel service fortnightly). The men are encouraged to become preachers if possible and if they desire, but if not to become strong members wherever they may find themselves. The women are encouraged to become teachers of women and children and to become one-on-one personal workers.

The school has been around since the 1960's. It has had its ups and downs over the years, but it has managed to graduate 185 people from 19 different countries. In the last three years, we have had students from China, Vietnam, the Philippines, Laos, Malaysia, Singapore, India, Myanmar, and Australia. Eleven of the men from the graduating classes of 2012 and 2013 have gone on to become full or part time preachers. Some of these men have gone back to nations where full time, American missionaries are not wanted or allowed. All of them are reaching out in languages besides English.

Four Seas is not the only way to take the gospel into Asia, but it is a good way. The problem is that it needs your help. Our appeal at this time is not financial (though such would be appreciated!); it is an appeal for manpower. Four Seas essentially runs on a skeleton crew, consisting of full time instructors Peter Chin (MSOP class of 2006) and Patrick Swayne (MSOP class of 2005), part time instructor Eddy Ee (longtime

evangelist of the Jurong congregation), and secretary Pooi Fun Chin. The school is forced to use instructors around the world who beam in to our students via Skype; however, this situation is far from ideal.

Our main appeal is for one more man to commit himself to move to Singapore and serve as a full time instructor at Four Seas. This will free up the current faculty to do more recruiting and promotion and reduce or perhaps eliminate the need for online instructors. We trust from the above that you can see the opportunity that such work presents, and if you are at all interested, please contact us.

Our secondary appeal is for men to assist us as visiting lecturers. We are currently trying a restructure of our schedule that would allow a visiting lecturer to come at the school for roughly 7 weeks. Simple accommodation is available for an instructor and his wife. In addition to working at the school, it is highly likely that the lecturer could use the weekends

to preach at congregations in Singapore and Malaysia if he desires. It would thus be a fruitful trip, both in the short term as one strengthens the brotherhood, and in the long term as one helps to touch the life of our students. It is an ideal opportunity for retired couples.

Our final appeal is for instructors who can assist us with online teaching. This would involve making a commitment for 7 weeks to dedicate either two hours on Sunday / Tuesday / Thursday nights or three hours on Monday and Wednesday nights. We are certain that you will find teaching our students a rewarding experience.

If you are interested in helping us with any of the above needs, please contact us via our school's secretary, Pooi Fun Chin at <admin@fourseas.edu.sg>. We will be happy to answer any questions that you have. For the Cause of Christ, The Faculty & Staff at Four Seas College of Bible and Missions. [www.fourseas.edu.sg](http://www.fourseas.edu.sg)

## Mark Your Calendars

### ***A One Day Seminar On Preaching With Tom Holland***

At Memphis School of Preaching (and at [www.msop.org](http://www.msop.org))

***December 17, 2014 (9:00-11:30 a.m. and 1:00-4:00 p.m.)***

Brother Holland will spend the day addressing what both Scripture and decades of experience have taught him about being an effective Gospel preacher. He will cover many topics, but will give a special emphasis to “The Power of Personal Visitation” in building up the local church, and being an effective preacher. Although the seminar was first planned as a means of educating MSOP students, the seminar is open to any elders/preachers/members who wish to attend in person. Additionally, the seminar will be live streamed at [www.msop.org](http://www.msop.org) for all who wish to view these messages. If you plan to attend in person, we need to know in advance in order to have sufficient seating available.

Please email [bjcmsop@icloud.com](mailto:bjcmsop@icloud.com) if you plan to attend.

# ALUMNI NEWS

## *Births*

Congratulations to **Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Clay II (2011)**. Their son, Connor Lee Clay, was born on November 21<sup>st</sup>. He weighed 7 lb. 6 oz. and was 19.5 inches long.

## *Moves*

**Anthony Clay II (2011)** writes, "I wanted to inform you for your newsletter that I have moved from Webb, AL to Phenix City, AL to accept the work at Phenix City.

**Randy Collum (2010)** writes, "In October my family and I began to work with the Pine Vale Children's Home in Corinth, MS. I will be serving as the Campus Manager and in Church Relations. I do not intend to take a pulpit job, but I would appreciate any opportunity to preach as a fill-in, for a gospel meeting, or to tell you more about Pine Vale. I will be actively working to raise funds for the children's home and hope others will assist me in my efforts. The children's home can currently provide care for up to 30 children. We have three cottages and pray that we are able to build a fourth home soon. We are currently looking for a set of house parents to replace a couple that is retiring after 12 years with Pine Vale. If you would be interested in knowing more about the position, Pine Vale, or how you can assist us, please call me at 662-286-6555."

## *Health Update*

In his recent newsletter, **Brett Rutherford (1996)** who is a missionary to Tasmania, Australia wrote, "On a personal note, I have been feeling great. Joanne and I start our day by going on a long walk. We walk about seven kilometers every day. I am trying to get a little fitter in case I have to spend more time in hospital. I go into the Royal Hobart Hospital on the first Thursday in

November for a cerebral angiogram. The idea of it does not excite me, but if it will help determine what is going on in my head I will be pleased to have it. My neurologist is an expert in multiple sclerosis, and he is not convinced that it is MS. I am so grateful for all the get well cards I continue to receive. I am particularly thankful to all of the Ladies' classes who have sent cards. All of these cards have been a great source of comfort and encouragement to me. It is so nice to know there are so many brethren praying for my recovery. I do consider myself blessed that my condition has not prevented me from doing the Lord's work."

## *In Sympathy*

Mary Jo Lance, the mother of **Mark Lance (1998)**, passed away at age 76 on November 15, 2014 at Slidell Memorial Hospital in Slidell, LA. She was a retired employee of Aquatech and a member of the Chalmette church of Christ. Her funeral was held in McMinnville, TN on November 21, 2014 with Garland Robinson and Jonathan Stubblefield officiating. Our sympathy is extended to her family.

## *Goal Reached*

**Mark Lance (1998)** wrote, "We reached the goal of \$25,000. We have just over \$15,000 in new expenses. I want to give my appreciation for all our brethren have done for my family. Jessica has shown great improvement since prayers have been given on her behalf. She is doing better than I have seen her do in five years. I am so thankful to God."

**Douglass Hoff (1992)** writes, "I have been working with the Lord's church in Clarion, PA for the past 3 years. We are a small, struggling congregation. In the last 18 months, we have lost 2 families and two

single men because of the job situation (a total of 10 souls). We have also had to withdraw fellowship from 3 physically related families and my middle daughter who became unfaithful. As a result, our attendance has dropped by 20 (including children). Occasionally, our Sunday morning attendance drops below 20 but a good Sunday will be in the mid twenties (esp. when we have visitors). On the first Monday in October I started a group Bible study with inmates at the Clarion Jail. I am covering basic Christian Evidences. I advertised the classes with the title of "The Basis of Belief" since many people have no idea what "Christian Evidences" entails. So far, average attendance has been 6 souls. A few have shown what I hope is a genuine interest while some seem obviously disinterested. I covered "How we can know God exists," "How we can know the Bible is from God," "The so-called problem of evil, pain & suffering," and "Objections to hell refuted." Back in September I started taking the MOST on-line class on Christian Evidences. It has been 22 years since I left MSOP so I decided to take only one class to get back into the routine. Because the congregation is so small, my wife is working at the local Wal-Mart. I am trying to raise additional financial support hoping to be able to afford health insurance which we have not had for almost 4 years. The Lord's church in Union, SC made it possible for us to commit to the work here 3 years ago. They have been faithfully supporting me ever since. I just learned yesterday that the White Oak congregation in Chattanooga, TN will start supporting me in 2015. The church in Adamsville, AL also sent a one time gift as support for the last few months of 2014 and all of 2015. God is great, very gracious and providentially helping us in this work through such faithful brethren!"

### *Missions*

**Denton (Denny) Landon (1983), and Howell Ferguson (1984)**, visited The Bear Valley Bible Institute of Ukraine in their temporary location of Ternopil, Ukraine in September. The school was forced to relocate from Gorlivka when armed insurgents entered the building during Sunday morning worship services in late May and took it over. The students and staff are making the best of a very difficult situation. Please pray for these brethren as they continue their service to our Lord and contemplate a more permanent location. In late October, Denton traveled to Chimala, Tanzania, to teach the graduates of the Chimala Bible Institute and assist in graduation ceremonies. The work of the school continues to assist the church in the area. One of the graduates of CBI was recently appointed an elder in the church meeting at Chimala. This is the first eldership for this congregation. Please pray for these brethren. They are already establishing and supporting new congregations in Tanzania.

**Howell Ferguson (1984)** and his wife Mary will be leaving his work at the North Jackson church of Christ, Jackson, TN and relocating to Chimala, Tanzania in January 2015. They will be working under the oversight of the Westside church of Christ, Brownsville, TN. After acclimating at Chimala for the first year, Howell and Mary will transition to the old Ailsa mission up the Ki pen gere Mts. just behind Chimala to work in evangelism, church planting, and leadership. They can be reached at (731) 345-0023 or email at [howellferguson@gmail.com](mailto:howellferguson@gmail.com).

**Eugene Jenkins (1980)** and his wife Luvenia continue their work, here in the United States as well in foreign lands, with Campaigns for Christ through World Missions. He wrote, "This year we worked primarily on the island of Jamaica, and here at



home with both of us working at two local Bible camps. Luvenia spoke at the MSOP lectures, as well as on several ladies' days and teacher's workshops (Belle, Missouri; Topeka, Kansas; Austin, Arkansas; and Higginsville, Missouri). She also teaches one of the weekly children's classes and the bi-weekly ladies' class at Oak Grove, Missouri, when we are home. We will work several weeks in Jamaica again in 2015; three weeks in January and three or four weeks in June. Plans are also being made to work with brethren in Grand Cayman, the Turks and Caicos Islands, and the islands of Trinidad-Tobago. We will also work with brethren in Virginia, Minnesota, on a campaign August 3-9.

**Billy Bland (1997)** writes, "As I write these words, I am in Singapore getting ready to participate in the Four Seas Bible College Lectureship. Having left Memphis on November 13th we (Tim Burroughs, Tim Hayes and myself), arrived in Hyderabad, India on November 15th. We were met in Hyderabad by brethren Kumar, Nahu, Emmanuel George (who just graduated from the Memphis School of Preaching) and Emmanuel's father - brother Babu. I was invited to preach to the Lord's church in Hyderabad on the following morning, which I was glad to do. Brother Kumar's wife prepared us a meal after the morning service. We later learned there was a young lady who was baptized that evening at Hyderabad. Her husband was already a Christian, so we are glad they are now united together in Christ. KURNOOL: Leaving Hyderabad that Sunday afternoon, we traveled three or four hours to our destination in Kurnool. The following morning we started having "preachers Bible Classes" for the local preachers, (some denominational preachers also attended the meetings). Brother Babu also had previously arranged for us to go preach the truth to 3 denominational churches in an effort to lead

them out of Denominationalism. Accordingly, I preached to a Pentecostal church on Monday evening. My Topic was "THE CHURCH OF THE BIBLE." I explained to the ones gathered (including their preacher), that the church of the Bible was built by Christ, is not a denomination, wears the name of Christ, and worships scripturally. As an illustration for God's authority to sing (and not add mechanical instruments of music), I reminded them of God telling Noah to use "gopher wood." I asked them would it be okay for Noah to use oak or pine in addition to the gopher wood. They answered "no." I then asked, "did God say sing and beat the drum?" They said "no". I then asked did God say "sing and play a guitar?" Again, they said, "no." So I then showed that we have authority to sing, but no authority for using the mechanical instruments. They seemed to get the point. I also explained how people became members of the Lord's church by believing in Christ, repenting of their sins, confessing the Christ and being baptized for the remission of their sins. They were very appreciative of our coming and preaching God's Word to them. We are hopeful that the preacher and then the congregation are going to be converted. The preacher has asked brethren Babu and Emmanuel to come back and preach more to them. The other two churches were Baptist churches. We also think that at least one of these churches will be converted. Our going into the churches reminded me of how Paul used to go into the Jewish synagogues and preach the Gospel to the Jews. Let's pray that some of these churches will be converted to Christ. SINGAPORE: Upon completing our mission in Kurnool on November 21st, we drove back to Hyderabad, and caught an 11:35 PM flight to Singapore (about a 4 hour flight but due to the time difference we arrived in Singapore at 6:00 AM). On Saturday, November 22, we attended the Graduation of

some of the students at Four Seas Bible College. The next day, brother Tim Burroughs taught the Bible class and I preached at the Jurong church of Christ. Brother Tim Hayes taught and preached at the Lim Ah Pin congregation. The lectureship gets underway tomorrow. The Theme is "THE SPIRIT AND THE WORD." My topics are "WHO IS THE HOLY SPIRIT" and "THE GIFT OF THE HOLY SPIRIT." In addition to the lectureship, there will be Gospel Meetings held at the Jurong and Lim Ah Pin congregations Thursday night through Sunday. We are scheduled to preach in these Gospel Meetings along with some other brethren. Thanks so much for your prayers and support for this work. I wanted to keep you informed by this update and also solicit your prayers. Lord willing, we will leave for the U. S. on December the 2<sup>nd</sup>. I hope you have a "Happy



Thanksgiving."

Our first World Missions Program graduate, **Adam Evans (2013-WMP)** and his family, have returned to Tanzania following a recent furlough in the U.S. They traveled through seven states and presented to twenty-two different congregations while visiting family, doctors, dentist, etc. In the accompanying picture, brother Evans is seen preaching in an evangelistic open air gospel meeting October 20-26 during the Mtwivila Campaign. Each day they met at 8 A.M. for a devotional at the building and then went door to door from 8:30 A.M. to 11:30 A.M. Then, they returned at 1:30

P.M. to set up for the meeting which started at 2:30 P.M. Each day they hosted two topics and one question and answer session. We are grateful for his good work, and looking for others like him who are willing to come to M.S.O.P. for training in the World Missions Program.

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Please call for prices of other books.

# THE AMAZING UTILIZATION OF MODERN TECHNOLOGY AT MSOP

*Mike McDaniel*

On November 11, 2014, at 6:30 A.M., I got in my car to make the drive from my home in Caruthersville, Missouri to the Memphis School of Preaching. The air was frigid, but conditions seemed good otherwise. My trip was fine until I approached Jericho, Arkansas where I began to see snow on the ground, ice on the interstate, and a huge traffic jam.

I was able to get off the interstate and proceed down Hwy 77 through Marion, Arkansas to West Memphis. I tried three different ways to get on the interstate. Traffic was not moving at all. Upon calling the school at 8:40 A.M., I learned that there had been a bad wreck and fatality at the Forest-Hill Irene exit and that the Bill Morris Parkway was now closed. A surprise snowfall had stricken Memphis before rush hour, crippling the interstate system. There were wrecks on both of the unsalted bridges and they had to close them. I learned later that it would not be until the afternoon before things got back to normal. I could see the Memphis skyline from Broadway Avenue in West Memphis, yet I had no choice after an hour of waiting but to return to Missouri.

I was scheduled to teach my Mission Program class on Principles of Leadership from 9 to 11. That would not happen. However, I was also scheduled to fill in for brother Billy Bland in Hermeneutics (A First Year Course) from 1:10 to 4 P.M. At this point, I wanted to try to salvage something of my day as my morning had been futile. I called the school and talked with brother Efrain Aranda, one of our World Mission

Program students. He and brother Stephen Ulrich, a second year student who assists us with tech support, would make preparations for me to teach my afternoon first year class online using Blackboard software which is provided for my use by the Online Academy of Biblical Studies.

After surprising my wife at the elementary school where she serves as the library aide, we were able to have lunch together. By 1:10 P.M., I was at my computer and ready to teach Hermeneutics all afternoon. I was very grateful. At the time, I had no idea, however, the technical intricacies of the multiple tasks which brother Ulrich was overseeing at the time.

In the second year classroom, the students were watching a video and audio archived stream of brother Bobby Liddell's lesson on the book of Haggai from November 11<sup>th</sup> at the 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Schertz Lectures in Schertz, Texas. This was courtesy of the Online Academy of Biblical Studies website: [www.oabs.org](http://www.oabs.org). This video feed was streamed by the Mac mini that is connected to the classroom TV and controlled from brother Ulrich's iPhone 6 Plus which is capable of monitoring and controlling every piece of network/computer equipment in the school.

At the same time, the M.O.S.T. class which was being taught on campus by brother Ted Clarke was also recorded and streaming live to our online students via YouTube Live and GoToMeeting. This class was controlled/monitored from brother Ulrich's iPad mini 2 in front of him.

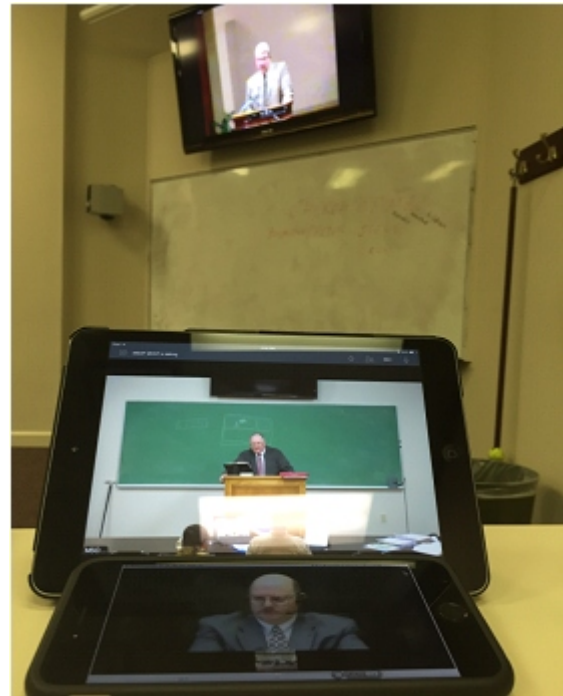
Then in my first year class, we were streaming audio and video via BlackBoard Collaborate for me. Blackboard is completely interactive. I can see and hear the students, and they can see and hear me. We also have an active chat-room and a whiteboard which can be used for pictures, PowerPoint and writing.

Brother Ulrich was using his MacBook Air connected to the classroom TV to send the audio and video to the monitor for the class to observe while it was also capturing audio and video from the classroom and streaming that back to me. Brother Ulrich writes, "This will be handled in the future by the Mac mini in each classroom, but it will require the purchase of a new webcam for each classroom and possibly the chapel hall as well. I plan to purchase one for myself in the near future and begin testing it in one of the classrooms prior to asking the school to purchase them for every application. The cost for this is quite minimal at less than \$200 per room and it will provide business class wide angle 1080HD video and excellent room sound while integrating with our existing network infrastructure and video transmission methods . . . All three classes were being conducted via the internet simultaneously controlled by a single individual. Without the recent Hardware upgrades and support of our visionary director B. J. Clarke and the Forest Hill elders, none of this would be possible."

Brother Ulrich took a picture of what was going on during the second half of the day (11/13/14) because he couldn't think of a better way to explain the complexity of it all at the time.

When he showed me this picture on November 18<sup>th</sup>, I thought it was pretty amazing. I have been engaged with OABS online teaching since 2002 and have been grateful over the years to have been a part of some ground-breaking use of this kind of

technology in the brotherhood. Thus, I am very familiar with this kind of technology. However, to see such a variety of software and hardware applications being utilized and being monitored by brother Ulrich on one November afternoon at M.S.O.P. to the glory of God and the edification of many makes me very appreciative also to our alumni and friends who have assisted us financially and in other ways in the Lord's Work. It was a source of encouragement to me on a frustrating day.



***Brother Stephen Ulrich uses his iPhone 6 Plus, and his iPad Mini to monitor McDaniel's First Year Class, and Clarke's M.O.S.T. class, while watching Liddell's lecture on the large monitor in the Second Year Class.***

# PLEASE SEND IN YOUR NOMINATIONS FOR ALUMNUS OF THE YEAR

November 26, 2014

Dear brethren:

I pray that everyone has a good Thanksgiving Holiday and that your work and health are prospering.

It is time to nominate eligible men for the 2015 Memphis School of Preaching Alumnus of the Year to be presented during the annual lectureship March 29-April 2, 2015. As a reminder the Alumnus of the Year should be one who:

- 1 . . . is exemplary in Christian living (Rom. 12:1,2; I Thess. 2:10).
- 2 . . . faithfully proclaims the whole counsel of God (Acts 20:27; II Tim. 4:1-4).
- 3 . . . has continued to demonstrate primary devotion to preaching for a period of at least ten (10) years (Acts 4:20; Jer. 10:9).
- 4 . . . is a fitting example of humble service (Eph. 4:1-3; II Cor. 10:18).
- 5 . . . has manifested fruitful labors whereby men may glorify God (Matt. 5:16).
- 6 . . . has demonstrated his willingness to make personal sacrifices for the cause of Christ [health, financial/deprivation, etc. etc.] (Phil. 3:4-11; II Cor. 11:23-28).
- 7 . . . if he is married, he has been supported in his work by a wife "faithful in all things" (I Tim. 3:11).
- 8 . . . if he is married, and has children, those children must respect their parents and revere God (Titus 1:6).
9. . . has lent his moral support to MSOP (attended lectureships, etc.).

Please have these nominations to me by no later than December 15, 2014. You can email them to me at [mreyn8391@comcast.net](mailto:mreyn8391@comcast.net), or by mail at: Mark Reynolds, 3524 N. 1200 W., Parker City, IN. 47368.

I pray God's richest blessings upon you as this year closes!

Yours in Christian love,

Mark Reynolds