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FIFTY-FIRST ANNUAL LECTURESHIP

## BUILD YOUR HOPES -ON THINGS- ETERNAL

MARCH 26 - 30, 2017



INFORMATION INSIDE!

**“IN CHRIST ALONE”**

2017 Youth Day

FOREST HILL CHURCH OF CHRIST  
SATURDAY, MARCH 25, 2017

REGISTRATION BEGINS @ 9 A.M.

# PLANNING YOUR LECTURESHIP STAY?

## RESERVE YOUR ROOMS WITH THESE LOCAL MOTELS

Candlewood Suites	7950 Centennial Dr., Memphis, (901) 755-0877	King or Double, \$74 + tx. Book by 3/9
Hampton Inn	1280 W. Poplar Ave., Collierville, (901) 854-9400	King or Double, \$116 + tx. Book by 3/3
Hyatt Place	9161 Winchester Rd., Germantown, (901) 759-1174	King or Double, \$119 + tx. Book by 3/16
Fairfield Inn	9320 Poplar Pike, Germantown, (901) 757-9100	2 People, \$92 + tx. Book by 3/11
Hampton Inn	3579 Hacks Cross Rd., Memphis, (901) 754-8454	King Suites, \$99 + tx. Book by 3/16

### MAKE PLANS TO ATTEND OUR SPECIAL DINNERS

#### MONDAY, MARCH 27TH @ 4:15p.m.

In addition to enjoying a delicious meal, you will have the opportunity to help give honor unto whom honor is due at this Monday afternoon dinner. Although they deserve much more, we will devote about 15-20 minute segments to honoring four very dear people. **Sister Annette Cates** is retiring from her work at the MSOP Library, after decades of faithful and professional service. This dinner will serve in part to honor her work. In this dinner, we will also have the privilege of giving honor unto two very special sister Taylors. **Sister Jean Taylor** served MSOP for 32 years, and recently passed on to her reward. She made an indelible impression on those with whom she worked. **Sister Irene Taylor** gave so many memorable messages to the ladies at the MSOP lectureship classes. She was such a supporter of MSOP, and she also crossed the Jordan to be with the Lord. We will also have a segment devoted to honoring the memory of the impact **brother Garland Elkins** made during his time at MSOP. Your presence will be a real encouragement to these families.

*Dinner will begin at 4:15 P.M., and will be catered. \$8.50 for each adult, and \$4.25 for each child.* Please call (901) 751-2242, at your earliest convenience, to reserve your seat.

#### TUESDAY, MARCH 28TH @ 4:15p.m.

One of the highlights of the annual MSOP lectureship is the Alumni and Friends Dinner. The Dinner affords us a great time of renewing acquaintances, and catching up on news about MSOP, and about our alumni and friends.

During the Dinner, we will announce the Alumnus of the Year, and those selected as Honorary Alumni. We hope you will join the hundreds who will attend, for we know you will enjoy the delicious meal, and that you will rejoice in the wonderful fellowship.

*Dinner will begin at 4:15 P.M., and will be catered. \$7.00 for each adult, and \$3.50 for each child.* Please call (901) 751-2242, at your earliest convenience, to reserve your seat.

### LECTURE DISPLAY AREA

Those planning to have displays at the Lectureship must make reservations by March 5, 2017, and be approved in advance. Call 901-751-2242 to make reservations.

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### ALUMNI REGISTRATION

Alumni, please go to [www.msop.org](http://www.msop.org) and complete the Alumni Registration Form. Your doing so will save us time and money; in that we will not have to mail a form to you.

### SEMINAR FOR PROSPECTIVE STUDENTS AND SUPPORTERS

This year's Seminar For Prospective Students And Supporters will be on Tuesday, March 28, at 2:30 P.M., in the Cates Chapel. Prospective students and congregations interested in supporting preacher students are given an introductory overview of the School by the Director and faculty. Prospects have an opportunity to ask questions, and also will receive a packet of information.

Your efforts to bring prospective students and supporters to the Preview presentation and to the lectureship are vital to our recruiting efforts. We are asking every alumnus, and every friend and supporter, to make a special effort to make 2017 the best year ever for student recruitment and support raised.

### CLASSES & CHILDCARE DURING THE LECTURES

The MSOP students' wives will provide classes and childcare, for children 5 and younger, from 9 to 11:50 A.M., and 1:30 to 4:15 P.M., Monday through Thursday.

We want to make this time with your children edifying and educational, and we want to insure safety, comfort, and quality of classroom time.

All parents must register their children and complete an Information Sheet. All adults must show a proper ID when picking up children. Parents may designate another, with proper ID, to pick up their children, but no one under 18 will be allowed to pick up children. Childcare Registration Forms are available at [www.msop.org](http://www.msop.org).

Please bring a well stocked diaper bag for infants and toddlers, including formula/ milk, spill-proof cups, diapers, wipes, extra clothing, and a special toy or book. Please do not send snacks. For children that are toddlers and older, bring a mat or blanket. Please label all items with the child's name.

### R.V. HOOKUPS

Call (901) 751-2242. Call **early**, because spaces are limited. R.V.s must be parked in spaces assigned.



Larry Acuff



Will Anderson



Sheri Blackwell



Billy Bland



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J.T. Brown



Dan Cates



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Tish Clarke



Cindy Colley



Glenn Colley



Eddy Craft



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Glenn Hitchcock



Mike Hixson



Matthew S. Jones

### FIFTY-FIRST ANNUAL LECTURESHIP

MARCH 26 – MARCH 30, 2017

GENERAL THEME:

## "BUILD YOUR HOPES ON THINGS ETERNAL"

### MEMPHIS SCHOOL OF PREACHING

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#### SUNDAY, MARCH 26, 2017

9:30-10:20 A.M. "Build On a Sure Foundation" (1 Cor. 3:11; 2 Tim. 2:19)..... David Sain  
 10:30-11:30 A.M. "Build Your Hopes on the Eternal God"..... Barry Grider  
 3:30 - 4:00 P.M. CONGREGATIONAL SINGING  
 5:00 - 5:50 P.M. "Time Is Filled With Swift Transition"..... B. J. Clarke

#### MONDAY, MARCH 27, 2017

8:30 - 8:50 A.M. CHAPEL: "Hope: Delivered By The Gospel Preacher"..... David James Stafford  
 9:00 - 9:50 A.M. "Build Your Hopes on the Messiah" (Gal. 2:20)..... Billy Bland  
 10:00-10:50 A.M. "Ordained to Eternal Life?" (Acts 13:48)..... Wesley Simons  
 \*\*Church Bldg-Up Stairs "Hope in God in the Days of Your Youth" (Psa. 71:5) (Youth Class)..... Tyler Gilreath  
 "God Can Give You an Everlasting Salvation" (Women Only)..... Celicia Grider  
 11:00-11:50 A.M. "Eternal Life in 1 John"..... Johnie Scaggs  
 \*Rm 405 School Bldg "Hope in the Midst of Tragedy"..... Glenn Hitchcock  
**11:50 - 1:30 P.M. LUNCH**  
 1:30 - 2:20 P.M. "Is There Hope Beyond the Grave?" (Job 14:7; 14:19 & 17:15)..... Larry Acuff  
 LADIES\*\*\* "God Can Give You an Everlasting Joy" (Women Only)..... Cindy Colley  
 2:30 - 3:20 P.M. "The Hope of the Righteous Shall Be Gladness" (Pro. 10:28)..... Barry Gilreath, Jr.  
 \*Rm 405 School Bldg "Do Not Build on False Hope" (Eze. 13:6)..... Will Anderson  
 \*\*Church Bldg-Up Stairs "Find Eternal Hope in This Eternal Word" (Psa. 119:49) (Youth Class)..... Reuben Williams  
 3:30 - 4:15 P.M. "Important Things For Times Like These"..... Glenn Colley  
**4:15 - 6:30 P.M. HONOR TO WHOM HONOR DINNER**  
 6:30 - 7:00 P.M. CONGREGATIONAL SINGING  
 7:00 - 8:00 P.M. "Trust in Him Who Will Not Leave You" (Isa 26:4)..... Dan Winkler

#### TUESDAY, MARCH 28, 2017

8:30 - 8:50 A.M. CHAPEL: "Hope: Received In The Gospel"..... Duke Jackson Brown  
 9:00 - 9:50 A.M. "Build Your Hopes on His Mercy"..... Dan Cates  
 10:00-10:50 A.M. "The Eternal Kingdom in God's Purpose"..... Bill Dedmon  
 \*\*Church Bldg-Up Stairs "Find Eternal Hope in Christ" (Youth Class)..... Josh Manning  
 LADIES\*\*\* "God Can Give You an Everlasting Light" (Women Only)..... Sheri Blackwell  
 11:00-11:50 A.M. "He Only Is My Rock" (Psa. 62:5-8)..... Tom Wacaster  
 \*Rm 405 School Bldg "God's Everlasting Covenant (Seed Promise)" (Genesis 3:15; 12:1-3; Gal 3)..... Rick Lawson  
**11:50 - 1:30 P.M. LUNCH**  
 1:30 - 2:20 P.M. "His Ways Are Everlasting" (Hab. 3:6)..... Mike Bonner  
 LADIES\*\*\* "God Can Give You an Everlasting Name" (Women Only)..... Tish Clarke  
 2:30 - 3:20 P.M. "Hope Deferred Makes the Heart Sick" (Pro. 13:12)..... Tim Wilkes, Jr.  
 \*Rm 405 School Bldg "The Rainbow and God's Everlasting Promise"..... Barry Gilreath, III  
 \*\*Church Bldg-Up Stairs "Build Your Goals on Things Eternal" (Youth Class)..... Matthew Jones  
**SEMINAR FOR PROSPECTIVE STUDENTS AND SUPPORTERS (MSOP CHAPEL)**  
 3:30 - 4:15 P.M. "In Danger of Eternal Damnation"..... Matthew Shelton

4:15 - 6:30 P.M. ALUMNI AND FRIENDS DINNER (FELLOWSHIP HALL)  
 6:30 - 7:00 P.M. CONGREGATIONAL SINGING  
 7:00 - 8:00 P.M. "If By Earthly Friends Forsaken"..... Keith Mosher, Sr.

#### WEDNESDAY, MARCH 29, 2017

8:30 - 8:50 A.M. CHAPEL: "Hope: Where We Stand In The Gospel"..... Tagilima Esene, Jr.  
 9:00 - 9:50 A.M. "Build Your Hopes on His Message"..... Don Walker  
 10:00 - 10:50 A.M. "Good Writing: Make His Hope Known"..... Allen Webster  
 \*\*Church Bldg-Up Stairs "Bring Hope to Others" (Youth Class)..... Matthew Jones  
 LADIES\*\*\* "God Can Give You an Everlasting Kindness" (Women Only)..... Dorothy Mosher  
 11:00-11:50 A.M. "What Good Thing Shall I Do?" (Mat. 19:16-30)..... Eddy Craft  
 \*Rm 405 School Bldg "The Gift of God is Eternal Life"..... David Dixon  
**11:50 - 1:30 P.M. LUNCH**  
 1:30 - 2:20 P.M. "Plow in Hope" (1 Cor. 9:10)..... Steve Waller  
 LADIES\*\*\* "God Can Give You An Everlasting Love" (Women Only)..... Susan Shelton  
 2:30 - 3:20 P.M. "Hope: The Anchor of the Soul" (Heb. 6:19)..... Mike Hixson  
 \*Rm 405 School Bldg "Be Ye Steadfast" (1 Cor. 15: 51-58)..... Sidney White  
 \*\*Church Bldg-Up Stairs "In Need of Hope?" Don't Ever Give Up (Youth Class)..... Howard Odum  
 3:30 - 4:15 P.M. "Don't Be A Hope Killer"..... Cliff Goodwin  
**4:15 - 6:30 P.M. INTERMISSION**  
 6:30 - 7:00 P.M. CONGREGATIONAL SINGING  
 7:00 - 8:00 P.M. "Covet Not This World's Vain Riches" (1 Tim. 6:17-21; Mat. 6:19-21)..... John DeBerry

#### THURSDAY, MARCH 30, 2017

8:30 - 8:50 A.M. CHAPEL: "Hope: Saves"..... Nicholas H. Bartell  
 9:00 - 9:50 A.M. "Build Your Hopes for an Eternal Manor" (2 Cor. 4:17- 5:7)..... Bobby Liddell  
 10:00-10:50 A.M. "Secular Humanism's Assault on Things Eternal"..... Brian Giselbach  
 \*\*Church Bldg-Up Stairs "Build on Faith, Hope, and Love" (1 Cor. 13:13) (Youth Class)..... Jared Rhodes  
 LADIES\*\*\* "God Can Give You An Everlasting Peace" (Women Only)..... LuAnn Rogers  
 11:00-11:50 A.M. "Eternal Punishment or Life Eternal" (Mat. 25:31-46)..... Randy Robinson  
 \*Rm 405 School Bldg "Chasten Thy Son While There is Hope" (Pro. 19:18)..... Tim Wilkes II  
**11:50 - 1:30 P.M. LUNCH**  
 1:30 - 2:20 P.M. "What A Lawyer Learned" (Luke 10:25-37)..... Paul Sain  
 LADIES\*\*\* "God Can Give You An Everlasting Home" (Women Only)..... Jackie Walker  
 2:30 - 3:20 P.M. "Who For The Hope Set Before Him" (Heb. 12:1-3)..... Rob Whitacre  
 \*Rm 405 School Bldg "The Fire is Everlasting" (Mat. 18:8; 25:41; 19:29)..... David South  
 \*\*Church Bldg-Up Stairs "Hope Makes Life Worth Living" (Youth Class)..... J.T. Brown  
 3:30 - 4:15 P.M. "Earthly Words Have Eternal Consequences" (Mat. 12:36-37)..... Dave Rogers  
**4:15 - 6:30 P.M. INTERMISSION**  
 6:30 - 7:00 P.M. CONGREGATIONAL SINGING  
 7:00 - 8:00 P.M. "When Your Journey is Completed"..... Robert R. Taylor, Jr.

\* Classes In The School Building - Will meet in room 405  
 \*\* Youth Classes - Meet Upstairs of Church Building  
 \*\*\* Ladies Classes - Meet In The Fellowship Hall



Rick Lawson



Bobby Liddell



Joshua Manning



Keith Mosher, Sr.



Dorothy Mosher



Howard Odum



Jared Rhodes



Randy Robinson



Dave Rogers



Luann Rogers



David Sain



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Jackie Walker



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Rob Whitacre



Sidney White



Tim Wilkes II



Tim Wilkes, Sr.



Dan Winkler

## I REMEMBER IRENE TAYLOR

Corinne Elkins

Several years ago Irene wrote a chapter, along with others, for a book, "How Shall I Be Remembered?" That is a very good question for everyone to contemplate. Irene was devoted to Christ, the church, her husband, and her children. She excelled in writing; for example, her book of Poetry is a source of encouragement. It has amazed me that she could write a biography of her husband Robert, and he not know about it.

Irene was dependable and always equal to the task. When she was asked to prepare a manuscript for the Memphis School of Preaching, hers was one of the first ones received. For many years we had a "supper club." If possible a couple would host it in their home. She was hospitable and a diligent housekeeper, and could serve a delicious meal. She was a role model in many ways for all ladies, but especially young wives and preachers. She was delighted to fill her role as a preacher's wife. She was truly a friend of long standing, and I will miss her. Her price was far above rubies; her husband trusted in her, and her children rise up and call her blessed, Proverbs 31. She wore the Christian graces with dignity, 2 Peter 1:5-7.

## MEMORIES OF IRENE TAYLOR

Annette B. Cates

Irene Taylor was the epitome of a 21st century Christian lady. First, she was the faithful wife of Robert R. Taylor, Jr. Second, she was a mother and grandmother, adored by her children Rebecca and Tim and their four children. Third, and this is where her influence spread the furthest -- she was a leader of women through public speaking, writing, and fighting against the Equal Rights Amendment. She was, perhaps, the leading voice in the church against the radical feminist movement.

There were other ways Irene impacted the lives of countless Christian women. She was a listener, and not one to spread gossip. She had wisdom to give sound advice. Irene was an encourager. This writer remembers a time of discouragement, discussing the ensuing hurt, and coming out of the conversation with renewed strength.

Irene Taylor demonstrated that a Christian woman could be feminine and respected, and not a bitter, demanding feminist. She shall be missed.

## MEMORIES OF JEAN TAYLOR

Annette B. Cates

Jean Taylor was far more than a secretary. My husband, Curtis A. Cates, often said he could not have handled the office of Director of Memphis School of Preaching without Jean's very capable assistance. There were times she was the sole support staff for the School. She worked many hours over the standard 40 hr/week.

Jean's tasks, in addition to typical secretarial work, were somewhat unorthodox. She was the School's first librarian. She had no formal library education, but along with Gracie Young, created a call number system that worked well with the collection of under 5,000 books. Further, she coordinated her work with the student wives. Some thought of her as "Mama Jean." She had quite a collection of baby (and older) pictures from her continued interest in the graduates and their families.

One chore Jean took on was the cleaning and preparing of the houses and apartments rented for the students. If students needed anything, she would find it for them. As the time for a new term approached, Jean would be away from the office and at the rentals preparing them for incoming students.

Truly, Jean Taylor was the epitome of Administrative Assistant, Executive Secretary, etc. She saw a need and took care of it, regardless. There will never be another Jean Taylor.

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