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First Electronic Issue

Welcome to the first paperless issue of the *Foundation Footnotes* newsletter. As announced in the Winter 2010 issue, we have opted for an exclusively electronic version, made available only the website, in an effort to conserve valuable resources and thus reduce our carbon footprint. As we have for the past few years, we will continue to post issues of *Foundation Footnotes* on the website as downloadable PDFs, but there will no longer be a hardcopy version. With this new electronic version, those on the Foundation's emailing list will receive a notification of the availability of each new issue online. An announcement will also be posted on the Facebook® page of the Foundation at www.facebook.com/graduatetheologicalfoundation.

Graduation 2010 in Review

The Foundation, its guests and graduating students enjoyed yet another successful graduation this May. With a graduating class of just over 100, the diversity of students was quite impressive. Over one dozen languages, 15 nations and over 20 denominations were represented among this year's graduating class of the Foundation and College.

The Foundation welcomed several distinguished honorees, including **The Very Rev'd John Moses** (Emeritus Dean of St. Paul's Cathedral, London) who delivered the Runcie Lecture on May 6, which he titled "On Being a Theologian in the World Today: The Priestly Task." He was also awarded a Doctor of Divinity (D.D.) *honoris causa* and inducted as an Honorary Fellow, the highest honor awarded to a scholar who is not a member of the faculty. **Dr. Chris Day** (Academic Director, International Programmes Division, Oxford University Department for Continuing Education) delivered the Graduation Address on the topic of continuing education and was awarded the Doctor of Laws (L.L.D.) *honoris causa*, and inducted as an Honorary Fellow. **Rabbi Dr. David Aaron** (Professor of Hebrew Bible and History of Interpretation at Hebrew Union College - Jewish Institute of Religion in Cincinnati) was awarded the *2010 Krister Stendahl Medal in Biblical Studies* and inducted as an Honorary Fellow; and **Ms. Kim E. Ferraro, Esq.** (Founder and Executive Director, Legal Environmental Aid Foundation of Indiana, Inc.) was awarded the *2010 Cloverdale College Community Service Award*.



Dr. Chris Day



The Very Rev'd John Moses



Rabbi Dr. David H. Aaron



Ms. Kim Ferraro, Esq.

In recognition of their achievement of academic excellence, several graduating students were awarded fellowships and prizes:

The Rev. Dr. Ore Lee Spragin, Jr., was awarded the *Canon John Macquarrie Fellowship in Philosophical*

Theology and is now allowed the title of "Macquarrie Fellow." Dr. Spragin graduated this year with a Doctor of Theology.

Imam Dr. Muaz Redzic was awarded the *Imam Malik Fellowship in Islamic Studies* and is now allowed the title of "Malik Fellow." Dr. Redzic graduated this year with a Doctor of Philosophy.

The Rev. Tak Him Shu was awarded the *Dorothy Day Prize in Pastoral Care and Counseling*. Dr. Shu graduated this year with a Doctor of Psychology.

Imam Mohamed Moussa was awarded (in absentia) the *Ibn Taymiyya Prize in Islamic Studies*. Imam Moussa graduated this year with a Master of Theology.

Sister Carmen Maldonado, S.S.C. was awarded the *Saint Thérèse of Lisieux Prize in Spirituality*. Dr. Maldonado graduated this year with a Doctor of Ministry.

The Foundation extends its warmest thanks to the honorees and many congratulations to the fellowship and prize recipients. More photos may be found on the Foundation's page on Facebook[®] and on the Photo Gallery on the website.

Muslim Clergy, new edition

A new edition of Dr. John Morgan's book *Muslim Clergy in America: Ministry as Profession in the Islamic Community*, is now available from Wyndham Hall Press. This work focuses on the complexities of the profession of ministry as understood and practiced in America. Because imams are not historically trained as pastors, the foreign-born Imam in America who assumes the role of religious leader in a Muslim community finds himself confronted with expectations and demands for which he has not been trained. Included in this edition is a national data-based study of Imams in America addressing major issues relating to this newly emerging role for Muslim clergy.

In April 2010, Dr. Morgan presented a seminar on this work at New York University's Hagop Kevorkian Center for Near Eastern Studies. See *Faculty Notes*.

Publisher website: www.WyndhamHallPress.com.

Professorial Appointments

The Rev. Dr. Tim Allen has been appointed Visiting Professor of Biblical Studies. He currently holds standing in the United Church of Christ and served in

Baptist and United Church of Christ congregations in the capacity of minister of music/youth and pastor for twenty years before taking up teaching full-time. He holds a Master of Arts in Religious Studies (Ancient Mediterranean Religions) from the University of North Carolina - Chapel Hill and the Doctor of Philosophy (focus on early American Religion) from the Graduate Theological Foundation where he was honored as a Macquarrie Fellow (2005). In 2004, Dr. Allen received the Excellence in Teaching Award from Randolph Community College, and in 2007, he was invited to attend the Oxford Round Table conference on "The Separation of Church and State." Dr. Allen is currently offering two E-Tutorials at the Foundation: "Biblical Myth and Pastoral Theology" and "Myth, Theology and Pastoral Ministry."

The Rev. Dr. Ore Lee Spragin, Jr., has been appointed Visiting Professor of Church History. A native of Clarksdale, Mississippi, he is a life-long member of the Christian Methodist Episcopal Church. He holds a B.S. (biology, pre-med) from Jackson State University in Mississippi, and a M.Div. (pastoral studies) from Wesley Biblical Seminary. He graduated from the Foundation in 2010 with the Doctor of Theology in Methodist Studies, with coursework done at the Oxford Summer Theology Programme. Dr. Spragin was ordained Elder in the Christian Methodist Episcopal Church in 1987 and was admitted to Full Connection the following year. He has conducted seminars both in the United States and abroad in the areas of church history and doctrine, spiritual formation and Christian discipleship, biblical studies, worship, and church leadership. He has also written articles for *The Christian Index*, the official publication of the CME Church. Dr. Spragin has a special interest in Methodist Development and History.

More information on these professors may be found on their faculty profiles by visiting the website at www.gtfeducation.org and clicking on *Administration*, then *Faculty*.

New E-Tutorial Offerings

E-Tutorials offer students a convenient way to earn credits toward their degree at the Foundation. They are six weeks in duration with a required reading list and short papers due at the end of each week, culminating in a final paper. E-Tutorials are taught exclusively by Foundation faculty, and a complete list of offerings may be found on the website. From the homepage, click on the *E-Tutorials* link found at the bottom of the page in the "Common Destinations" list.

The newest E-Tutorial offerings at the Foundation include:

Human Diversity in Education

Faculty: Dr. Juana O. Watson, Professor of Latino Affairs

Spirituality and Psychology

Faculty: Fr. Anthony O. Nwachukwu, Professor of Counseling Psychology and West African Studies

(in Spanish)

La Santería: Un desafío pastoral Teología de la redención

Faculty: RP Jorge Colón, C.Ss.R., Profesor de Estudios Religiosos

E-Tutorials are also listed under the tab on our Facebook® page at the following website address:
www.Facebook.com/graduate theological foundation.

Faculty Notes

Imam Dr. Senad Agic, Shaykh Muhammad Nazim Adil al-Haqqani Professor of Islamic Studies, attended a lunch reception at the White House in early June to welcome the appointment of Rashad Hussain as President Barack Obama's Envoy to the Organization of the Islamic Conference (OIC). It was also an occasion to commemorate the first anniversary of Mr. Obama's speech in Cairo addressed to Muslims around the world. Imam Agic also attended briefings organized by the Associate Director of the White House Office of Public Engagement as well as National Security Council Chief of Staff, Denis McDonough.

The Rev. Dr. Dennis J. Billy, C.Ss.R., Karl Rahner Professor of Catholic Theology, has recently published two books: *The Beauty of the Eucharist: Voices from the Church Fathers* (New City Press, 2010) and *Jean-Pierre de Caussade's Abandonment to Divine Providence: Classic Text and Spiritual Commentary* (Christian Classics, 2010). On April 29th, he was the principal speaker at the Gest Forum of the St. Thomas More Society of Philadelphia and spoke on "The Search for a Universal Ethic: A Reflection on the International Theological Commission's Recent Document on Natural Law."

Dr. Vivian Dettbarn, Professor of Sacred Music, is teaching Applied Voice and Piano at the University of Findlay. Recent activities included her faculty piano recital, and several studio recitals by her students. Two of her senior students presented at the 4th Annual University Symposium for Scholarship &

Creativity, and Dr. Dettbarn spoke on "Engaged Teaching" as part of a faculty panel for the Eighth Annual University of Findlay Psychology Conference.

Dr. Susan Fowler, Dorothy Day Professor of Spirituality and Leadership, was invited to teach a seminar on spirituality and leadership in ministry at the Berkeley Divinity School at Yale University this past spring. The seven-week seminar series invited Yale Divinity School students to reflect on how their personal spirituality both reflects and impacts aspects of servant leadership in their ministerial praxis. Seminar participants were offered the opportunity to receive spiritual direction with Dr. Fowler, who also serves as spiritual mentor for other students enrolled in the Divinity School's Annand Program for Spiritual Formation.

Rev'd Dr Robin Gibbons, Alexander Schmemmann Professor of Eastern Christianity, was appointed one of the Pastoral Advisors at Kellogg College in September 2009 and continues his work in that role. As Administrative Director of the Centre for the Study of Religion in Public Life there, he and his colleagues have been very busy with Seminars and also a proposal for research into Religious Freedom. He has also been involved in a heavy teaching and lecture schedule both in the Oxford University Department for Continuing Education, St Mary's College Twickenham, and other Centres. At the invitation of Dr Paul Kirbas, he is one of the participants in a research project of the Fetzer and Kirbas Institutes on "Exploring the Sanctity of Nature: Toward a Common World Between Spirituality and Science." He is also involved with English Heritage examining the role and place of faith worship centres in the historical and cultural life of England.

The Rev. Dr. Richard B. Gilbert, CT, participated in a full day conference for chaplains in Orange Co., California, in March, and then traveled on to Anaheim Convention Center for two presentations at the Religious Education Conference. This is the big event by the Archdiocese, attended by some 35,000 from all over the country.

Dr. Ann V. Graber, Professor of Existential Psychology/Logotherapy, author of *Viktor Frankl's Logotherapy: Method of Choice in Ecumenical Pastoral Psychology*, recently had a new book published. If her previous work established the theoretical framework, her new book *The Journey Home* offers practical applications for "the odyssey of the spirit seeking ultimate meaning through the portals of life and death" stated reviewer, Dr. Edward Murray. The book addresses our mortality

from an experiential point of view that speaks to the professional and lay person alike. *The Journey Home* was published by LogoLife Press (Dec. 2009) and is available on *Amazon.com* and *BarnesandNoble.com*.

The Rev. Dr. C. Anthony Hunt, E. Franklin Frazier Professor of African-American Studies, was the lead presenter at the Black History Month Lunch and Learn event at Ohio University, Chillicothe, Ohio in February. His lecture was entitled "A Year After: Barack Obama and Holding onto Hope." While in Chillicothe, Dr. Hunt also gave the keynote address at the dedication of the Nickens Heritage Center, at First Baptist Church-Chillicothe. In April, Dr. Hunt was also one of the presenters at the "Theology on the Ground" Urban Forum at Union Theological Seminary-PSCE in Richmond, Virginia. His presentation was entitled, "Restoring Hope: A Framework for Constructive Collaboration for Churches and Communities."

The Rev. Dr. Paul Kirbas, Paul Tillich Professor of Theology and Culture, has been awarded grants from The Fetzer Institute in Kalamazoo, Michigan and the Fuller Foundation in Pasadena California, for his work in bringing scientists, theologians, and philosophers together to explore issues related to the sanctity of nature.

Dr. John Morgan, Karl Mannheim Professor of the History and Philosophy of the Social Sciences, completed an appointment at New York University's Center for Near Eastern Studies as a Visiting Scholar during the spring 2010 semester. During his appointment, he wrote several articles and made a presentation at the Faculty Luncheon Forum in April. He has had an article accepted by the *Journal of Religion and Society*, published at Creighton University, titled "Lessons from the American Rabbinic Experience: What Muslim Clergy Need to Know!" and he has been invited to read a paper titled "Professionalization of Islamic Ministry in America: Components of the Legitimizing Process in Western Society" in Havana, Cuba, this summer in July. Dr. Morgan's latest book in the sociology of professions, *Muslim Clergy in America: Ministry as Profession in the Islamic Community*, has gone into a second edition published by Wyndham Hall Press.

The Rev. Dr. Anthony Nwachukwu, Professor of Counseling Psychology and West African Studies, has a new book titled *Keeping Human Relationships Together: Self Guide to Healthy Living [Studies in Spiritual Psychology vis-à-vis Human Values]* published by iUniverse and available from the publisher as well as Amazon and Barnes & Noble. Podcast episodes are available through TogiNet

Radio on iTunes. About the book: "Nobody keeps an honest relationship with the one he or she deceives.

We are all aware that society is facing the most disastrous economy in history, coupled with incessant cases of indiscipline, teenage fighting, bullying, sexting, social and domestic violence. The problem of society is not only economic but also moral. The big question is: 'What do we do?'"

Canon Dr. Vincent Strudwick, Bishop John Tinsley Professor of Anglican Theology, hosted Archbishop Desmond Tutu at Kellogg College, University of Oxford, for a question and answer luncheon this spring. He presented, with Robin Gibbons, the establishment of the Centre for the Study of Religion in Public Life in the College, leading to the Archbishop becoming Patron of the Centre. Tutu spoke to a packed Sheldonian Theatre on "Justice and Peace" and Canon Strudwick was recalled as Chamberlain to host a dinner in his honour in the presence of Lord Patten, the University Chancellor. In May, Canon Strudwick celebrated his Golden Jubilee of being made a priest in the Anglican Church at a Eucharist in New College, Oxford University, with a supper for friends and former students hosted by the Dean of Divinity, The Revd Canon Dr Jane Shaw. Canon Strudwick also published a work titled "Hill -top Village - Brill 'Super Montem' in Tudor Times" and was a speaker on "Oxford's [Richard] Hooker" at the Thames Book Festival.

Dr. Christoph Tietze, Professor of Sacred Music, had his "Communion Antiphons for the Easter Season," published by World Library Publications this year. This new work is available for purchase online through the publisher at www.wlp.jspaluch.com.

Dr. Juana O. Watson, Professor of Latino Affairs, will be honored at the end of July at the Touchstone Awards of the Indianapolis chapter of Girls, Inc., a national nonprofit youth organization with roots dating back to 1864. This year's awards honor women who are "Making Herstory," and Dr. Watson will be recognized for her work with the organizations Friends of Hidalgo and Badges Without Borders, both of which she founded.

Alumni Notes

Padre Ray Gonia (Th.D. [cand.]) was consecrated Bishop on May 30 at the Holy Spirit of Hope Catholic Charismatic Church in El Paso, Texas.

James Hager (D.Min. 2005) has graduated from the U.S. Army Chaplain Officer's Basic Leadership Course (CH-BOLC). An article about his graduation may be read by visiting www.cechome.com.

Vernon Schmid (D.Min. 1989) recently published a new book, *The Radical Implications of the Eucharist*. This title is available on Amazon. Dr. Schmid is a columnist with the National Foundation Quarter Horse Journal.

Betty Lynn Schwab (Ph.D. 2005 and Macquarrie Fellow 2005) has taught at the University of Saskatchewan since her graduation from the Foundation. Courses she has taught include Introduction to Islam, Comparative Mysticism and Worship for its affiliate, St Andrew's College. She then received a call to be the national Coordinator of Worship and Music for The United Church of Canada and moved to Toronto three years ago. At the 2009 meeting of the American Academy of Religion, Mellen Press invited her to submit her doctoral thesis and has decided to publish it as an academic library edition.

Bishop Juan A. Vera Méndez (Ph.D. 2009) has written a book entitled *Palabra con filo liberador: De la conciencia solidaria a la transformación social*, published by Publicaciones Gaviota. Bishop Vera gave a presentation about his book on March 13 at the Museo Antigua Aduana in Arroyo, Puerto Rico.

Rev. Dr. Ken Walden (D.Min. 2006), Senior Pastor at Lakewood First United Methodist Church in Lakewood, California and Chaplain Captain Air Force Reservist at March Air Reserve Base in California, has contributed a text entitled "Training" in *Reveille for the Soul: Prayers for Military Life* edited by Marge Fenelon (Liguori, 2010).

Newly Activated Students

Ozge Alkanat of Bal Cova, Ismir, Turkey, has entered the Doctor of Psychology program. She holds a Bachelor of Arts and Master of Arts from Aegean University in Turkey and serves as a clinical psychologist. Ms. Alkanat holds membership in the Turkish Psychologists Association and the International Family Therapy Association.

Mohamad Samer Altabaa of Lubbock, Texas, has entered the Doctor of Philosophy in Islamic Studies program. He holds both a Bachelor of Arts and a Master of Arts from Omdurman Islamic University in Sudan, and currently serves as an imam at an Islamic center. Imam Altabaa holds membership in the North American Imams Federation.

Mary Ballou of St. Augustine, Florida, has entered the Doctor of Sacred Music program. She holds a Master of Science from the Pratt Institute and a Master of Arts from City University of New York. Ms. Ballou serves as an organist and as a director of a women's choir and "schola." She holds membership in the Church Music Association of America and the American Guild of Organists.

Imad Bayoun of Moreno Valley, California, has entered the Doctor of Philosophy in Islamic Studies program. He holds an undergraduate and graduate degree from American University of Beirut and a Doctor of Philosophy from Texas A & M University. Dr. Bayoun serves as a quarantine officer at a university and holds membership in the Muslim American Society and the North American Imams Federation.

Michael Béchard of London, Ontario, Canada, has entered the Doctor of Ministry program with a concentration in Liturgy and Ecumenism. He holds a Master of Divinity from Saint Peter's Seminary in London, Ontario, and a Master of Arts from the University of Notre Dame. Fr. Béchard currently serves as a director of campus ministry and holds membership in the Centre of Catholic Jewish Learning and in Canadian Catholic Campus Ministry.

Richard George Boudreau of Marina Del Rey, California, has entered the Doctor of Philosophy Foundation House/Oxford program. He holds a D.D.S. from University of South California, M.D. from the Universidad Tecnológica in Santiago, Dominican Republic, and a J.D. from the University of West Los Angeles. Mr. Boudreau serves as a surgeon and attorney and holds several memberships, including in the American Dental Association.

Taher Kamal Elbadawi of Garland, Texas, has entered the Doctor of Philosophy in Islamic Studies program. He holds a Bachelor of Arts from Alexandria University in Egypt and a Master of Arts from Southern Methodist University. Mr. Elbadawi currently serves as a teacher.

Caridad Escudero Marill of Miami Beach, Florida, has entered the Master of Pastoral Counseling program. She holds a Bachelor of Arts from Saint Thomas University in Florida and serves as a hospice chaplain. Ms. Escudero holds membership in Spiritual Directors International and the Association of Death Education and Counseling.

Stuart Foster of Lynn, Massachusetts, has entered the Doctor of Sacred Music Program. He holds a Bachelor of Music from the University of Sydney and a Master of Music from Yale University. Mr. Foster currently serves as a director of music and organist for a church and holds membership in the American Guild of Organists and the Royal School of Church Music.

Osama Hassan of Victoria, Texas, has entered the Doctor of Philosophy in Islamic Studies program. He holds a Bachelor of Arts from El-Azhar University in Egypt and serves as an imam in an Islamic center. Imam Hassan holds membership in the North American Imams Federation and the Muslim Students' Association.

Stephen Hay of Fredericksburg, Virginia, has entered the Doctor of Ministry in Applied Ministries

program. He is ordained in the United Methodist Church and holds a Bachelor of Arts from the University of Virginia and a Master of Divinity from Princeton Theological Seminary. Rev. Hay currently serves as an elder in charge at a Methodist church and holds membership in the Ashland District Ministers Association and the Virginia United Methodist Conference.

Julie Hliboki of Three Rivers, Michigan, has entered the Doctor of Ministry program with a concentration in Spiritual Direction and Creative Arts. She holds a Bachelor of Science from Allegheny College and a Master of Arts from Antioch University. Ms. Hliboki currently serves as president of a company and holds membership in the International Coach Federation.

Oliver Jorbedom of Eagan, Minnesota, has entered the Research-based Doctor of Philosophy and Doctor of Psychology programs. He is ordained in the Assemblies of God and holds a Master of Arts from Saint Mary's University of Minnesota. Mr. Jorbedom serves as a mental health practitioner and pastor.

James Jordan of Elmer, New Jersey, has entered the Doctor of Ministry in Applied Ministries program. He holds a Bachelor of Arts from Virginia Commonwealth University and a Master's equivalent from the United Methodist Church. Mr. Jordan serves as a Catholic lay evangelist and holds membership in the Catholic Society of Evangelists.

Scott Keith of Carson City, Nevada, has entered the Doctor of Theology program. He holds a Bachelor of Arts from Concordia University and a Master of Theology from Canyon College. Mr. Keith currently serves as a director of student and congregation services at an institute and as assistant to the pastor and a Lutheran church. He holds membership in the American Academy of Religion and in the Society for Reformation Studies.

Sandra Larragoiti of Belmont, California, has entered the Doctor of Philosophy program with ABD status. She holds a Master of Arts from Santa Clara University and a Master of Arts from the California Institute of Integral Studies. Ms. Larragoiti currently serves as a school principal in a Catholic school and holds membership in the National Catholic Educational Association and the Association of Supervision and Curriculum Development.

Jennifer A. Little of Champaign, Illinois, has entered the Doctor of Philosophy in Theological Studies program. She is ordained in the United Church of Christ and holds a Master of Sacred Theology and Master of Divinity from Christian Theological Seminary. Rev. Little serves as a Minister of Visitation and as a Humanities Instructor.

Laurence McGonnell of Hertfordshire, England, has entered the Research-based Doctor of Psychology program. He holds a Master of Pastoral Studies from Loyola University Chicago and a Master of Arts from

City University, London, and currently serves as a spiritual care coordinator. Mr. McGonnell holds membership in the British Association for Counseling and Psychotherapy.

Richard Odoemela has entered the Doctor of Psychology program. He is ordained in the Roman Catholic Church and holds a Master of Divinity from Seton Hall University and a Doctor of Ministry from Drew University. Fr. Odoemela currently serves as a vocational rehabilitation counselor and as a vocational counselor.

Oliver Ifeanyichukwu Offor of Pelham Manor, New York, has entered the Doctor of Ministry in Pastoral Counseling program. He is ordained in the Catholic Church and holds a Bachelor of Arts from the University of Ibadan in Nigeria, a Bachelor of Theology from Saints Peter and Paul Catholic Major Seminary in Nigeria and has pursued graduate studies at Fordham University. Fr. Offor currently serves as a parochial vicar.

Christiana Onyewuche, EHJ, of Boston, Massachusetts, has entered the Doctor of Philosophy in Pastoral Psychology program. She holds a Bachelor of Arts from the Federal Polytechnic, Oko, Anambra State in Nigeria, and a Master of Arts from Boston College. Sr. Christiana serves as a pastoral associate and pastoral secretary and holds membership in the National Association of Catholic Chaplains.

Valentino Piran of Greensboro, North Carolina, has entered the Doctor of Sacred Music program. He holds a Bachelor of Music from the Conservatory of Music in Vicenza, Italy, and a Master of Music from the University of North Carolina. Mr. Piran currently serves as a pianist and organist.

Brian Plachta of Grand Rapids, Michigan, has entered the Master of Pastoral Counseling program. He holds a Bachelor of Arts from Aquinas College and a J.D. from the University of Detroit School of Law. Mr. Plachta currently serves as attorney and chairman in a law practice and as a spiritual director and adjunct faculty at an educational institution. He is a member of Spiritual Directors International and the State Bar of Michigan.

Hafiz Haqqani Mian Qadri of Stamford, Connecticut, has entered the Doctor of Philosophy in Islamic Studies program. He holds a Master of Arts from the University of Karachi in Pakistan and currently serves as an imam at an Islamic center.

Thomas Reynolds of Hopewell Junction, New York, has entered a Master of Theology/Master of Religious Education dual-degree program. He holds a Bachelor of Arts from Fordham University and a Master of Arts from Manhattan College. Mr. Reynolds currently serves as a professor in a diaconate formation program.

Ojel Rodríguez Rivera of Cayey, Puerto Rico, has entered the Doctor of Philosophy in Theological Studies program. He is ordained in the Concilio de Ministerios Cristianos and holds a Doctor of Theology and Doctor of Ministry from the Colegio de Formación Teológica Ministerial. Rev. Ojel currently serves a congregation and also serves as a systems engineer.

Raymond Sanborn of Toronto, Ontario, Canada, has entered the Doctor of Sacred Music program. He holds a Master of Religious Education, Master of Music and Master of Arts from the University of Toronto and holds membership in the International Vatican Commission on Sacred Music and the Hymn Society of the United States and Canada.

Richard Singleton of St. John's, Newfoundland, Canada, has entered the Doctor of Philosophy Foundation House/Oxford program. He holds a Master of Divinity from the University of Western Ontario and the Doctor of Ministry from the Graduate Theological Foundation. Dr. Singleton serves as a regional director of pastoral care and ethics and holds membership in the Canadian Brother's Society and the Association of Death Education and Counseling.

Patricia Smith of Putnam Valley, New York, has entered the Doctor of Ministry in Pastoral Counseling program. She is ordained in the Catholic Apostolic Church in North America and is a Deacon. Rev. Smith holds a Master of Arts from Saint Joseph's College and a Master of Social Work from Adelphi University. She currently serves as a pastor.

Helen Turkovich of Mason, Michigan, has entered the Doctor of Ministry in Applied Ministries program. She holds a Bachelor of Arts from Siena Heights University and a Master of Arts from Madonna University. Ms. Turkovich is currently a full-time student and is a member of Kappa Gamma Pi and Theta Alpha Kappa.

Educational Opportunities

Courses for Mental Health & Management Professionals offered by Cape Cod Institute

June-August, 2010 in Cape Cod, Massachusetts

A wide variety of courses is offered until the end of August, taught by master teachers.

Information: <http://www.cape.org/>

American Psychological Association Online courses

The APA offers a wide range of online continuing education courses. Topics covered include addictive behavior; clinical psychology; death, grief and suicidology; ethics in psychology; and geriatrics, among many others.

A list of courses is available at
http://search.apa.org/continuing_education.

The Institute of Theology offered by Princeton Theological Seminary

September 9-13, 2010 in Princeton, New Jersey

Theme: "Theology in Service to the Church" with the following tracks: 1) Missional Theology in Service to the Missional Church; 2) Science for Ministry; and 3) Introduction to Reformed Theology

Details and online registration:
<http://www3.ptsem.edu/offices/coned/index.aspx?id=3765>

Medical Ethics Course offered by Imperial College London

September 13-17, 2010 in London, England

Designed for those directly or indirectly involved in ethics and health care.

Registration information and pre-reading list:
<http://www3.imperial.ac.uk/cpd/courses/subject/medical/medeth>

Clinical Training for Mind Body Medicine offered by Benson-Henry Institute for Mind/Body Medicine at Massachusetts General Hospital

September 20-24, 2010 in Boston, Massachusetts

Information:
<http://www.massgeneral.org/bhi/education/trainings.aspx>

Mediation Skills Training Institute for Church Leaders offered by Lombard Mennonite Peace Center

October 4-8, 2010 in Hinsdale, Illinois
and November 15-19, 2010 in Fullerton, California

Information and registration form:
<http://www.lmpeacecenter.org/MSTI.html>