

# Theology Connections

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## Producing World Changers for Christ

By Christina L. Kern



Campbellsville University's School of Theology will print its first faculty-written book, "Producing World Changers for Christ," with help from Columbia Baptist Church: in the form of a check for \$1,500 to pay the printing costs for the book. The check was presented to Dr. Michael V. Carter, president of Campbellsville University; Dr. John Hurtgen, dean of the School of Theology and professor; and Dr. Shane Garrison, assistant professor of educational ministries by Columbia Baptist Church members Daniel Marcum, youth minister and a 1996 graduate of CU; Darrell Overstreet, chairman of the budget committee; and Dr. Ted Taylor, transitional pastor who also serves as professor of Christian studies at CU.

"The book, birthed at the School of Theology's retreat last summer, will be used by students this fall in the class 'Spiritual Formation,' a class that helps students to examine their call to ministry as well as the spiritual disciplines needed to fulfill that call," Hurtgen said.

Taylor said Columbia Baptist Church desired to have a part in the production of the book and that church staff would be working collectively through the book's principle of leadership and ministry. Hurtgen said, "The book, 'Producing World Changers for Christ' explains the guiding values, or disciplines, of people who are 'world changers for Christ.'"

He said these are people who are: (1) Passionately evangelical: whose message is the good news of the love of God in Christ Jesus; (2) Rooted in the Biblical story: who know the power of the word of God in a person's life; (3) Church-connected: who know that Jesus created the church to be his hands and feet in the world; (4) Servant leaders: who know that the greatest power in the world is to serve others in the name of Christ; (5) Spiritual entrepreneurs: who discover people's spiritual needs and find creative ways to meet them; and (6) Partners in an enduring fellowship: who forge brotherhoods and sisterhoods for friendship and partnership in the gospel.

Carter and Hurtgen expressed their gratitude to Columbia Baptist Church for its "continuing support of the university and the School of Theology."

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**The School of Theology's Mission is to**  
Produce World Changers for Christ

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Servant Leaders ~ Spiritual Entrepreneurs ~ Partners in Enduring Fellowship

# Students Lead Sports Camps for Local Children

By Emma Calvert



Dr. G. Ted Taylor, professor of Christian studies and lead professor of the sports ministry program in CU's School of Theology, conducts sports camps in Campbellsville for children as class projects. This experience provides students the opportunity to prepare, implement, and evaluate sports ministry for children of all ages.

The class has organized and led a soccer camp with the kindergarten class taught by Mrs. Sheri Taylor at the Campbellsville Christian Church Center for Education.

Logan Hazelwood, a May 2011 pastoral ministries graduate from Salvisa, Ky., now serves as the graduate assistant for the class. Hazelwood spent class time preparing the students for the sports camps. "It gave our students an incredible opportunity to use practical soccer skills to build relationships and minister to these children."

According to Hazelwood, the camp was an "unexpected blessing that I received by taking our class to the children was witnessing how well the CU students interacted with the children. Their enthusiasm and energy was an example for me."

It was also a win for the kindergarten class as they learned skills in a sport and built relationships with college students.

CU Sports Ministry students benefited from this experience in various ways. First, they get to put what they learn in class into practice in a hands-on experience.

Brett Sowell, a sophomore from Auburn, Ky., "I learned how to talk to kids in a loving way where they could understand what I was teaching, whether it was soccer skills or a Bible verse. It's difficult to break the Gospel down for younger children, but I feel that I'm getting better about reaching them."



Bright Agyei-Sakyi, a student from Ghana, West Africa, said, "I liked practicing what we are learning because these things are very important in life and equip us to be successful and effective servants of God."

Andrew McGinnis, a senior from Danville, Ky., said he was blessed by "being able to form relationships with [the children] and see how excited and grateful they were that we were with them."

The children have enjoyed playing with the CU students. Issac Garrison, a 6-year-old student in Mrs. Taylor's class, said about sports camp, "It was awesome! I loved how the college students played with me."

# Digging in Mudaybi

Dr. Dwayne Howell



During the summer of 2011 I had the opportunity to travel to Jordan with the Karak Resources Project. We continued excavations on the ancient Moabite fortress of Mudaybi. Mudaybi is located in the Jordanian desert and was an outpost that offered protection and relief to the caravans that used the desert passage between modern day Saudi Arabia and Karak. My primary duty was to work the sift. The site screens out dirt from a particular site in the excavation and allows one to uncover artifacts. I primarily found potsherds (broken pottery) and animal bones. This was an excellent learning experience for me as I got to experience archeology firsthand.

On my return from Jordan I attend the International Meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature in London, England. I participated in a group that presented papers in memory of Jacob Milgrom, a noted Jewish Hebrew Bible scholar and authority on Leviticus. My paper, titled "Jacob Milgrom and the Resident Alien", dealt with Milgrom's writings in the areas of social justice, especially as it pertains to the immigrant.

## On Sabbatical

Dr. Scott Wigginton

The sabbatical experience was a good one for me. Although it was not initially easy to find a new rhythm, ultimately I was able to find refreshment and inspiration in this work. I am excited to be back and to offer to students, faculty, and staff a renewed sense of commitment to higher education and am reminded again how much I enjoy teaching and relating to students.

One of my hopes in this time was that it would help me to shift gears in my career. With only one child left at home, and him more independent, I plan to devote more time to writing. This sabbatical interlude has helped me jump start that process.

I'm thankful to my Dean, Dr. Hurtgen, for his strong support and protection of this time and to my colleagues for covering responsibilities. Thanks to Campbellsville University for the opportunity to be a part of something special!



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# Updates from the School of Theology Team



**Dr. Jarvis Williams**

New book: *For Whom Did Christ Die? The Extent of the Atonement in Paul's Theology* (Carlisle, UK: Paternoster, 2012).

Upcoming speaking events in San Francisco, CA at the Evangelical Theological Society and the Society of Biblical Literature



**Dr. Ted Taylor**

Completed Transitional Pastorship at Columbia Baptist after 3 years. Logan Hazelwood is a Graduate Assistant and doing a great job for SOT.



**Dr. Joe Early**

Continuing work on my church history book for Broadman & Holman publishing (on chapter 24!) and have recently presented a paper at a meeting of the Texas Baptist Historical Society.



**Dr. Dwayne Howell**

Co-presenting with Dr. Susan Howell at the annual meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature in San Francisco - "The Book of Job and Kohlberg's Moral Development Theory"; On Sabbatical Spring 2012 - plans to write and do volunteer missions



**Dr. Shane Garrison**

Became Interim Pastor of Lancaster Baptist Church in Garrard Co.; Led breakout sessions at 3 of 4 KBC Super Saturday events; Led two sessions at the national LifeWay Kids Ministry Conference in Nashville; Received the Non-Tenured Faculty of the Year Award.



**Dr. Scott Wigginton**

Back from Sabbatical this fall; Preparing for the third annual Festival of Preachers this winter in Louisville, Ky; spoke at the World Conference of the American Association of Christian Counselors on September 8 - October 1 2011



**Dr. John Hurtgen**

Exploring U2: Dr. Hurtgen has chapter in a new book of essays on the greatest rock n roll band (since The Beatles), U2 (Dec. 2012). excited about the new devotionals that the School of Theology faculty *and* students are recording to air on WLCU 88.7 FM, the new radio voice of CU.



**Dr. Twyla Hernandez**

Have been in contact with the president of the Eastern Baptist Convention of Cuba and have invited him to come to Kentucky. President Dupont will be on the campus of CU November 3 & 4.

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