



# *Lifeline*

*Keeping the Sunset family connected*



# WHAT GOD HAS DONE!

*"Come and see what God has done, how awesome His works in man's behalf." Psalm 66:5*

Looking back over several decades of my involvement with Sunset, the mighty hand of God is apparent in what He has accomplished through this ministry. God has chosen to use hundreds of faithful servants in accomplishing His awesome works among us.

He has blessed and preserved **Sunset International Bible Institute** as a preacher training ministry in Lubbock that has remained true to Biblical values in the midst of a polarized brotherhood in which many seem to be moving to radical extremes on the left and the right. Sunset has maintained a strong commitment to the values of God's inspired **Word**, the **Body** of Christ (His Church) and **Lost** people all over the world. God has enabled three generations of evangelists, gospel preachers, missionaries and Bible scholars to join the Sunset faculty to be used by Him to equip and send out more than 3,000 preachers and missionaries from its Lubbock campus to take the **Whole Gospel, to the Whole World, Wholly to Please God**.

He has empowered 2,000 college age young people, since 1973, to serve as apprentice missionaries, **AIMing to Preach the Gospel** in dozens of mission fields in Africa, Mexico, Europe, Oceania and Asia and in a number of U.S. mission fields.

Our Lord has "*renewed the strength*" of hundreds of retired senior saints to prepare themselves in our **Senior Adventures in Ministry** classrooms to serve God's church and the lost in places like Australia, Indonesia, Africa, Mexico, Europe and many small congregations in the USA.

God has not forgotten the **140 million deaf people in our world**. He has enabled the **Sunset Deaf Department** to equip hundreds of deaf and hearing to teach God's Word, evangelize, and plant deaf ministries and congregations in the deaf culture of the United States and several foreign nations.

He has provided the resources to launch **DiscipleTrips**, helping Christians to have positive and productive experiences on short-term mission trips in selected nations, including our own. **DiscipleTrips participants** bless struggling congregations, encourage missionaries, and evangelize lost people while gaining increased faith, renewed zeal and a greater world vision in their own lives.

Our God has used **distance learning technology** to take His Word deeper and farther, to reach people around the world who could not come to Lubbock for ministry training. In 150 congregations and on 400 individual computers, the Sunset Bible curriculum is being studied through DVD and online. Every year, SIBI students from all over the nation and world come to Lubbock to graduate, having completed their studies while continuing to minister in some distant location.

The Lord has greatly multiplied the number and longevity of missionaries around the world by helping to initiate and grow the **International Department at SIBI**. It is no secret that there are not enough American missionaries available to evangelize the world. But now in over 40 nations, preachers who are native to those nations are preparing as missionaries to their own people, in their own language and economy, in over **70 Sunset Associate Schools**. God continues to provide the resources to equip and send out over 300 well-trained graduates each year to evangelize, plant new congregations and train other leaders.

Our Heavenly Father has enabled His Word to reach some of the most remote, receptive and yet often neglected people in our world. Through the **Solar Mission**, God has used over 2,000 donor churches and Christian individuals to provide the resources to deliver more than **10,000 solar players** loaded with 400 hours of Bible and Bible teaching to leaders in over 50 nations and in four languages, with several others in translation. Using the light of the **s-u-n**, God has sent the Light of the **S-o-n** to thousands who are living in darkness.

It has been my great privilege to have been used by God, to be a small part of what the Lord has done at Sunset International Bible Institute over the past three decades, and I plan by God's grace to continue serving here as long as He gives me life and strength. I thank God that in His power and providence, He has raised up a well-qualified successor who will continue to trust an omnipotent God who is "*able to do exceeding abundantly beyond all that we ask or imagine.*"

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Fred Johnson". The signature is fluid and cursive, written in the bottom right corner of the page.





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**SUNSET**  
International Bible Institute



Over 800 people assembled in the Sunset Church of Christ auditorium on Wednesday evening, January 23, to hear keynote speaker

Tim Burow open the 2019 Sunset Vision Workshop. Tim, the president-elect of Sunset International Bible Institute, encouraged the listeners to

*Restore Our Passion for Preaching*. The singing, led by Matt Glawe and Josh Wheeler, filled the auditorium with praise to the Father of restoration. It was a great evening of listening to the Word faithfully preached, singing to encourage the heart and one another, and then sharing the joy as one of the Sunset teens was baptized into the Kingdom of Heaven. The theme for this year's workshop was *Restore: Character, Commitment, Confidence*. There were many tears of happiness shed as the evening ended with that baptism as a promise of our character, commitment to, and confidence in the Heavenly Father.

There was a record early online registration with over 400 pre-registered to attend classes, renew acquaintances, and attend the Friday evening dinner with Michael Shank. The morning early-bird sessions were led by Thomas L. Thomas and again the Sunset auditorium was filled with restoration preaching and singing. Throughout the day, more arrived on campus. Hugs were given, and the classrooms were filled. This year's class teachers included men such as Gibby Gilbert, Jerry Lawlis, Jacob Hawk and many more who spoke on restoring God's vision through His Word and His preachers. The women enjoyed Penny Kendall and Kathy Crockett sharing with them how to restore God's vision for His women in the church and through the community. AIM hosted Camp Adventure for prospective students and did a flag presentation on Friday morning. The keynote speaker on Saturday morning to close the workshop was Mark Lowenstein of Phoenix, Arizona, who though deaf, encouraged an auditorium filled with hearing and deaf listeners to "restore the worship, the covenant, and to remain faithful as King Josiah."

Part of the workshop experience is renewing old friendships and making new ones. When alumni "come home," it is always

*Current student, Pearl Bible, enjoys the fellowship of an attendee.*



# RESTORE

good to see the way they welcome one another. The halls are filled with the sound of laughter and "I haven't seen you in years." New guests to the workshop make new friends and see how the love of Sunset extends throughout a lifetime.

The booths are a special part of the workshop. The Annex area was filled with over 30 booths displaying books, events, mission news, and ideas. The book displays were like beacons beckoning all those who came by.

One of the booths this year featured Michael Shank, author of *Muscle and a Shovel*. Michael is from Metropolis, Illinois, and was introduced to Sunset at a dinner in Midland, Texas, last year. Michael was invited to teach class and then be the guest speaker at our banquet on Friday evening. The event room for the dinner was packed with almost 600 people who enjoyed the meal and the presentation by Michael. Everyone enjoyed meeting Michael and his wife, Jonetta, and showing hospitality to them while purchasing a signed book or having their picture made with him.



*Michael Shank encouraged more local evangelism at the banquet.*

For the past several years, a special honor given at the workshop is the Gray Eagle Award, honoring a faithful alumnus of Sunset. It is an award that represents our beloved Cline Paden. This year the Gray Eagle Award was presented to Bill Smith. Bill is a 1968 graduate of the Sunset School of Preaching. Bill and Melody raised their family in Africa. All three sons are faithful preachers and missionaries. Jeff and Kris have worked with Sunset for years with DiscipleTrips and AIM, and Jon preaches in Sherman, Texas. Bill is a man of many words and very seldom speechless, but since this award is kept secret until the dinner, Bill was speechless. What a tribute to a great Gospel preacher who believes in preaching the Word.



*Truitt Adair awards Bill Smith with the Gray Eagle.*

The 2019 Sunset Vision Workshop is over. The classrooms are back to normal. Everyone is back to their daily routine, but the vision of the 2020 workshop appears in the minds of everyone as something to pray for and, as someone remarked, "look forward to coming home again real soon." Start making plans now to attend the **2020 Sunset Vision Workshop: Preach the Word: Every One, Every Day, Every Place, Every Way, January 22-25.**

-Linda Wagner

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**W**hen we look back at all that God has done through the Solar Mission, all we can say is *“Hallelujah, to God be the glory.”* Every supporter has been a vital part of this mission. From those individuals who gave for part of one solar player, to those congregations who give each month, this mission would not have gone anywhere without all of the parts of the body of Christ working together.

We have been so encouraged by the reports from those who have taken the solar players and made them an integral part of their ministry. All of these successes and all the calls from around the world compel us to keep going with a new mission.

The current Solar Mission has a dual focus: we will be distributing a total of 3,000 solar players over the next two years to the Creole-speaking nation of Haiti and to the Portuguese-speaking populations of Brazil, Mozambique, and Angola. The purpose is to reach out to the needs of one of our closest neighbors in Haiti and to reach the fifth most spoken language in the world, Portuguese.

For the past few years, David Dirrim at the Center for Biblical Training (CBT) in Cap Haïtien has been working to translate the material on the solar player into Haitian Creole. At the same time, the LiveBeyond clinic in Haiti has been pursuing us to provide them with solar players so that they can meet the spiritual needs of those who come to them. The literacy rate in Haiti ranks among the lowest in the world at 60%. The audio lessons on the solar player will have a profound impact in a country that depends so heavily on the spoken word.

While mission work in Brazil has done much to reach the cities of that great nation, there is much of the Portuguese-speaking world who live without consistent electricity or access to large amounts of Bible-related material. In an

interview, Howard Norton, one of the pioneer missionaries to Brazil, says, *“placing solar players in the hands of key people in that region of Brazil would be not only a wonderful leadership training program, but also provide wonderful evangelistic opportunities.”* The solar players will be distributed through Brazilians up into the Amazon where Americans are not allowed to go. This is another instance of the solar player going where we cannot. One of the regrets Howard Norton shared from his work in Brazil was that after they baptized large groups of people, there was no one who could continue to teach them. He believes the solar player can fill that role, helping churches to grow deeper in God’s Word. (*Visit <https://sunset.bible/solar> for more of the interview with Howard Norton.*)

In Africa, churches in Mozambique and Angola suffered for years under civil war, poverty and oppression, but as conditions improve, the Word of God is spreading. Strong Biblical teaching is a desperate need of these fast-growing churches. Just as has happened in Brazil, the fast growth of the church requires a deeper education in the Word for the long-term establishment of the church.

We have *sent the light* in English and Amharic to Africa, in Spanish to Central and South America, in Arabic to refugees in Europe, and in English to the Philippines. Now, partner with us to *send the light* in the fifth most spoken language and to one of our closest neighbors. Help make this solar mission possible, and help us find others who are willing to be a part. Help us find a time to meet with your church leaders about how your congregation can participate. If you would like us to visit your congregation for a personal report, let us know. Contact [office@sibi.cc](mailto:office@sibi.cc) or call 806-788-3214.

**YOU CAN REACH THE  
HEART OF THE AMAZON,  
THE HEART OF AFRICA &  
THE HEARTS IN HAITI**





# EUROPEAN INSPIRATION

The news from European churches for the past couple of decades has been about the decline of interest in the Gospel due to the post-modern culture that dominates most of the continent. Churches were struggling or dying, but God has brought new life to the continent in one of the most unusual ways, through the Middle Eastern refugees who have arrived over the past few years. Many churches that have hungered for new life have found these immigrants to be very open to the Gospel message and some have responded in numbers that many never would have predicted.

## Bremen, Germany

Samuel comes from a Christian church in Egypt. Samuel went all over Bremen in his search for truth and became familiar with several different Christian groups. He came to visit the church of Christ, enjoyed the teaching and became acquainted with the members. One day he asked Rüdiger Renken to mentor him and teach him. Rüdiger spent some time with Samuel and invited him to attend the upcoming Arabic week sponsored by the Bremen congregation and conducted by Francis and Alfred Habashy.

It is easier to talk about deeper spiritual things in your mother tongue, so in visiting with Francis and Alfred, Samuel understood the full gospel and that he needed to be baptized. Samuel was convinced, and he wanted his friends from other Christian groups to witness the beginning of his new life in Christ. It was a surprise for the congregation in Bremen as that Sunday evening the building was filled to capacity with standing room only. It was such a great opportunity to preach the biblical way of salvation in different languages to all these different people.



Francis and Alfred baptizing Samuel

## The Athens International Bible Institute, Greece

The Via Egnatia was a road constructed by the Romans in the 2nd century. It crossed through Illyricum, Macedonia, Philippi and on into what today is Europe. Today, modern Greece is still a roadway for many refugees and immigrants fleeing the Middle East. Recently, enrollment began for the first term of 2019 at the Athens International Bible Institute, and anxious students submitted their applications. At about the same time, Dino Roussos called Beni Leka, the director of the school, and asked about sending a new student to the school. Dino added, "this man has a unique background" and went on to explain. This man once served as a general in the Iranian army.

For security reasons, we cannot share his name or other details, but we praise the Lord for leading this man to Dino and other Christians where he could hear and learn the gospel. Now he sincerely wants to deepen his knowledge of the Word and equip himself to serve the Body of Christ.



## Vienna, Austria

In Vienna, Austria, Gerhard Krassnig organized Christians to help provide meals, simple household items and German lessons for the Farsi-speaking immigrants, and the Lord opened doors and hearts. In 2018 over 120 immigrants from across Austria came to know the saving grace of God and were immersed. The first converts quickly told others about the hope and peace they found in Christ, and soon entire families were responding. Today, the Farsi-speaking Christians conduct worship services and study together. Sunset recently signed an agreement with Gerhard to launch a new school and provide quality Bible training to the new converts and future leaders in Austria. Our God is an amazing God and His light will always shine, perhaps even brightest, in the darkness of adversity and suffering.

-Doug Reeves, Dean of International Studies



Pictured above right is two baptisms at the Farsi-speaking church in Austria. Below is a picture of Bible training course in Vienna in Farsi.





# The Greater Power of God



**M**ichael walked into Sunset with his friend Travis to start school in August of 2011. The journey to Lubbock was not a straight one for Mike. His story is one that reflects the amazing power of God to work and to move to bring **all** people into the saving grace of Jesus Christ.

Mike Bingham grew up in typical suburban life. He got into trouble from time to time, but overall, he thought he was a good guy. Early in his teen years, however, Mike got into using drugs and slowly began to care about only himself more and more. After checking in and out of clinics, he eventually was given over to a lifestyle centered only around pleasing himself. Using people and stealing from those who were close to him became means to pleasing himself on his own terms.

This lifestyle inevitably led to his imprisonment in 1992 at the age of 20. Though he knew that there was a God, he wanted God to serve Mike instead of Mike serving God. His philosophy of a self-centered life continued in prison, leading him to involvement with gangs and an eventual indictment for capital murder while in prison.

In 2007, after an extended time in administrative segregation, alone with himself and what his heart thought it wanted—his own self-centeredness, Mike finally saw that he needed to surrender his life. God began to reveal Himself to Mike as Mike slowly surrendered more and more of his life over to God. Eventually Mike requested to be baptized. He met with a man who took a handcuffed Mike down into the waters so his sins could be washed away. It was the only time he had met with the man. Mike came out of the water with physical handcuffs still in place, but with a freedom in his soul.

After his release in February 2010, Mike became friends with Travis Sayen, who was involved with the Woodland West Church of Christ in Arlington, Texas. Travis was interested in coming to Sunset because he wanted to do more for the Kingdom of God. With only 6 months of freedom from prison, Mike came with Travis to Sunset to see if it would be something in which he was interested. During their visit, they attended Ed Wharton's Galatians class. He didn't think Sunset was for him, but in his meeting with Truitt Adair and Charles Speer, he learned that the man who baptized him was Gil Peters ('69). It was then that Mike learned that Gil was a graduate of Sunset. Mike, who had been seeking God's guidance in this decision, saw this as significant.

God used Sunset to refine and remake Mike into a man intent on service to Him. Mike was impacted by the faculty's sincerity in handling the Word of God. "It was a safe place to be wrong, challenge beliefs, make mistakes, and learn to move forward."

While a student, Mike visited my house to congratulate my son who had just been baptized. I remember the sincerity and the hope in his eyes as he stepped into this new place of being able to speak good into the lives of a younger generation. Without details or scare tactics, he gently encouraged my sons to not go where he had been.

On a campaign during his time as a student, Mike met his future wife, Mayra, whom he married in 2014. "I didn't simply gain a wife, I gained two incredible daughters as well. God used Sunset to give me a family that is the second greatest gift that He's given me next to my salvation. Through my family God is developing in me a greater appreciation for His love for us, my ability to love them, and touching parts of me that even after being saved I didn't realize existed."

Mike shared what he believes Sunset did to prepare him for ministry:

*I believe that one of the wonderful aspects of any ministry is to help equip people to become the men and women who God created them to be. In this regard, the ministry dynamic of SIBI was effective in further shaping me and equipping me to continue to grow and develop the work of Christ in and through me. Having said that, God is continuing to use Sunset in my life because I am currently working my way through the graduate program under Kerry Williams. Sunset did, and still is, helping me to learn to dig into God's Word and convey it to others for the purposes of teaching, reproof, correction, and training in righteousness. It is where I developed some invaluable relationships that have been a source of advice and encouragement, not only in the arena of ministry but in life as well.*



Mike is currently the youth minister for the church that supported him through Sunset, Woodland West Church of Christ in Arlington, Texas. He hopes to have some involvement in prison ministry as well.

Our God is an awesome God, and though we know in our head that He can change lives, it is always a blessing to see a life changed for His glory.

-Jeff Rader

Mike and Mayra Bingham with their daughters, Mireya and Veronica



# A LIFETIME OF ADVENTURE

Adventures in Missions (AIM) continues to train young men and women for a lifetime of service in the Kingdom of God. AIM started in 1973 with a call for young people to serve the Kingdom of God with their gifts and abilities. Today, AIM still trains the young adults to establish themselves as servants for God with the goal of serving God for the rest of their lives.

AIMers are always moving and their lives are constantly changing while God remains their anchor. The current class of AIMers is preparing to leave Lubbock after eight months of preparation and go out to serve around the world. At the same time, there are other AIMers who are returning to Lubbock to graduate after a minimum of fourteen months on their mission field. They learn the value of relationships, no matter how short they may be. They learn the size and the love of the people of God around the world. They learn the heartache of not quite fitting in, no matter where they are. They learn service to God provides the deepest fulfillment in life. They learn that they have feelings that run deeper than they may have ever known. They learn that disappointments will come in this life, but God's love will never disappoint.

Ultimately, AIMers learn that the real adventure of life is being a lifelong follower of Christ. Some AIMers will find that God can use them in full-time vocational ministry. Every year, many AIMers return to continue broadening their education by getting a Bachelor of Biblical Studies degree from Sunset. They will then continue on to full-time ministry. Others will use the skills, discipline and love that they learn during AIM to be effective in their communities. Angeley Wenner graduated from AIM in 2018 and upon arriving back in Florida began serving her community based on the experience and love that she learned while serving in Brazil. She has now started her own ministry in her community, One Hope International.

Regardless of their destinations after



Angeley Wenner (left) with a group helping at an event she hosted, **Serving Hope**.

AIM, AIMers all share a bond that comes from similar experiences, from leaving the home they have always known and making a new home with people who can only repay you with love. As Gibby Gilbert, one of the AIMers' instructors, recently expressed in his prayer for AIMers who were coming for graduation, "They are leaving home to come home." Cultural change affects each AIMER differently, but it affects all of them in one form or another. Without the support and love that can only be

found in God, it can be a challenge to make sense of the experiences they have had.

Once they have completed the official AIM time from orientation to graduation, AIMers come away forever changed in a positive way. They are changed by the trials and the refining that only God can do in a person's life. They come away prepared for a life of service to God where each new day is an adventure in the mission of God.

## What makes an AIMER?

Every year Cory Burns and his staff make appeals to those who have graduated high school. They express how AIM can actually jump start their dreams of education, family and career. Before young people start out on their own, they can take a first step in solidifying their commitment to God and sacrifice two years to God. The Kingdom of God deserves the first fruits of our lives. AIM offers them the opportunity to allow God to have two years at the beginning of their adult lives. There is really a narrow window of time in which a young person in our culture can make an investment so unique and so foundational to a life dedicated in service to God.

The truth is that not everyone can answer this call. There are real obstacles that lie in the way. Money for support and for travel is hard for many young men and women to raise on their own. They need help making connections to people who are willing to join in their dream and help them build this foundation for their lives. They also need



Left: AIMers pray during an early morning Spiritual Disciplines exercise. Right: Mason Gary works with a young man during his time at an area church





*Emiliano Rodriguez giving a devotional on the field in Mexico*

the encouragement of people around them. They need someone willing to present Adventures in Missions as an option to what could be one of the best decisions of their lives. Many AIMers who come straight out of high school use this time to explore who they are in Christ and whether they can live up to who they want to be as children of God. Most of all, future AIMers need our prayers. They are facing some of the hardest challenges they have ever had to face, and learning to rely on God and on the family of God is a hard but essential part of a lifetime of service to God.

**What makes an AIM field?**

The field where an AIMer goes for fourteen to eighteen months serves as an essential part of his or her experience. AIM fields have taken many forms over the forty-six year history. Some are exotic and exciting like Thailand or Kenya. Some are familiar and closer to home like Commerce, Texas, or Phoenix, Arizona. AIM strives for every field to be a fertile yet challenging place where these young men and women can serve God and learn who they can be in God's Kingdom.

Finding AIM fields is a prayerful and intentional process. All AIMers do not have the same experience on the field. Culture shock becomes a very real and challenging barrier. Family situations can stress AIMers to the point of wanting to leave. Coordinators try to care for these young men and women and unexpected problems that arise with churches.

AIM is constantly working to improve the field experience. They are always preparing new locations where AIMers can contribute to the ministry and can mature as Christians. There are many things that AIMers are not qualified to do. They are not church planters; they are not personal servants; they are not babysitters. They are apprentices who need the oversight and guidance of a coordinator who can harness the AIMers' raw talents and abilities to best benefit the Kingdom of God. They are not partner missionaries who can work independently of a mentor. AIMers require a coordinator who can mentor them and help them see how they can be used in the body of Christ and how they can be a part of a culture that is like nothing they have ever known.

As the call for more AIMers grows, the need for more AIM fields will as well. Increasingly, AIMers are helping campus ministries in the United States. Two fields are currently active in reaching campuses in Commerce, Texas, and in Phoenix, Arizona, and one more field is opening this year in Albuquerque, New Mexico. AIM is also adding two new foreign fields—Guatemala and Leicester, England. Both fields have missionaries who are dedicated to helping young people and using them to infuse life and service into their growing works. Leicester should be an AIM field next year. The first team to Guatemala will arrive this May.

**Pray for AIMers**

Every year the AIM office publishes a prayer list of all the AIMers on the field. Contact the AIM office (aim@sibi.cc) for your copy. You can also follow AIM on Facebook (AIMSunset), Instagram (AIM\_mission) and Twitter (AIM\_MISSIONS).

*-Jeff Rader*



*The 2021 Team Mexico City praying together*

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# DEPARTURES

**Belva Bellcock (the wife of James Bellcock, '75)** passed away November 7, 2014, in Searcy, Arkansas. Our office was recently informed of her passing.

**David Bentley ('84)**, 59, minister to the broken and one who lead people to Jesus through Celebrate Recovery, passed away Tuesday, July 24, 2018.

**Vera Boatwright, 98**, passed away on February 19, 2019. Vera worked for many years as a secretary and book-keeper for the Sunset School of Preaching. The students loved her warm smile and loving heart.

**Denny Boultinghouse (WFR '75)**, 67, passed away in Franklin, Tennessee, on July 28, 2018. He moved to West Monroe, Louisiana, where, in partnership with John and Alton Howard and Reuel Lemmons, he started Image Magazine. He continued working with Howard Publishing as an acquisition editor. He worked with authors like Rubel Shelly, Mike Cope, Rick Warren, John Baker, Joe Beam and many more.

**Judy Ann Crowley (wife of Mike Crowley, Sr. '73)**, 72, of Roaring Springs, Texas, went home to be with the Lord on Monday, October 22, 2018. Judy married Michael Crowley, Sr. on April 23, 1966. She loved spreading the gospel light at her preschool, the Mother's Helper Christian Preschool, for 28 beautiful years.

**Edwin Foster**, former board member and elder at Sunset Church of Christ, passed away on March 9, 2019, at the age of 83.

**Cathy Dukes (wife of Ric Dukes, '90)**, passed away on January 19, 2019, at the age of 68 in Vancouver, Washington.

**Anne Gray (wife of Glen Gray, '68)**, 78, of Chattanooga, Tennessee, passed from this life into glory on December 15, 2018. Anne and Glen worked as missionaries in New Zealand and ministered in Louisiana, Colorado, Texas, Nebraska, Iowa and Tennessee. She worked as an elementary school teacher in most of those places and specialized in learning disabilities. Above all of this, Anne was an adored Sunday school teacher who wrote a brilliant curriculum that has been used by many churches across the nation.

**Charles Isenberg ('71)**, 76, of Paducah, Kentucky, passed away March 2, 2019. He preached at multiple congregations and taught himself to be a computer technician. He is survived by his wife of 56 years, Elsie.

**Alberta Johnson (wife of Thomas Johnson, '84)**, 77, passed away December 10, 2018. Alberta was a priceless helpmate in her husband's ministry. She loved the Lord deeply and served him by helping others.

**Roy McGaugh ('70)**, 88, of Pearl, Texas, passed away in on March 12, 2019. Roy served in the Army during the Korean War and then married Ruth in 1954. He preached for many years and later retired from the Texas Department of Criminal Justice.



**Jeff Muehring (AIM '87)**, 49, passed away October, 27, 2018, as a result of a car accident. Jeff entered Adventures in Missions and spent 27 months in Yugoslavia. Jeff worked in technology for many years. He considered his greatest success and joy his wife Trina and son Jasper.



**Mary Peters (wife of Gil Peters '69)** passed away on December 9, 2018, in Holliday, Texas. She and Gil were married 56 years and ministered together with churches in Missouri, Iowa, and Texas. Mary was an educator in the Texas public schools for 23 years and was a graduate of Lubbock Christian University and Midwestern State University.



**Joe Reynolds ('73)**, 89, passed away on December 1, 2018. Joe preached in Wolfforth and Lueders, Texas, and spent time as a missionary to New Guinea. He was a member of the Smyrna Church of Christ near his home in Murfreesboro, Tennessee



**Jimmy Scudder ('75)**, 72, of Kioniog'o, Nyeri, Kenya passed away on December 17, 2018. He was born December 22, 1946, in Arkansas and moved to Kenya in the 1970's as a missionary from the Pleasant Valley Church of Christ. At the time of his passing, Jimmy was serving in the Kenya Church of Christ in the Mt. Kenya region; was a board member of the Great Commission School, Nairobi; and was the U.S. Embassy warden for the Mt. Kenya region.



**Daniel Skaggs ('69)**, 78, died peacefully on September 22, 2018. Beginning in 1959, he served four years as a Navy corpsman in San Diego. Following his graduation from Sunset, Daniel, Lutrica and two of their daughters departed for Saigon, Vietnam in October 1969. After returning from Vietnam, Daniel served in congregations in New York and Minnesota before taking the pulpit at the Church of Christ in Hancock, Michigan. Daniel and Lutrica served in Hancock from 1972 until Daniel's retirement in April of 2017. Daniel and Lutrica moved to Clearfield, Utah, following his retirement.



**Harold Taylor**, former minister for Sunset Church of Christ, passed from this life on December 13, 2018. Harold was born in Salem, Indiana, graduated from David Lipscomb College in Nashville, Tennessee, and was married to Betty for 63 years until her passing on March 11, 2016. He served churches in Indiana and Ohio before coming to Texas in 1966. He preached for the Sunset Church of Christ in Lubbock, Garden Oaks Church of Christ in Houston, Sunset Church of Christ in Dallas and Walnut Hill Church of Christ in Dallas. He was the founding minister and elder of the Lewisville Church of Christ in Lewisville, Texas. He spent 15 years conducting seminars for churches. He preached in 36 states and 15 foreign countries. He authored several books on leadership and evangelism. Harold served as the editor of Christian Family Magazine and served as a trustee of the Bell Trust Foundation for 25 years. Harold loved the work of Heritage Christian University in Florence, Alabama and served as a trustee for decades.





# HONORING OUR QUEEN

Bobbie Paden (aka Ms. Bobbie) was honored during our annual workshop. Ms. Bobbie's children decided that it was time to have their precious mother closer to them, so they moved her to Arizona to be near her daughter Cindy. How do you say goodbye to the first dean of women, mother to all students, the espresso connoisseur, and the ultimate Christian servant and example? You do it by crowning her as queen. Since the early 1970's, Ms. Bobbie has been an integral part of Sunset School of Preaching and Sunset International Bible Institute. She has taught thousands of women how to serve God, stand by their husband, and raise their families while serving those around them with love and honor. Her favorite saying to all the graduating women was *"bloom where you are planted,"* meaning to be flexible and honor God in all circumstances. Ms. Bobbie felt the growing pains of the school along with Gerald and the men. She survived on support, no support, love and lots of spaghetti. She taught classes on how to make meals using a dollar menu and wrapped the women (and men) in her arms when their dollar didn't come in that month. Gerald and Bobbie opened their home to hundreds of students and faculty. She taught the women how to do the same. If you were one of her students, you know what it was like to have to put out a pallet or make another bowl of gravy and a plate of biscuits. Ms. Bobbie made serving the Father a happiness that only comes from knowing Him personally.

Ms. Bobbie roamed the halls of Sunset for 40 plus years. Her presence can still be seen in the way a picture is hung, the smell of espresso wafting down the hall, or while Ms. Betty teaches a class about being God's woman. She is in our prayers. She is missed. She is loved. She will always be our queen here at Sunset.



Ms. Bobbie at her good-bye reception in January

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