Barbara Garcia

Mashville 37221 Box 840 Nashville, TIY 37202-0840 Laura's gift makes her eligible for membership in The President's Council. It is the dedication of many persons like Laura Kurokawa that provides the means for the educating of the church's leadership of the future.

## Spanish Language Materials in The Library

The standing policy of the STC Library with regard to the purchase of foreign language materials has been extended by the faculty and the library administration to include the Spanish language. This policy provides for acquiring materials originally written in Spanish by the leading theologians of Latin America or elsewhere which are within the subject areas of the STC Library. Materials in Spanish outside of those subject areas are to be found in the Honnold Library of the Claremont Colleges or other libraries in the area.

This policy will provide adequate materials for the expanding program in Hispanic Studies at STC. The provision of classes presented in the Spanish language by STC is a part of its continuing service to the Spanish-speaking churches of the area. The summer session will have such a class in the History of Methodism in the Western Hemisphere, as well as a travel seminar throughout Central America.

By these means STC is moving to accept its responsibility for the further education of pastors for the increasing numbers of Spanish-speaking persons in Southern California. Studies show that Spanish-speaking persons will be the majority population in Southern California by the end of the century. Thus the responsibility of STC to that group of people is growing and will continue to grow into the future.

#### A Prize Essay

The United Methodist Commission on Archives and History each year awards prizes for essays dealing with some phase of Methodist history. Entries come from all the United Methodist seminaries. STC's Gary Ward received second prize in this competition for his essay entitled "John Wesley and Puritanism." We are pleased with this recognition of the quality of work being done by our students and congratulate Gary on this accomplishment.



Arlene Strong is presented a gift by Pres. Cain in recognition of 25 years of service to STC. Carroll Aguillard and Dr. Edward Hansen joined in the appreciation.

# Watching STC grow has been exciting!

Arlene Strong's 25 years with STC make her the employee with the longest service to the School. Beginning with the Library when it was on the stage of Big Bridges Auditorium, with books in the prop room below and in a nearby Bekins Storage building, she moved with the Library to the new

Academic Building upon its completion. She remembers that classes had been held in various houses and offices were in quonsett huts at first.

Having worked with three Presidents and seven Development officers, she hopes to be here yet a while to see the School continue its growth.

### Interest Continues in the Dead Sea Scrolls

About 300 persons a year come to STC to visit the Dead Sea Scroll Center on its campus, view the exhibits, and hear a lecture by Dr. John C. Trever, Director of the Dead Sea Scrolls Project and Consultant in Lay Education.

Trever, one of the first to see and identify the value of the Scrolls in 1948, has developed an exhibit in the Center which brings vividly to life the events of Bible history — and especially the story of the writing of the Bible itself as illustrated by the Scrolls.

Visitors have come from England, Korea, Germany, Israel, Australia, Norway and Mexico during the past year, although most are from Southern California. Most come in small groups, although a few large groups were accommodated by dividing them into sections.

Trever is also active in the leadership of lay education in various churches throughout the area. He has taught courses in the Bible and related areas in ten churches this past year ranging in length from three to 17 sessions, and has preached in a number of churches as well

He has written several books on the Scrolls, including the best one for a beginning understanding of their importance: The Dead Sea Scrolls: A Personal Account. This is available directly from him for a \$6 contribution toward the support of the Project. He also makes available a full-color reproduction of the great Isaiah scroll for a contribution of \$50. Checks should be made to STC and are tax-deductible contributions.

If you are interested in having him come to your church, write to him at STC. You will find his presentation an inspiring experience.

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### What is the Mission of the Seminary?

Prof. John Cobb and Dean Joseph C. Hough, Jr. have been commissioned by the Lilly Endowment to prepare a study on the mission of the seminaries (all of them, not just STC) in relation to the Church. The Lilly Endowment, one of the few deeply concerned with theological education, is funding a nation-wide study of the support of the seminaries by their churches.

Cobb and Hough have been asked to set theological education within the context of the doctrine and mission of the church. Cobb suggested, in an interview, that this requires first the definition of what the church is and its mission, and then determining what this means for theological education.

The mission of the church must be defined in terms of the needs of the world and what God is seeking to accomplish through the church.

The roles of the denominations and of their congregations in meeting the needs of the world are a concern in this study. Where is the sense of the united strength of all the churches? Where have they succeeded, where failed?

What are the implications of these questions for the leadership needs of the church? Then what is the task of theological education for the ministers? What for the theological faculty? What is the relationship of skill training to theological or theoretical education?

Another question is the provision of leadership for the churches by the seminaries themselves. On the whole, says Cobb, the churches have not availed themselves of the faculty persons of their seminaries for guidance. This separation of the churches from their faculty persons should be overcome.

The results of the work of Cobb and Hough will be published for the benefit of the whole church — another way in which your seminary is shaping the future of the Church Universal.

### Faculty Activities

STC's faculty continues to be active in service to the church in many ways.

Cornish Rogers spoke on "Care and Nurturing of Pastor: A Model Building" at the Western Jurisdiction Interethnic Consultation on Ministry held in Claremont.

Dean Freudenberger has led participation in several lecture series around the nation on the agricultural and food outlooks for the world in the future.

James Sanders presented a definition of a "sacred text" and a description of its claims at a conference on "Sacred Texts: The Hemeneutics of Religious Literatures in a Post-holocaust Age" at Indiana University.

Mary Elizabeth Moore was elected president of the UM Association of Professors of Christian Education. She was quoted in UM Newscope as calling "for a theological research conference to explore the faith journey — 'what is being left behind, what is the shape of the journey and what is the vision toward which we move'." The Association, which she will head for a two-year period, is concerned with the relationship of educational ministry to developmental theory (the psychology of growth and development) and also with the question of what structures are appropriate and helpful in this growth (the Sunday School, spiritual guidance groups, worship services, youth groups, etc.) The Association works with the General Board of Discipleship, the Curriculum Resources Committee, and the General Board of Higher Education and Ministry of the UM Church.

John Cobb was the keynote speaker at a conference on "Stewardship Through Lifestyle" at the Holliston UM Church, Pasadena, last fall.

#### Search for New Professors

Faculty search committees have been established to fill three openings on the STC teaching staff. Church History, New Testament, and Preaching are the areas being filled.

The procedure for this is complex,

involving the advertising of the positions in academic journals throughout the nation, the receipt of applications and recommendations, evaluation of the candidates, based on their resumes, interviewing those who appear to meet STC's needs best, a final recommendation by the faculty to the president, a

#### Scholarships are Keys to the Future

The provision of scholarship assistance to STC students is an important factor in making it possible for many persons to attend STC. Such scholarship assistance comes from a variety of sources, both individuals and churches. Among the churches giving full tuition scholarships are the First United Methodist Church, Pomona; Christ Church, Newport; and First United Methodist Church, Costa Mesa. By this means these churches are making significant contributions to the ministry of the future.

Ms. Linda Suzuki, of Gardena, has received a Justin Haruyama Ministerial Scholarship from the Japanese-American United Church of New York City. This is a special scholarship program for students who are preparing for a ministry among Japanese-American congregations.

Other scholarships at STC are supported by the American Baptist Board of Education and Publication, the John Adkins Scholarship Fund of the First UMC, Santa Monica, and the South Street Christian Church of Springfield, Missouri. These are just a few of the many scholarship funds listed in the STC catalog. Through these scholarships men and women find it possible to gain the education at STC needed for their dedicated service to Christ's Church.

Two STC students are benefiting from the Benjamin E. Mays Fellowships for Ministry program of The Fund For Theological Education. Lizette Hurst-Hammond and Norman S. Johnson are recipients of fellowship awards this year.

These fellowships are highly competitive and are not simply "financial aid" programs. They are awarded "on the basis of competence and promise and not on the basis of financial need or lack thereof." Persons are nominated for these fellowships by a minister or by a member of the faculty or administration of a school. Thus the receiving of one of these fellowships is a significant honor accorded to the individual.

recommendation by the president to the Board of Trustees, and approval by the Board. It is hoped that these positions can be filled by the Fall semester.

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March 26, 1984

Dear Gertrude,

How absolutely lovely you have been! My visit with you was wonderful—I don't know when anyone has pampered me so—and it was a blessing to get to know you and get acquainted with SOME of the things you are doing. I have a feeling that it would be quite awhile before I got to know ALL you are doing!

I received the evaluation in spanish, and now all the wonderful package full of "goodies". THANK YOU, THANK YOU!

My boys will be delighted with the stamps—I can't wait to take them home this afternoon. And the calendar—how handy that will come in! The granola will grace our breakfast table often.

Yes, after returning home (and I seemed to be feeling much better on Monday and the trip back), I hit rock bottom the next morning! I finally had to go to the doctor. He diagnosed both allergies and an infection in the fharangue--(Is that possibly msipspelled???? smile.) It has taken quite a long time to get over it, but, Gracias a Dios, I am feeling much better now. I simply would not have missed the festival and being there!

As a little thankyou, please accept this copy of a new book which has just come out, called <u>United Methodist Altars</u> by Hoyt here in the Section on Worship. It might be of help in your church—or wherever!!!

Gertrude, THANKS again. May rich blessings be yours.

Please tell Sole that I keep forgetting to bring Bishop Ruiz's number with me to the office to send it to her--and I don't get any writing done at home! Please give her and Edgar my love, and, of course, to you, too. How beautiful to get to know all of you!

I'll let you know if things begin to develop concerning the cataloging of the hispanic music, etc.

Love,

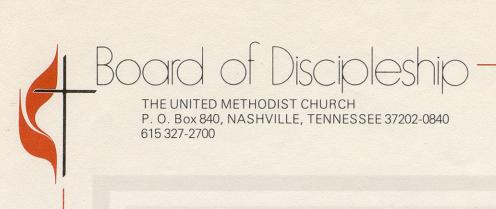
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April 4, 1984

Mrs. Gertrude Suppe 3307 Michigan South Gate, CA 90280

Dear Gertrude:

Thank you again for another sweet letter. I appreciate so much getting all of the addresses, etc. We are hoping to get these on the computer as soon as I can find someone with Spanish speaking skills. It may not be necessary because you have written them so clearly and, of course, the others are typewritten. Thanks for taking all of that time and energy.

The evaluation compilation that I had requested is precisely what you have already sent. Thank you for that too. Blessings be yours and please give my special greetings to Sole. The weather has been mostly warm since getting back, but I did have one cold evening that I was able to wear my beautiful Peruvian sweater. She was so sweet to send that to me.

Sincerely,

Barbara Garcia

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3307 Michigan South Gate, CA 90280 May 22, 1984

Barbara Garcia Section on Worship Board of Discipleship Box 840 Nashville, TN 37202-0840

Dear Barbara:

Thank you so much for the book of Psalms. I like you Psalm & and I like the fact that it is available in both languages. I also like the way the book is divided into two parts, with permission to copy the singing parts. This certainlymakes it simpler for congregations who want to try singing the Psalms without a large financial investment. I am sure this makes a difference is our case.

I showed the book to our pastor and to the choir director. They are both enthusiastic about using these settings. I think the most feasible way for our congregation will be to have everyone sing the antiphon and the choir do the verses (at least to start with).

Remember we were talking about the possibility of having my collection on your computer or that of Scarritt? I checked with my mephew, and he says that it would be perfectly possible for me to have the material in a computer in Nashville and then access it with a modem (telephone that talks between two computers) when I want to add the more material or get information out.

I have donea little pricing and there is a real question whether I will be able to afford a whole computer system. This way I could get by with less equipment and no software, and this might being it in reach financially. I could make a lot of long distance calls for what a program costs.

I am in the process of send to ISEDET in Buenos Aires for Vol. #5 of Cancionero Abierto, which has been published recently. This series is one of our best resources.

Love and best wishes to all your family. Dios les bendiga.