

Golden Hearts

Following his graduation at EMC, **CORCORAN FREDERICK CLARKE** (BA '29) earned his MA and EdD at Michigan State University in 1936 and 1948, respectively. After completing school, Corcoran spent forty years in African education. His deceased wives, **ESTHER BARNHURST** (BA '31) and **HELEN MERRIAM** (BA '29), and two sons, **WILTON EDWARD** (BA '65) and **JOHN ELWOOD** (BS '68), all earned degrees at Emmanuel Missionary College. Clarke currently resides in Norco, Calif.

1950s

BETTY (SMITH) BENSON (BS '57) met her husband Harold in the mid-forties at Emmanuel Missionary College when Harold was an engineer working on the new cafeteria building. Harold later helped engineer Walla Walla College's church and various buildings for other campuses before settling into a thirty-year private enterprise at ACE in Sacramento, Calif. Betty and Harold have three grown sons and are currently enjoying retirement in Berrien Springs.

1960s

LEO S. RANZOLIN, SR. (MA '60, MDiv '62) has recently retired with his wife to sunny Estero, FL, after a 34-year career in ministry for the General Conference including positions as assistant youth director, youth director, assistant secretary, and, most recently, vice president from 1990-2003. Leo's wife, Lucila, taught for thirty years at Sligo Elementary School in Takoma Park, Md.

D. DOUGLAS DEVNICH (MA '64, EdD '78) is a retired minister residing in Owen Sound, Ontario. He has served the church for over forty years. After working as an elementary and college teacher, pastor, department director, executive secretary, and administrative director of Florida Hospital's department of

pastoral care, Douglas was elected as president of the Canadian Union Conference. His daughter, **CRYSTAL (DEVNICH) ROGERS** (AS '84, BS '86) followed in her father's footsteps at Andrews, earning both an associate's and bachelor's degrees, and is currently a homemaker living in Anchorage, Alaska.

RONALD B. ROGERS (MA '65) and his wife, Denise, reside in Umatilla, Fla. Ronald is a retired pastor, principal, and teacher. He has also held the positions of superintendent of education and youth director. He is currently administrator of the Florida Live Retirement Association. He and Denise have two children and four granddaughters.

DWAYNE TOPPENBERG (BD '68, DMin '69) pastors two small churches and resides in Bartlett (Memphis), Tenn., with his wife, Janet. After a successful series of Amazing Facts Evangelistic meetings resulted in 28 new members, Dwayne and Janet have decided to hold their own meetings for Dwayne's Covington congregation. Janet keeps busy gardening, directing church music, and finishing her nursing continuing education classes. The proud grandparents recently had the privilege of dedicating Markus, their third grandchild.

RAYMOND J. (BA '69, MA '76) and **SHARON ANN (BENDER) PLUMMER** (BS '70) currently reside in Urbana, Ill., where Raymond pastors for the Illinois Conference. The couple has raised three now-married daughters: **DANA** (BA '99), Amy (current student), and Carrie.

1970s

RICHARD (DICK) CATHELL (MDiv '73) and his wife Karlene live on Bellingham Bay, in Bellingham, Wash., where Dick works as a chaplain at St. Joseph Hospital. Dick was recently elected chair of the Commission on Advocacy for the Association of Professional Chaplains which also places him on the 15-member board of directors.

JAMES DAVID CHASE (MDiv '72, DMin '77) grew up in an era of moon walkings and other convention-defying feats that erased the word "impossible" from his vocabulary. As a child, James entered Cheerios coloring contests, confidently set out to break the world's record for eating the most peanut-butter and jelly sandwiches in a row, and by fifth grade was shooting his own 8mm movie cartoons. So it's no small wonder that as an adult, James chose to honor Arnold Palmer, a man who had unequivocally shared and inspired James' own limitless attitude.

At a "somewhat-less-than-warp-speed" rate of eight words per hour, James began to craft a portraiture of the golf giant entirely out of



James Chase and Arnold Palmer

miniscule, intricately-lettered words that, together, would trace the facial features and tell the story of Palmer, eyebrow by wrinkle. It took James 14 years to finish the amazingly detailed 22,719-word masterpiece he entitled "Gratitude." It was unveiled at the Golf Hall of Fame on Nov. 14, 2004, and later "three-dimensionalized" after collaboration with DeCrevel Embossing & Stamping Dies and Imperial Diecutting. James' hope is that his work will inspire a new generation by exposing them to the "generosity and kindness" of Palmer.

James, who taught at Andrews University from 1978-83, currently resides in Angwin, Calif.

CLASS NOTES

KARLEEN M. EDWARDS (BS '78) currently serves Hofstra University's School of



Karleen Edwards

Education and Allied Human Services as assistant dean for advisement and teacher certification. She has recently been elected chair of the Advising Education Majors

Commission of the National Academic Advising Association (NACADA). As chair, Karleen contributes not only to the association, but also to the profession of advising those seeking higher education. In addition, the New York State Board of Regents and Commissioner of Education has chosen Karleen to be their accreditation reviewer of teacher education programs. She is married to **CEBERT BARRY EDWARDS** (BMus '75, MMus '77), who teaches music in the Eastern Suffolk schools in Long Island, N.Y. Karleen and Cebert have four adult children.

VICTOR CHANT (MA '79) and his wife, Yvonne, live in Bedford, Nova Scotia, where he serves as Sandy Lake Academy's principal and teacher.

1980s

LOUANN (BS '80) and **ROY CLARK** (BET '85) live in Wesley Chapel, FL, where Louann works as



Roy, Louann, Rachel and Nicholas Clark

a pediatric nurse practitioner and Roy is building-code administrator at the University of South Florida. Louann and Roy have two children. Their son, Nicholas, is a junior at Forest Lake Academy and their daughter, Rachel, is a fourth-grader. Both Louann and Roy are active church officers who enjoy running children's programs.

RICHARD KUYKENDALL (MDiv '80) pastors the First Congregational Church in Auburn, Calif. He is also director of ministry at the



Nancy and Richard Kuykendall

University of Creation Spirituality and has authored the following books: *Prophetess of the Earth*, *Liturgies of the Earth*, and *As It Is: A Philosophy of Life for the 21st Century*. He and his wife, Nancy, have two adult children, Andrew and Leah.

GETHSADA DAVIS (MA '81) currently teaches at a public school in Toronto, Canada. She also holds the position of education secretary and acts as a liaison between the school and students' parents.

RAYMOND FOODY (BA '83) has been appointed to the new position of residential treatment facility clinical psychologist/clinical mentor by the Hillside Children's Center (an affiliate of Hillside Family of Agencies, which serves Central and Western New York). Foody has been with HCC since 1993, and has held a number of positions relating to clinical psychology. In his new position, Foody will assume clinical supervisory responsibility for the six group-care clinicians at the RTF. He will also eventually supervise three transition coordinators.

GUENTHER F. LANTOW (MA '84) works as a financial consultant in Hamburg, Germany.

BRIAN EDWARD STERLEY (MA '84) resides near Cape Town, South Africa, and currently works as Cape Conference's youth director. During the previous 14 years, he served as a pastor-evangelist. Brian praises the Lord for his full recuperation after a "horrific" car accident he survived in November of 2003. He has four children: Lynden, Andre, Jeremi, and Chene.

NWABUEZE H. A. ABGANYIM (BA '84) works in management training and counseling in Lagos Siata, Nigeria. He has been a very active member of his church, organizing leadership training, career workshops, marriage and family counseling, and music training for individuals and choirs. A lifelong student, Nwabueze has just completed his research project for an MA in educational administration. His wife, **MAY (OLUCHI)** (BA '86), earned a MS in sociology from the University of Calabow in 1991. Tragically, she died in 2000 of complications following childbirth. Nwabueze has four children: Karl, Augusta, Kingley, and June.

ELIZABETH JOHNSTON TAYLOR (BS '84) is an associate professor at the Loma Linda University School of Nursing. She was recently awarded a \$175,000 grant from the John Templeton Foundation for a study titled, "What Should I Say?: Educating Nurses to Provide Healing Responses to Patients' Spiritual Concerns." This two-year project will produce a workbook with a supplemental DVD that clinicians can easily complete to learn how to formulate helpful responses to clients' expressions of spiritual suffering. Beth and her husband, **LYNDON** (att.) live in San Marino, Calif., with their daughters, Rilla Kathryn, and Elissa.

CHIMEZIE A. OMEONU (BA '85) is the deputy vice chancellor at Babcock University, Ilishan, Nigeria. He has served in various capacities while at that institution: pioneer secretary,

religion-theology department; associate church pastor; director of security services; secretary to the university administration; pioneer director for predegree studies program; pioneer head, department of education and general studies; and presently as pioneer deputy vice chancellor, administration. Omeonu has taught at Babcock University for the past 18 years. His publications include: *Pathway to Peace, A Life to Live, Strength of Divine Grace, Marrying For a True Marriage, Introduction to Christian Philosophy of Education* (coauthor), and numerous journal articles. Omeonu is enjoying a research sabbatical at Andrews. On weekends, Omeonu presents Marital Enrichment and Family Life workshops in local area churches.

1990s

HOLLY CHARISS (KERBS) (BA '91) TARITA has been working since September of 2003 at ADRA's Austrian office, where her husband **DORU** (att.) is currently pasturing both the



The Tarita Family

English- and Romanian-speaking churches in Vienna. Holly and Doru have three young children: Kevin, Amy, and Michaela.

DAWN FRANKLIN (BArch '94) was the project design leader for the Knapp Forest Elementary School located just outside Grand Rapids, Mich., which recently won the Shirley Cooper Award. The prize, which is given to the school design that "best meets the educational needs of its students" and "exemplifies outstanding design and educa-

tional purpose," is the highest award bestowed by a combined architectural jury that includes the American Association of School Administrators, the American Institute of Architects, and the Council for Educational Facilities Planners International. Franklin is currently living in Atlanta, Ga.

2000s

Jason and **MYRA (NICKS) HNATIW (BS '00)** were married in Lacombe, Alberta, on October 10,



Jason & Myra Hnatiw

2004. The couple now reside in Edmonton, Alberta, where Myra works in the web resources department of Alberta Motor Association Travel Services and Jason is assistant head golf professional at the Edmonton Country Club.

In December of 2003, **SHELLY (HAGAR) (MA '02)** and **KYLE KENNEDY (BS '02)** were married in Tennessee, where they plan to reside until God calls them elsewhere. The couple hopes to serve in the mission field someday. In the meantime, Shelly works at Hospice of Chattanooga, and Kyle keeps busy as a mechanic at McKee Tysen Airport.

MICHAEL L. MURRILL (BBA '02) married **MELISSA (HIBBS)** in 2003. They currently live in Denver, Col., where Mike works at Porter Adventist Hospital.

Navy Seaman **GUERWIN E. WEEKES (BS '04)** recently completed U.S. Navy basic training at Recruit Training Command, Great Lakes,

Ill. During the eight-week program, Weekes completed a variety of training, which included classroom study and practical instruction on naval customs, first aid, fire-fighting, water safety and survival, and ship-board and aircraft safety. An emphasis was also placed on physical fitness.

CLASS NOTES CORRECTION:

H. LeVerne and Janita Croxton-Bissell served as overseas missionaries for 15 years. LeVerne chaired the education department at Adventist International Institute of Advanced Studies (AIAS) in the Philippines from 1993-1996. Although he served as registrar at Union College, he did not chair the education department there. Further, LeVerne's work as a statistical consultant has been for the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists (and other Church and non-church entities), and he is presently involved in a consulting project for the World Church headquarters. He does manage some rental properties, but does not serve as a consultant in that area. LeVerne's wife, Juanita, served as seminary editor at AIAS from 1994-1996, and their younger daughter's name is Marcia.