

ALUMNI FOOTPRINTS

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STILSONS RETIRE OVER 100 YEARS OF COMBINED KMHA SERVICE

During the KMHA Conference in June, **Robert (Bob) Stilson '72** retired from his ministries as Church Superintendent, which he served for 16 years. Bob and **Rachel (Faulkner '66)** pastored the KMHA Woodsbend Community Church where they were warmly loved and appreciated for 25 years. Bob also served as Chaplain of the Eastern Kentucky Corrections Complex, housing close to 2000 inmates near West Liberty. He was instrumental in beginning a weekly KMBC student/staff ministry at the complex. The Stilsons have moved to Union, KY near their daughter Melinda and family. Bob continues to minister with Market Place Ministries and as a KMHA evangelist. To schedule Bob for revivals call 859-432-9568 or e-mail him rsstilson@gmail.com. The Stilsons' combined years of service in the KMHA are over 100.



ALUMNI PROJECT REPORT

KMBC HILLTOP PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT

These smiling “campus kids” are anticipating better and safer play equipment pledged by the KMBC Alumni Association for our 2017/18 project. Our \$15,000 pledge is to be paid in full by Alumni Day—May 5, 2018. Existing equipment is in need of replacement. Join in the fun of turning their hopes into real happiness by sending in your donation to Kentucky Mountain Bible College, 855, Hwy 541, Jackson, KY. Mark it for Alumni Playground Project. Married students’ children and visiting children (many on Alumni Day) will also benefit from this far reaching gift to the school. Thus far \$585.00 has been paid.



Back L-R: Julie Lorimer, Alyssa and Jenna Mathes, Joy Englhardt, Ava Ritter, Emily Wisler, Ethan Ritter. Adelle and Marshall Semrow
Front: Sam and Naomi Avery, Berwin Englehardt, Jasmine Avery, Luke Lorimer, Michael Lorimer

THIRD LIFE-LONG DREAM ACCOMPLISHED

REMINDER:

Mark Your Calendar!

**KMBC ALUMNI DAY
MAY 5, 2018**

REUNION CLASSES 2018:
1938, 1943, 1948, 1953,
1958, 1963, 1968, 1973,
1978, 1983, 1988, 1993,
1998, 2003, 2008, 2013

July 11, at age 79, Ruth (Bongard '59) Cottle was ordained into the ministry with the Church of the Nazarene—another of her life-long dreams. Ruth pastored with Bob for 25+ years while rearing seven children. She then took nurses training, graduating at the top of her class and began 25 years of nursing while still helping Bob pastor. Bob has recently retired from years in the ministry

2ND & 3RD GENERATION KMBIANS



Front L-R: Andrea Willis (Jeff/Connie), Caleb Jack (Mike/Cheryl), Ashley Tomlian (Jeff/Debbie), Garrett Sparks (Troy/Diane), Ben Kraft (Doug/Jill), Jared Cox (Mike/Lynea, Max/Joan, Robert/Karen Pocai)

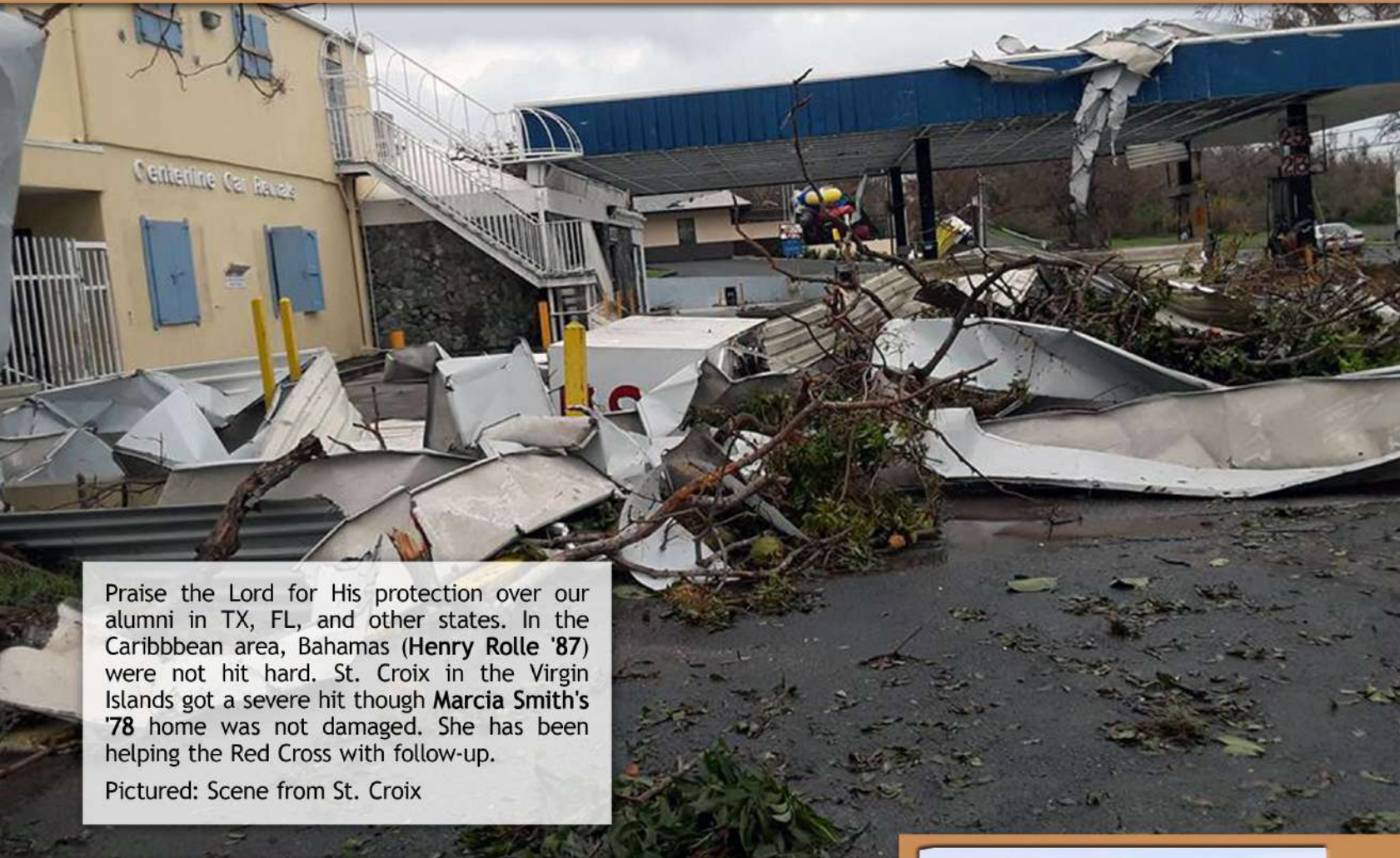
Back: Ra'chell Allen (Toby/Diane), Paul Glover (Charles/Joni), Matt Young (Michael), Samuel Deal (Dan/Becky, Grp. Paul/Kalene Schember, Bob/Rosa Mae Deal), Isaac Winters (Eric/Cheryl, Grp. Charles/Keet Winters, Delmer/Yvonne Gross), Caleb Clark (Chad/Diane). Absent: Jeremy Miller (Dan/Becky Miller).

CLASSMATES AT CAMP



Mt. Carmel Camp meeting, July 23-30, featured **Claude Nicholas '64** as evangelist, **Phyllis (Beckwith '64) Light**, organist, and the last weekend, **David Bowden '64**, music evangelist. Claude also held the Mt. Carmel revival in October.

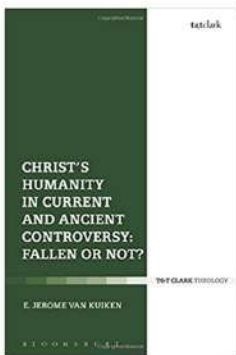
HURRICANE REPORT



Praise the Lord for His protection over our alumni in TX, FL, and other states. In the Caribbean area, Bahamas (Henry Rolle '87) were not hit hard. St. Croix in the Virgin Islands got a severe hit though Marcia Smith's '78 home was not damaged. She has been helping the Red Cross with follow-up.

Pictured: Scene from St. Croix

PUBLISHED



Jerome Van Kuiken '94 completed his doctrinal research at Nazarene Theological Seminary. He has published his dissertation titled, *Christ's Humanity in Current and Ancient Controversy: Fallen or Not?* You may order the publication online. Jerome is Assistant Professor of Religion and Philosophy at Oklahoma Wesleyan University.



Marcia Smith '78 traveled to Uganda, Africa for VBS ministry and to speak at a church conference. Her group, Anchored in Love from Debar Bethlehem Cathedral in St. Croix, saw God move in many ways, touching many lives.

SUMMER MISSION TEAMS



Katie Mathes, Joanna Pyle '17, family members with friends, spent a week in August at McAllen, TX working with WGM missionaries to refresh community outreach areas and Taylor Christian School. Laura '82 and Jorge '02/'03 Vaca, Marsha Hartley '85, Christina McBride '03, Debbie McKelvey '96 are on staff there.



Brad Angus '98 joined the Mission Builders for Christ Team from Brad Shuck's ('94-'96) church for a ministry trip to Jamaica. They are praising the Lord for souls brought to Jesus. Brad Angus pastors the CCCU church in Bellefontain, OH.



Nathan Neihof '11 took his Hillside Student Ministry Team on a trip to Costa Rica in August. They were involved in VBS, village evangelism and other church / community outreaches. Nathan is youth pastor at Hillside Wesleyan Church in Port Huron, MI.



In September, Mike (Scott) Roorbach '69 traveled to Nigeria to work with Wycliffe Translators. Mike assisted in the eight step process Wycliffe follows to assure accuracy of translation.

FACULTY STUDIES IN ISRAEL

KMBC'S CONVOCATION



From June 12 - July 16, **David Bagby '15** was in Israel studying at Jerusalem University College. Courses he took were Historical and Geographical Settings of the Bible, and Jesus and His Times. They toured from Jerusalem in the hill country to Beersheba in the Negev, from Jericho and the Jordan River to Caesarea on the Mediterranean coast. His favorite place was the Sea of Galilee. This semester, David teaches Theology of Wesley, Holiness Literature and General Psychology.

Picture: David standing on the Nazareth Precipice overlooking the Jezreel Valley.



Rev. Rob Pocai '03 was God's anointed convocation preacher at KMBC September 10-15. Theme for the week was, "Holiness in the Gospels". God gave good clear victories, new light, encouragement and challenge to all. Rob is married to Holly (Bishop '04) and is the son of Karen (Shankland '65) and Robert '82-'84 Pocai.

THANKFUL FOR A GENEROUS GIFT

Jerry Cox '70, Manager of the KMHA farm, is thankful for God's gift of a 2016 50/60 model John Deere tractor, delivered free. With only 130 hours of use, it includes shuttle shift, rear view mirrors, disc mower, air conditioning & heating, good radio, new hay fork and front end loader. Jerry and **Linda (Curtis '70)** have lived at the farm since 1973 when Jerry completed studies at La Tourneau College. He actually grew up working on the farm. Linda has filled various rolls in the KMHA and community—Mt. Carmel elementary teacher, KMBC missions cabinet director and other service opportunities. She is now a counselor in area facilities.





Dan Speas '13 and Alyssa O'Donnell '16 were married September 23 in the chapel at Kentucky Mountain Bible College. Dan is the son of President **Philip and Wanda (Wolfgang) Speas '79**. Dan is interim pastor of the United Methodist Church in Jackson, KY.



Joel Bell '05 and Miranda Smith were married September 24 in Christ Fellowship Church in Franklin, PA, where Joel is pastor.



Ernest Martin '94 went to be with the Lord June 25. Death was the result of a car accident. Ernest was pastor of the Gnaw Bone Wesleyan Church in Nashville, IN. He also worked as a Family Support Specialist at Centerstone and with the Brown County School District's Positive Behavior Interventions and Support. He was known for his positive outlook and his knowledge of the Bible "frontwards and backwards". Survivors include his wife, **Linda (Miller '94)** two daughters, Abigail 6 and Lydia, 2, and a son to be born in November. Ernest was preceded in death by his children, Noah, Nathaniel and Star. Contributions for Linda and family may be made to Linda Martin Fund. Send to Rev. Brian Sorenson, PO Box 234, Maringo, IN 47140.



Randy Wolfgang '78 entered the presence of Jesus Aug. 1 following a lengthy battle with cancer. Randy was pastor of the Seyfert Wesleyan Church in PA for 30 years. He first pastored in Hammond, IN for eight years. Among survivors are his wife **Cindy (Daniel '78)**, children Bethany and Daniel with several grandchildren, a brother, **Larry (Pam Thompson '76)**, sisters, **Wanda (Phil) Speas '79**, **LaRae (Joe) Daniels '82**, and **Debbie '86 (Jeff '85) Tomlian**, and father Leonard and wife, **Ruby (Wright '65) Wolfgang**.



Annie Lee (Deal '55) Elledge went to heaven July 21. She lived in China Grove, NC where she was active in the North Kannapolis Wesleyan Church. Among survivors are her husband, Bryce, two daughters, and a son. Annie Lee worked as a hospital nurse assistant.

Elaine (Champion '64) Nesselroade of Ft. Myers, FL entered heaven Sept. 17. She was the wife of **Kenneth Nesselroade '64, M.D.** Among survivors are her brother Paul, sisters, **Ruth '61/Jack Hiron**, **Lois/David Waggoner**, and two sons Paul and Daniel. Memorial service was held Oct. 14 at Shell Point Retirement Center in Fort Myers, FL where Ken serves as campus physician. Elaine's quiet ministries reached many people throughout her lifetime.



Doris Higgins, wife of Mr. Verdon Higgins and mother of **Beth (Higgins)/Dennis Renfroe '81** and **Becky Higgins '84** went to heaven Sept. 25. Doris served faithfully beside her husband as boys' dorm parent, teacher, class sponsor and librarian. A graveside service was held at Lawson Cemetary near Mt. Carmel High School with sharing time following in the dining hall.



Celebrating 50 Years



David and Phyllis (Cox) Kushman '67 celebrated their 50th anniversary on July 8



Roger and Carol (Allen '58) Costa celebrated their 50th anniversary on June 17



John and Phyllis (Perry) '66 celebrated their 50th anniversary on July 29

FOOTPRINTS HERE & THERE



Ron '63 and **Miriam Hood** live in Greenwood, IN. Ron continues to serve as an adjunct faculty member at Indiana Wesleyan University in Marion, IN.

David '86-'88 and **Patricia (Walter '63) Troyer** have been career missionaries with Native Americans in

SD. They retired in July and now live in La Fontaine, IN.

Janice Cranford '76 retired from teaching and now volunteers at the Salvation Army rehabilitation center in Ft. Wayne, IN where she teaches reading and writing. She enjoys being the leader of a new prayer group in her church.



Peter and Dessie (Sorrell) Lanigan '78 visited friends at KMBC in August. They continue to serve the Lord in Ayr, Ontario, Canada.

Mike Shaffer '79 teaches in the Educational Leadership Doctoral Program at Ball State University in Muncie, IN.

Barry Shaffer '80 led three Chinese camps in July with a total of 127 campers. He and Jan live in Forest, VA.



Delbert '87 and **Shelia Howard**, serving with the Evangelical Wesleyan Church Mission in Santiago, Brazil, visited the New York Pilgrim Mission in Manaus, Brazil on the Amazon River to minister at a pastors and wives retreat. The services were refreshing and Delbert said, "Words

cannot describe the beauty of the Amazon. Only God could put so much beauty in one spot."

Lisa (Kunze '96) Van Kuiken is excited to be teaching first grade at Wesleyan Christian School in Bartlesville, OK.

David Dorn '97-'00 is pastor of the Wesleyan church in Morristown, TN. He served as youth evangelist at the Lexington Lafayette Nazarene Church youth camp held on the KMBC campus and the Mt. Carmel Youth Camp—both in July.

Tracy Caldwell '06 is studying for her M.A. in Special Education from Georgetown College. She lives in Inez, KY.

Shushan Richardson '10 is in China, continuing with ESL in teacher training and hosting cultural events.

Daniel '12 and **Marie '16 Ossinsky** are dorm parents at New River Ranch near Fayetteville, WV. The ranch provides a family-like atmosphere for youth at risk. They are in the 12-14 year-old section.



Micah Kerney '14 began Medical School this summer at The University of Texas in Galveston.



In Thailand, **Boonchalit (Eung) Chokdeepusit '16** is on staff at Bangkok Christian International School which has 300 students. Many are missionary and pastor's children, also a lot of non-believers. Last year Eung taught fifth grade health and science. He has opportunity to share

in the morning teacher's devotions and chapel services. He is also one of the youth leaders in his church. He accompanied them to two camps as counselor. A few times he has had opportunity to speak in churches. Eung says God's calling to be a teacher in his homeland is a blessing and, "I will minister the Word whenever and wherever I can".

Tyler Jones '17 and **Jared Cox '17** have returned to KMBC to study for their B.A. Degree.

Jonathan Jack '17 received his ministerial license June 6 at the Kentucky District Church of the Nazarene in Bowling Green KY. He and **Samantha '16** live in Lexington where he is on staff at Lafayette Nazarene Church and Samantha is studying for her R.N.

Tyrel and Joanna Welch '17 are serving as dorm parents/kitchen help at Native American Christian Academy in Sun Valley, AZ.

Jordan Dunn '17 is taking classes in electrical technology at Big Sandy Community and Technical College in Paintsville, KY. He is also on maintenance staff at KMBC.