

40'S FORTIES

Dr. J. T. Ford, Sr. ('43) was named pastor emeritus of Wieuca Road Baptist Church of Atlanta, Ga. Dr. Ford was the first pastor of the church. Dr. Ford received this honor on July 13, 2003. He and his wife, **Mary Helen ('46)**, reside at 1965 Cranbourne Court, Atlanta, GA 30338.

50'S FIFTIES

William F. Bateman ('57) and **Jo Frances Bateman ('58)** moved into Uplands United Church of Christ retirement village in Pleasant Hill, Tenn. Their new address is P.O. Box 450, Pleasant Hill, TN. 38578.

James B. Carlin ('54) has authored "Identifying The Lord's Kind of Churches: A Biblical History." Copies are available on the Internet at www.challengepress.org. He retired in 1997 after serving 42 years as a university professor and a writer.

60'S SIXTIES

C.W. Alexander ('69) began his new job as pastor of Corfu United Presbyterian Church on June 1, 2003. His daughter Jessie married Jason East on May 17, 2003. C.W. and his wife Mary moved to 17 Thompson Road, Corfu, NY 14036.

Anita Weaver Armstrong ('60) recently

moved to 335 Frierson Road, Tiptonville, TN 38079.

David K. Ragland ('62) and his wife Carolyn Ragland recently moved. Their new address is 6020 Wild Oaks Drive, Memphis, TN 38120.

Don Spragg ('64) has changed addresses. His new address is 3652 Pebble Creek Court, Mason, OH 45040. His email address is don@spragg.us.

Diane Tipton ('68) had been named first vice president of BancorpSouth in Hernando, Miss. She is president of the Hernando Woman's Club and is an active member of the Hernando Rotary Club. Diane has also received the Entergy of Mississippi Community Leadership Award and was named Southaven Chamber of Commerce Woman of the Year.

70'S SEVENTIES

Glenn Allen Moore ('79) has been in real estate for 18 years and is currently broker/owner of Woodland Realty in Memphis and has also served as an instructor at the Memphis Area Association of Realtors. He recently completed the design and construction of his church, Neshoba Unitarian Universalist Church, where he serves as vice president of the board of directors. He received an MBA degree from

the University of Memphis. His address is 1260 Tyler Place, Cordova, TN 38018. His email is glenn@glenmmoore.com, and his website is www.glenmmoore.com.

Robin Jobe Nelson ('78) recently moved to 3761 135th Avenue N, Largo, FL 33771. Her email address is monnipotent@aol.com.

Carol Powell ('73) is retiring after 29 years with the Missouri Division of Family Services, where she is currently a supervisor. She and her husband Bud plan to expand their antique business and travel. Their address is 1403 S. Madison Ave, Aurora, MO 65605. Their email address is memories@sofnet.com.

L. Joseph Rosas III ('76) is now serving as pastor of Crieewood Baptist Church in Nashville, Tenn. after 12 years as pastor of Union Avenue Baptist Church in Memphis, Tenn. Dr. Rosas taught philosophy at Union University from 1989-1991 and served several years as adjunct professor at Union's Germantown Campus. **Pam Smith Rosas ('91)**, Dr. Rosas' wife, recently completed her master of arts in education at Cumberland University. She plans to teach in Metro Nashville Public Schools fall of 2003. Their son Justin is a recent graduate of the University of Kentucky where he will attend law school this fall. Their daughter Ashley is a high school senior.

Mike Boyd elected TBC president

University graduate Mike Boyd was elected president of the Tennessee Baptist Convention Nov. 11 at the 129th annual session of the TBC at West Jackson Baptist Church.



Boyd is senior pastor of Wallace Memorial Baptist Church in Knoxville, Tenn.

Boyd graduated from Union in 1976 with a degree in business administration and a minor in religion. He earned graduate degrees from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary in 1979 and 1990.

A Memphis native, Boyd beat Randy Davis, pastor of First Baptist Church, Sevierville, by a vote of 737-656. He will succeed outgoing president Ronnie

Wilburn, director of missions for the Shelby Baptist Association.

Robert Tyson, director of missions from Robertson County, was elected first vice president. Tyson is also an alumnus of Union University.


"My heartbeat is to connect people with God and watch them grow in the process," Boyd said. He describes his personality and down-to-earth delivery as "simple peas and corn bread."

Union's president, David S. Dockery, applauded Boyd's election.

"We are thankful that Mike Boyd, a faithful Union alumnus, has been elected to lead Tennessee Baptists in the coming year," Dockery said. "Mike is an outstanding pastor, a great preacher, and a convictional, biblical conservative who will guide

Tennessee Baptists in united and cooperative efforts in the areas of evangelism, missions and education for the good of the kingdom of God. All of us at Union University will look forward to working together with President Boyd in ways that will strengthen the efforts of Tennessee Baptists."

Boyd has served as senior pastor at Wallace Memorial since 1997. The International Mission Board listed Wallace Memorial as one of the SBC's top 100 churches in gifts to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering.

Boyd's wife, Sandy, graduated from Union with a degree in elementary education. They were married in 1977 and have two children. 

Angela Moore Ross ('79) recently received the Distinguished Classroom Teacher Award for 2003 from the Jackson-Madison County Education Association. She is currently teaching at Andre Jackson Intermediate School in Jackson, Tenn. Her husband, Patrick Ross, is employed at Haywood Company in Brownsville, Tenn. They are both active members of Poplar Heights Baptist Church in Jackson, Tenn., where Patrick serves as a deacon. Their address is 203 Rolling Oaks Drive, Humboldt, TN 38343. Angela's email address is angelamross@hotmail.com.

Ruth Page Woodall ('77) was president of the Tennessee Science Teachers' Association from 2000 to 2002 and was replaced by Dr. Charles Baldwin, who was her advisor while at Union and continues to be a mentor to her. Both Dr. Baldwin and Mrs. Woodall are chairs of their local American Chemical Society Chapters.

80'S EIGHTIES

John Brelsford ('89) was recently installed into the Rutherford Lions Club. He currently works at the radio station in Trenton, Tenn. He is a third generation Lion. His grandfather, L.V. Smith, and his father, James Brelsford, were both members of the Rutherford Lions Club.

Lynn Gibson ('83) has recently been selected as director of enrollment services/ registrar at Northeast Mississippi Community College in Booneville, Miss. His wife, **Paula Fesmire Gibson ('84)**, is serving as a fifth grade teacher at Toone Elementary School. The couple has two sons, Eric, age 15, and Mark, age 11. Lynn also serves as minister of music at Sanford Hill Baptist Church in Henderson, Tenn. Their address is 390 Old Jackson Creek Road, Henderson, TN 38340. Their email address is lgibson@necc.cc.ms.us.

Debra Harris ('85) is currently teaching at the Dyersburg State Associate Nursing Program. She and her husband Joel recently moved to 98 Sweet Gum Circle, Troy, TN 38260.

Donald Mayberry ('81) was called as senior pastor of Pleasantview Baptist Church in Derby, Kan. in March, 2003. Donald and his wife, **Sherry ('82)**, can be reached at 7719 S. Greenwich, Derby, KS 67034. His email address is don@pbcdcrby.com.

90'S NINETIES

Amy Balthrop ('98) recently accepted a position as a sales representative with

Janssen Pharmaceutica, a Johnson & Johnson company. Her new address is 113 Bent Creek Lane, Jackson, TN 38305. Her email address is amy_balthrop@yahoo.com.

Angie Brown ('98) received her doctorate of medicine from the University of Tennessee Health Science Center this past May. She is currently doing her residency in family practice at the University of Tennessee at St. Francis Hospital in Memphis, Tenn. Her address is 1184 Lynnfield #2, Memphis, TN 38119. Her email address is abrown@utmem.edu.

Cindy Cozart Bryson ('96) began a special education teaching position at Banks County Middle School in northeast Georgia in August of 2003. She also began her graduate work at Brenau University in Gainesville, Ga. this past fall. Cindy is married to Vernon Bryson. Their son, Donald, attends Piedmont College in Demorest, Ga. and is majoring in education and religion.

Laurel Burrough ('98) currently serves with the North American Mission Board as a US/C-2 missionary. She has also lived overseas for three years serving as a journeyman for the International Mission Board. Her email address is canadia_chick@bigfoot.com.

Westbury named managing editor for Christian Index

Joe Westbury has been named the managing editor of *The Christian Index*, effective Aug. 1. Westbury, who was elected by the Index Board of Directors, has served as associate editor of the publication since January 1998.

He joins Gerald Harris, former pastor of Eastside Baptist church in Marietta, who was named editor by the board in May. Harris assumed the paper's leadership position on June 23.

In his new position he will be responsible for the day-to-day operations of the paper and work closely with Harris in areas of circulation, advertising/finances, design and production.

Westbury, 51, is a career journalist with the Southern Baptist Convention and has served in a variety of writing positions for the past 29 years. He is a native of Orlando, Fla.

A graduate of Union University in Jackson, Tenn., he began his journalistic career as a reporter and the religion editor for *The Jackson Sun* newspaper. He later served as public relations director for Union before moving to Memphis to serve as editor of *World Mission Journal* published by the Brotherhood Commission.

In 1985 he moved to Atlanta, where he joined the Home Mission Board as associate director of the news department. He later served as associate editor of *MissionsUSA*, the agency's award-winning magazine.

He briefly returned to his alma mater to serve a second term as public relations director before returning to Atlanta as curriculum coordinator for HMB. For the next six years, through the transition of the Home Mission Board to the North American Mission Board, he coordinated production of all of the home mission study

products for children, youth, and adults.

Westbury has traveled to 40 states and eight nations as he covered stories of career missionaries and volunteers serving Christ in a variety of settings. He also served as an English language reporter for Lausanne II in Manila, Philippines, at the invitation of the Billy Graham Evangelistic Association. The meeting was the world's largest gathering of Christians.

Westbury has written for *Christianity Today* and other evangelical publications. In addition, he has written four adult mission study books for NAMB on church planting, evangelism, volunteers, and media evangelism.

He and his wife, Jan, are parents of two daughters, Charlotte, age 7, and Elena, age 3. They are members of Mountain Park First Baptist Church in Stone Mountain, Ga.

Jennifer Carter ('96) graduated from the University of Virginia with her Ph.D. in microbiology in Aug. 2003. She is currently pursuing a J.D. at the University of Michigan Law School where she has a full Clarence Darrow Scholarship. Her address is 1428 Brookfield Drive, Ann Arbor, MI 48103. Her email address is jdawnc@umich.edu.

Stephen Claybrook ('96) and **Camille Lambert Claybrook ('93)** recently moved to 410 High Holborn Ct., Apex, NC 27502. Stephen serves as worship pastor at Crosspointe Church in Cary, N.C. Camille is starting a small business in home organization consulting. Her email address is camiclay@nc.rr.com and Stephen's email address is sclaybrook@crosspointe.org.

Timothy Dill ('97) recently received an honor for outstanding achievement at a MetLife Conference. Dill is a financial services representative with MetLife in Jackson, Tenn. He received this award for superior performance at MetLife's Annual Leaders Conference at the Mirage Hotel in Las Vegas. Also, he is a member of the Jackson Chapter of the National Association of Insurance and Financial Advisors and of the Million Dollar Round Table.

Christopher Hartfield ('96) and **Sarah Hartfield ('98)** recently moved to 5012 Bayview Drive, Keller, TX 76248. Their email address is hartfields@att.net.

Gina Heathcott ('99) received her doctorate of chiropractic in 2002 from Logan College of Chiropractic in Chesterfield, Mo. She recently moved to Dacula, Ga. Her email address is gheathcott@yahoo.com.



David Humphrey ('93) graduated from Golden Gate Baptist Theological Seminary in May of 2003. He earned his master of divinity. His wife Danyel also attended GGBTS. They were both appointed to the International Mission Board on Sept. 9, 2003 in Austin, Texas. After training in Richmond, they will relocate to Campinas, Brazil for one year and then to Recife, Brazil to plant churches among the urban poor. Their email address is dh2brazil@yahoo.com.

Jeffrey D. Hunter ('92) currently lives at 286 Mabel Lane, Atoka, TN 38004. His email address is thehunterfour@aol.com.

Bobby J. Hurt ('96) recently started a new job as a registered nurse clinical educator at the Balboa Naval Medical Center in the post anesthesia care unit. Bobby moved from Kenosha, Wis. To San Diego, Calif.

Jonathan D. Kever ('99) is a full time student at Dallas Theological Seminary in Dallas, Texas. He is pursuing his master of theology in historical theology. His wife **Charlene Simpson Kever ('99)** is working in the alumni and church relations office at Dallas Theological Seminary. Jon left his position as vice president for publications at American Ministry Resources in Franklin, Tenn. Charlene left her position as publishing coordinator for Dave Ramsey's company in Brentwood, Tenn.

Andy McNutt ('98) and **Kimberly Walker McNutt ('96)** are expecting their third child, a boy, in December 2003. Their new address is 1324 Milestone Drive, Collierville, TN 38017. Their email address is mcnutt86@juno.com.

Jarred Morgan ('99) accepted the call to be the student pastor at First Baptist Church in Thomaston, Ga. He also graduated from Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in May of 2003. He and his wife **Jennifer Drake Morgan ('00)** moved to 1008 South Green Street, Thomaston, GA 30286. Their email address is 2jmorgan@mail.com.

Tina Prescott ('96) was recently named the new administrator at Camden General Hospital in Camden, Tenn. She previously served as director of surgical intensive care at Jackson-Madison County General Hospital since 1999. She is also a trauma nursing core curriculum instructor and a clinical instructor of Union University's bachelor of science in nursing program.

Gina Vinson Thompson ('94) and her husband Kenny Thompson have started their own wildlife and hunting lease management business in West Tenn. called Plots Plus. Services offered are planting wildlife food plots, pond fertilization, bush hogging, providing deer box/ladder stands, and brushing duck blinds. Their address is 1774 Hwy. 138, Mercer, TN 38392. They can be reached by email at kgsdthomp4@earthlink.net.



Tupelo/Northeast Miss. alums gather

Larry '64 and Sandra Ray hosted Bulldog alums at the Tupelo/Northeast Mississippi Alumni/Friends Gathering. Pictured above are Dr. Gayle '62 and Keliea '64 Alexander along with the Rays.



Nashville alums fellowship

The Nashville Area-Wide Alumni and Friends were recently hosted at the Brentwood, Tenn. home of Mike and Trish Weeks. Weeks is the chairman of Union's trustees. Pictured at the gathering are Cliff '02 and Sara '03 Horn, Naomi '01 and Charles Yewell, Stephanie Lee '98, Stephanie Lim '00, Sara Phillips '02 and Beverly Smothers '79.



Alums tour New England

Gary Williams, Union University's associate vice president for institutional advancement for alumni services, hosted a group of alumni Oct. 6-12 on a visit to New England. Unionites visited historic sites throughout the region, including the Old North Church in Boston. Pictured above are Gloris McNab, Anne Thompson, Luanne McNamb, '93; Janie Williams, '58; Jean Allmon, '61; Betsy Pearce, Bill Pearce, '66 and Williams.

Sandra Smith Harris Wallace ('90) received her master of arts in education degree from Cumberland University on May 10, 2003. She is currently a special program coordinator for the Tipton County School District. She and her husband Donnie Wallace live in Covington. She has two children: Judd Harris, 16, and Whitney Harris, 14.

J. Kevin Wright ('95) has been named first vice president of commercial lending of BancorpSouth in Jackson, Tenn. He previously was vice president in commercial lending since joining BancorpSouth in 1995. Wright is also a board member of the Jackson Symphony Association and the Jackson Arts Coalition.

2000'S TWOTHOUSAND'S

Michael Burgett ('02) spent this past summer serving as a summer missionary in Alaska through the North American Mission Board. He worked at a camp in Wasilla called LaVerne Griffin Youth Recreation Camp as a volunteer worker. There he served as counselor of a cabin in which one boy accepted Christ. Michael's address is 8826 Joy Road, Mt. Pleasant, TN 38474. His email address is mikeyburgett@juno.com.

Steven Chipman ('00) began physical therapy school at East Tennessee State University in January of 2004. His wife **Lauren Tucker Chipman ('01)** recently began medical school at ETSU. Their address is 1725 W. Lakeview Dr. #23, Johnson City, TN 37601. His email address is tomchipman@hotmail.com.

Chris Clark ('00) and **Ashley Kern Clark ('99)** began a two year ISC program with the International Mission Board this past May. They will be working with students at the University of Botswana in southern Africa. Their email address is cclark@it.bw.

Julie Dodson ('02) began reporting for *The Jackson Sun* on Sept. 3, 2003. As region reporter she covers all news out of Haywood and Chester counties, plus general assignments as necessary. Julie is the former editor-in-chief of the *Cardinal & Cream*. Previously she worked as a marketing and public relations assistant at the Memphis Zoo. Her address is 36 Bagby Point Road Apt. H, Jackson, TN 38305. Her email address is jk_dodson@yahoo.com.

Jeffrey W. Edwards ('01) is assigned to Company K, Third Battalion, 23rd Marines, 4th Marine Division based in Memphis, Tenn. He recently returned from a seven-month deployment in Iraq.

Michelle Hackman ('03) recently moved to 925 Gasche Street Apt. 5, Wooster, OH 44691.

Bethany Irvin ('01) is currently designing and directing a children's camp called "The Nest." Her new address is 35 Snider Creek Road, Andrews, NC 28901. Her email address is Bethany_irvin@hotmail.com.

Julie Renee Jones ('00) graduated from Mid America Baptist Theological Seminary in Memphis, Tenn. with her masters in missiology on May 9, 2003. She was one of three who graduated in the first class to earn this new degree. On Sept. 20, 2003 she moved to Detroit, Mich. to take a staff position at Friendship Baptist Church doing their missions, evangelism, and church planting while she is preparing to go the foreign mission field.

Tracy E. Patterson ('02) has been named director of communications and media services for Southern College of Optometry in Memphis, Tenn. She joined the college in 1997 as director of publications.

Russell L. Rockett ('00) accepted a new job in December of 2002 as a professional healthcare representative for Pfizer Pharmaceuticals in Kingsport, Tenn. He and his wife moved to 159 Aston Place, Kingsport, TN 37660. Russell's email address is russellrockett@msn.com.

Kelli L. Ross ('00) was named the manager of business communications at the Jackson Area Chamber of Commerce in Jackson, Tenn. in November of 2002. Her email address is kross@jacksontn.com.

Chris Smith ('01) recently joined Mid-South Financial Group of MassMutual, "the Blue Chip Company," as a financial services professional. He is a member of the Jackson Exchange Club and serves as an ambassador and emissary for the Jackson Area Chamber of Commerce.

MARRIAGES

Jessica Barber Brown ('02) and Christopher Brown were married on June 28, 2003 in Winter Park, Fla. Jessica works

at Lemstone Books in Lexington, Ky. Their address is 200 Broadhurst Drive, Apt. #10, Wilmore, KY 40390.

Stacy Veatch Canter ('01) and Jeff Canter were married August 3, 2002 in Paducah, Ky. Stacy works in the accounting office of Hultman, Inc. and Jeff is an intern architect with Peck Flannery Gream Warren, Inc. In 2004 they will move to Louisville, Ky. where Jeff will attend Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. Their current address is 405 W. Jefferson, Paducah, KY 42001.

Audra Scarbrough Colvin ('97) married Lewis Ben Colvin III on July 12, 2003. They were married in Audra's hometown, Humboldt, Tenn. The couple now resides in Shelby County.

Cory Coward ('02) and his wife Casie were married June 15, 2002. Cory is starting a new degree in electrical engineering at Mississippi State University. Their new address is 110 W. Wood Street Apt. 12A, Starkville, MS 39759. Cory's email address is cory6980@hotmail.com.

Melanie Ross Dittfurth ('03) married Ryan Dittfurth on November 1, 2003. Their new address is 19525 Garden Lake Court, Baton Rouge, LA 70809. Melanie's email address is melani_ross@hotmail.com.

Karen Green Litsinger ('00) and Russ Litsinger were married July 19 in Murray, Ky. Russ is working towards his mechanical engineering degree at the University of Kentucky at Paducah. Karen's email address is karenanngreen@hotmail.com.

Debby Campbell Jester ('00) married Dan Jester on May 3, 2003 at Mission Hills Church in Denver, Colo. Dan works as a counselor for at-risk teenagers at Third Way Center, and Debby is corporate marketing administrator at the College for Financial Planning. Their address is 10225 E. Girard Avenue #B-204, Denver, CO 80231. Debby's email address is colorado_girl@juno.com.

Tina Reeves Kemerling ('89) and Roger Kemerling were married on May 29, 2003. They recently relocated to Missouri; their new address is 513 Walker, Pleasant Hill, MO 64080. Tina's email address is tinakerling@netscape.net.



Nicole Vaughn Litton ('02) married Matt Litton on December 6, 2003 at the First Baptist Church in Trenton, Tenn. After a honeymoon in Jamaica, the couple will reside in Batesville, Miss. Their address is 335 Shamrock Dr. Apt. 4F, Batesville, MS 38606.

Amy Goodwin McCann ('02) married Justin McCann on January 3, 2003 at the First Baptist Church of Herrin in Herrin, Ill. Mrs. McCann is currently employed at the Sylvan Learning Center as the director of education.

Denise D. Nelson ('93) married Philip T. Fuson on May 17, 2003 at Christ Community Chapel in Franklin, Tenn. Denise is the human resources administrator for Check Printers Inc. in Nashville and Philip is a nurse extern at St. Thomas Hospital in Nashville. They reside at 1502 Decatur Circle, Franklin, TN 37067. Denise can be reached by email at dfuson2003@yahoo.com.

Melissa Crews Neff ('90) recently married Woodrow Neff. She also started a job as a medical records clerk for the Fort Sanders Sevier Medical Center. Their new address is 629 Haven Lane #2, Sevierville, TN 37876. Their email address is neff2002@bellsouth.net.

Wes Payne ('02) married Katie Bruncker of St. Joseph, Mo. on Aug. 31, 2002 in

Liberty, Mo. Wes is the director of children's ministry at Mountaintop Community Church in Vestavia Hills, Ala.



Brian Scott ('99) and **Gina Kinney Scott ('97)** were married July 27, 2002 at First Baptist Church in Jackson, Tenn. Brian currently works at Lifeway

Christian Bookstore, and Gina is the director of the community music center at Union where she also teaches piano and Kindermusik classes. Their address is 35 Dunn Ridge Drive, Apt. B, Jackson, TN 38305. Brian's email address is bscott347@aol.com and Gina's email address is gscott@uu.edu.



Erica Reinhart Thomas ('99) married Jeff Thomas on February 23, 2002 in Jackson, Tenn. They reside at 238 Dustin Drive, Jackson TN 38301. Erica is employed

as supervisor of the adoption unit at the Department of Children's Services. Her email is zeta1978@aol.com.

David Tull ('93) married **Christy Marbury Tull ('94)** on Oct. 26, 2002 at First Baptist Church, Mason. David serves as associate pastor of music and education at Turkey Creek First Baptist Church, Plant City, Fla.

NFL honors Patey

Union University sports legend has been named the 2003 Outstanding Football Official by the National Football Foundation. R.L. "Buddy" Patey, ('49), was honored at a December ceremony in recognition of his achievement.

After his football playing days at Union University, Patey officiated at more than 200 games, including seven consecutive Alabama-Auburn encounters. His resumé contains numerous "big" games and a number of bowl appearances, including the Bluebonnet, Cotton, Peach, Gator, Liberty and Orange Bowls.

"It is an honor for all of us at Union University to call Buddy Patey a 'Unionite,'" said David S. Dockery, president of the university. "His life and work have demonstrated a commitment to excel-

lence and integrity in all things. We are proud of him and his accomplishments and thankful for his continued commitment to Union University."

The Bulldog alumnus earned his stripes officiating for 48 years, 20 as supervisor of officials for the Ohio Valley Conference.

Patey has been inducted into the Tennessee State High School Athletic, Jackson-Madison County Sports, and the Ohio Valley Conference Halls of Fame. He was the recipient of the Lawrenceburg Quarterback Club Officiating Award and the Jackson's Young Man of the Year Award. More recently, he was inducted into the University of Tennessee Sports Hall of Fame, in February of 1999.

Distinguished Sportswriter and longtime National Football Foundation and College

Robin Cooper Wilbanks ('88) and Allen Wilbanks were married Apr. 12, 2003 at Walter Hill First Baptist Church in Murfreesboro, Tenn. Robin joins Allen in parenting Bryce, 15, and Courtney, 12. Robin is therapeutic director at Cedar Grove Residential Treatment Facility for at-risk adolescent boys in Murfreesboro and is pursuing her Ph.D. in clinical psychology. Allen is a self-employed chimney sweep. Their address is 1210 Cherry Lane, Murfreesboro, TN 37129. Robin's email address is rcooper@cedargrove-rtc.com.

BIRTHS




David Lee Boyd ('93) and **Lisa Michelle Zike Boyd ('93)** had a son Kenneth James Boyd who was born on Oct. 2, 2002. He weighed 7 pounds, 8 ounces. They also have a daughter Heather Nicole Boyd who is four years old. David is the minister of music and youth at Gateway Baptist Church in Atoka, Tenn. Lisa is a kindergarten teacher at Drummonds Elementary School. Their new address is 102 Thomas Terrace, Atoka, TN 38004. Their email address is davidandlisa@pastors.com.

Chris Braese ('98) and Amy Braese had a son David Thomas, born April 23, 2002. He weighed 7 pounds, 2 ounces and was

Hall of Fame Honors Court chairman Fred Russell, called Patey "one of football's best ever officials." Patey authored a children's book on officiating, hosted radio and television sports shows, and wrote a column for two newspapers entitled "Ask the Ref."

He also served as vice-mayor of the City of Jackson, which included numerous posts in community service groups. Patey has been honored with "Buddy Patey Day" in Camden, Tenn., and served on the boards of directors for the YMCA, Boys & Girls Club, Jaycees, and Lions Club, among others.

Currently, Patey is the secretary of the Collegiate Commissioners Association and Football Supervisors Committee and a member of the editorial committee for the NCAA Football Rules Book. 



20 inches long. Chris is an installation manager with Simplex-Grinnell, and Amy works part-time as a physical therapist. Their address is 9712 Kings Bridge Cove, Lakeland, TN 38002. Their email address is braese@wnm.net.

Lisa Green Brantley ('94) and Wayne Brantley had a son Bryant Andrew, born June 27, 2002. He weighed 8 pounds and was 19 inches long. The Brantleys also have a daughter, Ashton, 5. Lisa is a homemaker, and Wayne is a football coach and teacher at Landmark Christian School in Fairburn, Ga. Their address is 2775 Abby Brooke, Douglasville, GA 30135, and their email is LGBrantley@aol.com.



April Downing ('95) and Wade Downing had a daughter, Brylee Nicole, on Sept. 8, 2003. She weighed 6 pounds, 14 ounces and measured 19 inches long. They also have two sons, Nathean, 4, and Garrett, 10. April is the nurse manager of outpatient services at Jackson-Madison County General Hospital. Wade is a salesman for Global Docugraphics Inc. Their address is 109 Joy Lane, Jackson, TN 38305. They can be reached by email at bossbaby1@earthlink.net.



Stephen Hall ('98) and **Elly Smallman Hall ('98)** had a daughter Sydney Caroline Hall, who was born Jan. 10, 2003. She weighed 4 pounds, 0.5 ounces. Stephen is employed by Tennessee Farm Bureau, and Elly is employed by Quinco Mental Health. Their address is 6286 Yale Road, Bartlett, TN 38134. Their email address is Hall@FHTM.US.

Tamara Young Harrald ('87) and Joe Harrald had a son Joseph "Heath" Harrald, born Sept. 17, 2002. He weighed 9 pounds, 15 ounces and was 21 inches long. They have a daughter Hannah who is 6. Joe is assistant plant manager for Tennessee Electroplating in Ripley, Tenn. Tamara is an affiliate broker with Unique Properties in Ripley, Tenn. Their address is 1147 William Switch Road, Ripley, TN 38063.

Donna Carol Meadows Harrington ('91) and Dan Harrington had a daughter Sarah

Elizabeth, born August 12, 2002. Their new address is 2547 Boardwalk Blvd. #F, Hoffman Estates, IL 60194. Their email address is dan_atom@yahoo.com.



Nancy Mathis Harvell ('98) and her husband Brandon had a son Nathan Alexander, born March 8, 2003. He weighed 8 pounds, 4 ounces. Nancy is currently taking a year's leave from her job as a K-6 music teacher at Alcorn Central Elementary to stay at home with Nathan. Brandon is band director at Corinth Junior High. Brandon and Nancy are also the music directors at Farmington Baptist Church in Corinth, Miss. Their address is 413 CR 604, Corinth, MS 38834. Their email address is theharvells@myshadetreec.com.

Troy Johnson ('93) and Stephanie Johnson had a daughter Kayla Paige Johnson, born on October 28, 2002. She weighed 7 pounds, 11 ounces and was 19 and 1/2 inches long. Their current address is 2796 Hwy 12 North, Chapmansboro, TN 37035. Their email address is troyjohnson@arclp.com.

Lyle Larson ('98) and **Susan Jett Larson ('98)** had a son Elijah James Larson, "Eli," born February 13, 2003. He weighed 7 pounds, 4 ounces and was 20 inches long. Lyle is a pastor of First Baptist Church in Ripley, Tenn. Susan is now a stay-at-home mom after teaching for five years. Their address is 267 Lackey Lane, Ripley, TN 38063. Their email address is lars2782@bellsouth.net.



Hollie Cotner Lowe ('02) and John Lowe had a son who they named Kaden. They also have another son Garrett who is 7 years old. Hollie is a special education teacher at East Intermediate School in Jackson, Tenn. John works for Porter Cable. Their address is 4127 Beech Bluff Rd., Beech Bluff, TN 38113. Hollie's email address is lowehollie@hotmail.com.



Kirby Matheney ('83) and **Marcia Lacy Matheney ('82)** had a daughter Mary Elizabeth on August 17, 2003. She weighed 7 pounds, 3 ounces and was 19.5 inches long. They have four additional children, Meredith, 16, Emily, 13, Martin,

12, and Michael, 8. Kirby is a field representative for Local Government Data Processing Corporation, and Marcia in a physician reimbursement specialist for West Tennessee Healthcare. Their address is 179 Sunnyside Drive, Jackson, TN 38301. Their email address is kmatheney@hotmail.com.

Paula Putnam Murray ('92) and Brian Murray had a son Landon Roy, on July 26, 2003. He weighed 8 pounds, 6.5 ounces. Brian and Paula are optometrists and reside at 228 Lakeside Drive, Jenkins, KY 41537.

Janet Watkins Nevins ('85) and her husband Chris are the proud parents of Elijah Christopher Nevins, born Jan. 12, 2002. They recently moved from Santa Fe, N.M. to Oxford, Miss. Their address is 800 Birkdale Court, Oxford, MS 38655. Her email address is janetnevins@earthlink.net.

Leigh Ann Thompson Orton ('92) and her husband Chris Orton had a girl Madeline Jane, born Aug. 23, 2002. She weighed 7 pounds, 1 ounce and was 20 inches long. Leigh Ann is a self-employed attorney, and Chris is an attorney with Country Fair Inc. in Erie, Pa. Their address is 233 Beverly Drive, Erie, PA 16505. Leigh Ann's email address is laorton@yahoo.com.



Marty Phillips ('88) and **Gaye Martin Phillips ('88)** had a son Samuel Paxton, born May 18, 2002. He weighed 6 pounds, 10 ounces. Marty and Gaye also have three other sons, Zachary, 7, Jonathan, 5, and Benjamin, 2.

Roger Poindexter ('88) and **Pat Poindexter ('86)** recently adopted two babies named Morgan, who was born Dec. 22, 2002, and Ryan, who was born Jan. 20, 2003, from an adoption agency in Lynchburg, Va.



Vaughan Reid ('90) and **Katherine Eaves Reid ('91)** had a daughter Rachel Katherine, born Dec. 22, 2002. She weighed 7 pounds, 6 ounces and was 20 inches long. The Reids also have another daughter, Morgan, who is 4. Vaughan is a former CPA and is now a partner in the law firm of Red, Sweeney, Mueller, and Vaughan, PLLC with offices in Memphis, Tenn. and Jackson,

Tenn. Katherine is a homemaker and a former CPA. Their address is 1985 Myron Cove, Cordova, TN 38016. Vaughan's email address is vereid@bellsouth.net, and Katherine's email address is kalicereid@bellsouth.net.



Jennifer Allen Smith ('97) and Chris Smith had a son Caleb Alexander, born June 8, 2003. Caleb weighed 8 pounds, 14.5 ounces. Jennifer is a stay-at-home mother. Chris is a cash manager at Merchant Capital in Brentwood, Tenn. Their address is 116 Shirley Drive, Hendersonville, TN 37075. Their email address is cmjmsmith@aol.com.

Michelle Suddeath ('92) and Rick Suddeath had a baby boy Alexander Lee, born March 6, 2003. He weighed 9 pounds, 1 ounce and was 22 inches long. They also have a daughter Heather, 9, and an angel baby Rebekah Lee, born March 5, 2002. Michelle is a registered nurse on the Obstetrics Unit at Martha Jefferson Hospital in Charlottesville, Va. Rick is a tool room supervisor at Neuman Aluminum in Waynesboro, Va. Their address is 1624 Edgehill Road, Waynesboro, VA 22980.

Ronda Machalek Trent ('94) and Ben Trent had twins Joseph Benjamin and Rebekah Anne, born Dec. 11, 2002 at Harris Methodist Hospital in Ft. Worth, Texas. Joseph weighed 3 pounds, 12 ounces, and Rebekah weighed 4 pounds.



Matt Walker ('98) and **Emma Hernandez Walker ('99)** had a daughter Katerin Isabela Walker, born Jan. 10, 2003. She weighed 7 pounds, 10 ounces. Matt is currently a pc/web specialist for the Missouri School Boards' Association in Columbia, Mo. Emma is a freelance graphic designer and homemaker. They both are partners in their newly formed business, 3Howards Media Group. Their address is 2118 Live Oak Lane, Columbia, MO 65202. Matt's email is matt@3howards.com and Emma's email is emma@3howards.com.



Glenn Wallace ('95) and his wife Debbie had a daughter Peyton Lyn, born June 27, 2003. She was 7 pounds, 5 ounces and 20 inches long. They also have a son Gavin Lane who is 2 years old. Glenn is a campus minister at Brewton-Parker College in Mt. Vernon, Ga. Debbie is staying at home with their two children, after working 10 years as a nurse. Their address is BPC Box 197 #2081, Mt. Vernon, GA 30445.



Alison Grigg Williams ('97) and Jeremy Williams have two girls Mackenzie Grace and Malea Hope. Mackenzie Grace, born Dec. 3, 2001, was 6 pounds, 15 ounces. Malea Hope, born Jan. 17, 2003, was 7 pounds, 7 ounces. Jeremy owns a live sound reinforcement company, and Alison works

part-time as a nurse. Their address is 1893 Marine Drive, Stanwood, WA 98282.

MEMORIAM

Hazel Siler Beshires ('60)
June 9, 2003 Silerton, Tenn.

Elizabeth Hall Blalock ('30)
November 29, 2002

Forrest Susan Bradley ('68)
July 8, 2003 Bolivar, Tenn.

J. Victor Brown ('44)
September 10, 2003 Nashville, Tenn.

Margaret Tickle Brown ('40)
April 9, 2003 Dyersburg, Tenn.

Mary Jane Armstrong Carter ('77)
July 15, 2003 Jackson, Tenn.

Nancy Crook Cheek ('44)
September 12, 2003 Nashville, Tenn.

Joy Hassell Clark ('65)
September 13, 2003 Boise, Idaho

Billy B. Cooper ('63)
September 15, 2003 Columbia, Tenn.

Zelma Ione Darden ('52)
August 12, 2003 Manassas, Va.

Lucille Lay Dougan ('42)
September 29, 2003 Jackson, Tenn.

In Memoriam: Robert Bell Sims

Robert Bell Sims, former executive vice president and magazine group president of the National Geographic Society, died of cancer Sept. 10 in Jackson, Tenn. Sims was also a retired Navy public affairs officer. He was 68.



Born in Alamo, Tenn., Sims grew up "in the newspaper plant," since his father, Leslie Sims, was editor and publisher for Sims Publications and published *The Crockett Times*. He received a bachelor of arts degree from Union University and master's degrees

in journalism and political science from the University of Wisconsin at Madison. He was a graduate of the Naval War College as well as a Rotary Foundation fellow.

After retiring from the Navy, Sims joined National Geographic in 1987 as the Society's first vice president of communications. He was promoted to senior vice president in 1989 and also served on the Society's board of trustees.

During his 14-year tenure at the Society, Sims established the magazine group, bringing together all business aspects of *National Geographic*, *National Geographic Traveler*, *National Geographic World* (now *National*

Geographic Kids) and *National Geographic Adventure* magazines. He retired as executive vice president and magazine group president of the National Geographic Society in 2001.

John Fahey, National Geographic Society president and chief executive officer, said, "Bob was a smart, strategic leader, with a quick wit that inspired all of us to be as thoughtful and thorough as he was every day ... He was consistently kind and quick to praise those who worked for him for a job well done. He will be missed by people all over the National Geographic and official Washington, who sought his advice and counsel on a regular basis." ☞

Billy J. Duckworth ('56)
October 31, 2002 Canyon Lake, Calif.

Edward Franklin ('32)
May 26, 2003 Texas City, Texas

Gene Becker Hadley ('52)
October 12, 2003 Granbury, Texas

Nancy E. Hampton ('54)
September 26, 2003

Charles J. Hayes ('40)
October 11, 2003 Jackson, Tenn.

Mary Ann Herron ('39)
August 31, 2003

Charles Billy Hicks ('54)
July 21, 2003 Trenton, Tenn.

Mayoma Hicks ('31)
September 6, 2003 Jefferson City, Tenn.

John Raymond Jaggars ('38)
September 21, 2003 Ramer, Tenn.

Malcolm A. Jones ('51)
April 20, 2003 Cleveland, Tenn.

Eloise Jackson Key ('39)
August 10, 2003 Jackson, Tenn.

Wayne Elco Kiestler ('53)
April 13, 2003 Selmer, Tenn.

Dorothy Sanders Luckey ('46)
June 5, 2003 Humboldt, Tenn.

Betty Boothe Martin ('33)
September 26, 2003 Somerville, Tenn.

John P. Montgomery ('61)
June 2, 2003 Keller, Texas

Betty C. Middleton ('69)
August 5, 2003 Jackson, Tenn.

Erle Ridley Mulherin ('40)
September 2, 2003 Brownsville, Tenn.

Joe Ann Pate ('52)
August 25, 2003 Jackson, Tenn.

Patricia Spence Pruitt ('84)
April 30, 2003 Jackson, Tenn.

Marvin T. Robertson ('50)
January 1, 2003 Murray, Ky.

Frances W. Rollins ('41)
April 24, 2003 Pompano Beach, Fla.

Helen Pennington Rooks ('25)
August 1, 2003 Memphis, Tenn.

Margaret Loudean Sanders ('58)
June 29, 2003 Knoxville, Tenn.

Charles "Chuck" Sikler ('86)
April 17, 2003 Logansport, Ind.

Robert Bell Sims ('56)
September 10, 2003 Jackson, Tenn.

James Paul Sloan ('28)
June 4, 2003 Houston, Texas

Gladys Ivy Stone ('33)
June 3, 2003 St. Petersburg, Fla.

Reggie D. Thompson ('70)
October 15, 2003 Memphis, Tenn.

Clarice Franks Walker ('35)
July 20, 2003 Bruceton, Tenn.

Dora Elizabeth Whitworth ('39)
August 14, 2003 Somerville, Tenn.

Mary Jo Wilkins ('66)
May 5, 2003 Jackson, Tenn.

Carl Tric Williams ('34)
June 4, 2003 Jackson, Tenn.

In Memoriam: Carl F.H. Henry

Carl F.H. Henry, a noted evangelical theologian and journalist, died Dec. 7 in Watertown, Wis. following a lengthy illness. He was 90 years old.

Henry's contributions to the evangelical Christianity were great and far-reaching. From his position as the first editor of *Christianity Today* to his many published volumes, Henry is credited with helping shape the defense of evangelicalism as historically true and intellectually credible.

A Southern Baptist, Henry was a member of Capitol Hill Baptist Church in Washington, D.C.

Union University President David S. Dockery said he greatly admired Henry. In 2000 Dockery was selected to present Henry with the Christian Council of Colleges and Universities' Mark O. Hatfield Leadership Award.

"Few people in the 20th century have done more to articulate the importance of coherent Christian world and life view than Carl F.H. Henry," Dockery said during the award presentation.

Dockery said Henry's books and articles, more than 50 in the past 40 years, have "called for serious engagement with our culture and the issues of our day."

"Henry's irenic spirit has enabled him to interact with others in an accepting way while holding unapologetically to the truthfulness of historic Christianity."

Union University maintains a center for Christian leadership named in his honor, the Carl F.H. Henry Center for Christian Leadership. A similar center at The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary is also named after Henry.

