



Randy Walls (above), director of Continuing Education at AGTS, won the longest drive contest.



The team from Central AG, Springfield, Mo., poses with AGTS President Byron D. Klaus (center). Left to right: Kyle Hammond, youth pastor; Mike McCrary (M.A. 2008), pastor of young life and family ministries; Craig Cunningham, former connections pastor, now senior pastor of Desert AG in Palm Desert, Calif.; and Shane Letterman, church member.

AGTS HOSTS FIRST ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

On May 1 AGTS held its first annual golf tournament in conjunction with 2008 graduation activities. Sixty-four golfers enjoyed beautiful Rivercut Golf Course, Springfield, Mo., despite windy conditions.

Altogether the tournament raised over \$3,000 for student scholarships. This was very encouraging for a

first-year tournament, and next year promises to produce even greater participation and more scholarship funds raised.

See the next page for tournament photos, or view the entire photo gallery at www.agts.edu/more/golfphotos.

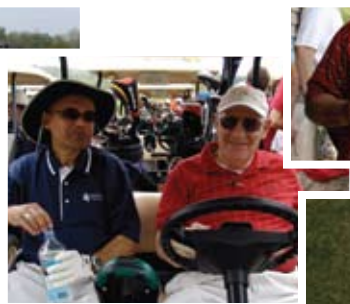
FIRST ANNUAL AGTS GOLF TOURNAMENT



The winning team in the top flight (above) shot a 14-under 58: Roy Tennison, Vic Campbell, Scott Tennison and John Craig of Faith AG in Forsyth, Mo.



The winning team in the second flight (right), Matt Jernigan, Dave Woolston, Lance Weigel and Mike Worley, shot a 3-under 69.



The team sponsored by the Assemblies of God Credit Union (AGCU) included President/CEO Ed Hirsch (far left) and Chief Financial Officer Paul Ebisch (M.Div. 1998), far right.



Several local businesses and churches sponsored the tournament. AGCU was the Platinum Sponsor.

Other sponsors included Gospel Publishing House, Mediacom Communications, Commerce Bank, Central AG in Springfield, Mo., Oak Grove AG in Springfield, Mo., Clary's Restaurant, Incredible Pizza Company, Dent Eliminator, AG World Missions—Asia Pacific Region and First AG in Richland, Mo.

COMMUNITIES OF THE FAITH



The Communities of the Faith initiative, unveiled at the 2008 President's Brunch on May 3, is designed to honor AGTS churches who want to ensure that the legacy of Pentecostal faith is transferred to subsequent generations of ministers.

Communities of the Faith churches have established an endowed fund at AGTS in the amount of \$25,000 or more to provide scholarships for seminary students. Two churches are founding members of this initiative.

Max Yeary, pastor of Christian Life Center in Ft. Lauderdale, Fla., told his story via video at the brunch. His church gave all the offerings taken one Sunday to AGTS. This gift totaled \$100,000 and enabled AGTS to provide \$50,000 in current scholarships and \$50,000 in an endowed fund for future scholarships. (Watch the five-minute video at www.agts.edu/more/yeary.)

Another supporting pastor, Dr. Drexel Brunson of First AG, Ocala, Fla., has a vision to see Pentecostal leaders receive top-quality education, to expand the kingdom of God into places where it is most needed, and to partner with AGTS and its mission to shape servant leaders. Thank you Pastor Yeary and Dr. Brunson!

WHAT CAN I DO?

Contribute...

either a one-time gift or a monthly gift toward an endowment in the name of the church you wish to honor as part of Communities of the Faith.

Tell...

a pastor friend about the significance of scholarships for future leaders, and encourage him or her to contact AGTS to set up an endowed fund.

Recruit...

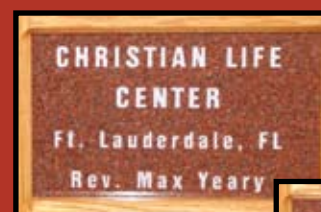
others to contribute. The gifts can come from either a church or a district.

Give...

one Sunday's offerings to AGTS to initiate an endowment. Subsequent donations can build on this investment.

Pray...

for 10 new churches to join this initiative to provide scholarships for students.



For more information on this or other opportunities for recognition, call the AGTS Development Office (417.268.1012).

ESTATE PLANNING

A legacy for today



Pentecostal preacher Cordas C. Burnett (right) was the first vice president of AGTS. Although he died in 1975, his legacy continues through the Cordas C. Burnett Center for Biblical Preaching, where new generations of Pentecostal preachers are being trained.

The first seven Burnett Preaching Fellows graduated in May. They are pictured above with Dr. Burnett's widow, Dorothy Field.

Top row, left to right: Dr. Doug Oss (director), Grant Curtis, Michael Burnette, Shannon Zabroski. Bottom row: Ryan Beaty, Gray Nordan, Dorothy Field, Cindy Kam, Ryan Fisher

Planting a legacy



You've worked hard and have been blessed by God in many ways. Now you want to give back—and perhaps leave a legacy in your name or honor a family member. While virtually everyone has the ability to leave a legacy, most do not do so. Would you prayerfully consider including an endowment at AGTS in your estate plan? The endowment can be named after an honoree and/or a specific area of interest (e.g., academic programs, faculty support, scholarships, facilities, technology, etc.). Some people find it convenient to make noncash gifts in the form of stocks, bonds, mutual funds, certificates of deposit, life-insurance policies, real estate, wills, annuities, trusts or other forms of appreciated assets.

For further information, contact Dorothea Lotter at 417.268.1000.

AGTS receives grant from Kern Family Foundation

In spring 2008 AGTS received a \$30,000 planning grant from the Kern Family Foundation in Waukesha, Wis. This grant is part of a new matching-grants initiative by the Kern Family Foundation titled “Leading Through Change: Innovation in Theological Schools.”

The purpose of the initiative is to strengthen evangelical seminaries accredited by the Association of Theological Schools through fresh thinking about how theological teaching, learning, research, governance and administration are done. AGTS is one of 10 seminaries selected to receive this planning grant. In 2009 the Kern Family Foundation will select up to five participating seminaries to receive matching grants up to \$500,000.



These D.Miss. participants received scholarships from the Chatlos Foundation grant. Top row, left to right: Paul Kazim (Peru, Mexico), Steven Lilly (Northern Asia), Paul Weis (Costa Rica). Bottom row: Scott Ennis (Nigeria), Glenn Garrison (Philippines), Dale Decker (Southern Asia).

Chatlos grant helps missionaries

The Chatlos Foundation, Inc., Longwood, Fla., has awarded AGTS a \$21,180 grant for matching scholarships for six missionaries enrolled in the new Doctor of Missiology Program, reducing their tuition cost by 40%.

Mr. William F. Chatlos established the foundation in 1953. A native of Bridgeport, Conn., he built his first house at the age of 17 and continued building in Connecticut, New York and Florida until his death in 1977. He said, “You can’t measure your worth by the values we place on our possessions. A calamity of only a few seconds can change all of that. Real worth is determined by what you do with what you have, be it large or small.”

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