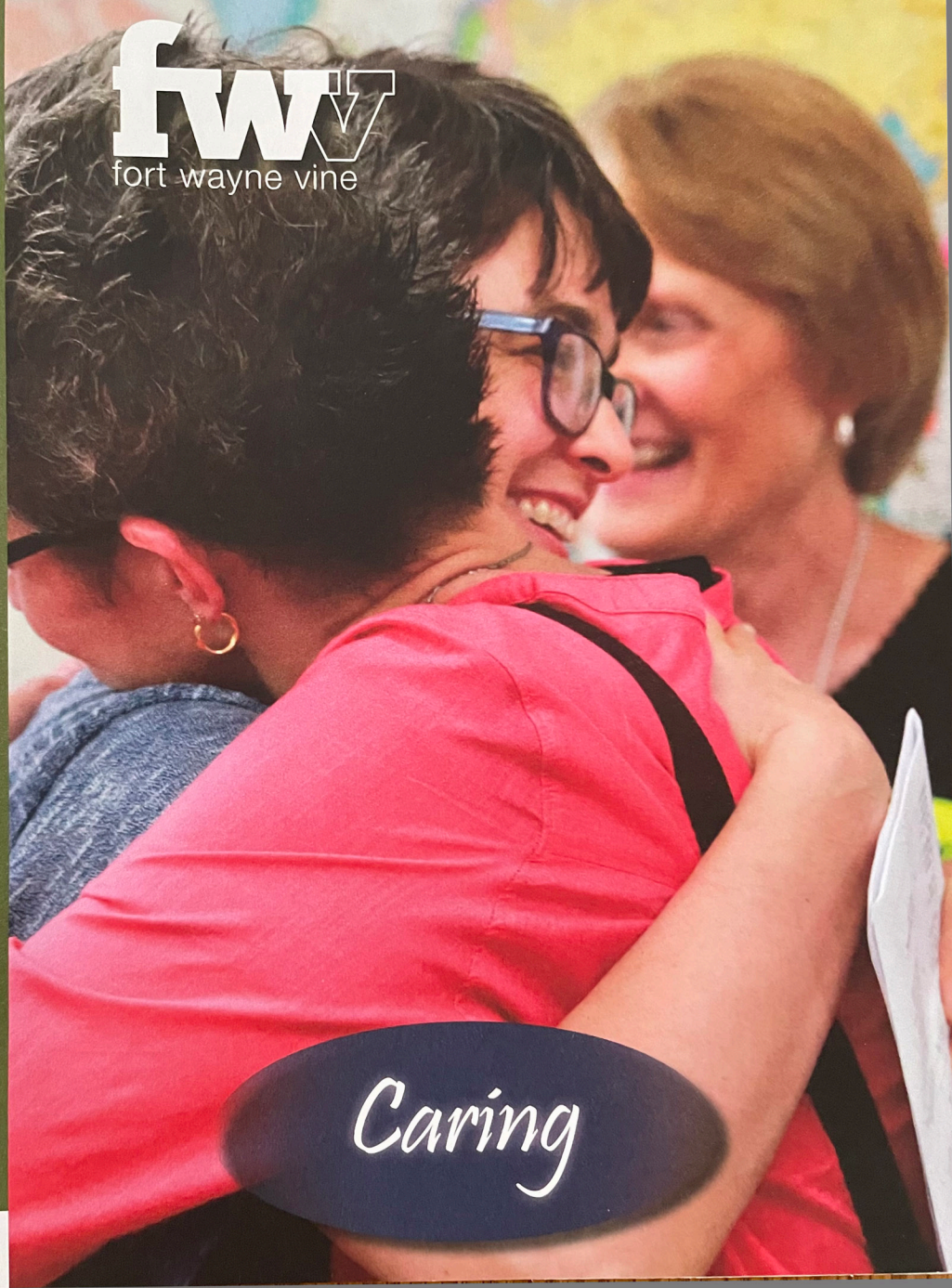

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Like Paul in his letters to the Church in the New Testament, "I give thanks each time I remember you," because I *care* for you.

Recently, I received an email from an alumna who was remembering and giving thanks for the prayers that your alumni prayer team had prayed for her. She concluded an email to me with "thank you for praying... thank you for ***caring.***"

Since the formation of your Alumni Center in June 2008, ***caring*** for our alumni has been our charge. While we are always blessed to *connect* and *celebrate* hundreds of alumni, our primary goal has always been to ***care*** for you.

This ministry of ***caring*** has taken different forms through the years, but praying for needs you send to us is our greatest privilege.

In this issue, we examine how alumni have cared for others at home, on the battlefield, and around the world. That ***caring*** is definitely worth *celebrating!*

Through the technology of our new mobile-friendly website, we're making it easier for you to submit your prayer requests and praises. I hope you will connect with us often through this free resource.

Caring for you is more than a slogan! It is a very important part of our mission.

We *CARE, connect,* and *celebrate* because of Him,

Michael

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Stephanie (Cox) Demorest Cares for You!

By Michael D. Mortensen g91

Whether answering your phone call, responding to your e-mails, sending a t-shirt to your newborn, or coordinating Reunion Weekend, **Stephanie (Cox) Demorest g93**, office manager, does it with excellence and love as she cares for you, our alumni.

Stephanie grew up in New Haven, Indiana, and transferred to the Fort Wayne campus as a sophomore biblical studies major in 1990. Interestingly, her father, **Joseph Cox g93,** was then also a student on the campus, so father and daughter graduated together.

While at Summit Christian, Stephanie and **Matthew Demorest g97** became good friends, and after a year of being "just friends," that friendship grew and the two were married in 1994. They welcomed their son, Zebadiah, now 16, in 2001.

After completing her Master of Arts in Religious Studies from Wake Forest University in 1999, new doors opened—first at Huntington University, where Stephanie taught the book of Romans, based on the course and excellent notes of **Dr. Wes Gerig g51**.

Stephanie also became an adjunct professor at TUFW from 2002-2009, teaching Old Testament Survey and New Testament Greek during the same years that she continued to teach Intro to New Testament and Intro to World Religions at Huntington.

Now back at the Alumni Center since 2015, Stephanie's greatest joys are connecting with alumni through mailing cards and packages and personally encountering alumni from multiple graduation years at alumni events. With a large smile, she recently shared with me the particular joy of seeing her former TUFW student **Delbert Lindley fs06** at Reunion Weekend 2017.

Not long ago, I overheard Stephanie talking on the phone with a Fort Wayne alumna who called for assistance downloading the Alumni Center website onto her phone. Since Stephanie was not familiar with the caller's mobile device, they were not able to complete the task via phone. Stephanie assured the caller that she would be very happy to meet with her personally to accomplish the download. But Stephanie did not rush on to conclude the phone conversation. Instead, with a deeply caring attitude, she asked the caller how she was doing post-surgery and expressed loving concern for the personal situation of the alumna. Stephanie's heart of caring extends beyond the surface needs of our alumni.

Yes, Stephanie **cares** for you and is here to serve you!

CARE

T.A. Strader g60

Darline Haller g58

Grad Cares for Alumna Wife, Darline (Haller) Strader

By Kayleen Reusser fs82

"God is in control. I trust him."

Those were the last seven words **Darline (Haller) Strader g58** wrote in May 2017, just four months before she entered Heaven. Three years earlier, she had been diagnosed with ALS (amyotrophic lateral sclerosis, a progressive neurodegenerative disease that affects nerve cells in the brain and the spinal cord). During those difficult three years, although Darline lost her ability to control her limbs, she never doubted God's goodness.

T.A. g60 and Darline Strader g58

Having met at Fort Wayne Bible College, **T.A. Strader g60** and Darline married in 1963 and lived in various locales around the U.S. as T.A. worked with Youth for Christ. They later settled in San Antonio, Texas.

In early 2014, Darline began to lose weight. Her speech became and remained hoarse, but several months passed before she was diagnosed with ALS. The Straders were understandably shaken but chose to lean on God for strength. "We began to pray not 'why us?' but 'what for?'," said T.A.

They recalled an illustration a friend had offered. "In situations like ours, when answers to the hardest questions are hidden, God creates a tapestry of our lives," T.A. explained. On the tapestry's back is a hodgepodge of ugly knots of every size and color. Nothing makes sense. "It's only when you turn it over that you can see what God is doing."

The disease seemed to become the controller of their schedules as T.A. and Darline repeated trips to medical appointments and facilities. God was their constant strength. According to T.A., God provided them with people like Dr. Dave Player, who helped them through the physical changes. "Dave was a good friend who saw Darline and helped us work through her symptoms for a diagnosis," he said. The University of Texas Health Science Center was another blessing.

"Darline saw doctors of different disciplines all in that one setting, rather than having to go to various appointments."

In November 2015, as the disease began to attack her respiratory system, Darline was put on a ventilator. In January 2016 she lost

her ability to speak and used an Etch-A-Sketch–like device to communicate. In June 2016 she received a feeding tube.

T.A. held fast to his wedding vows. For better, for worse, in sickness and in health had been his commitment. As her principal caregiver, T.A. cleaned and changed tubes and lovingly cared for Darline's many physical needs. "Even when she didn't like something, like wearing a vent mask 24/7 and getting sores on her feet and back, she never complained," he said. "Her faith was solid all the way through."

By June 2016, Darline was placed on hospice and then in November, she was confined to bed and hospice staff joined T.A. in caring for her. The Straders' son lived next door and visited his parents daily. He provided a way for his mother to daily watch her favorite TV show, Wheel of Fortune.

When Darline passed from physical to eternal life on September 10, 2017, T.A. was by her side. His challenge goes forth to every couple: "We made vows to each other 54 years ago 'in sickness and in health,'" he said. "Every couple needs to understand what that kind of commitment means."

While it is too soon for T.A. to know exactly how his life will change, he relies on friends at his church, Wayside Chapel in San Antonio, and Christian friendships forged during his days at Fort Wayne Bible College for support.

No matter the future direction of his life, T.A. knows his faith will remain constant. "We are believers by choice," he said. "God has redeemed us and we are his children. He'll care for his children one way or another. I still have questions, but I believe in the sovereignty of God and that he doesn't make mistakes, based on Romans 8:28-29. We may not understand this side of Heaven what God is doing, but when we get to Heaven, it won't matter."

Crusader's Quartet

The Rest of the Story...

Almost by accident, T.A. was part of one of the college's most famous singing groups. **Paul Robbins g60** (first tenor), **Ed Terui g60** (second tenor), **Paul Brennan g60** (baritone), and **T.A.** (bass) were chosen by **Don Rohrs g48** to be the Crusaders Quartet.

"None of us had been assigned our obligatory Christian service requirements," he said. "We were the leftovers, but later, we represented the college during tours and were asked to sing on the radio." **Ken Mays g60** accompanied them on piano.

Over the years, the quartet reunited several times for performances, as late as 2013. "We've sung in the same churches as we did in 1958," he said. "People remarked that they remembered us but our voices had changed."

Listen to the Crusaders Quartet at this link: http://bit.ly/FWBCCrusaders.

CARE

Brad Ulick g88

Ulick Cares for Marines; FWBC Friends Care for Him

By Kayleen Reusser fs82

On the evening of October 22, 1983, **Brad Ulick g88** left his barracks around the Beirut International Airport in Lebanon for the command post. He went to a rooftop observation post to watch the fighting, which had started in perimeter positions, mostly by snipers of faction groups. His unit, the 24th Marine Amphibious Unit, was due to be relieved in two months and emotions were high.

"We were happy because we were going to make it home," he said.

Brad had enlisted in the Marines in 1980. His unit was assigned to hot spots around the world to help relieve areas of trouble. For months tensions had been high between Israel and the Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO). British, Italian, and French forces were also in Lebanon to maintain peace. However, conditions had continued to deteriorate with nightly firefights.

Brad Ulick g88

Suddenly on that October night, tracer rounds and explosions began falling hard around the area. "It was a horrific firefight," said Brad, who felt a bullet's impact in a sandbag six-inches from his head.

He took cover in a bombed-out building and fell asleep in a vacant rack rather than risking movement across an open area. Brad was awakened the next morning to a terrific explosion and felt pancaked as debris fell on top of him. He may have been knocked out as he is unable to remember how much time passed. Crawling out, he was shaken to see a fellow Marine in shock with an eye missing. Brad loaded the Marine into a jeep and took him to an aid station located nearby.

When the surgeon asked Brad what had happened, he admitted he didn't know. "I suspected the barracks had taken a direct hit by an artillery shell," he said.

It was later determined two truck bombs had struck the separate barracks housing United States and French military forces. "I was the only Marine of my unit to survive the attack," said Brad.

The bombs caused the deaths of 220 Marines, 18 Navy sailors, and three Army soldiers. Eighty-one Americans were injured and 58 French troops were also killed.

The tragedy represented the single deadliest day for the United States Marine Corps since the Battle of Iwo Jima in World War II. It was also the deadliest single attack on Americans overseas since World War II. The Palestinian Islamic Jihad claimed responsibility for the bombings.

When Brad returned to the scene of the attack, he saw dead bodies everywhere. "For one guy who was still alive," he said. "I held him until he died in my arms."

Brad was assigned to identify the bodies. For four days he worked without sleep. At

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one point, he found the bodies of both of his good friends.

Due to Brad's presence in the morgue, his name was not listed as a survivor. "For six days my family in Peoria, Illinois, was told I was MIA and presumed dead," he said.

In 1985 Brad was discharged from military service and enrolled at Fort Wayne Bible College (FWBC) to pursue a degree in pastoral ministry. "I needed a small, intimate campus to become human again," he said. Brad was familiar with FWBC as he had enrolled while overseas for a correspondence course in philosophy from FWBC. During the explosion in Lebanon, the materials had disintegrated.

Brad graduated from FWBC in 1988. He credits staff member **Dick Baxter g70** and students **Scott Liechty g86, Ron Williams g87,** and **Dave Gruber g85** for their support. "They listened to me and didn't judge me for being in the Marines," he said.

Brad later earned a master's degree in ministry of theology from Bethel College in Mishawaka, Indiana. Brad followed the Lord's calling and served as a police chaplain and church pastor for 20 years.

However, within months of the attack, Brad began to feel chronically ill with bronchitis-related symptoms.

"A medical specialist said I had the same physical symptoms as the first responders at the 9/11 attack," he said. The cause was thought to be the dust from buildings at the attack in Lebanon. Brad was eventually diagnosed with service-connected combat injuries and classified as disabled.

Brad Ulick g88, wife Kim (Parker) g90 and their two children

Today, his health is stable and Brad works for **Scott Holmes g89** at ABI Attachments. He and his wife, **Kim (Parker) g90**, the daughter of an Air Force veteran, are parents to two children. They live in Elkhart, Indiana.

CELEBRATE

REVISITED

Reunion Weekend Presented Doors of Opportunity

By Michael D. Mortensen g91 & Dr. Jay Plate g69

Alumni returned from 13 states and Japan for Reunion Weekend 2017 on September 22 and 23.

The Class of 1967 50th reunion, led by **Sharon (Walter) Hull g67**, and the teacher education reunion, co-led by **Naomi (Buckels) Heidelberg g69** and **Sari (Pafford) Harris g88,** headlined our time together.

The Classes of 1992-1997 reunion also had wonderful times together crashing the teacher education reunion, visiting Zesto on Broadway, playing kickball with their former dean Carolyn Arthur, and dining at Casa.

The Fort Wayne Campus Alumni and Friends Heritage Association presented alumni awards to **Flossie (Johnson) Epley g77, Amy (Level) Warren g92,** and **Dr. Gary Wilber g73** for Distinguished Alumnus for Professional Achievement. **Susi (Laymon) Jones g71** was awarded the Distinguished Alumna for Service to Her Alma Mater.

Char (Miller) Binkley g64

On Saturday morning, **Char (Miller) Binkley g64** shared an inspirational talk entitled *"Let Me Call You a Door Knob"* encouraging alumni to open doors of opportunities for others and to open a door of prayer for someone specific in their lives.

On Saturday afternoon Flossie, Amy, and Gary gave insight about God's faithfulness in opening "Doors of Opportunity" for them on their journeys.

Go to http://bit.ly/FWReunion2017 to see additional pictures and videos.

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Shellie Kale g91

Esther Diller g49

Prayer Leads to Long Distance Friendship

By Keith Osmun g06

Esther (Diller) Parker g49 and **Shellie (Kale) Burden g91** have never met. Shellie lives in Indiana and Esther lives in Arizona. But both are connected through a deep bond forged through the Fort Wayne Alumni Volunteer Prayer Team.

"When **Violet (Egley) Ringenberg g45** retired from leading the prayer team, **Michael Mortensen g91**, director of Fort Wayne alumni and friend relations, asked if I would be willing to step up and lead it. I was so nervous because everyone knew and loved Violet," Shellie said.

Shellie (Kale) Burden g91

Her nervousness eased when an older alumna, Esther, now in her 90s, started to send her notes of encouragement by email.

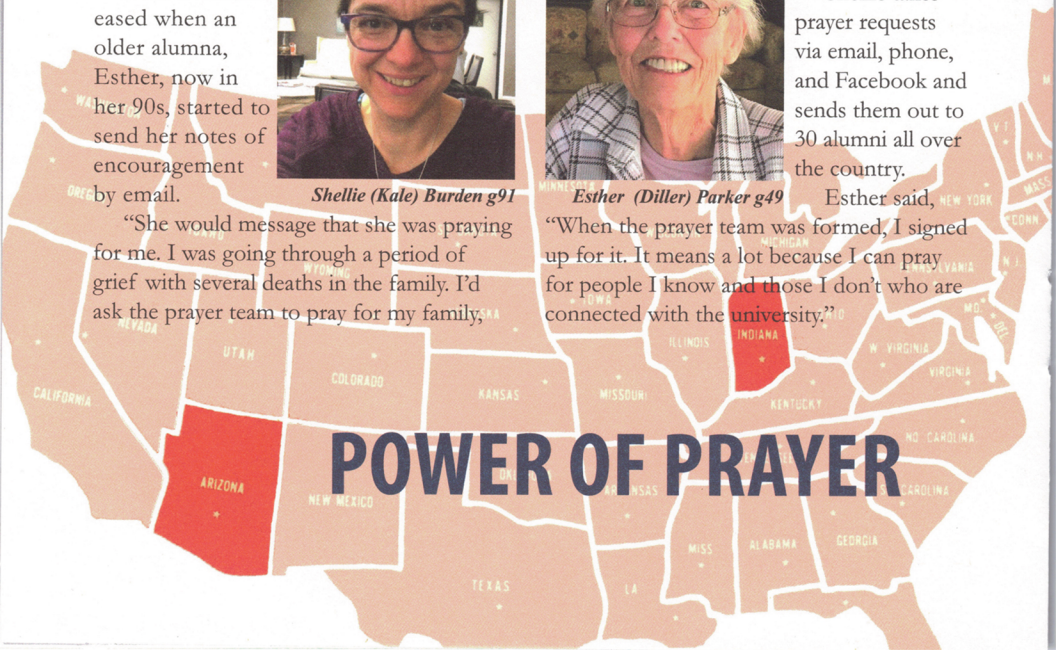
"She would message that she was praying for me. I was going through a period of grief with several deaths in the family. I'd ask the prayer team to pray for my family, and Esther was so kind to email back and encourage me. If I don't meet her in this life, I look forward to meeting her in Heaven."

Despite their age difference and geographical distance, Esther initially felt drawn to Shellie because they found something they had in common. "I met Shellie while I had a girl living with me for a while so she could save money to go on a world race. I found out Shellie's daughter was in a younger age group in the same race. That's when we first began connecting with each other."

Esther (Diller) Parker g49

Shellie takes prayer requests via email, phone, and Facebook and sends them out to 30 alumni all over the country.

Esther said, "When the prayer team was formed, I signed up for it. It means a lot because I can pray for people I know and those I don't who are connected with the university."



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Use your smartphone to submit the latest News Note.

Class of 1975

Jan (Shorey) Zinck g75 retired from nursing after 41 years at the same hospital in New England. The very next day, Jan moved 750 miles away to the Lynchburg, VA, area. She is looking forward to spending much more time with her daughters and five grandchildren.

Class of 1975

George g76 and Twane **Cecil** have retired after 47 years of ministry in Indiana, Illinois, Michigan, and Florida—the last 24 years at Cornerstone Wesleyan Church in Merriam, IN, where they served as pastor and school administrator, respectively. The Cecils have moved to Fort Wayne.

Class of 1981

Allen Shaw g81 has just published his second children's book, entitled *Brainstorms! A Big Hole and the North Pole*. The book is available on Amazon.

Class of 1985

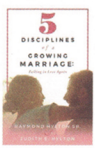
Darryl Brown g85 has a new position at Platinum Wealth Partners, Inc.

Allen Rassi g85 was awarded the President's Award by the St. Marys' Kiwanis Club for his outstanding leadership and service. Allen and his wife, **Rebecca Sprow-Rassi fs85**, live in St. Marys, GA.

Class of 1986

After serving 42 years in pastoral ministry, **Rev. Tim g86** and Becky **Yazel** have been accepted as full-time missionaries with SonSet Solutions. They're looking to speak at churches, Sunday school classes, and Bible studies to spread the word about the ministry at SonSet Solutions, as well as to gain financial and prayer support. To contact the Yazels, go here: sonsetsolutions.org/staff/tim-becky-yazel.

Ray g86 and **Judith g93 Hylton** have authored a new book called *5 Disciplines of a Growing Marriage*. The book is available on Amazon.



Class of 1987

Rev. Ken Sistrunk g87 was installed as the new pastor at North Manchester Missionary Church in North Manchester, IN. He and his wife, **Joanne (Kingsbury) g84**, started in this new role in late May.

Class of 1991

Angela (Crum) Ayers g91 has been named interim principal for Little Turtle Elementary School in Columbia City, IN.

Class of 1993

Stephanie (Cox) Demorest g93 was promoted to office manager for the Fort Wayne Alumni Center in August. **Matthew g97** is the facility manager at Brookside Church in Fort Wayne. Their son, Zebadiah, is now 16.

Mark g93 and Danielle **Hull** became parents to an adopted baby girl, Olivia Mia Grace Hull, who was born on June 17, weighing 6 lbs., 11 oz., and measuring 19.5 inches. Grandparents **Bill g69** and **Sharon (Walter g67) Hull** are also doing fine.

April Oliver g93 has returned from Belize, where she served as a teacher. She is now preparing to serve in Colombia with Global Transformational Ministries, where she will help those who have been victimized by human trafficking once her support is raised. April can be found on Facebook, or gifts can be made to "English Teacher" in the memo section at www.tministries.org/donate.

Class of 1997

The Fort Wayne Newspapers selected **Gary Rowland g97** as their sales representative of the month for August. Gary and his wife, Kelly, and their two boys are in the process of raising support to serve in New York City with International Project.

Mark g97 and **Tonya (Strubhar g02) Hammond** are stepping into a campus pastor role at the Sonrise Church Roanoke campus on 12220 Lower Huntington Rd. Mark formerly served 10 years as the youth pastor at Sonrise.

Class of 1998

Kevin DeVries g98 was interviewed by superstation WGN for receiving a thank you note from Kris Bryant, 3B for the Chicago Cubs, for a wedding gift he and **Cathy (Hoover) g99** sent the Bryants for their wedding. The DeVries sent two towels because of the symbolism and servant leader example Jesus set in His Word.

Toupins Care for Sick in Sierra Leone

Cathy (Austin) g85 and Dr. Richard **Toupin** recently spent seven weeks in Mattru Jong, Sierra Leone, serving at the U. B. C. Mission Hospital. Cathy supervised and taught nurses on four units along with helping Richard care for inpatients/outpatients, and in the operating room.

The Toupins had previously served in Mattru from 1990-92, in the southern part of Sierra Leone, at the same time **Steve g80** and **Sheila (Hilty g82) Harrigan** were serving in the north.

Why do the Toupins keep going back? "God's Word, 1 John 3:16-20, and love compels us," Cathy explained. "How can we ignore the tremendous needs of the people we care about?"

The Toupins have four children and live just north of Fort Wayne. They plan to return to Sierra Leone and other countries to care, both physically and spiritually, for those who are suffering around the world.

Class of 2000

Rick Henderson g00 has moved with his wife and children to Woodland Park, CO, to attend Charis Bible College in the evenings.

Cliff Pappe g00 was promoted to major in the Army National Guard in July. Serving in the 135th Chaplain Detachment, based out of Terre Haute, IN, Major Pappe will deploy again in March 2018.

Class of 2001

Rev. Kelley g01 and Kelly **Sewell** welcomed Ellison (Elsie) JeanAnn Sewell on July 14. She weighed 8 lbs., 4 oz., and was 19 in. long. She joins Jovanna (3). Kelley is the pastor of adult ministries at Grabill Missionary Church in Grabill, IN.

Class of 2002

Justin Spurlock g02 recently accepted the call by Grace Presbyterian Church in Highlands Ranch, CO, to serve as their senior pastor beginning October 16. Justin and **Sarah (Vestal) g02**, who owns Denver Counseling Solutions, have one son, Case.

Paul g02 and **Ashley (Brandy g03) Kellogg** adopted four-year-old Frances Joy YuTang from Hohhot, Inner Mongolia, China, and three-year-old Finton Scott KangTe from Taiyuan City, Shanxi, China, in July 2015. Then, they welcomed Trixie Darlene Diane, born on January 28, 2016, who weighed 9 lbs., 2 oz., and was 21.5 in. long. The Kellogg family moved from Fort Wayne to Columbia City in February. Other children at home include Kyler (14), Gracelyn (13), Brynnan (11), Ezekiel (9), and Myra (8).

Class of 2004

Tim g06 and **Beth (Manon g04) Groman** welcomed Jeremiah Arthur into his forever family on July 18. A month later, Beth gave birth to Abel Michael August 18. He was 6 lbs., 14 oz., and 21 in. long. These boys join Zeke.

Nancy Watta g04 is leading a Relationships of the Heart conference/workshop for men and women in Fort Wayne, IN. The link: www.relationshipswithn.wixsite.com/conferences

Class of 2005

Michelle (Cooper) g05 and Jeremy **White** welcomed Flora Marie, born on July 15. She weighed 7 lb., 4 oz., and was 19.5 in. long. Flora was welcomed by Micah (6), Asher (4), and Josie (2).

Patrick Jessup g05 married Jessica Yoder on September 9 at the Huber Opera House in Hicksville, OH. Patrick practices law at Yoder & Kraus, P.C. in Kendallville, IN.

Mosers Retire After 55 Years

Rev. Howard g61 and **Ruth (Ringenberg g61) Moser** recently retired from World Partners after 55 years of ministry in Costa Rica, Ecuador, and Spain.

After language school in Costa Rica, they began working among the Cayapa Indians in Ecuador. Howard and Ruth spent a number of years reviving and expanding the church in the coastal town of San Lorenzo. While Howard preached, Ruth served as a nurse and cared for the couple's three children. In 2002, they transferred to Spain, where they continued ministering full-time and even into partial retirement.

Ruth (Ringenberg) Moser g61 & Rev. Howard g61

In addition to their work abroad, the Mosers have played an important role in coaching individuals in discipleship at the Keystone Project in South Dakota.

Class of 2006

Kim (Manon) g06 and Ramon **Esquivel** finalized the adoptions of their two foster sons of two years, Tristan and Bentlee, on January 23. The Esquivel family lives in Defiance, OH.

Class of 2007

Joseph g07 and Allysa **Graves** launched Central City Church in Columbus, OH. They welcome your prayers and participation, especially for those who live in the area.

Amy (Badowski) g07 and Matt **Boeke** welcomed their second set of twin girls on April 18. Meredith Quinlyn, who was 7 lb., 2 oz., and Rachel Tamsyn, who was 6 lb., 9 oz., join four-year old twin sisters Amelia and Heather.

Class of 2008

Thomas Cannariato fs08 is asking for prayer for his wife, **Jenni (Ritschard) g10**, who has been diagnosed with a mass in her brain that has been causing numbness and ringing in her right ear. Thomas and Jenni married on June 9, 2012, and then they welcomed Judah on June 15, 2017. Thomas works for Apple and Jenni works for Westside: A Jesus Church. The couple lives in Tigard, OR.

Class of 2010

Hilary Fleischmann g10 was promoted by Benchmark Human Services in Marion, IN, where she serves as an employment consultant.

Laurie Filson g10 married Jacob **Terpstra** on October 14 in Indianapolis, IN. The couple will continue to reside in Indianapolis.

Class of 2012

Caitlin (Wilson g12) married Brian **Israel** in Kansas City, MO, on October 14. The Israels will live in Hastings, NE, where Caitlin works as the director of operations for a book publicity group based in Seattle and where Brian serves as a public defender for the county.

In Memorial

Amy (Leightner) Burley g47, 92, went home to be with the Lord on August 8. She is survived by her husband, **Robert Burley g52**, who lives in North Manchester, IN.

Charles Joder fs47, 91, passed away on September 27 in Fort Wayne. He had spent 14 years with his family serving in French West Africa before working for Dana Corporation for 39 years. His wife, **Mildred Pauline (McMichael) fs47**, who he met at Fort Wayne Bible Institute, preceded him in death.

Dr. Gaius Steiner g57 passed away on October 14 in Hacienda Heights, CA. Gus was a clinical psychologist for over 42 years. Surviving is his wife, **Melva (Rousselle) g57**.

Darline (Haller) Strader g58 passed away in San Antonio, TX, September 10 after battling ALS. She is survived by her husband, **T.A. Strader g60**. She had been an award-winning teacher and children's director in their church.

Joe Alvarez fs76 went to be with Jesus on May 29. He is survived by his wife, **Jan (Zimmerman) g75**, and their three children.

Sue Belknap, wife of former TUFW director of financial aid **Chuck Belknap**, passed away on September 28 after a long battle with Parkinson's disease. Sue had been a teacher at Fort Wayne Christian School. The Belknaps have the Charles & Suzanne Belknap Endowed Scholarship at Taylor University.

Eileen (Lageer) Warner g49, 93, wife of **Dr. Timothy g50**, former president of Fort Wayne Bible College from 1971 to 1980, went to be with her Lord and Savior on August 30.

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Did you enjoy reading this copy of your *Fort Wayne Vine*? Were you blessed as you read how alumni around the world are *caring* for others, and how those of us at your Alumni Center are *caring* for you? We *care* because He *cares* for us!

We shared these touching stories, updates, and pictures, along with News Notes, to encourage you and all alumni whose lives intersected at Rudisill and Indiana.

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