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### **MEMORIALS**

#### HERMAN A. HOYT

Herman A. Hoyt was born on March 12, 1909, the oldest of ten children born to Clarence Lyman and Anna Leola (Dorsey) Hoyt in Greenfield, Iowa. Herman placed his faith in Christ because of the influence of his mother and several godly pastors of the Brethren Church at Dallas Center, Iowa. After the eighth grade Herman taught for one year in a country school, then became valedictorian of his high school class. Following high school, the entire family moved to Ashland, Ohio, where Herman attended their denominational school, Ashland College. On August 30, 1930, Herman and his childhood sweetheart, Harriet Lucile Fitz, were married.

Herman received his A.B. (as valedictorian) and his Th.B. degree (with highest honors) from Ashland College and Seminary, then was called upon to teach in that seminary until 1937, at which time he co-founded, with Alva J. McClain, Grace Theological Seminary. Moving the school to Winona Lake, Indiana, in 1939, Herman served as professor of New Testament, registrar, and later as dean, then president from 1962–1976. During that time he also earned his B.D., Th.M., and Th.D. degrees.

Herman Hoyt served on the Board of Trustees the Winona Lake Christian Assembly, the American Association for Jewish Evangelism, and Bryan College which awarded him an honoary LLD. He twice served as moderator of the Fellowship of Grace Brethren Churches.

He had a large Bible conference ministry, primarily as an expositor of the Word, but found time to write eight books and numerous articles. He was a charter member of the Evangelical Theological Society (1950), and though busy with many other ministries, always found time to read the society's publications. He was a great encourager of those in the ministry.

Herman's publications were numerous, including This Do in Remembrance of Me (1947), All Things Whatsoever I Have Commanded You (1948), Then Would My Servants Fight (1958), and various contributions to the Brethren Quarterly. Moody published The End Times (1969), and Hoyt contributed to The Meaning of the Millennium: Four Views (InterVarsity, 1977), and War: Four Christian Views (InterVarsity, 1981). BMH Books published Hoyt's Commentary on Revelation, Studies in II Peter, The United States in Prophecy and An exposition of the Epistle to the Hebrews.

Several years after retirement from Grace Theological Seminary, Herman and Harriet moved to Lancaster, Pennsylvania, to be near their son, Max. Harriet died in 1995, and Herman joined her with Christ on August 29, 2000. Herman's funeral was conducted on September 2 in Strasburg, Pennsylvania. He lived ninety-one years, five months, and seventeen days.

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Herman is survived by his two sons, Joseph Paul of Walworth, WI, and Edwin Max of Pequea, PA; three grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; four brothers, Garner E. and Lowell, each of Dayton, TN, Solon W. of Winona Lake, IN, Eldon D. of Indianapolis, IN; and a sister, Thelma Gehman of Winona Lake, IN.

#### RICHARD THORNTON MCINTOSH

Richard Thornton McIntosh was born on April 22, 1930, in Norwalk, Ohio, the second of the two children born to William A. and Ruth C. (Gilbert) McIntosh. After his father's passing in 1934, Richard and his sister Moya were reared by their mother during the depths of the depression. Richard trusted Christ as Savior through the outreach of Calvary Baptist Church (GARBC) of Norwalk, Ohio, at the age of nine. Even before he was graduated from high school, Richard sensed his call to the ministry and was actively involved as leader of the youth group at Calvary Baptist where he spoke numerous times.

At Bryan College Richard majored in English and was actively involved in Christian service, even serving as president of the local Child Evangelism Fellowship. During his sophomore year, Richard met Barbara Ellen Becker as they washed dishes together on a work scholarship. They were married on September 15, 1951 at Grace Brethren Church in Troy, Ohio. One year later, Richard received his B.A. degree and began a two-year pastorate at Barbara's home church, Grace Brethren of Troy, while also working in a factory to support their growing family. Richard II was born in Troy in 1952 and Kathryn Sue joined them there in 1954.

From Troy, the family moved to Indiana and accomplished several important things. Richard enrolled in the B.D. program at Grace Theological Seminary in Winona Lake, Indiana, but lived in Tippecanoe where he also pastored the Congregational Christian Church from 1954–58. After Michael Thomas was born in 1958, and Richard had finished seminary, the family moved to Lima, Ohio, where Richard pastored the Northside Baptist Church from 1958–60. John Mark joined the family there in 1959.

Receiving a call from Cedarville College in 1960, Richard took up responsibilities as Dean of Students and part-time English teacher. He also developed the Christian service program and oversaw financial aid and campus security. In 1970, Richard resigned and began Th.D. work at Grace Theological Seminary, commuting with another Cedarville faculty member. Completing most of his residency, Richard returned to Cedarville College as associate professor of Bible, but also taught some doctrine, philosophy, missions, Christian education and Greek. He continued at Cedarville for the next fourteen years and led mission trips to Australia for five weeks in 1979 and to Togo, West Africa, in 1982.

From 1984–90, Richard pastored the Bible Baptist Church of Kokomo, Indiana, and then the First Baptist Church of Galion, Ohio, from 1990 until his retirement in 1998. Richard's health began to deteriorate in the 1980s, and he had angioplasty in 1986. It grew worse as the years progressed, and he later developed diabetes. After a massive heart attack, Richard passed

into the presence of the Lord on April 7, 2000, at the Kettering Hospital in Dayton, Ohio. His funeral was held at Grace Baptist Church of Cedarville, where Richard had lived and served for so many years. He is buried next to the Cedarville University campus in North Cemetery, so as he expressed it, he could "keep an eye on the dormitories."

Richard's life lacked just fifteen days of reaching three-score and ten years. He and Barbara were married for over forty-nine years. Richard loved gardening, walking, traveling, and reading, especially *JETS*. He had been a member of the Evangelical Theological Society since his student days at Grace, for more than forty years.

Richard is survived by his wife Barbara of Xenia, Ohio; his son, Richard II, and his wife, Margaret, of Orange, CA: his daughter, Kathryn, and her husband, Jack Gorby, of Fairborn, OH; his son, Michael, and his wife, TeriJo, of Cedarville, OH; his son, John Mark, and his wife, Danette, of Helena, MT; nine grandchildren and three great grandchildren; and his sister, Moya, and her husband, Glen Hamer, of Camden, AR.

#### TIMOTHY ROSS PHILLIPS

Timothy Ross Phillips was born in San Gabriel, California, on September 9, 1950, to W. Ross and Amilee (Long) Phillips. Timothy was the oldest of four children. He was born again at a Child Evangelism club at the age of eight or nine.

Timothy earned his B.A. degree from Wheaton College in 1972; his M.T.S. from Gordon Conwell Theological Seminary in 1974, and his Ph.D. from Vanderbilt University in 1986.

While at Wheaton, Timothy met Sandra Slighly, a nursing student, at a hayride in 1971. They were married two years later on August 24, 1973, at the home of Sandra's parents, Donald and Eunice Slighly on Gull Lake, Michigan.

Timothy returned to teach at Wheaton College in 1982 as assistant professor of Theology, eventually becoming professor of Historical and Systematic Theology. He was known for his commitment to teaching excellence, scholarship, and evangelism. He initiated and co-sponsored the Wheaton College Theology Conference Series, beginning in 1993. He sought to nurture the Third World church through the development of Theological Scholarship, and traveled in 1988 and 1990 to Nigeria, and made another trip to Kenya to teach graduate and post-graduate courses.

Timothy loved out-of-doors work, doing gardening with trees, berries, and bushes, and he loved reading and writing. He led the Wheaton in the Holy Land Trip in 1994, visiting and teaching through Israel, Egypt, Greece, and Turkey. He co-authored with Dennis Okholm, Welcome to the Family (Victor Books, 1996), and edited Christian Apologetics in a Post-Modern World (IVP, 1995), Four Views on Salvation in a Pluralistic World (Zondervan, 1995), and The Nature of Confession (IVP, 1996).

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Timothy Phillips was a member of the Evangelical Theological Society for the past thirteen years and was a member of the Wheaton Bible Church. He passed into the presence of Christ from his earthly home on September 27, 2000. He life span was five decades, two weeks and two days. He died of cancer after a two-year battle.

Timothy is survived by his wife Sandra; his nineteen year-old son, Aaron B. Phillips; his eleven year-old son, Caleb D. Phillips; two brothers, David of Phoenix, AZ, and Mark of San Francisco, CA; and a sister, Deborah Juranek of San Gabriel, CA.

#### ERNEST DINWOODIE PICKERING

Ernest Dinwoodie Pickering was born on December 14, 1928, in St. Petersburg, Florida, the oldest son of Ernest Joseph and Evelyn Ida Pickering, who were officers in the Salvation Army. The family lived and ministered in Florida, Maryland, West Virginia, Alabama, and Texas. Ernest came to know Christ as a teenager in Dallas, Texas.

Ernest Pickering received his A.B. degree from Bob Jones University in Greenville, South Carolina, in 1948, and his Th.M. and Th.D. degrees from Dallas Theological Seminary in 1952 and 1957, respectively. Ernest met his wife to be, Ariel Yvonne Thomas, during a summer pastorate in Colorado City, Texas. A student at Dallas Bible College, Yvonne came out to play the piano that summer. After their marriage on August 16, 1952 at Homestead Baptist Church in Houston, Texas, the couple moved to New Kensington, Pennsylvania, where Ernest pastored Maranatha Bible Church until 1957.

From 1957–59, Ernest was National Executive Secretary of the Independent Fundamental Churches of America. In 1959 he became pastor of Woodcrest Baptist Church in Fridley, Minnesota, and simultaneously served as Dean of Central Consevative Baptist Theological Seminary of Minneapolis until 1965. From 1965–69, Ernest pastored the Bible Baptist Church of Kokomo, Indiana, then became Dean at Baptist Bible College, Clarks Summit, Pennsylvania for one year, before serving as president of that institution for the next eight years.

From 1978–85 Ernest pastored Emmanuel Baptist Church of Toledo, Ohio, before accepting the call to be president of Northwest Baptist Seminary in Tacoma, Washington (1985–87). Ernest then returned to teach at Baptist Bible Seminary in Clarks Summit for one year. From 1988-93, Ernest served as pastor of the Fourth Baptist Church of Minneapolis, and also as the president of Central Baptist Theological Seminary, which was not only birthed but also still housed in the church's facilities.

Ernest authored numerous articles, booklets, and books. His works, *Biblical Separation*, *The Tragedy of Compromise*, *For the Hurting Pastor and Those Who Hurt Him*, and *Charismatic Confusion* have had wide circulation. His final work, *Our Tear-Washed Eyes: Why Does God Allow His People to Suffer?* was written after Ernest lost his sight.

Between 1993 and 1996, Ernest served as Deputation Director for Baptist World Mission, Decatur, Alabama, then as field representative from 1996 until his death. Dr. Pickering lost his eyesight as a result of radiation received in November, 1996, to treat cancer in his frontal sinuses. He was a voracious reader and served with all his strength. He loved his duties as husband, father, and grandfather. Ernest died on October 16, 2000. His life spanned seventy-one years, ten months, and two days. He was a member of the Evangelical Theological Society for forty of those years. Ernest Pickering's funeral at Summit Baptist Bible Church was attended by 350 fundamental and evangelical leaders and the message was delivered by Bob Jones University President, Bob Jones III.

Surviving are his wife, Yvonne of Clarks Summit, PA; daughter Dawn Jacobs and her husband Roger, also of Clarks Summit, PA; son Lloyd Ernest Pickering and his wife Kellie of Auburn, AL; three grandchildren Amber Jacobs, Derek Jacobs, and Northe Ernest Pickering, who was born on the very day Ernest died, and named for him; and a brother, William Pickering of Santa Ana, CA.