

MINISTRY UPDATE

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Check it out!
LifeWay presents a Resolution of Appreciation for Adrian Rogers
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Bringing the Gospel to Warden, South Africa

BRINGING THE GOSPEL TO ALL NATIONS

AS AUTUMN WELCOMES A BEAUTIFUL ARRAY OF COLOR, THE PASTOR TRAINING INSTITUTE EQUIPS DYNAMIC MINISTRY TEAMS IN SOUTH AFRICA, THROWS AN 80TH BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION FOR DR. ROGERS, AND STRENGTHENS TIES WITH LIFEWAY.

The Pastor Training Institute is happy to report the introduction of Dr. Rogers' teaching materials to South Africa! The small ministry team, *Shalom Warden Ministries*, contacted PTI earlier this fall in hopes of acquiring the "What Every Pastor Ought to Know" curriculum as soon as possible.

Petrus Ventor, at 59 years old, tours through many areas of rural South Africa and beyond, proclaiming the Gospel through teaching and music. His wife, Wina, joins him as they travel with another ministry known as *Gospel Express*.

Petrus shares, "Sometimes when we are on a gospel singing outreach, the people call me, 'Pastor.' As this was a sign from above, and inspired by the Holy Spirit, I decided to go to you for your pastor training course."

Like many Christian leaders, there are few opportunities for Petrus to attend Bible school or seminary. He needs training placed directly into his hands. And, in response, the Pastor Training Institute immediately sent them a training curriculum!



Faithfully harking to the call of the Great Commission they saw a particular need in South Africa for ministry to the elderly. They focus on retirement villages, old age homes, and homes for disadvantaged people.

"Thank you very much for this seed that you people sow into our lives; may you be blessed."
Petrus Ventur



Join us!
It's time to

Celebrate

The Adrian Rogers Pastor Training Institute, the Adrian Rogers family, and Faith Baptist Church (Bartlett, TN) hosted the Adrian Rogers 80th Birthday Celebration on September 18th. Now, they are heading to First Baptist Merritt Island, FL on October 16th *and you are invited*. No ticket needed, all are welcome!

This special event commemorates the life and legacy of one of the greatest Christian leaders of the last 100 years, Dr. Adrian Rogers. The afternoon festivities (from 3-5pm) will honor Dr. Rogers' life and ministry and celebrate the future extension of this legacy through the Pastor Training Institute's deployment of the online *Adrian Rogers School of Global Leadership*. When finished, this state-of-the-art website will feature the training of Dr. Adrian Rogers that will educate and equip hundreds of thousands of pastors around the world that are unable to attend seminary due to cost and inaccessibility.

Leading the music portion of the event will be Dr. Jim Whitmire, who presently serves as minister of music as First Baptist Church, Jacksonville. Dr. Whitmire served as Dr. Rogers' ministry of music for 38 years, starting with First Baptist Merritt Island and moving on to Bellevue Baptist Church.

Whitmire recently noted, "I am honored to be able to participate in this event where we can truly celebrate the legacy of a very unique servant of the Lord. I'm so excited that the Pastor Training Institute continues to carry on Dr. Rogers' legacy. He loved preachers—especially young preachers. This was the genesis of the Pastor Training Institute. He saw himself growing older and transferring his wisdom and experience onto the next generation. I don't think he had any idea of how global it would go, as the ministry is committed to training 1,000,000 pastors in 100 countries by the year 2020."



The opportunity to give is still available! We humbly request that friends and supporters of Dr. Rogers' legacy give a one-time gift of \$80 or more to help launch the Adrian Rogers School of Global Leadership.

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RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION FOR

Adrian P. Rogers

Steve and Joyce Rogers travel to Ridgecrest, NC to accept a Resolution from LifeWay president, Dr. Thom Rainer

Whereas, Adrian P. Rogers served as senior pastor of Bellevue Baptist Church in Cordova, Tennessee for thirty-two years; and

Whereas, During his ministry to Bellevue Baptist Church, he led the church to experience tremendous growth from nine thousand members in 1972, to nearly thirty thousand members upon his retirement in 2005; and



Whereas, He founded Love Worth Finding Ministries, a nationally syndicated television and radio ministry, which continues to broadcast the Gospel-impact of Adrian P. Rogers across America through more than 14,000 broadcast and cable television outlets, on nearly 2,000 radio station and translators, and in more than 150 countries around the world; and

Whereas, Ministers and students of the Word continue to receive benefit today from his pastoral wisdom and experience through numerous recorded sermons, published articles and books, and through the Adrian Rogers Pastor Training Institute for ministers; and

Whereas, He served the Southern Baptist Convention faithfully as President, elected to the office for three terms; and

Whereas, As a result of his clarion call to Gospel faithfulness and inerrancy to the Word of God, the Southern Baptist Convention entities and seminaries experienced a revival to biblical fidelity and conservatism; and

Whereas, He was known for his evangelistic zeal, bedrock conviction and integrity in proclaiming the Word of God; and
Whereas, He was recognized as one of the premier Southern Baptist pulpites and was affectionately termed the "Prince of Preachers;" and



Whereas, A large focus of his ministry calling reflected a commitment to seeing families restored, made healthy and renewed; and

Whereas, He and his wife, Joyce, reflected that commitment in their own home where they raised their four children Steve, Gayle, David,

and Janice; and

Whereas, This day, September 12, 2011, would have been the celebration of his eightieth birthday; now therefore be it

Resolved, That the members of the Board of Trustees of LifeWay Christian Resources of the Southern Baptist Convention meeting at LifeWay Ridgecrest Conference Center on September 12, 2011, express sincere and profound gratitude to the Lord Jesus Christ for the life and continued ministry impact of Adrian P. Rogers.

The First Baptist Church of Atlanta held the annual Bible Conference (hosted by Jerry Vines and Charles Stanley) where Steve Rogers and a PTI team showcased an exhibit for the ministry and gave away a special copy of the Adrian Rogers Legacy Collection to Pastor George Miller from Dover, TN.

If you were in the area, we hope that you were encouraged by attending the conference! There was solid Bible preaching and exceptional Southern Gospel music.



Atlanta Georgia



Steve's Itinerary

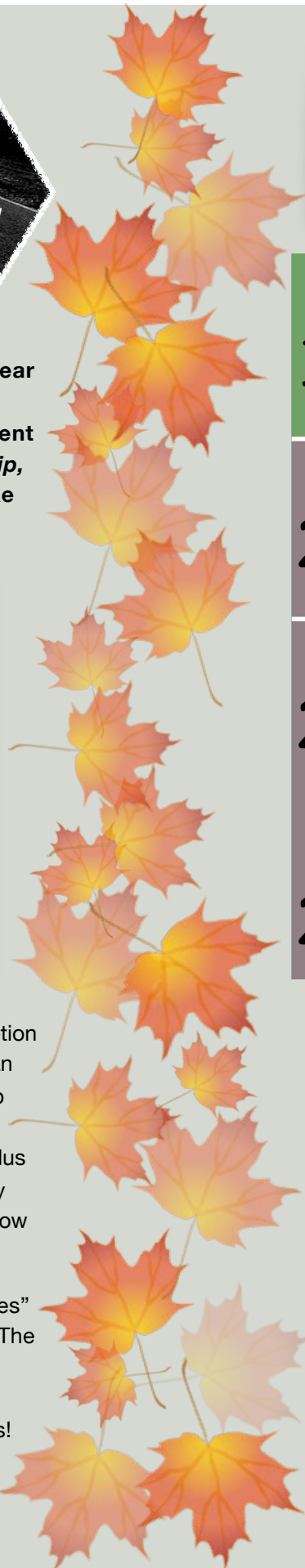
The Pastor Training Institute reaches both the near and the far ends of the earth with its leadership materials. And, as PTI gear up for the development of the *Adrian Rogers School of Global Leadership*, they also have the joy of watching the Lord make an amazing impact right here in the USA.



Indeed, congratulations are in order for Pastor Edward Gallegos and his wife Joy as they celebrate the completion of the "What Every Pastor Ought to Know" course for an entire group of pastors in Madera, California! The group has successfully navigated through all of the course materials, being equipped and encouraged by the 50 plus years of ministry experience of Dr. Adrian Rogers. Many blessings to them as they venture into the world and grow the Kingdom of God in the name of Jesus Christ.

Together the Gallegos' lead the "Good News Ministries" organization, which serves the lost souls of Madera. The graduates of the curriculum will be presented with certificates at an closing ceremony later this fall. Joy says of the course material, "It was a very good class! Everyone is learning so much... Thank God for the Adrian Rogers Pastor Training Institute!"

To learn more about the Gallegos' ministry visit: www.goodnewsmadera.com



October 16	Adrian Rogers 80th Birthday Celebration First Baptist Church Merritt Island
October 24	Mid America Theological Seminary
October 25 and	Higher Ground Baptist Church, New Hampshire
October 26	Launch PTI New England



Discernment for PTI Team to finalize International Opportunities for 2012

Remaining \$136,235 to be raised for the School of Global Leadership; so far \$28,765 has been raised!