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#### Thirty Year Anniversary Lectureship

Lectureship. It will be thirty years of the school's existence. Many are making plans already to be a part of this great event. We feel that more will want to do so when they see the program. We are confident that many who may not be able to be present for the lectures will want to purchase a copy of the Anniversary Lectures. There are a number of topics in the Book that will not be presented in audio or video presentations. In view of these things we are reproducing The Table of Contents here that you might see what to expect in this special edition.

Why not order early, order for family and friends. It would make an excellent memento of the school. It would provide any student of the Bible some excellent resource materials for teaching.

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TRAINING PREACHERS SINCE 1969

#### "History of the Florida School of Preaching"

[This is a <u>brief excerpt</u> of the chapter by B. C. Carr that will be in the 1999 Anniversary Lectureship Book. We are confident that you will want this volume.]

#### How It Began

The school began through a gradual process from the thinking of several people. One of the first to suggest that Florida needed such a school was B. C. Goodpasture, then editor of the Gospel Advocate. Brother Goodpasture was in a gospel meeting in Winter Haven in the late sixties. We attended most every service and several times would go out for refreshments afterwards. We had known the Goodpastures in Nashville before moving to Lakeland in 1964, On one occasion brother Goodpasture talked about how we had lost Florida College to the "anti" brethren, which left us without a school in the whole state that would train preachers. He had been working with the Nashville School of Preaching and was well pleased with the results. He challenged me to start a school of preaching in Lakeland to fill a void that he felt was urgent.

#### **Potential**

Shortly after talking with brother Goodpasture, I talked with G. K. Wallace who had retired from Freed-Hardeman College, and had moved back to Temple Terrace. His sentiments paralleled those of brother Goodpasture. Brother Wallace thought we had much to offer in

the Florida climate. He could visualize people retiring who could come to Florida to help in this work. We talked with the elders of South Florida Avenue about the possibility of starting a night school in Lakeland. They were favorable to the ideas and would give permission to let us use the building. We felt there were men with potential to preach and serve as elders or personal workers who would be eager to receive training. From the beginning it was decided there would be no charge for tuition. Students would buy their own books and attend classes which would enable them to be better servants of the Lord.

#### September 1969

With these thought in mind we would begin working toward starting a school in September 1969. We had to work toward publicizing this effort so that students would be present for the first sessions. We studied catalogs from other schools of preaching and decided upon a curriculum for a night school only. The first year we would offer courses in Genesis and Exodus, English Grammar, The Life of Christ, Speech, Denominational Dogmas, The Local Church, Prophetic Books, Basic English, Public Speaking, The Book of Acts, Topical Studies and The Work of the Local Church.

#### **Night Classes**

Classes would be taught on Monday, Thursday and Friday nights from 7 to 9 o'clock. Two classes would be taught each night.

#### First Faculty

The first faculty was to be B.C. Carr, who was the preacher at South Florida Avenue, G. K. Wallace, Vice President Emeritus of Freed-Hardeman College, J. H. Blackman, Jr., who preached in Bartow, and James Jordan, minister and educator from Tampa.

#### Advancement

With these plans in place we began to advertise the school. The first public announcement was made at the Mango Church where G. K. Wallace was preaching in a meeting. Many preachers meetings were aftended where students were urged to enroll. Letters were written and every means available was put to use to get the word out. At a later date, B. C. Goodpasture came to Tampa for an area wide dinner for preachers and elders where he promoted the school. He also ran a front page picture in the Gospel Advocate to help us get before the brotherhood.

#### **Numbers**

In early September 1969 the school began its teaching program. We began with 30 students and soon the enrollment was 33. Two weeks after the beginning of school the Lakeland Ledger sent Jim Fisher to make a report of our work. The Ledger published a full page article with pictures on September 27, 1969. This helped the Lakeland area to know about the school.

### Registration Schedule

#### Florida School of Preaching Fall Semester Begins August 24, 1998

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Date	Phone		
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1	Check Classes Desired		
Hours	Course	Instructor	Credit
Monday 8:30 to 12:00 1:00 to 4:15	Hebrews and Galatians 21343 Introduction to the Old Testament 313	Davis 79 Burgett	3 3
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Thursday8:30 to 12:001:00 to 4:157:00 to 9:30 p.m.	Ezekiel and Daniel 21314 Song Leading 11333 Minor Prophets 22346	Kenyon Davidson Kenyon	3 3 2½
Friday 8:30 to 12:00	World Religions 31375 Sermon on the Mount 31380	Daugherty Kenyon	3

Please Include \$5.00 Registration Fee

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