

# PROMOTER

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*Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye steadfast, unmoveable, always abounding in the work of the Lord.*

1 CORINTHIANS 15:58a





# TSP Support Sends Dennis and Carol Teague Back to France

The Total Support Plan (TSP), funded by Oklahoma Free Will Baptists, has allowed us to partner with missionaries around the world, helping them get to the field and stay there doing the ministry to which God has called them. As a result of your support of TSP, Dennis and Carol Teague have been cleared to return to France and continue the vital work there. Dennis and Carol, along with their son and daughter-in-law, Joel and Lydie, want to express their thanks for your partnership and support.

Dearest Friends, from the very beginning of our ministry, many years ago, Oklahoma FWB have been an important part of the team that kept us in France. Once again, you have stepped up and your contribution will allow us to get back to our ministry in France. We are so grateful for your help, not just this time but for all these years of faithfully supporting the work in France. We are today seeing the fruit of these many years of labor. The Lord is blessing in all of our works and there is an excitement in the hearts of many. After all these years, we are seeing more open doors than ever. We look forward to the coming years as a time of harvest in all of our existing works and a time of opening of new works. We would not be able to say that, had it not been for your faithfulness to us and all our



family. Once again, thank you so much.  
*Carol and Dennis Teague*



Oklahoma FWB and the Total Support Program have played a huge part in our ministry from the beginning. Thanks to TSP, we were able to go to France for our internship and launch the JPense outreach events. These events attract many non-believers and have allowed us to share the Gospel with hundreds of French people over the years. After our internship, Oklahoma was faithful to support us as we went back as career missionaries. God has blessed our ministry, both through the JPense events and our daily ministry that is going strong. Thanks to your prayers and support, we have been able to plant a church in an area with no churches for miles. We want to thank you so much for your trust, your prayers, and your financial support, which is allowing us through God's grace to be a part in reaching the French people for Him.


*Joel and Lydie Teague*






## Online Worship Studies Announced

As part of our online Professional Studies Program we are pleased to announce the addition of a Worship Studies Specialization under the current Bachelor of Arts in Christian Ministry program. This was designed for those already serving in a local church in a ministry position, those who are serving on their worship teams, or for anybody who just wants to study worship. For more info visit this website:

 <https://ru.edu/about-randall/news-events/online-worship-studies-program/>

For anyone who wants to improve their singing skills, and for those who will be studying in the new Online Worship Studies Program, Randall University is now offering online Voice Lessons. Students taking this course will learn vocal techniques to improve their singing, learn how the voice works, and in true ministry fashion, with the knowledge you gain, you will be able to help others become better singers as well! For more information about this exciting course, visit this website:

 <https://ru.edu/about-randall/news-events/online-voice-lessons/>



**QUESTIONS? Contact Evan Aldridge at [ealdridge@ru.edu](mailto:ealdridge@ru.edu).**

## Two Administrative Positions Filled at Randall University

Rev. Robert G. Thompson, President-Elect of Randall University, is pleased to welcome two new members to the administration.



**Rev. Mason Polk** is the Director of Church Engagement. Mason graduated from Randall University in May 2018 with a Bachelor of Arts in Christian

Ministry—Pastoral Ministry. He now returns to Randall after pastoring the Southern Oaks Free Will Baptist Church in Oklahoma City, OK. His heart for ministry and the Word of God will be his basis for helping to grow our school through fundraising and recruiting efforts. Mason was ordained into the ministry through the Unity Association in Arkansas. He has

been involved in local ministries by serving as the Assistant Clerk of the Oklahoma State Association of Free Will Baptists and as member of the Executive Board for the First Oklahoma District Association. Mason is married to Dr. Karinda Polk, who also serves at Randall as an adjunct faculty member in the Exercise Science department. Mason is currently working towards a Master of Arts in Executive Leadership degree from Liberty University. His duties will begin on December 2, 2019.



**Todd Jenson** is the new Chief Financial Officer (CFO) of Randall. Todd brings 25 years of professional experience and is knowledgeable in government, public works, private

business, economic development, with strong marketing and interpersonal skills. He served the City of Moore, OK in various positions from July 2004 to August 2019, and retired as Assistant City Manager on August 1, 2019. He earned a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science degree (1989) and a Master of Public Administration degree (1992) from the University of Oklahoma. Todd has a long-standing relationship with Randall University. He has served as an adjunct professor for the past 12 years, teaching courses in macroeconomics, microeconomics, and Masters-level Public Administration. He has been married to Sheri (Greer) Jenson for 31 years. They have two children, Chris and Brittany. Todd is the grandson of pioneer Free Will Baptist preacher, Earl Jenson.

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### Upcoming Events

**State Competition:  
May 2nd @ Randall**

**Nationals in OKC  
July 19th-22nd**

The Oklahoma Christian Education Board exists to serve you... the local Free Will Baptist Church. We are so excited about our upcoming camps. We are excited to announce our kids camp evangelist Johnny Miller! Johnny is on staff at the Cavanaugh Free Will Baptist Church in Fort Smith. He is an amazing Bible Teacher who will do a marvelous job of opening up the scripture for your kids. Leading worship at both Teen Camps will be Adam Leichner! Adam is the worship pastor at the West Evangelical Free Church in Wichita KS. We are confident he will do a fantastic job leading your students to the throne. Both KBA and Anadarko offer wonderful environments for you to connect with your students so they can connect with Jesus.

# ENCOUNTER TEEN & OAKRIDGE KIDS CAMPS 2020

## Encounter Teen Camp

June 7-12 & June 21-26

Cost: Early Bird \$150, Regular \$170, Sponsor \$150.

## Oakridge Kids Camp

July 12-15 & July 15-18

Early Bird \$180, Regular \$190, Sponsor \$180

For any questions contact Daniel Sweet at [daniel.sweet42@gmail.com](mailto:daniel.sweet42@gmail.com) or 405-655-9468

\*Deadlines: Encounter1 by May11, Encounter2 by May18; Oakridge1&2 by May 31

# Men's Fellowship Conference

Tulakogee Conference Center  
February 21st – 22nd, 2020

SPONSOR: OKLAHOMA MASTER'S MEN | SPEAKER: PHIL SCOWDEN



## SCHEDULE

### FRIDAY EVENING

6:00 - 7:00 Dinner  
7:00 - 8:00 Session 1  
8:00 - 8:15 Break  
8:15 - 9:15 Session 2  
9:15 Fun, Fellowship & Refreshments

### SATURDAY MORNING

7:30 - 8:30 Breakfast  
8:30 - 9:30 Session 3  
9:30 - 9:45 Break  
9:45 - 10:45 Session 4  
10:45 Dismissal

**COST:** Only \$70 per person and includes one nights lodging, the conference, and 2 meals.

### SEND RESERVATIONS TO:

OKLAHOMA MASTER'S MEN  
C/O Kenny Oleson  
9924 Dawn Dee Road, Oklahoma City, OK 73150

## REGISTRATION:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Church: \_\_\_\_\_ Roommate: \_\_\_\_\_

MUST HAVE RESERVATION FEES BY FEBRUARY 14TH, 2020 TO GUARANTY YOUR ROOM.

## HONOR *to whom* HONOR

### REV. ROBERT EUGENE "BOB" DUNCAN

March 20, 1925 – November 12, 2019



Brother Bob was born in Prague, Oklahoma. He married Fern Gray on October 9, 1942. In the coming years they raised 3 sons. Fern passed away at the age of 84. They were married for 64 years. Bob later married Helen Bryan. They enjoyed 10 wonderful years together. Bob gave his life to Christ at the age of 23 and was called to preach soon after. He pastored for almost 71 years here in Oklahoma. He pastored in Prague, Norman, Clinton, Webb, Moore,

Tulsa, Spencer, Seminole, Oklahoma City, Holdenville and Yukon where he was preaching alongside his son Rick. Bob had a fruitful ministry and many were led to Christ and discipled as he labored in work of the Lord. He will be greatly missed.

## ATTENTION!!!! 2020 Minister's Retreat DATE CHANGE!!!

Please note that this year's Minister's Retreat will be held on September 28-30, 2020.

For many years it has been in March but for a variety of reasons we have moved it to the last week of September.

Please put the new dates on your calendar.



**APRIL 12-13, 2020**

# Oklahoma Women Active for Christ

## 2019 WOMEN'S CONFERENCE: GOD'S FAITHFULNESS

We're looking forward our 2020 Conference to be held on April 3 & 4. Once again, we'll be at the Crowne Plaza – Southern Hills located at 7902 S Lewis Avenue in Tulsa. We will have our silent auction & craft sale again this year to support our projects for this year.

The Ministry Wives reception will be Friday afternoon. We will also have seminars on Friday afternoon & Saturday morning. More details will be in the program at the retreat.

Our speaker is **Debbie Kinsey**, director of Management Ministries at Hobby Lobby Inc. She focuses on equipping managers of all levels with the tools necessary to apply biblical principles & the Hobby Lobby culture in everyday work life. She believes that work is a ministry & strives to provide support for prayer, spiritual needs, motivation, spiritual growth & management retention.

For the last two years Debbie has been living in Overland Park, Kansas. Prior to that, she & her late husband, Mickey, resided in Oklahoma City, where they were both active in full time church ministry for over 35 years. They have one daughter, Candice & her husband, Brandon, also reside in Kansas along with their two fur babies, Ms. Molly and Jet.

### Registration Information

Please submit one form per church & include the contact person's name, phone number, mailing & email address (if available). List any special requests - handicap room, sharing room with another church, etc. All rooms will be booked with double beds unless specifically requested as king beds. Registration is non-refundable, but is transferable to another person.

**Room rate will be \$108 maximum of 4 people per**

**room. Registration is \$60 per person & includes a buffet dinner on Friday night.**

**Missionaries:** Registration fee of \$60 is waived, but you will need to reserve and pay for your room.

All registrations must be postmarked by **March 2, 2020**. If postmarked after March 2, the fee will be \$70.

Please divide your group according to how many rooms you want with each group dividing the cost of the rooms among themselves. Submit names of all women attending including women not staying at the hotel, noted as "Day Attendee".

Registration will begin at **12:00 PM** on Friday, April 3 for our **State Meeting** business that will begin at 1 PM. All women are encouraged to attend. The Friday afternoon retreat session begins at 2:30 PM. Evening session and dinner begins at 6:30 PM. Saturday morning session begins at 9:00 AM. Nametags must be worn to all services. Room check in is normally after 3 PM.

Send one check per church for the hotel and registration fees made payable to:

**OWAC or Oklahoma Women Active For Christ**

Mail registrations to:

Shelia Rooker

2512 SW "A" Avenue, Lawton, OK 73505

Email: srooker@fidnet.com

Phone: 580-357-8755 or 580-585-0902 cell

**REMINDER:** Scholarship applications are due by April 15. Please contact the Randall financial office, Shelia Rooker (info above) or Tracy Payne (405) 620-3162 or email at [tracypayne3162@gmail.com](mailto:tracypayne3162@gmail.com) for more info.

### REGISTRATION FORM (please type or print)

Church Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Contact Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Special Request: \_\_\_\_\_

Room #1	Names	Room #3	Names
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2	_____	2	_____
3	_____	3	_____
4	_____	4	_____
Room #2	Names	Room #4	Names
1	_____	1	_____
2	_____	2	_____
3	_____	3	_____
4	_____	4	_____

Total # of rooms requested	_____	@ \$108.00 each	\$ _____
Total # of people requested	_____	@ \$60.00 each	\$ _____
Total # of late fees	_____	@ \$10.00 each	\$ _____
Check #	_____	Total amount of check	\$ _____

# Winter...

By the time you receive this edition of the Promoter, it will officially be winter. What that means in Oklahoma is that it could be a balmy seventy degrees or it could be ice or snow or both and a freezing north wind. It seems that the older I get the less I enjoy winter. Some cold days I wear several layers of clothing and a heavy coat only to go outside for a few seconds come back inside and complain that I must surely have frostbite.

My favorite winter memories come from early childhood. My first years of elementary school were in Mountain Grove, Missouri. When a good snow would come, not only did we get a day off from school but the neighborhood kids would meet up after breakfast and take our steel railed sleds to the closest hill and play until our moms forced us to come inside and warm up. I don't even remember feeling the cold back then. I have seen some of those same hills when visiting as an adult and I have to say that they sure seemed a lot bigger when I was small. Back then they were enormous monstrosities that would literally take my breath away.

Later, in my early teen years we had moved to Wenatchee, Washington. It is a beautiful place surrounded by mountains. In the winter we would have weeks of thick snow. School was rarely called off but there was always plenty of time to enjoy outside activities. In that area instead of steel railed sleds we used an all wood sled called a toboggan. The terrain of the area allowed for much longer and faster rides. It



was exhilarating. I loved being outside and again barely noticed the freezing temperatures. I haven't been back to Wenatchee in many years but I am pretty sure that if I were to visit those tobogganing hills again my reaction would not be surprise at how small the runs were but rather surprise that I was lucky enough to zip down those tree studded runs without killing my crazy self.

I may not enjoy the cold weather like I did when I was younger but I still love a good snow. Sometimes even here in Oklahoma during the winter I will wake up to look out my window to see everything blanketed in snow. It is beautiful. When I venture outside on those snow-covered days I am always reminded of the verse from Isaiah chapter one. Come now, and let us reason together, saith the Lord: though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they be red like crimson, they shall be as wool.

There are people all around us every day who need the cleansing of sin by our Savior.

May we be about the business of leading them to him no matter the weather. My prayer is that on the days that I would rather just build a fire in the fireplace and stay inside that I can remind myself that there is sowing, watering and reaping that needs to be done even on the cold days.

Proverbs 20:4 says The sluggard will not plow by reason of the cold; therefore shall he beg in harvest, and have nothing.

*May even the cold days of winter remind us that there is much work to be done for His glory!*

Mike Wade,  
Executive Director  
for Oklahoma  
Free Will Baptists



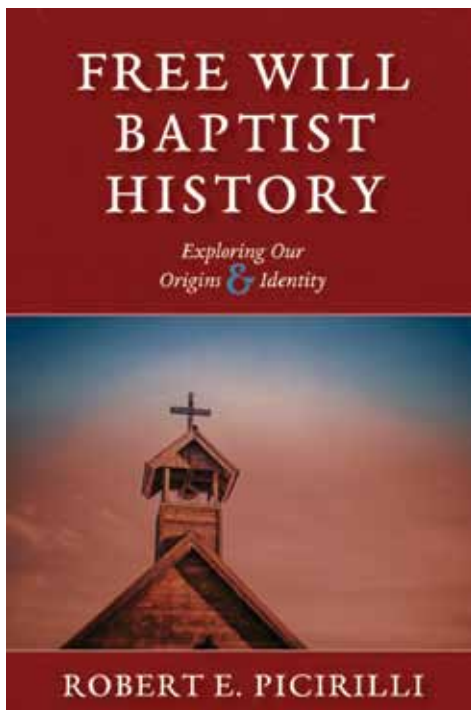
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