

NOBTS marks Katrina anniversary with work day

By Paul F. South

Dirt shrouded his neon green T-shirt, and his weathered straw cowboy hat was bent and battered and soaked from the hard summer rain.

But soaked by rain and sweat, Dennis Phelps had a story to tell, of the second anniversary of Hurricane Katrina. Phelps and a team tackled a house that was untouched by the worst natural disaster in American history.

His team of students and faculty from New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary gutted the beaten house, down to the studs. They bowed their backs and cleared the house of the mess Katrina had left behind. Grass 10 to 12 feet high was cut. -- all in 3 1/2 hours.

"The best we could surmise, an older person and a young child lived there," Phelps said. "We don't know if it was a grandmother and grandchild who lived there, or what."

For all the team knew, the homeowner was known only to God. Still, while there was no smile to see, no embrace to feel, no heart to touch. The work was worthwhile.

"I pray we do this every year," Phelps said. "We enjoyed the fellowship. We worked hard. And we did it for the sake of Jesus."

Some 350 NOBTS students and faculty heard countless stories of hurt and hope as they worked across the still-suffering city. They hammered. They wired. They painted, planted flowers and picked up trash. And they shared the story of Christ and His redeeming love. Hope and faith were sown among the ruins. And lives were changed. At least 12 people accepted Christ as a result of the outreach.

Flexibility was the order of the day for



Photo by Boyd Guy

the NOBTS work crews. Teams wrestled with heat, humidity, even downpours in isolated areas of the Crescent City.

Seminary President Chuck Kelley touched on the subject during a brief prayer gathering before the teams fanned out across the city.

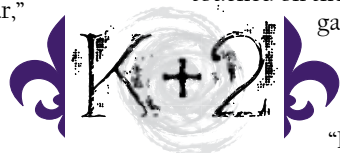
"You never know what

God is going to do," he said. "I want to encourage you as we prepare for this day to be flexible. Flexibility will be our favorite word."

"Remember that your very demeanor and attitude really are a very powerful form of witness as is your presence," Kelley said. "You may also have that opportunity to speak the good word of Jesus. When you do, don't hesitate to say something about Him if God opens that door."

"It would be great if we had some people give their lives to Christ this day and

- please see K+2, page 2



**More K+2 Coverage
in Student Life News**

This Week in Chapel

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 4
CONVOCATION

Dr. Chuck Kelley
NOBTS President

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 5

Dr. Tony Merida
Dean of the Chapel

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 6

Dr. Fred Luter
Pastor, Franklin Ave. Baptist Church

Next Week in Chapel

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

Dr. Craig Conner
Pastor, FBC Panama City, Fla.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12

Dr. Perry Sanders
Pastor Emeritus, FBC Lafayette, La.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 13

Dr. Tony Merida
Dean of the Chapel

Hurricane Season

Hurricane season lasts from June 1 to November 30. During hurricane warnings, all seminary residents are advised to stay tuned to either WBSN FM 89.1, television station WWL Channel 4 or radio station WWL AM 870 for up-to-date information.

K+2, continued from page 1

become born again,” Kelley said.

Many of the teams were faced with flexibility issues early in the day. At least three crews had to shift their focus as soon as they arrived at their scheduled site.

Craig Price, the seminary’s dean of students, and a seminary work team arrived in the neighborhood planning to mow a yard in the Ponchartrain Park neighborhood of Gentilly. But they found a finely manicured lawn at their scheduled destination.

“This was our divine appointment,” said Craig Price pointing to a house across the street from their original destination.

Across the street Price saw a man with a dejected look. A severely damaged house and a FEMA trailer occupied his weed-filled yard. Price approached and offered to help. The man welcomed the team’s assistance. Before long the group was clearing, mowing and weeding the yard. Because of attentiveness and hard work another NOBTS team focusing on evangelism was able to share with the homeowner.

Wednesday was the second year for the seminary’s Katrina work day. Teams worked in schools and churches, on playgrounds and in lives. Like the rest of New Orleans, the seminary campus suffered flooding and loss. Doctoral student Stephen Chang was part of a team that worked at Benjamin Franklin Elementary School.

“This is one of the best ways to show the love of Jesus Christ,” Chang said. “We all experienced Katrina. Because of that, we can connect to people who were hurt by Katrina. We know better than outsiders who weren’t here and didn’t experience the storm.”

As seminary students worked at Ben Franklin, students at the elementary school laughed on the playground, ate in the lunchroom and learned in the classroom.

Ben Franklin Elementary Principal Charlotte Matthew said the seminary’s presence in the school is a morale boost.

“The outpouring of love from the community and groups that come to help has an impact on the lives of the children and the staff, because they see that people care enough to help post-Katrina,” she said. “Even two years later, seeing people willing to come out to work to restore us to pre-Katrina conditions is just fabulous.”

NOBTS crews at Ben Franklin cobbled together desks, shredded old documents, moved furniture and hauled textbooks to class. The elementary school has a student body of about 350 in a school built for less than 200. And many in the student body still live in trailers, or are separated from their families. Still the school perseveres.

NOBTS professor Walter Brown, who



Photo by Michael McCormack

Dr. Gerald Stevens works on a Habitat for Humanity house on the second anniversary of Katrina.

“It was just great to see all that God did. The students were excited and passionate about their work and it exceeded my expectations.”

– Dr. Ken Taylor

led the seminary team at Ben Franklin, said the outreach is consistent with the seminary’s mission.

“For many years, the seminary had a reputation of sort of being insulated from the rest of the city,” said Brown. “I think that changed after Katrina. “Our approach has always been one of practical ministry.”

Students like Hannah Sterling agree. She recounted the story of a woman exiled to Baton Rouge by Katrina. Her New Orleans house had been untouched by the storm. The stench of two abandoned refrigerators filled the air. Grass was high.

With the prospect of help finally here, the woman drove early to her tattered home, to unlock it for the workers. At the sight of the students in their green neon shirts, no words – only tears – flowed. Hopeful for the first time in two years, she hugged each team member.

“She said, ‘You don’t even know what I’ve been through. You don’t understand. This is how I know that God is real, because you are here,’” Sterling said. “For her to come and see was just a complete blessing.”

The seminary’s second post-Katrina community effort went “above and beyond” expectations, said Ken Taylor, a seminary professor who helped spearhead the effort. On

a Wednesday when there were few classes scheduled, still the turnout was strong.

“It was just great to see all that God did,” Taylor said.” The students were excited and passionate about their work and it exceeded my expectations.”

While many ministered to the physical and many others to the spiritual, all of it had value, said Josh Harmon of Arkansas Baptist Builders, who have worked full time since Katrina to help restore New Orleans’ Gentilly neighborhood. Evangelism wasn’t the only way to minister.

“We’re all part of the body,” he said. “No matter what we’re doing, we’re still advancing the Kingdom. “People may say they didn’t lead anybody to Christ, but by what they’re doing, they’re advancing the kingdom. When someone works, they’re giving a foothold to those who will evangelize.”

By day’s end, smiles beamed through sweat and dirty neon T-shirts. And words spoken at the start of the day captured the spirit of the seminary’s work, and one of the lessons of Hurricane Katrina.

“... You can lose everything – you can lose it all (because some of us did) – but you know what, there is one thing that no one can take away from you and that’s Jesus,” said NOBTS professor Preston Nix. “That’s why we are out there to help people know Jesus but also we are just going to minister in his name and reach out and touch our city. That’s ultimately what everyone needs.”

– With reporting by Gary D. Myers and Katie Nalls.

Houseparents Needed

Providence Ministries Boy's Homes, in Dalton, Ga., is seeking a Christ-centered couple to care for up to six boys between the ages of five and 17. Relief houseparents will work 12 days per month and up to four weeks per year. This is an ideal position for a retired couple or bi-vocational pastor.

Case manager will have a caseload of 12. Former DFCS case managers are welcome. These positions can be combined for one full-time position with possible housing included.

We are non-denominational but lean very much Baptist. We are accepting of Bible-believing, Christ-centered people. If you have parenting/case management skills and a heart for children we want to hear you. A master's degree is preferred and a bachelor's degree is required for the case manager.

Email or fax resumes and testimonies to Curtis Adair at pmadmin@optilink.us. Our Website is providenceministriesinc.com

Be a Consultant

Cornerstone Consultant Ministries, LLC, of Alexandria, La., is a Christian-based organization established by a former Louisiana Baptist Convention staff member to provide churches and religious organizations resources to meet specific needs.

CCM is in need of individuals that will make contact with churches in south Louisiana and south Mississippi. The purpose of the contact is to offer churches a new product, at no charge to the church, that allows their church members to make contact with other church members when products and services are needed.

The work schedule to make these contacts is flexible and can be molded around seminary classes and family time.

If you are interested in being interviewed for one of these positions, please contact Andy Wiggins in the Church-Minister Relations office at NOBTS.

FBNO Needs Preschool Workers

First Baptist Church of New Orleans has openings for a teacher and assistant in the weekday preschool. Hours are 9 a.m. – 2:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday and possibly Fridays. Openings are also available for after care assistants. Hours are 2:30 – 5:30 p.m. Anyone interested may call Karen Farrell at 482-5775, ext. 128.

IMB Representative On-campus

Dr. Bob Dilks, Candidate Consultant of the International Mission Board, will be on campus Sept. 25-26.

He will be taking individual appointments throughout the day both days. Please contact his assistant, Mindy McCord, at 1.800.765.0011 to make an appointment.

He is also hosting a Missions Information Conference on Tuesday night, Sept. 25 from 7 to 9 p.m. in the Leavell Center. This conference is for students exploring potential missionary service through



the IMB. This will be preceded by a free meal for any of those attending the conference. The meal will be from

6 to 6:45 p.m. in the Cafeteria and will be buffet style and open to children.

Childcare will be provided for the conference time only.

Meal reservations must be made with Linda Jackson in the Providence Learning Center by Sept. 18.

Contact Linda by email at linda@missionlab.com or by phone at ext 8060.

NOBTS Clinic Information

Welcome to new and returning NOBTS families! Wishing you and your loved ones the best of health during the 2007-08 academic year.

Dr. Wirfs (family nurse practitioner) is full-time professor of nursing and Mike Abernathy (medical assistant) is a full-time nursing student at William Carey University. Therefore, the NOBTS Family Health Care Clinic is open on a *part-time* basis with variable hours to serve the primary health care needs of the seminary family. Monthly schedules are posted and appointments are always preferred (504.816.8596).

Patients with urgent or emergency needs for health care should call 911 or proceed directly to a hospital emergency department. Maps and directions to area hospital with emergency departments are available in the clinic.

ESL Workshop

The Carver Baptist Center invites you to an ESL (English as a Second language) workshop Sept. 22 and 29 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Attendees must complete all 16 hours to receive certification. Students will receive information on how to begin a literacy mission, lesson planning and teaching others the love of Christ through literacy outreaches. Cost is \$20 for a workbook (lunch and snacks will also be provided by the Carver Baptist Center). The deadline for registration is Sept. 15.

For additional information contact Jennifer Fannin at 504.897.2434 or carvercenter@bellsouth.net. Carver Baptist Center is located at 3701 Annunciation Street in New Orleans.

Have What it Takes?

2008 SPRING BREAK/SUMMER MISSION TRIPS



NAMB's church initiative, The Nehemiah Project, seeks motivated, mission-minded students to serve 1-2 weeks helping a church plant in one of six target cities: Montreal, Baltimore, Miami, Orlando, Tampa, or Port St. Lucie, Fla.

Ten Couples or single students available during March 22-30, May 31-June 8, or May 31-June 15 will work alongside an experienced church planter doing personal evangelism, community service and learning hands-on what it takes to plant a church and win people to Christ (Plus some time off to see the sights or enjoy the beach). Students will be carefully screened.

For trip details and initial assessment, contact Linda Jackson at 504.816.8060 or linda@missionlab.com.

Stipends are available for a limited number of qualified students. Apply today!

Jobs Available at NOBTS Preschool

The NOBTS Preschool is looking for Part-time/Full-time teachers at the center. Anyone who loves children and wants to become a part of quality care for the children of the community and the seminary may fill out an application and come by the Preschool.

The Preschool tries to work around the students' class schedules and provides training to help students learn more about the field of early education.

New Fellowship for Women in Ministry

A statewide Fellowship for Women Ministers is being formed. This network is for women in leadership who have responded to God's call to vocational Christian service.

The inaugural event will be held in conjunction with the Louisiana

Baptist Convention Annual Meeting at the Riverfront Convention Center in Alexandria. We will meet together **Monday, Nov. 12, from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.** at Emmanuel Baptist Church in Alexandria.

The purposes of our network will be to provide Christ-like models for spiritual

leadership; to develop partners/mentors in calling, ministry and accountability; and to form deep and lasting friendships through the bond of Christ.

Please contact Andrea McKenzie at tantepoche@juno.com or Dr. Jeanine C. Bozeman at jbozeman@nobts.edu.

Church-Minister Relations

Ministry Opportunities

The following are a few of the ministry positions received by the Church-Minister Relations office. Churches are listed according to the type of ministry position needed and whether the position is classified as part-time or full-time. All positions within a 2-hour radius of New Orleans are listed separately with the approximate distance in parentheses. To contact any of these churches, or to have your resume sent to other unpublished ministry opportunities, visit the CMR office (second floor, Frost Building) or contact them at 504-282-4455 or 1-800-662-8701, ext. 3291, or cmrconsultant@nobts.edu.

New Orleans Area

Full-time

- Judson Baptist Church, Walker, La.; youth (85)
 - Bayou Sorrel Baptist Church, Plaquemine, La.; pastor (95)
 - First Baptist Church, Roseland, La.; pastor (78)
 - East Fork Baptist Church, Kentwood, La.; pastor (90)
- Part-time
- Bridgedale Baptist Church, Metairie, La.; pastor (10)
 - First Baptist Church, LaPlace, La.; youth (31)
 - Believer's Fellowship, Denham Springs, La.; education (87)
 - Barataria Baptist Church, Lafitte, La.; youth (34)
 - Pilgrim Rest Baptist Church, Covington, La.; youth (43)
 - New Life Baptist Church, Hammond, La.; music and youth (60)
 - St. Charles Avenue Baptist Church, New Orleans, La.; youth (10)

- Bayou Blue United Methodist Church, Houma, La.; youth and children (59)
- Hope Church of Waldheim, Covington, La.; music (43)
- First Baptist Church, Albany, La.; music (64)
- Gretna United Methodist Church, Gretna, La.; music (11)
- Lake Vista United Methodist Church, New Orleans, La. youth (5)
- Big Level Baptist Church, Wiggins, Miss.; music (102)

Pastor

Full-time

- Morgan Chapel Baptist Church, Toxey, Ala.
 - Westside Baptist Church, Elba, Ala.
 - Fairview Baptist Church, Spartanburg, S.C.
 - First Baptist Church, Noel, Mo.
 - First Baptist Church, Swartz, La.
 - First Baptist Church, Willow Springs, Mo.
 - Morningside Baptist Church, Columbus, Ga.
 - First Baptist Church, Geneva, Ala.
 - Baptist Temple, Alexandria, La.
- Part-time
- Carolina Free Baptist Church, Carolina, R.I.

Music

Full-time

- Calvary Baptist Church, Russellville, Ala.
 - Dry Creek Baptist Church, Mendenhall, Miss.
 - Adamsville Baptist Church, Goldsboro, N.C.
 - Bogue Falaya Baptist Church, Folsom, La.
 - Onancock Baptist Church, Onancock, Va.
- Part-time
- New Beginnings Baptist Church, Lakeland, Fla.
 - Church Acadiana, Youngsville, La.

Youth

Full-time

- Clearwater Baptist Church, Athens, Tenn.
- Bethel Baptist Church, Monticello, Miss.
- Parkway Baptist Church, Natchez, Miss.

- Bogue Falaya Baptist Church, Folsom, La. Part-time
- New Beginnings Baptist Church, Lakeland, Fla.
- WestGate Baptist Church, Trenton, Ill.

Children/Preschool

Full-time

- Highland Baptist Church, Florence, Ala.
 - Hillcrest Baptist Church, Nederland, Texas
- Part-time
- Jackson Way Baptist Church, Huntsville, Ala.

Combination

Full-time

- Second Baptist Church, Hopkinsville, Ky.; Children, Students and Families
- Bethlehem Baptist Church, Jacksonville, N.C.; Youth and Education
- First Baptist Church, Belleview, Fla.; Associate Pastor/Minister of Music and Media
- Rice Memorial Baptist Church, Greenwood, S.C.; Children and Youth Minister
- First Baptist Church, Denham Springs, La.; Education and Administration
- Macedonia Baptist Church, Brookhaven, Miss.; Students and Activities
- First Baptist Church, Highlands, Texas, Evangelism and Discipleship

Other

Full-time

- First Baptist Church, Blytheville, Ark.; Education
- Sacramento Association, Elk Grove, Calif.; Director of Missions
- Arkansas Department of Corrections, Grady, Ark.; Chaplain



NEW ORLEANS
BAPTIST THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

September 3, 2007

Student Life NEWS

Financial Aid: Time for Grant Applications

Greetings from the Financial Aid Office! It has been great to see so many new and returning students back on campus.

As the semester moves forward, please know that I am here to help with any of your financial changes. As scholarships or gifts are added to your student account, I will be available to adjust your FACTS agreement. FACTS agreements aren't adjusted without your personal request so please call or come by the office.

Also, don't forget to look ahead to Christmas and the Spring semester. Start with a budget for this semester including savings if at all possible. This will help remove stress during the holidays and as you prepare for a new semester.

Most importantly, make sure to apply for a NOBTS grant for the Spring semester. The application will be available from September 1st through September 30th at www.nobts.edu. We have many grants available because of the generosity of donors so I encourage every full-time student to apply.

Cole Gilbert, Director of Financial Aid

Transitions in the Dean of Students Office

We are delighted to announce several transitions in the Dean of Students office. Miss Liz Stewart has been promoted to the position of Associate Dean of Students. She has served as our Campus Life Director for over two years. Her dedication to NOBTS and excellent leadership skills through our bout with Hurricane Katrina and our subsequent recovery has earned her this newly created position. She will be assisting in a number of other responsibilities in the student services office. Her passion is to help all of our students appreciate New Orleans, experience a full-orbed life at NOBTS, and to grow deeper in their walk with Christ. We are delighted and blessed to have her in this capacity.



Stewart

Mrs. Cole Gilbert has been appointed Director of Financial Aid. She served as our interim Director of Financial Aid over the summer. She has worked in the Financial Aid office for over a year and helped us make a smooth and seamless transition of leadership. She knows the financial aid system

– Continued on page 3

[Women's Ministry]

Monday Brown Bag Bible Study: For All Campus Women

Every Monday starting September 10 from 12:00-1:00 pm bring your lunch and join us in the Balcony Room (in the Cafeteria)



Fall Study Topic: "When God's Woman Wants to Give Up!" by Diane Nix (wife of Dr. Preston Nix)

For more information contact:
Christian Parrish, 282-4455 X3334,
cparrish@nobts.edu



[FBS Forum]

FBS Forum meeting Sept. 11

The Fellowship of Black Seminarians is hosting its first forum, called, "The Importance of Multi-Racial Unity." The panel will include students and as well as professors, discussing the imperative of unity among us and our responsibility in achieving it. It will take place on Sep. 11 at 7 pm. in HSC 280. All are invited.

[Recreation]

The Recreation Center hopes everyone is settling in to classes and enjoying this wonderful time at NOBTS! **Just a little reminder to take advantage of our pool before it closes for the season on September 29.** The pool is also still available to rent for private pool parties from 8:00 to 10:00 pm on Fridays and Saturdays as well as 10:00 am to 12:00 pm on Saturdays. Contact the Rec. Center for prices and availability.

The NOBTS Karate Club would like to announce a new addition to the classes it offers. There will now be a Grappling/Judo/Jujutsu class offered for Adults around lunch time on Mondays and Thursdays. There will be a brief meeting on Thursday, Sep. 6 at 12:00 (or as soon as Chapel is over) to discuss the best times for interested parties. If you are interested in learning some good self-defense or just getting a good workout, then come by on Thursday for this informational meeting.



Don't forget that **Intramurals, Youth Activities, and Children's Activities** will be starting up again soon. Keep your eyes open for more information, schedules, etc. to be announced! God Bless!

[Special Offers]

Greek and Hebrew Students: Discount Language Programs

For a limited time, several software vendors are providing discount opportunities for our students. For Windows users, the following are offered:

Logos

40% off Logos Bible Software – 2 Weeks Only!

Save Time: Complete assignments in a fraction of the time – search 7,000 books with a click

Save Money: Buy books for about \$1 each – payments as low as \$25/mo

Save Space: Carry all your books on your laptop – an entire library that's portable

Discounted Collections:

Scholar's Library Gold Edition: \$827.98 (or \$108.50/month)

Scholar's Library Silver Edition: \$599.98 (or \$80/month)

Scholar's Library: \$377.98 (or \$52.25/month)

Original Languages Library: \$249.98 (or \$36.25/month)

Leader's Library: \$185.98 (or \$28.25/month)

Bible Study Library: \$155.98 (or \$24.50/month)

2 Weeks Only!

Sept. 10 – Sept. 24, 2007

Watch the demo: www.logos.com/academic

Compare libraries: www.logos.com/comparison

For more information or to make a purchase, visit: www.logos.com/academic/nobts/fall2007

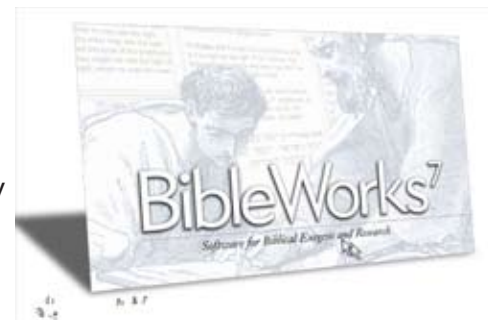
Or call (800) 878-4191 6:00AM – 6:00PM Pacific Time

BibleWorks

BibleWorks is powerful software capable of performing morphological and concordance searches in Hebrew and Greek.

Normally, the software is \$375, but if we get a minimum of 10 orders, they will discount the software to \$275. To sign-up see Brantley Scott in LifeWay Book Store and he will add

your name to the list. You may pick-up a brochure and free laminated verb guide in the Dean of Students office.



12 people respond to Christ during Katrina ministry day

By Michael McCormack

New Orleans Seminary again set aside the anniversary of Hurricane Katrina's landfall as a day for the seminary family as a whole to communicate the love of God to the surrounding community.

For many, that message of love was delivered through the pinging of hammers and the cranking of lawnmowers. And just like last year, evangelism teams scattered about the city to communicate that message verbally as well.

One evangelism team set out for Village de l'Est, a largely Vietnamese community located in Eastern New Orleans. In the past two weeks, that close-knit community has been hammered by at least five murders. Sending an evangelism team there to encourage residents was an easy decision for Dr. Ken Taylor, urban missions professor and coordinator for the anniversary work day.

"Within the past few weeks that neighborhood has seen a Hispanic worker, members of a Vietnamese family and members of a Laotian family killed," Taylor said. "I felt that as we were putting people out into the city we had to give it our attention, since only through Christ is there a solution to the ultimate problems faced by this community."

"In the midst of where there's been death, we shared life," said Preston Nix, the NOBTS professor who led the evangelism team. "In

"In the midst of where there's been death, we shared life. In the midst of despair, we shared hope."

– Dr. Preston Nix

the midst of despair, we shared hope."

For several members of the team, joining this particular evangelism team was an easy decision as well. Parker Pierce moved to New Orleans just three days before the second anniversary of Hurricane Katrina. Even before he heard about the anniversary work day, Pierce had traveled out to Village de l'Est to get to know the community and to prayer walk.

"I just came out and walked around," Pierce said. "I didn't know what else to do but to walk around and pray that God would put some people here to be a light."

"At the time, I didn't know about the crimes that happened just two days before," he said.

Pierce's motivation for exploring Village de l'Est: his heart for Southeast Asians. He is a master of arts student at the seminary who, in the past few summers, has been involved in mission efforts directed toward Cambodians.

In all, four members of the evangelism team to Village de l'Est already had strong ties to the Vietnamese community whether

through family background or just a heart for the people. For them, it's a beginning of a ministry to that community.

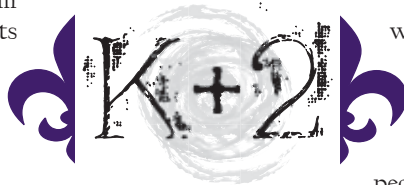
Participants in the work day met back at the seminary for lunch and to share their experiences with one another. Francine Matthews, a master of divinity student, told of an encounter her evangelism team had with a man named Henry. After about a 20-minute conversation, the man professed faith in Christ. As the group moved on, they prayed specifically that other Christians would come along to connect the man to a church.

A few houses down, the team met Rodney, a member of Franklin Avenue Baptist Church.

"We told him that his neighbor had just accepted Christ," Matthews said. "He was so excited and said 'I'm going down there right now to talk to him, and I'm going to take him to church with me.' We got to see God answer that prayer immediately."

Another group told how they were able to share the gospel with two brothers – one in ninth grade and the other in sixth grade. Though the older brother was not ready to respond to the message, the younger one was. The sixth grader overcame the pressure of following his brother's example to respond positively to the gospel.

In all, at least 12 people responded to the spoken message of hope and love through Jesus Christ that teams shared throughout New Orleans Aug. 29. For them, the anniversary of Hurricane Katrina will always be joined to an anniversary of the spiritual kind.



– Continuing from page 1

well and will be working the position full-time. Her heart's passion is to help students locate scholarship and grant monies and to make wise financial decisions. If you have any financial aid questions, please feel free to stop by and ask her.

We also welcome Miss Christian Parrish as our new Coordinator of Women's Programs. Christian comes



Gilbert

to us from Dr. Rhonda Kelley's office where she has worked in the area

of women's ministry for the past five years. She comes highly qualified to coordinate our women's programs and activities

on campus. She will continue working with Dr. Rhonda Kelley and also take the leadership



Parrish

role for programs such as Quest, Student Wives Fellowship, Heartbeat, and Profettes. Christian's passion is to see women establish a deeper walk with Christ and get connected in fellowship with other women.

We welcome Liz, Cole, and Christian to your new positions! We are grateful each of you are here!

Dr. Craig Price



Father and Son Service

Jennings Riley, left, and his father, NOBTS professor Jeff Riley, help rebuild Edgewater Baptist Church in New Orleans.



Signs of Hope

What a difference a year makes. On the first anniversary of Hurricane Katrina's landfall restoration on Carolyn Nogess' Upper 9th Ward home had not begun. This year she is back in her home.

"I'm thankful to God that I have my home," she said. "I have more to be thankful for than to be upset about."

A hand-written sign in her yard reads: "To God Be the Glory."



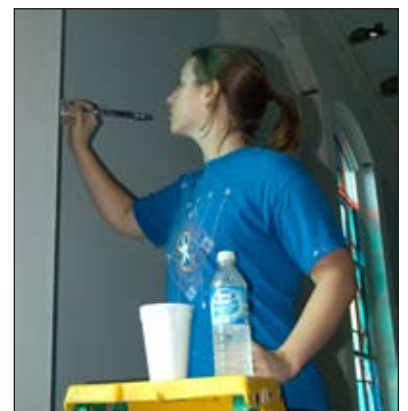
The Day in Pictures

Photos by Boyd Guy



Head 'em Up, Move 'em Out

Dr. Dennis Phelps rounds up his ministry team at Leavell Chapel. Dr. Phelps wins the award for the day's best hat.



Cole Gilbert paints in the sanctuary of Edgewater Baptist Church.

Steps to Nowhere

LEFT: These steps are the only reminder of the home that once stood in the Lower 9th Ward.