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LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

“See, I am doing a new thing! Now it springs up; do you not perceive it? I am making a way in the wilderness and streams in the wasteland.” - Isaiah 43:19

This has undoubtedly been a common scripture for churches looking for a new beginning, a stimulated vitality, or a new image. But for us here at Elim Bible Institute and College, it’s tapping into our Pentecostal/Charismatic roots laid out for us by our Elim fathers and mothers of the faith. The word “new” here in Isaiah 43:19 can better be translated as, “fresh”. That’s it! EBIC is moving into a fresh educational vibrancy and financially stable change while at the same time holding on to our rooted foundation in order to effectively move forward in sharing the Gospel globally. They all work together in cadence for a more successful EBIC!



The repaired Tabernacle steeple. In time, oxidation will make sure the repaired portion will match the rest of the steeple.

There’s an excitement in the Holy Spirit on campus with both students and staff this semester...a little different than 2020’s “Year of the Covid!”

Wonderful things are happening here at EBIC, and the campus is getting an up-grade grooming!

- Our grounds (lawn, trimming, hedging, flowers and all-around horticulture) are looking so much nicer and appealing to the eye!
- Our Unity Bridge connecting us to both Elim Gospel Church, and Elim Fellowship, has been beautified with a brand-new fix up and paint job (thank you my darling wife Debbie for organizing this with your painting team)!
- Also, we have a new Fountain in the pond that makes our campus light up with four colors at night...an AWESOME show!
- Our Steeple on top of the Tabernacle needed tin repair (a ripped piece of flapping tin and hole was showing) and Angel Pavia a parent (along with his wife Reina) of two students here at Elim, came to the rescue by fixing us up first class!
- Because of the kindness and expert masonry experience of Burt Clocksin (former EBI grad) the steps in front of the Dining Hall, the Admissions Building and a few other places around the campus were both repaired and painted!!
- Aside from this, our South brick apartments are getting “brand new” greatly needed steel steps leading up to the second floor. A donor was kind enough to bless us with the money needed to do this.
- And then there are the six towering pillars in front of College Hall that were freshly scrapped, sanded, caulked, and given two thick coats of paint (should be good for another 8-10 years)! Thank you, Bob Labore, for your professionalism in completing this HUGE five-week job!

Thank you, Lord for Your wonderful and sensitive servants, investing into this great Bible college!!

EBIC is on a fresh and vibrant trajectory for health... spiritually, within our operational infrastructure, our financial infrastructure, our grounds, buildings and in our academics. Our new Marketing Department is up and running and in sync with our totally revamped Admissions Department for hopefully a perpetual increase in Freshmen each Fall. We’re seeing obvious fruit from that right now! However, the most important thing for ELIM above anything else is the same thing that was important to our founder Rev. I.Q. Spencer... “Preparing Christ-centered, Spirit-empowered leaders for global REVIVAL!” This was, is, and will continue to be the most paramount purpose for the existence of this Bible college.

“To win for the Lamb the reward of His suffering!”
– (refrain of the Moravians)

Because of Him,

Dr. Fred Antonelli, Ph.D.



Dr. Fred Antonelli and Debbie Antonelli



Freshly repaired and painted steps outside of the Dining Hall.

ELIM IN THE FALL

We are so blessed to have such a beautiful historical campus! Fall here on the Hill is always so lovely, and this year is no different! However, we are not quite ready for that Western New York snow just yet.



UPCOMING EVENTS

November 10-11: Discovery Days (with Saturate: November 11-13).

November 19-21: EBIC Theater Group: "Seussical the Musical" Production.

December 17-January 8: Christmas Break.

January 10: Spring Semester Begins.

January 10-14: Week of Prayer.

January 18: First President's Chapel of the Spring Semester.

February 19-27: Winter Recess.

March 14-25: Registration for Fall Semester.

March 18-19: Basketball Tournament.

May 13-14: Commencement Weekend.

Celebrate with Our Graduates!

Baccalaureate, Fri. 7pm

Seniors Brunch, Sat 10am

Graduation, Sat 2pm

June 6 - July 29: Online Summer Classes.

Take an EBIC course online this summer!

For more information call Admissions at 585-582-8260.

August 29: Fall Semester Begins.

Apply soon to attend EBIC in the fall at

www.elim.edu/apply or call Admissions at 585-582-8260 for more information.

August 30: First President's Chapel of the 2022/2023 School Year.

View the livestream on [Facebook](#) or [YouTube](#)

For the latest updates to the Event Calendar, visit our online calendar [here](#).

MAINTENANCE MISSIONS

This summer, EBIC sent out a call to alumni and expressed the need for people with skill in a trade. The campus has been in need of some loving hands to come and give it some attention. We are so grateful to those who answered our call! Thank you so much to Angel Pavia who mended the Tabernacle's Steeple, and to Burt Clocksin for filling in all of the cracks around campus. Everything looks so much nicer thanks to the God-given talents of these men!



If you would be interested in volunteering your skills and time, please find more information in this [video](#), and reach out to Andrew Weiler: (585) 582-8292 or andrewweiler@elim.edu.

PASTORAL LIAISON - GUY GABRIEL

Attention all pastors! Have you ever wondered how you can get in touch with EBIC? Have you wanted to make connections with the school or even learn more about Elim before you consider sending any of the younger members of your congregation here? Well, EBIC is now proud to introduce you to our Pastoral Liaison, Guy Gabriel.



Guy is available to answer any questions you have about EBIC, and he would love to be in contact with you! Feel free to reach out to him at (585) 582-8206. We look forward to hearing from you!

PRESIDENT'S CHAPEL

*Join us for President's Chapel
Did you know that the President's Chapel is now being livestreamed? This means you can join us LIVE to hear worship and a word from Dr. Antonelli and guest speakers. President's Chapels take place every Tuesday during the regular semester from 11:00am - Noon EST.*

Links to livestream: [Facebook](#) or [YouTube](#)

Podcasts of chapels available on [iTunes](#) and [Spotify](#).

NEW HIRES!



Ashley Mellinger
Housekeeping
Coordinator

Samuel Peachey
Grounds & Facilities
Technician

Shannon Nguyen
Financial Aid Director

John Reese
Vice President of
Institutional
Development

Nicole Spencer
Librarian &
Administration
Assistant

Lisa Waldman
Admissions Director

Leah Waters
Marketing Assistant

MAKE A DONATION?

Are you interested in making a donation to Elim Bible Institute and College? Making a donation to EBIC is easy to do! In fact, you can even designate where you would like your donation to be applied, such as where needed most, scholarship fund, a specific student, or campus restoration. To make a donation, please visit this [page](#).

CALL FOR HELP ANSWERED BY EBIC

This past July, Elim Bible Institute and College received a call for prayer and support from Reverend Daniel Byamukama in Uganda, where a new wave of the Covid-19 pandemic had recently hit:

“Many people in our country feed their families by walking in the streets of small cities and selling vegetables from their gardens. Such people have a very small money reserve and if they don’t earn any money, they can usually survive just for a couple of days. Then they starve. Such jobs have been forbidden under this lockdown - and many people are starving.”

He went on to continue to describe the clear need they were in:

- “Many small businesses had to close - leaving many more people jobless.
- People who used to sell cooked food in the streets - are not allowed to do so during this lockdown.
- There is also a greatly increased rate of family violence, child abuse and the increased rate of unwanted pregnancy among youths.
- Some men have run away from their families due to their inability to provide - leaving single mothers renting houses with starving children. We have already many single mothers in the nation and the number is increasing - many of them come to our churches.
- Homeless children run to churches in hopes of survival, but often churches are not able to help much, as they do not have much.
- Some people are dying due to Covid, but many people are dying due to starvation.”

Elim Bible Institute and College answered these requests by gathering together and supporting our Church family in Uganda through prayer and financial support. About a month later, we received a response from Reverend Daniel’s son, Shammah Musobozi, a 2021 EBIC alumni:

“Hello! I hope you are doing well and good. I would like to appreciate you for your generosity and kindness that you and the EBIC staff have shown to us for the love and care for our ministry and community at large.

“According to the food donation funds that was given to us, we have been able to give out 10 kilograms of posho, 2 kilograms of beans, 2 kilograms of sugar, and one bar of soap to each family and a lot of families have received and more families are still going to receive food because we are doing it in small shifts due the pandemic in our community.

“The families that received food have really been grateful and we have been receiving countless testimonies saying that this was really a miracle for them because they literally didn’t have food in their homes but now they are able to feed their families for a few days. Below are some of the photos of the people who have received food and we still have more in store for the people who haven’t received yet! May God bless you all abundantly.

“Blessings,
Shammah Musobozi”

EBIC is so grateful to be able to have supported the wonderful ministry that Shammah and his family are a part of in Uganda. Please join us in lifting them up in prayer as they continue to recover from the Covid-19 pandemic.



Bags of food and supplies.



Shammah sharing supplies and the love of Christ with the people in his community.

FOUNTAIN RUNNING AGAIN!

After many years, the Elim fountain is back and better than ever! It is a beautiful addition to the campus that serves as a practical tool to keep our pond looking clean and well-loved. The fountain is also a wonderful reminder of the wellspring of joy that erupts from the depths of our soul when we draw closer to our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

We also had several volunteers come throughout the summer and paint the Unity Bridge that connects the different branches of Elim (Elim Bible Institute and College, Elim Gospel Church, and Elim Fellowship). Staff, students, and other volunteers all gathered together to help the campus to look much better when the students returned in August.

We are so grateful to everyone who was willing to make a gift of their time to help us make our historic campus look so beautiful. We could not have done it without all their hard work!



The fountain lighting up the pond at night.



The fountain is back and better than ever!



The freshly painted Unity Bridge glistening in the sun.



The newly installed fountain adds to the beauty of EBIC.



BIG NEWS!!! BACHELOR'S DEGREE NOW AVAILABLE FROM EBIC!!

Have you heard the news? Elim is now offering a Bachelor of Science in Theology! This is great news for new students and alumni!

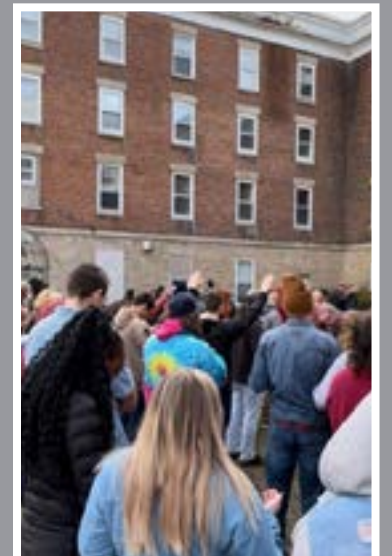
For more information please visit [Bachelor of Science in Theology](#).

Alumni should contact us ASAP for a degree audit to find out how many of your credits can be applied to the Bachelor's program. Don't forget, credits from other colleges could also be applied.

For more information, contact Admissions at 585.582.8260.

PRAYING OVER SPENCER HALL

Students and staff praying over the Spencer Admin building, trusting God for financial provision for full restoration!



ONE WEEKEND CHANGES EVERYTHING!

Foundations Weekend is an amazing time in which the students here at Elim Bible Institute and College come together every year, pause their other activities, and dig down to the very foundation of what makes up who we are in Christ, and in the Church. Every year, we cover the following topics: Christ's Lordship in our Lives, Water Baptism, the Baptism of the Holy Spirit, and Healing from Bondages. This year, we had the pleasure of hearing from Reverend Stacy Cline and Dr. Fred Antonelli. Brother Stacy shared with the students about The Lordship of Jesus Christ and Water Baptism, while EBIC's president, Dr. Fred Antonelli, shared with the students about The Baptism of the Holy Spirit, and Healing from Bondages. Both men shared messages that greatly affected the student body, and many lives were changed throughout the duration of the 2021 Foundations Weekend.

Although I personally have been here for three different Foundations Weekends now, I have always taken something different away from this time. My freshman year, even though I had already been baptized physically and spiritually, I was able to come before the Lord afresh and present myself to Him in a new commitment. It was a wonderful time to just bask in the presence of the Lord and share life changing experiences with my new friends here at Elim. My junior year, I got to approach the weekend as a time to reach out to others and help to minister to them as an upperclassman and resident advisor. This year, my fourth and final year here at EBIC, I was able to come before the Lord with the fresh perspective of a newly-married student.

Originally, I had entered the weekend with the thought that I probably would not take as much away from it as I had in the past since I have sat through the sessions a couple of times before. However, the Lord definitely had very different plans. I learned so many different things throughout the Weekend, but one of the biggest things was to always know that the Lord will find ways to move. He began to show me things that I have never grasped before

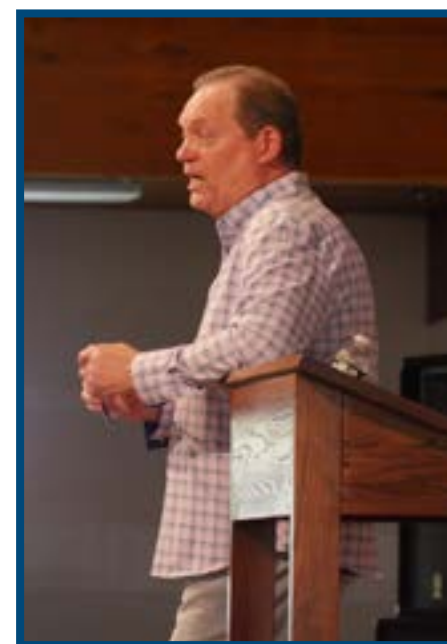
through each of the sessions. It was a truly humbling experience, knowing that my plans are not the Lord's plans, and He can always find significant ways to change you, especially in the times that you do not expect Him to. I entered Foundations Weekend expecting to ride the ripple and stay on my surfboard, but I was hit by a divine tidal wave instead.

The Lord never ceases to amaze me through each Foundations Weekend I have participated in. God is so real and tangible, and His work here on campus among the students is truly so beautiful. It was so powerful to see Him working so potently among the student body through accepting His Lordship in our hearts and lives, baptisms in the Holy Spirit, and the breaking of bondages. We are all so eager to see what else the Lord has in store for us during this school year.



Foundations Weekend is a wonderful opportunity for students to press into the Lord.

By Leah Waters, a senior as well as the Marketing Assistant at Elim Bible Institute and College in Lima, New York.



Dr. Antonelli speaking to the student body on the Baptism of the Holy Spirit.



Sister Sylvia praying with students to receive the Baptism of the Holy Spirit.

TRANSFORMING LONELINESS

BY RUTH GRAHAM

Loneliness knows no season. It can strike during times of busyness and a full social calendar just as easily as it can when plans are canceled and friends are far off. And we may be surprised just how common loneliness is among our friends, family, and colleagues. But it isn't inevitable and it isn't forever.

In Transforming Loneliness, Ruth Graham invites you to surrender your loneliness to God and work with Him in making healthy choices that lead to life, joy, and community. Through biblical principles and examples, along with true-life stories, you will discover how the core needs that drive your loneliness--the need to be known, to be chosen, to belong, and to be valued--can be met as God transforms your loneliness into a positive experience that accomplishes His purposes and draws you into a closer, more intimate, and more meaningful relationship with Him and others.



OUTDOOR STAFF AND STUDENT FUN!

Every fall, staff and students alike all gather together to enjoy food, fun, and fellowship on the front lawn of Spencer Hall. This September, everyone had a wonderful time spending time together in the sun and playing games that helped bring out the most competitive spirits among the campus. Everyone who helped to make the event happen did an amazing job!

In October, the Campus Life team hosted a campus-wide outing to nearby Mendon Ponds Park. Classes and meetings were all cancelled that afternoon and faculty, staff, and students came together to have fun and get off campus for a bit. The kitchen staff worked so hard to bring us delicious food, and the Campus Life team had amazing games planned that truly helped to bring the campus together. Staff competed with students, and everyone had an amazing time.

We are so grateful to all of the staff and students who worked so hard to help make these wonderful events happen! It truly brought the campus together in such sweet ways, and we are so blessed to live in such a beautiful area of New York where we can spend time together out of doors and soak up the lovely fall weather!



Dr. A praying over the students and the food.



The kitchen staff worked so hard to make both picnics happen!



The boys were definitely enjoying the competitions!



Everyone had a chance to play several different games.



(Left) Staff and students all had a chance to bond during these events.

DISTANCE EDUCATION: EARN A DEGREE ONLINE!

Did you know Elim is now offering degrees online? Life is crazy and fitting college courses into your busy schedule can be challenging! Now you can earn a degree from EBIC with more flexibility than ever before. Distance education at Elim includes courses that can be completed via virtual live classes or in an online format that does not require you to log into a class at a specific time.

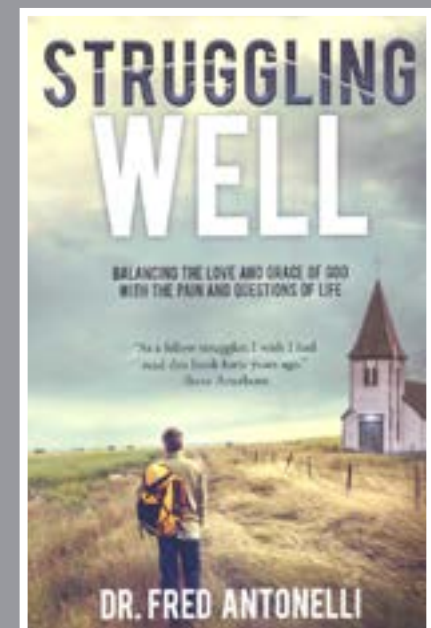
*Want to learn more?
Contact Admissions at 585.582.8260 or
admissions@elim.edu.*

You can also visit [Distance Education](#) for more information.

STRUGGLING WELL

BY DR. FRED ANTONELLI

Struggling Well explores the beauty of God's acceptance of us through our human condition...the scars of life that can end up being our friend...the emancipating power of forgiveness...the joy of being set free from the pious hand of legalism as well as the stigma of mental health issues. Struggling Well is a prescription for life success through hope and healing for a much brighter future.



MOVING IN DAY

My name is Krista Vann. I am a proud alumnus of *Elim Bible Institute and College* and I now have the privilege of serving as the Senior Admissions Counselor. I love working with incoming students; hearing their stories and walking with them through the highs and lows of the college decision process is one of the things that brings me the most joy!

Working in the Admissions Department means my team and I work hard year round in preparation of one very important day: arrival day. Each August carries a sense of anticipation as we count down the days for our new and returning students to move-in.

It is always such a special feeling to have new students move on campus. If you are a part of the EBIC family, you know that there is a beautiful family-feel in “the Elim bubble” that you just don’t find everywhere you go. Even as a staff member, I have such a special relationship with the students. I mentor a few students and some students are my closest friends. I love getting to know our students. They are such a special part of my life here in Lima.

Having been a student myself, I know that the Elim experience is unparalleled. The truth that EBIC instills in young adults and the way it prepares them for a life of service to the Lord is the biggest reason that I believe in EBIC’s mission. I know the impact EBIC has had on my life and ministry. Thus, when new students arrive on-campus, I am already anticipating the great experience they will have as students. There is a wonderful transformation that the Lord brings to all who are willing. Even on arrival day, I am looking forward to the lifelong friendships they will make during their time as a student. I am expectant for the healing work the Lord will do and, most importantly, the foundation they will build in their relationship with the Lord as they study His word and spend time with Him through classes, chapels, special events, and their own quiet time.

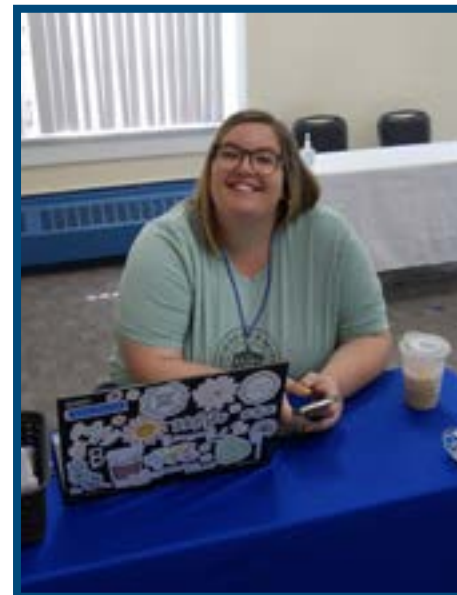


We are so blessed to have so many wonderful freshmen on campus this year, and we can already see the amazing work that the Lord is doing in their lives. There is no place quite like Elim, and I am so excited to see them continue to discover Him during their time here!

By Krista Vann, the Senior Admissions Counselor at Elim Bible Institute and College in Lima, New York.



Krista Vann serving the incoming freshmen on Moving In Day.



SPIRITUAL ENRICHMENT CERTIFICATE

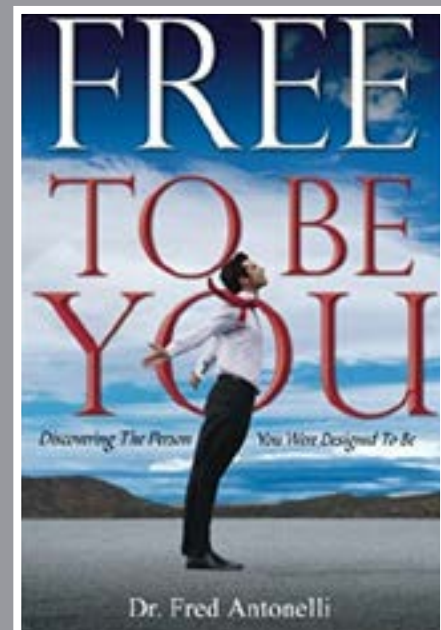
Are you looking to strengthen your relationship with God, but are not necessarily interested in acquiring college course credits? The Spiritual Enrichment Certificate program provides a format where you can focus on your relationship with God, dig into his word, build your prayer life, and be mentored without the rigorous demands of taking accredited courses. This is a non-degree program.

Want to learn more? Please contact Admissions at 585.582.8260, admissions@elim.edu or visit [Spiritual Enrichment Certificate](#).

(This program is currently available to U.S. students only.)

FREE TO BE YOU BY DR. FRED ANTONELLI

Believe that God’s plan is that you will succeed on your life journey, not fail! It has been designated and mapped out for you as a promising, fulfilling, secure, faith-filled, vibrant, and meaningful future. All of these factors and more will literally transform you so that perhaps for the first time in your life, you can enjoy being “FREE TO BE YOU”!



SEUSSICAL THE MUSICAL!

On November 19-21, the Elim Bible Institute and College Theater group will be presenting their production of *Seussical the Musical*. *Seussical* is based off of several of Dr. Seuss's most famous books that have entertained children and adults alike for almost 90 years. The students and staff who are participating in the show have worked very hard and are excited to share their gifts and talents with you.

Please come join us to show support for the Theater group.
 Show times are:
 Friday, November 19th at 7pm EST
 Saturday, November 20th at 7pm EST
 Sunday, November 21st at 2pm EST

All performances will be in the Tabernacle on campus. Ticket prices are \$10 for adults and \$8 for students and children. Pre-purchase your tickets [here](#).



The cast of Seussical running through the music for the show.



Cast members working together on a scene.



Director Kelly Walsh.

WEBSITE TIDBITS

Did you know that our website has the following pages?

Accreditation: Learn more about the organizations that we have been able to partner with to help make coming to Elim affordable and achievable!

Academic Programs: Be sure to check out our Academic Programs page to learn more about all of the programs EBIC offers!

Alumni: Calling all alumni! Be sure to check out our Alumni page and find different ways to reconnect with Elim!

Events Calendar: Have you ever wondered what is going on here on campus? Check out our Calendar!

Distance Education: Are you interested in completing your degree from the comfort of your home? Visit our Online Education page for more information!

President's Chapel Livestream: Every Tuesday, our chapels focus on hearing from our president and from other wonderful speakers as well! Please join us at 11am EST to hear from the Lord!

Podcasts: Our podcasts are also available on iTunes and Spotify. These are recordings of president's chapels and more!

Request Transcripts: Are you an EBIC alumni? Visit the Request Transcripts page to inquire about getting either an official or unofficial transcript.

ALUMNI NEWS

MARRIAGES



Hoyer, Karl

Last year attended: 2000

On June 27, 2020 my wife, Marie Martin Hoyer was killed in a car accident. My oldest daughter was in the car with her and she survived with minimal injuries. I resigned as pastor of the church I was pastoring in Virginia and moved back to western NY. The Lord brought Rachel into my life, we were married August 7, 2021. We will now reside in Syracuse and will be using the residence in Scio NY for regional ministry. I continue to serve the local community by facilitating a GriefShare group at the Hope Center in Wellsville, NY and working with the Celebrate Recovery group at Yorks Corners Mennonite Church. Rachel and I are pursuing a writing ministry and I serve the local churches by filling pulpits when asked and setting up cross-denominational evangelistic outreaches.



Mears, Michael

Last year attended: 1993

Our son, Josiah Mears, was born while we were attending ELIM in 1991. He's getting married to Rachel Hollingsworth. Rachel grew up as a missionary kid in Spain. Josiah was a missionary kid in the South Pacific islands.



Waters, Conor and Leah (Renaldo)

Last year attended: Conor, 2019 | Leah, 2021

This summer, we had the joy and privilege to make a lifelong covenant to each other before the Lord! We had the most beautiful wedding, and we were so blessed to have had Brother Stacy Cline officiate and Brother Dick Grout lead us in worship for the first time as husband and wife. We truly could not have asked for a more incredible day, and we are just beyond excited for the future God has for us together!

OBITUARIES

Frink, June

Mother of Marji Grout, passed away last year, October 6th, 2020. She was the wife of Elmer Frink who, among other roles, served as Dean of Men at EBI in the early 60's and the General Overseer of Elim Fellowship in the 80's. June served the Elim community in many capacities herself, including Director of the Women's Department of Elim Fellowship.

ELIM ALUMNI

Calling all Alumni! We want to hear from you! What's new, what's exciting, how are you doing, what are you doing? YOU matter! We are always excited to hear from EBIC alumni and let's face it, once you've attended Elim, you're family, plain and simple. We hope you enjoy the following Alumni News! We invite you to share your news and/or updates so it can be included in future issues of the Elim Herald by clicking [here](#).

NEW DNA OF ELIM VIDEO!

What is the DNA of Elim? So many descriptions come to mind! We invite you to view this brand new promotional [video](#) of staff and faculty eloquently and beautifully describing the true DNA of Elim!



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Bennett, Tim

Last year attended: 1999

Created a presentation based on Randy Alcorn's book, Pro-Choice or Pro-Life, Examining 15 Pro-Choice Claims, with Randy's endorsement. Available for seminars.



Blamoh, George Festus

Last year attended: 2017

I wrote an article that reflects my work in Liberia. Please see below the link of my article so that you can capture full story:

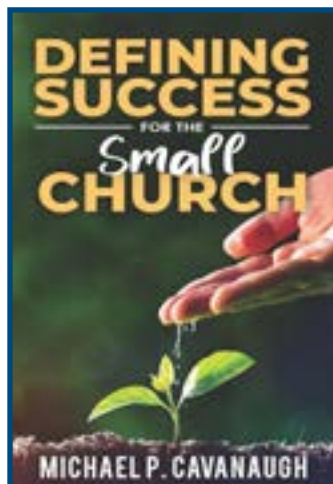
[Christianity Is Not Just Doing, but Being.](#)



Bunkoff, Steven

Last year attended 1978

Although retired from pastoring, I am now doing an online (zoom) marriage counseling ministry available to couples all over the country.



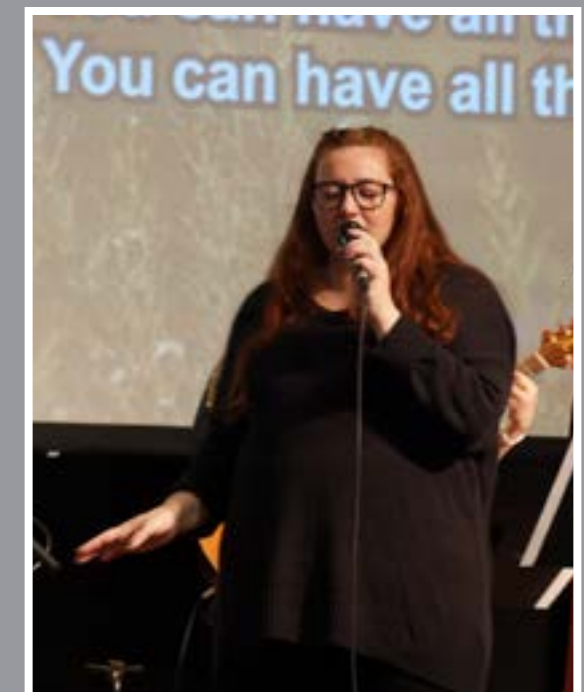
Cavanaugh, Michael

Last year attended: 1994

I'm releasing a new book in October called Defining Success for the Small Church. If the success of a church is measured by attendance, finances, and building size, it is impossible for leaders of small churches to feel they are fulfilling God's calling. This book redefines success by identifying ten areas of church health in which a church can grow-no matter its size. It is very encouraging for small church pastors. For a free ebook go to notmanyfathers.com. For a paperback version go to amazon.com.

FACULTY/ALUMNI VIDEO SERIES

Ever wonder what happens after Elim? There are so many amazing alumni stories! We hope you enjoy this exciting video series where current Elim faculty interview alumni to discover how Elim prepared them for serving the Lord literally all over the world. In these videos you will be able to hear how the alumni came to Elim, trained at Elim, and moved into the Lord's calling on their lives. Please take a few minutes to watch these videos, they will bless you! Be sure to check back over the next few months as additional videos are added to this [playlist series](#) on YouTube!



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Daniels, Andrew and Jenney

Last year attended: Andrew, 1974 | Jenney, 1975

Daughter, Becky, and husband, Peter; had a baby girl named Faith on October 6, 2020 (just one year old).

Son, Phil, and wife, Sally, had a baby boy named Matthew on August 16, 2021.

Hempfling, Jack

Last year attended: 1993

Left Leroy, NY pastorate after 20 years and are Elim missionaries to YWAM Denver.



Hepting, Steven

Last year attended: 1988

Barbara (Garcia '88) Hepting and I are serving as Missionaries in Roca Blanca, Mexico. Southern Mexico. Working at Mission Victoria Base and throughout the state of Oaxaca supporting church leadership.

Ikoma, Johnny and Noella

Last year attended: 1999

We have been doing missions work here in the Refugee City of Clarkston, Georgia since 2012. It has been a learning experience and there has been progressive growth. We have been handling the several needs of the multi-ethnic, cultural, religions, and customs of the people residing in the 1.1sq/miles space missions field. There is a lot to share, including the increasing NEED for Missionaries & Resources to effectively reach the growing Hindu & Muslim populations in the city. We are committed to OCCUPY till the LORD comes ...LUKE 19:13

TESTIMONY TUESDAY VIDEO SERIES

Our new video series gives current students a chance to share their testimonies from their time here at Elim Bible Institute and College. Each student is so unique and they each have a very significant and special story to tell about the works that the Lord has been doing in their lives.

Watch this series on [Facebook](#) or [YouTube](#), and hear from our wonderful students.



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Johansson, Billy

Last year attended: 1969

I married Ywonne in 1970, we went to India as missionaries in 1971 with a four-month old baby. We served in India at the Doon Bible College in Dehra Dun upto 1985. It was a joy for us when Carlton Spencer visited us there in 1977. Three more children were born in India. When we returned to Sweden in 1985 we served with our home church for four years. Planned to go back to India in 1989, prepared everything, but were refused visas. It was a shock. We had moved back to India mentally. I was then invited to serve with Interlife, the Swedish Pentecostal Mission's Relief and Development Organisation, responsible for the projects in Asia. This made it possible for me to continue to visit India and our old partners. I was with Interlife for ten years and many new doors for ministry in closed countries opened up. The most remarkable was North Korea which I visited five times in the 1990's. For a couple of years after that I did short term Mission assignments. In the early 2000's I was invited by my home church to take up the responsibility for our Mission-work, and later also for Finance and Administration. In 2011 I handed over responsibilities to a younger generation and from 2013 I am serving as a volunteer in various capacities where Missions is my main focus. I also happen to be the vice Chairman of the Board.



Johansson, Paul and Gloria

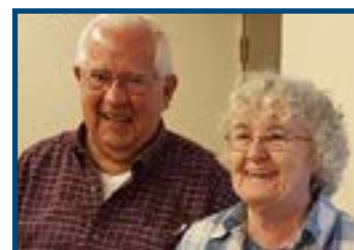
Last year attended: 1956

Stepping away from the Presidency of EBI&C, 16 years ago, we moved to Hampton, Virginia near our family. Our years at Elim brought us in contact with so many students who are now life-long friends we now connect with. This is our joy! We thank each of you personally for your part in our journey! Our burden and vision are still missions. We have spent the last 16 years visiting the fields where our students and friends are advancing His Kingdom. We rejoice to see the "fruits" of our labors impacting the world. Even with the Pandemic, we continue ministering worldwide through zoom. We pray it continues giving us opportunities to reach front line workers. Our family is well. In November, we celebrate our 65th wedding anniversary. Who could have ever dreamed, the two freshmen who met at Elim, in 1953 would have the privilege of serving their Master together.

Klock (Karppala), Faith

Last year attended: 1973

I married July 21, 1984. My husband passed away June 6, 2006. I have one daughter who is married to a youth pastor. I was an older mom. I became a grandmother for the first time at 70 and the second time at 74. I'm a resident of Montour Falls, NY.



Lindsey, Bill and Joan

Last year attended: Bill, 1952 | Joan, 1959

*We are retired, living in Springfield, MO. Joan and I have four children, Debbie, Brenda, Jeff & Jon. Our family has blessed us with 6 grandchildren and 4 great-grandchildren. Life is "WONDERFUL"
My favorite Psalm is: "You have let me/us experience the joys of life and the exquisite pleasures of your own eternal presence" (Psalm 16:11)*

Marcello, Carolyn

Last year attended: 1976

On Oct. 3, 2021 I had the 30th Life Chain in South Bethany, Delaware. For the past 15 years, twice a year, a stand for life has taken place in front of my house. We hold pro-life signs and pray to end abortion. Five area churches participate. It is a testimony in this area for life. It grows every year.



McGregor, Todd

Last year attended: 1983

Patsy and Todd have returned back to the USA after serving 30 years in Madagascar and Toliara. Todd served the last 14 years as an Anglican area bishop and diocesan bishop in the Diocese of Toliara. His primary responsibility was to start a new Diocese with 11 churches which grew to 120 by the time they left. Before leaving Madagascar, Todd received the National Order award from the President of Madagascar for his service and contribution to the country. They now live in Hobe Sound, Florida.

Potucek, Carolyn

Last year attended: 1973

I am returning to Idaho after serving 27 years in Laos.

Sterlace, Mark

Last year attended: 1991

30 years of pressing into God and seeing the faithfulness of His presence. We are believing for signs and wonders and miracles to follow the preaching of His Word.

ALUMNI NEWS

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Trueblood, Ernest

Last year attended: 1974

We will be celebrating 30 years as pastors of the International Revival Tabernacle of Burlington County, Inc. November 20th We will be having the celebration. We are so excited. To God be all the glory! I have never forgotten Elim. Some of the best blessed years of my life. Elim helped me to know my call.



Vanerkooy, JD

Last year attended: 1992

I'm practising as a child and adolescent psychiatrist at Grand River Hospital in Kitchener, Ontario. I have three children: Jackson 19, Sophie 18, and Seth 16. I was chatting today with a patient's mother, who recently moved to Western New York, and was remembering fondly 3 of the best years of my life. Love to the Class of '92!



Wales, Tommy

Last year attended: 1987

New Solo Acoustic CD = Tommy Wales - "ALL IS FAIR IN LOVE + WAR". Tommy's Christian Rock Tunes can be found on all Digital Formats, i.e. - iTunes, Apple, etc. Website = walesroad.com / Music Videos = youtube.com/tommywales



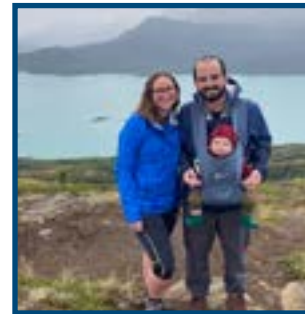
Watts, John

Years attended: 1987

Been living in paradise-South Florida for nearly 35 yrs, with my wife from "Elim Bridal Institute".

We live near Fort Lauderdale, and Lord willing, will be moving to our new home in Central Florida around the Daytona/Palm Coast area. Our daughter Jessica is turning 23 this November. We miss Elim, and pray blessings on our Elim family community.

BIRTHS



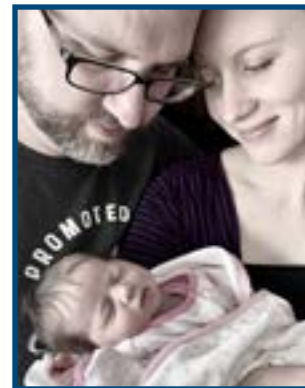
Bell (Burkemeier), Sara

Last year attended: 2010

Date of Birth: January 12, 2021

Baby's Name: Burke Azariah Bell

Burke is a wild and free baby, just like his mom. He was named Azariah after the story of the fiery furnace. We pray he has the faith to say that his God can do anything, but even if he doesn't, he is still in control. We also hope he gets to see God clearly walking with him in his "furnace". We love our wild child.



Johnson, Eric and Becca (Grout)

Last year attended: Eric, 2009 | Becca, 2011

Date of Birth: February 17, 2021

Baby's Name: Renae June

Alumni, Becca (Grout) and Eric Johnson had their first child: a beautiful little girl named Renae June.

KEEP IN TOUCH

Every year more people are added to the Elim family as new students or staff. We want to help our Alumni stay in touch with their Elim family and keep fulfilling the Elim mission as Christ-centered, Spirit-filled servant leaders for global ministry and world-wide revival.

There are many ways for Elim alumni to stay connected to Elim!

- **Join the official Alumni Facebook group and catch up with old friends!**
www.facebook.com/groups/ElimBibleAlumni
- **Take a class!**
15% tuition discount for one class per academic year in any program and any mode (on campus or online) (available to all alumni who have completed an EBIC program (certificate/degree).
- **Watch or listen to great chapel messages:**
www.elim.edu/chapel-livestream
www.elim.edu/chapel-audio
podcasts.apple.com/us/podcast/chapels-elim-bible-institute-college
<https://open.spotify.com/show/04bmu2KTMBJ8QpTwcU72Mr>
- **View a variety of Elim focused videos** on [Youtube.com/elimible](https://www.youtube.com/elimible)

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