

MEMORIALS

Gordon Haddon Clark

Early in the morning of April 9, Gordon Haddon Clark died at home in his sleep after an illness and hospitalization of several weeks. His body was buried near Westcliffe, Colorado, in the Sangre de Cristo range of the Rocky Mountains. A more appropriate place would be hard to imagine, for it was the blood of Christ that Clark trusted for his salvation.

His death came at the culmination of a long and distinguished career of teaching and writing. Born in Philadelphia in 1902, Clark was the author of more than thirty published books at the time of his death, and several manuscripts remain yet unpublished. He spent some of his last days in the hospital correcting the proofs of *Ephesians* with the help of one of his two daughters.

During his career, Clark had taught at the University of Pennsylvania, from which he received his doctorate in philosophy in 1929; Wheaton College; Reformed Episcopal Seminary; Butler University, where he was chairman of the department of philosophy for 28 years; Covenant College; and finally at Sangre de Cristo Seminary in Colorado. His teaching career spanned almost 60 years, from 1927 to 1984, and the mark he has left on Christian theology will never be erased.

Not many histories of philosophy have been written by Christians in this century. Clark's *Thales to Dewey* has been in print since 1957 and is a standard college text. *A Christian View of Men and Things*—Clark's outline of his philosophy—has become a contemporary classic. At the time he died, Clark had just completed a manuscript on the incarnation, part of his major series of books on systematic theology, the first to be written by an American Calvinist in over a century.

Ronald Nash has called Clark "one of the greatest Christian thinkers of our century." Carl Henry has referred to Clark as "one of the profoundest evangelical Protestant philosophers of our time." Both assessments are true.

God has been especially gracious by giving us Gordon Clark for a short while; let us be especially grateful to God, and as zealous for God's truth as Clark was while he was among us.

James Basford Crichton

James B. Crichton was truly a remarkable and unique man of God, provided at a particular time for a very particular work of establishing a college in Memphis that ultimately became known as Mid-South Bible College. Crichton was born on July 24, 1922, in Alhambra, California. He resided in California until the age of 15, and by that time both of his parents had died. He was brought to the faith and disciplined in the faith by a Miss Lanham, who was a Methodist missionary who had returned from the mission field. She encouraged him to attend John Brown Academy in Siloam Springs, Arkansas. Her en-

couragement was successful, and Crichton entered and graduated from the academy and John Brown University, after which he entered Dallas Theological Seminary and completed his theological education, receiving both a master's degree and doctor's degree in theology.

Because of an illness early in his life that later developed into cancer, he was unable to immediately enter into ministry upon graduation from seminary but was forced to return to California and rest because of his physical condition. After a number of months' rest he was invited to come to Memphis, Tennessee, by Howard Goddard and to teach at Mid-South Bible Institute. The Institute later moved and became Mid-South Bible College, of which Crichton was president. His ministry there spanned over 30 years. Crichton maintained a radio program, tract-writing program and preaching ministry and was a well-known Christian personality and teacher in the mid-south area at the time of his death. He went home to be with the Lord and to rest from his labors in January of 1984.

He is survived by his wife, Margaret Gillis Crichton, and six children. He was a devoted husband and father and a special servant of the Lord.

Leonard Greenway

Leonard Greenway passed away at his home in Grand Rapids, Michigan, on September 16, 1985, after a brief illness. He was born on February 28, 1907, in Seattle, Washington, but spent most of his life and his entire ministry in western Michigan.

Greenway was known for his gifts of preaching and teaching, for his ability to communicate effectively to children and young people, and for the wise counsel he shared with many people through radio and personal counseling. An accomplished organist, his sacred organ music was heard for many years over Michigan radio stations. He was in frequent demand as a speaker at summer Bible conferences in the United States and Canada. His ministry extended to a number of conferences in overseas churches in Sri Lanka, Japan, Taiwan and Mexico. He published three books for young people and served as president of the synod of 1973. He also translated twenty-three psalms for inclusion in the *Berkeley Version* of the Bible.

Greenway's education included Calvin College and Seminary, Western Seminary, and the University of Chicago. Ordained in 1932, he first served two pastorates in the Reformed Church of America: Second Reformed Church of Grand Haven, Michigan (1932-1939), and Eighth Reformed Church of Grand Rapids (1939-1943). He then became a pastor of the Christian Reformed Church, serving first as school pastor and instructor in Bible at Grand Rapids Christian High School (1943-1952). Five pastorates followed, all in western Michigan: Burton Heights, Grand Rapids (1952-1957); Bethel, Grand Rapids (1957-1963); Third, Kalamazoo (1963-1966); Ninth Street, Holland (1966-1969); Riverside, Grand Rapids (1969-1977). In 1977 he accepted the directorship of the Pastoral Care Center at Highland Hills, Grand Rapids, where he was active in teaching, preaching, counseling, and a daily radio program called "Telephone Time" until the time of his death.

Leonard Greenway delighted in the service of God and the Church of Jesus

Christ. His ministry contained many emphases: Reformed doctrine, Christian education, catechism teaching, marriage counseling, sacred music, reverence in worship, and missions. Above all he stressed the centrality of the preached Word and the power of earnest prayer.

Surviving are his wife, Anna; a son, Roger, of Philadelphia; a sister, Hilda Sullivan, of Grand Rapids; five grandchildren and five great-grandchildren. With them we are thankful for gifts God permitted him to employ so effectively, and we commend his loved ones to God's unfailing comfort.

Paul L. Kaufman

Paul L. Kaufman was born on March 30, 1917, in Breckenridge, Michigan. He went to be with his Lord and ours May 21, 1985. A service of remembrance and appreciation was held in the Western Conservative Baptist Seminary chapel on May 24.

Kaufman earned A. B. and M. A. degrees from Wheaton College. He graduated *cum laude* and was elected to the Scholastic Honor Society during his time at Wheaton. He then attended Northern Baptist Seminary for graduate studies from 1943 to 1945. While attending Northern, he pastored the First Baptist Church in Michigan City, Indiana, where he remained until 1947. In that year he joined the faculty of Northwestern Seminary in Minneapolis, a position he filled until 1956. He also attended the University of Minnesota for graduate studies during this time. In 1956 he joined the faculty of Central Baptist Seminary, Minneapolis, and taught there until 1962. Once again he combined his scholarly and teaching ministries with pastoral responsibilities, pastoring the First Baptist Church, Stillwater, Minnesota, from 1953 to 1964. In 1964 he became pastor of the Moraga Valley Baptist Church, Moraga, California. He remained there until 1969, when he became professor of New Testament language and literature at Western Conservative Baptist Seminary in Portland, Oregon, where he served until his death.

Paul had been a member of ETS since 1953. He was also a member of the Society of Biblical Literature. He was awarded the honorary degree of Doctor of Humane Letters by International College in Honolulu, Hawaii, in 1980.

His writings include the following: *Exegetical Consideration of Baptism in the New Testament*, *Brunner's Unorthodox Views of Interpretation*, and *An Introduction to Grammar: New Testament Greek*. His Greek grammar was also translated into German.

Paul had a pastoral heart that gave life to his demand for excellence in Greek. New students, coming to seminary expecting the ultimate Bible camp, often had their first experience of the rigors of seminary life in his Greek class. His pastoral concern for them as people transformed many discouraged seminarians into lifelong students. He leaves a legacy of students who came to love him and the language of the NT because he encouraged them "to get with the program."

Stuart Eldon Murray

Stuart Eldon Murray, evangelist, educator, pastor, author and builder, died on March 28, 1985, at the age of 65. A man of unlimited energy and clarity of

thought, his work in the cause of God and truth among the Baptists had a tremendous impact on the evangelical mission in Atlantic Canada.

Murray was born the son of Sidney and Adelia (Seelye) Murray on November 6, 1919. He was raised in Moncton, New Brunswick, Canada, and between two periods of military service during the Second World War he married Roberta Gladys Steeves, also of the Moncton area. After the war he began his own lumbering and housebuilding business, but soon answered the call to the gospel ministry.

During his student years at Acadia University, Wolfville, Nova Scotia, he served as pastor in the Black River and Greenfield Baptist churches. Summer months were taken up with his favorite hobby, carpentry, as he built a house every year he was in Wolfville. Sale of these houses paid the student fees and helped to support a growing family.

It was upon completion of his B. A. (honors in philosophy) in 1949 that he accepted a call to pastor a field of five Baptist churches near Fredericton: Oromocto, Gearsy, French Lake, Waterville and Upper Gagetown. He was ordained to the ministry during this pastorate. Encouraged by a faculty member to return for further theological training at Acadia, Murray arranged to continue his studies (B.D. 1952) while remaining pastor of the Oromocto field.

From 1952 to 1956 Murray served pastorates in Hartland and in Halifax (Mulgrave Park). It was in 1956 that he was called to be traveling evangelist for the Maritime Baptist Convention (now the United Baptist Convention of the Atlantic Provinces). Over a ten-year period he preached in virtually every Baptist church in New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island, and in many in Newfoundland and Nova Scotia. The Lord blessed his labors mightily as scores repented of sin and savingly believed.

In the midst of his tenure as evangelist he felt the need for further training. In 1963–1964 he moved his wife and family to Dalton, Pennsylvania, where he served the Baptist churches of Dalton and Clark's Summit while completing his Th. M. degree at Eastern Baptist Theological Seminary in Philadelphia.

In 1966 he became principal of the United Baptist Bible Training School, an institution offering a high-school diploma and Bible training. After only four years (during which time he earned the M.A. degree in philosophy from the University of New Brunswick) Murray saw UBBTS transformed into the Atlantic Baptist College.

In 1974–1975 he again returned to school, this time flying to Philadelphia (Eastern Seminary) each week for three days while fulfilling his administrative responsibilities and carrying a full course load at the College. For his work in the study of preaching he was granted the D. Min. degree and just two years later was awarded the D. D. (*honoris causa*) by Acadia University. Murray stepped down as president of the College in 1980 but remained on the faculty as professor of Biblical languages. His publications include *Plain Talk About Salvation* (1964), *What the Holy Spirit Does* (1967), *Thinking Right About God* (1980), and *Doctrine for Plain Folk* (1981).

Always a preacher at heart, Murray was able to return to the pastorate during the last two years of his life. He was called to the Five Points Baptist Church in New Brunswick, and though struggling against cancer and its treatments he was never absent from the pulpit at the appointed times of meeting.

Murray died in the Moncton Hospital. Memorial services were held in the First Baptist Church, Moncton, and at the Atlantic Baptist College. He is survived by his wife Roberta and his seven children (Robert, Austin, Jo Anne, James, Marilyn, Brian and Dale).

Michael W. Narkun

Michael W. Narkun, founder and pastor of the Greater Lowell Christian Center in Dracut, died at the age of 33 in an automobile accident.

Born in Lowell, Massachusetts, the only son of the late Z.W. Narkun and the late Irene (Doda) Narkun, he attended Keith Academy. In his youth he also served as an altar boy at St. Joseph's Church.

Narkun obtained a bachelor's degree in philosophy and film and a master's in education from Boston College, as well as a master of divinity from Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary. He was ordained as an Assemblies of God pastor in 1981.

Before founding the Greater Lowell Christian Center, an Assemblies of God church, he and his wife, the former Pamela Clark of Somerville, operated the Logos Bookstore on Central Street. Later, they operated the Re-Creation Christian Bookstore.

He founded the Greater Lowell Christian Center in 1980. He had also been the chaplain of the Full Gospel Fellowship, a campus ministry at the University of Lowell, since 1980.

Narkun was an artist whose works were exhibited at the Boston Museum of Fine Arts. He also authored several pieces that appeared in scientific and theological journals. Narkun also hosted the WCAP-Radio program "Church Alive" and "Living Stones" on the University of Lowell's WJUL-Radio.

In addition to his wife he leaves three daughters, Pamela, Christy and Charis.

Glenn O'Neal

Glenn O'Neal, senior professor of practical theology and former dean of Biola University's Talbot Theological seminary and School of Theology, died February 18, 1985, at Canyon General Hospital in Anaheim, California, after a lengthy battle with cancer. He was 66.

University president Clyde Cook stated at O'Neal's memorial service: "Biola has lost a very special person, who has helped shape the lives of and equip the ministry of literally thousands of students through his many years of service here. I have felt the loss personally and most deeply, as Glenn was my professor, my mentor, my colleague and my friend."

The popular professor, a native of Sunnyside, Washington, graduated from Moody Bible Institute in Chicago in 1939 and earned a Master of Divinity degree from Grace Theological Seminary in Winona Lake, Indiana, in 1942. He earned his Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of California at Santa Barbara in 1951 and his Master of Arts and doctoral degrees from the University of Southern California in 1952 and 1957.

A faculty member at Talbot Theological Seminary and School of Theology

since 1952, O'Neal was appointed professor and chairman of the Seminary's practical theology department in 1961. He was named dean of the Seminary in 1976, a position he held until returning to the classroom in 1983. It was under his leadership that Talbot initiated its Master of Arts program in ministry and its Doctor of Ministry program. In addition, while he was dean the Seminary established extension centers in the downtown Los Angeles and San Fernando Valley areas of southern California.

O'Neal was also active in a number of areas of service. He was ordained to the ministry in the Grace Brethren denomination and pastored churches of that fellowship in Ohio and California for 21 years. At the time of his death he held membership in the North Long Beach Brethren Church.

He served as chairman of the National Fellowship of Brethren Ministers, moderator of District and National Conference of the Fellowship of Brethren Churches, and president of the Foreign Missions Board of Brethren Churches. He also was a member of the board of trustees of Grace Theological Seminary from 1962 to 1968. O'Neal was a member of ETS and author of *Make the Bible Live* as well as various magazine and periodical articles.

This honored servant of the Lord is survived by his wife Phoebe, his five children, his father, two sisters, a brother, and nine grandchildren.

Louis Praamsma

Louis Praamsma passed away December 2, 1984, at the age of 74. He succumbed to a heart attack in the Peel Memorial Hospital of Brampton, Ontario, Canada.

Praamsma was the author of numerous books and articles, most of which related to the Church and its history. He earned his Th. D. degree at the Free University of Amsterdam in 1945 with a dissertation entitled *Abraham Kuyper: Church Historian*. He published *The Foolishness of God*, a book on the history of the Reformed Churches in the Netherlands. This book appeared in 1952 in revised and extended form. Even in his retirement, Praamsma kept writing. He authored a four-volume work on the Church in the twentieth century. Posthumously his last book, *Let Christ Be King*, on Abraham Kuyper and his times, came off the press in 1985.

In his frequent articles Praamsma sought to strengthen the faith of the fathers in the denomination (Christian Reformed Church) that he faithfully served as pastor. He once wrote: "The present generation must know what the fathers have fought for."

Praamsma pastored three churches in the Netherlands before he and his family immigrated to Canada in 1958. In Canada he also served three congregations until he retired in 1974.

He was appointed professor of Church history at Calvin Theological Seminary in 1962, but because of his health he returned to the pastorate the following year. He had suffered a serious automobile accident in 1960, which crippled him for life. The first nine months of 1961 he spent in the hospital until he was able to assume his duties again.

Praamsma loved the Church, which he served wholeheartedly in sermon, article and book. As pastor he took personal interest in the individual member.

No matter how large the congregation he served, he knew each member by name. As a scholar he constantly advanced the cause of Christ's Church.

The Christian Reformed Church has lost in Praamsma a spiritual leader who was an evangelical theologian true to the Scriptures. He became a member of ETS in 1971.

Merrill Chapin Tenney

Merrill Chapin Tenney was born April 16, 1904, in Chelsea, Massachusetts. In his boyhood home he was raised in the "nurture and admonition of the Lord" by devoted parents. His intellectual interests began to develop early. From his father, a bookseller, he learned the love of books. While still young he was taught Latin by his grandmother. In high school his academic acumen became evident to teachers and classmates. In 1924 Tenney received a diploma from Nyack Missionary Training Institute and a bachelor's degree from Gordon College three years later. He earned the master's degree from Boston University and, in 1944, the Ph. D. from Harvard University in Biblical and Patristic Greek. Gordon College and then Gordon-Conwell Seminary awarded him honorary degrees in 1974 and 1980.

Tenney began teaching Greek at Gordon College while still a student. After graduation he continued as a member of the faculty for 15 years. In 1944 he joined the faculty of Wheaton College as professor of Bible and theology; from 1947-1971 he served as dean of the Graduate School. He continued regular teaching until his retirement in 1977 and taught part time as an emeritus professor until 1982. Under his leadership the Wheaton College Graduate School attained an enviable reputation both in the evangelical world and beyond. Tenney's former students hold positions of leadership in all parts of the world.

In 1930 Tenney married Helen M. Jaderquist. She was herself an able student who eventually earned B. A., M. A. and B. D. degrees. She was his companion in the fullest sense of the word. Even his writings bear the mark of her contribution to his life.

At Wheaton Tenney was known as a brilliant, distinguished, demanding teacher, the enrollment of whose classes was filled to capacity. To his office came students and colleagues seeking his counsel. On campus he was known for the twinkle in his eye, his quick wit, and his tender love for people, which hid behind a seemingly austere presence. Beyond Wheaton, in this country and abroad, he was in much demand as a preacher, visiting teacher, and lecturer. He was a member of numerous honorary and professional societies and served as second president of ETS. In 1975 a volume of essays, *Current Issues in Biblical and Patristic Interpretation*, was published in Tenney's honor. All twenty-eight contributors are respected members of the worldwide community of Biblical and theological scholars, and all are his former students.

It is probably through his writings that Tenney was best known. He was author of at least 11 books: *Resurrection Realities* (1945), *John: The Gospel of Belief* (1948), *Galatians: The Charter of Christian Liberty* (1951; 2d ed. 1957), *The New Testament: An Historical and Analytical Survey* (1955), revised and reissued as *New Testament Survey* in 1961, *The Genius of the Gospels* (1956),

Philippians: The Gospel at Work (1956), *Interpreting Revelation* (1957), *The Reality of the Resurrection* (1963), *The Book of Revelation in Proclaiming the New Testament* (1963), *New Testament Times* (1965), and *Roads a Christian Must Travel* (1979). Tenney edited several collections, including the five-volume *Zondervan Pictorial Encyclopedia of the Bible* (1975). He contributed numerous articles to collections and periodicals. Writing, he believed, was an extension of his ministry. He never gave it up; at the time of his death he was collecting material for a study of Luke-Acts.

Tenney died in Wheaton on March 18, 1985. He is survived by his sons Robert Wallace and Philip Chapin. He is remembered also by thousands of students, hearers, readers, and friends whose lives his ministry touched for the glory of God.

Jack Zandstra

Jack Zandstra was born May 6, 1904, in Highland, Indiana. He graduated from Calvin College in 1931 and from Westminster Seminary in 1934.

His ministry began in 1934 when he was ordained in the Presbyterian Church USA. He served that denomination as pastor of the Alexandria, South Dakota, congregation from 1934 to 1936. He then became a minister in the Orthodox Presbyterian Church, serving as pastor of the Alexandria and Bridgewater congregations from 1936 to 1943. This was followed by service in the Nathanael Institute, Chicago (a mission to Jews), from 1943 to 1949.

In 1946 he was admitted to the ministry of the Christian Reformed Church. He served as a missionary under the Board of Home Missions in Sioux City, Iowa, from 1949 to 1955. Many varied assignments followed. In 1965 Zandstra became home missionary for Classis California South. In 1968 he again served the Board of Home Missions, this time under general assignment. He retired from active ministry in 1970.

Jack Zandstra is described in reports to synod by the Board of Home Missions as a man who gave dynamic leadership in all areas of ministry to which he was assigned, a man full of energy. He never tired of witnessing to those who were not believers. He spent his last years in Lake Worth, Florida. Burial was in his home town.

He is survived by his wife Margaret (Swagman), children David Zandstra and Joan Wickstand, and stepchildren Ronald Swagman and Linda Ronda.