



# NEWSLETTER

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## The Importance of Preparation for the Ministry

Dr. Phil Stringer

All throughout the Scriptures, the principle of proper preparation for the ministry is made clear. The Scriptures warn that a novice is not ready for the ministry (1 Timothy 3:6). Every minister of God must have some level of training or experience that qualifies him for the ministry. Everyone that God uses goes through a time of preparation.

God used Moses to lead the children of Israel for forty years in the wilderness. Leading two million people (without any government structure in place) in an uninhabitable desert is no easy task. God gave Moses forty years in Pharaoh's palace that he might learn principles of government. He then let him spend forty years in the desert in order to learn desert living. He spent eighty years preparing for a forty year public ministry (Deuteronomy 34:7). Many potential servants of God today are not willing to spend the time necessary to get ready. This is a tragic mistake. They are not able to accomplish a fraction of what they could have accomplished with proper training. God is not obligated to bless our impatience.

Moses trained Joshua. Elijah trained Elisha. The company of the prophets had the sons of the prophets. The sons of the prophets were young men with a gift from God who were being trained in the proper use of that gift (see 1 Kings 20:35, 2 Kings 2, 5:22, 6:17). Jesus trained the Apostles for three years. Paul had three years in the Arabian desert to prepare for his ministry as the apostle to the Gentiles.

Paul described Timothy as his son in the faith (1 Timothy 1:2). Timothy was not the biological son of Paul. He was the son of Paul in the faith. Paul had a special role in preparing him for service.

Throughout the history of Christianity in the United States, God has raised up local churches with the burden, leadership, and resources to play a special role in preparing young men and women for the ministry. This is not the plan of God for every church, but the Lord has certainly raised up some churches to make this most important role part of their ministry.

Quentin Road Baptist Church (of Lake Zurich, Illinois) is most certainly one of those churches. Dr. James Scudder and Pastor Jim Scudder, Jr. are two such leaders gifted and called for such a ministry. Dayspring Bible College is the preparation program that God has given to them and to the church.

Dayspring Bible College is dedicated to giving young men and women the tools they need for a lifetime of ministry. Strong Bible training, innovative academic programs, a dynamic church, lots of personal attention and encouragement, a beautiful campus, and great student support programs make Dayspring Bible College a special place in God's plan for preparation for the ministry.

I am excited about Dayspring Bible College as I watch the product that the college has produced. I get to see the results of the preparation that Dayspring provides everyday. I am even more excited as I look to the future and expect to see God expand Dayspring's role in preparing His servants.

### You're invited...

**We would like you to join us on  
Sunday, September 18  
to celebrate  
Dr. James and Linda Scudder  
and their 45 years of faithfulness  
at Quentin Road.**



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## Teen Youth Rally in Cincinnati, Ohio

Dayspring Bible College just had a great weekend of ministry hosting a Teen Youth Rally in Cincinnati, Ohio at Friendship Baptist Church. Eight local churches participated by bringing their teens to what we called “Souled Out for Christ” youth rally. Around 150 were in attendance along with Dayspring students and staff. Teens enjoyed a day of pizza, fun activities, a skit, and singing by Sounds of Grace and special guest soloist Stephanie Scialabba. The highlight of the day was Dr. Phil Stringer, Dayspring’s Vice President of Church Relations, and our College President, Pastor Jim Scudder, Jr., challenging the youth with two life-changing messages. We had 4 young people trust Christ as their Savior, and many committed to being sold out for Christ. Pray that these young people will allow God to use them through their high school years and that they would consider attending Dayspring as they seek God’s will for their life.

## DBC 2016 Graduation Ceremony

On Sunday, May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2016, Dayspring Bible College & Seminary held its 33<sup>rd</sup> Commencement ceremony. The 2015–2016 school year was incredible! The students worked hard and had numerous ministry opportunities to apply what they learned. We are so proud of the 17 graduates that completed this phase of their lives, and we look forward to see what God will continue to do for His glory through them! Pastor Jim Scudder, Jr., president of DBC, gave the commencement address and challenged the graduates to “rescue the perishing”. He reminded each of us we live in a world that is dying with no hope, and the clear Gospel is the only thing that can rescue. The evening was concluded with an honorary Doctor of Divinity bestowed upon Pastor Ervin McNeill, chaplain of Chicago’s very own Pacific Garden Mission. We are so excited to be looking towards the 2016 fall semester as Dayspring continues to grow! Please keep us in your prayers as God continues to use this college to train up men and women to testify the Gospel of the grace of God.



Left to right: Philip Kwiatkowski, president of Pacific Garden Mission; Pastor Percy Edmonds, assistant director of the men’s division at the Pacific Garden Mission; Pastor Ervin McNeill, chaplain of the Pacific Garden Mission; Dr. Art Rorheim, founder of AWANA clubs; Dr. Joseph Howe, chaplaincy director of Dayspring Bible College & Seminary; Pastor Jim Scudder Jr, president of Dayspring Bible College & Seminary & executive pastor of Quentin Road Bible Baptist Church



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