



Fall... A time of year when students come back to Denver Seminary or are walking on campus for the first time. The climate becomes less predictable and we begin to put jackets in the car because, in Colorado, you don't know when the temperature may require it. Pumpkin spice *everything* is readily accessible everywhere you look. The leaves begin to change colors and the crispness of the mountain air is felt as you breathe in.

Change, it is inevitable. Some people relish in change. They see change and anticipate all the greatness that is right around the bend. Yet there are others that cling to the familiar, and our loving Heavenly Father lightly lifts each of our fingers off the thing we are holding on to and gently says, "Trust me".

That is my story. After 14 years in the medical corporate space, I found myself being wooed by our Abba Father to join Denver Seminary in the mission of *preparing men and women to engage the needs of the world with the redemptive power of the gospel and the life-changing truth of Scripture*. I joined Denver Seminary on August 28, 2017 as the Director of Development.

Though I knew that this transition to Denver Seminary was Spirit led, I still clung to the "what ifs". Thankfully, it was in the wrestling of that question that I found the true character of God.

***Deuteronomy 31:8 Do not be afraid or discouraged, for the Lord will personally go ahead of you. He will be with you; he will neither fail you nor abandon you.***

When we cling to the unchanging character of Christ, we can weather the winds of change.

But, most of all, when we choose to fix our eyes on the One who never changes, the One who steadies our souls no matter what we face, it is then that we can relax and remember that He is Lord and unchanging, and with that we can quietly, exhale.

*Thank You, God, that You are sure. We can always count on You, because You will never change. Thank You for a safe place to fix our eyes when everything around us seems to be changing. Only You are our Rock and our Fortress. In Jesus' Name, Amen.*

**Hebrews 13:8 *Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever.***

So, the next time you find yourself on campus or you want to share with me your experiences of change in your life, I would love to grab a cup-of-joe and listen.

*Lori Frampton, Director of Development*

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## ***Events and Resources***

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### **Ministry and Counsel in the Midst of Hurricane Harvey**

Amanda Grace Caldwell, 2014 graduate of the Clinical Mental Health Counseling Program, experienced firsthand the devastation of Hurricane Harvey. Hear her eloquent story and how Denver Seminary prepared her for the work she's done to counsel and provide for her hometown of Houston. Read her story [here](#).

There's still time to donate to our "Hurricane Harvey Relief Fund" to help support the work our alumni, such as Amanda Grace, in their relief efforts after the tragedy. [Give Now](#).





## Fall Engage Magazine

Our latest issue of *Engage Magazine* drops this month. Keep an eye out for it at the mailbox to enjoy articles written by Drs. Erin Heim and Scott Wenig on the topic of “The Cross”. You can also read stories about alumni and current students and get the latest Denver Seminary updates. If you aren’t receiving it and would like to, please send your mailing address to [magazine@denverseminary.edu](mailto:magazine@denverseminary.edu).

## Learn More About Our Fully Online Programs

You may have heard about our fully online degree options: master of divinity, a 39-hour master of arts with a major in biblical and theological studies, master of arts with a major in Christian studies, and a 24-hour certificate in biblical and theological studies. But you may not know about the way these fully online programs are being delivered.

Online learning has traditionally been about content delivery. With *Next Generation Online Learning* classes offered for Denver Seminary’s fully online degrees, that is no longer the case. Original content produced by Denver Seminary faculty still plays an important role. However, engagement drives these courses. Our courses are designed for active learning, student-to-faculty engagement, student-to-student engagement, and student-to-world engagement.

To learn more, visit [denverseminary.edu/fullyonline](http://denverseminary.edu/fullyonline). And if you know people in your ministry, church group, or community who might be interested in a fully online, fully accredited seminary program, share [this link](#) with them!





## Global Care Teams

We're looking for volunteers to act as relational hosts to our incoming international students in January of 2018.

If you're interested in volunteering, please contact Student Life at [studentlife@denverseminary.edu](mailto:studentlife@denverseminary.edu).

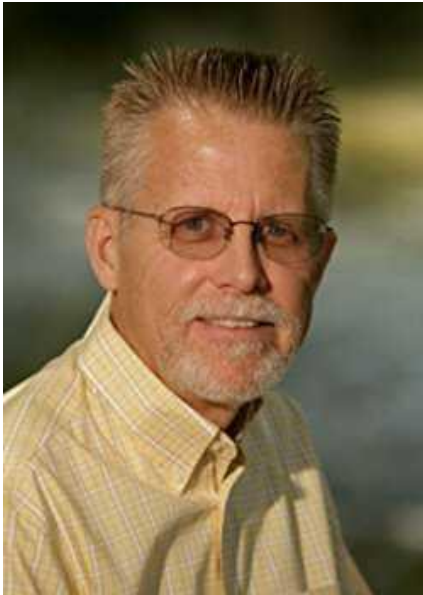
## Advent Retreat for Pastors and Ministry Leaders

Sponsored by the *Denver Seminary Soul Care Initiative*.

November 30 from 9am-3pm at The Stone House at Mother Cabrini Shrine.

Cost: \$50 includes retreat, lunch, and a spiritual direction session if desired. Space is limited. To reserve your spot email [howard.baker@denverseminary.edu](mailto:howard.baker@denverseminary.edu)





## Youth Ministry Symposium 2017

“Caring for Casualties of the Culture” Helping Teenagers in Crisis with Rich Van Pelt

Friday, November 3 from 9am – 3pm at Denver Seminary. Open to all area youth workers, volunteers, pastors, teachers, ministry leaders, and parents.

### **FREE!! Includes Lunch**

Join us as Rich Van Pelt shares how to help teenagers in crisis, including suicide assessment and prevention. Rich is a veteran of more than 40 years in youth and family ministry and is Senior Director of Ministry Relationships at Compassion International. Rich is co-author of *The Guide to Helping Teenagers in Crisis* book/ DVD series.

Morning session: Helping Teenagers in Crisis – Becoming Safe People

Afternoon session: Be A Lifesaver – Helping Suicidal Adolescents

**PLEASE REGISTER** to reserve your free lunch: [gordon.edu/denver2017](http://gordon.edu/denver2017)

For more information contact: [brad.widstrom@denverseminary.edu](mailto:brad.widstrom@denverseminary.edu) or [bob.whittet@gordon.edu](mailto:bob.whittet@gordon.edu)

## Special Chapel Services

### **Reformation Recognition Services**

October 30<sup>th</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup> from 11:00am to 12:00pm

Join us for a time of worship and reflection on the occasion of the 500<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Martin Luther's 95 Theses which sparked the Protestant Reformation.

### **The Advent Services in Chapel**

December 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> from 11:00am to 12:00pm

Come celebrate the season of Advent with your Seminary family.



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## ***Faculty Updates***

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**Dr. Haddon Robinson**, third President of Denver Seminary, passed away on July 22. His memorial service was held on September 7. A recording of this service can be accessed [here](#).

Dr. Robinson was recognized as one of the most gifted preachers and communicators in the country. Under his leadership Denver Seminary became one of the most financially and academically stable evangelical institutions in the United States. Among other significant endeavors during his presidency, our institution's name changed to "Denver Seminary", women were added to the teaching faculty and board of trustees, and the DMin program was expanded significantly. His influence on Denver Seminary, our community, and the global Church was great.

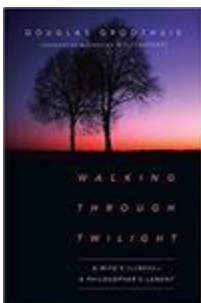
Our own Dr. Scott Wenig, Haddon Robinson Chair of Biblical Preaching, wrote a beautiful tribute to this great man, which can be found [here](#).

**Drs. Fred and Heather Gingrich** have co-edited a book on trauma called, *Treating Trauma in Christian Counseling*, that is due to come out later this fall.

It covers many types of trauma from disaster counseling, complex trauma, sexual abuse and dissociative disorders, clergy abuse, military trauma,



domestic violence, global mental health, etc. It can be preordered through InterVarsity Press for a discount.



**Dr. Doug Groothuis'** book, *Walking through Twilight: A Wife's Illness--A Philosopher's Lament*, will be out in November from InterVarsity Press.

How do you continue to find God as dementia pulls your loved one into the darkness? Nothing is simple for a person suffering from dementia, and for those they love. When ordinary tasks of communication, such as using a phone, become complex, then difficult, and then impossible, isolation becomes inevitable. Helping becomes excruciating. In these pages philosopher Douglas Groothuis offers a window into his experience of caring for his wife as a rare form of dementia ravages her once-brilliant mind and eliminates her once-stellar verbal acuity. Mixing personal narrative with spiritual insight, he captures moments of lament as well as philosophical and theological reflection.

Dr. Groothuis also authored ten entries in *The Dictionary of Christianity and Science*, published by Zondervan this year.

**Dr. David Buschart** served on the drafting committee of a recently published Protestant confessional statement, The Reforming Catholic Confession. The RCC is a broadly and diversely Protestant statement of faith, intended to celebrate the Reformation by setting forth a fresh, positive, and unifying expression of Protestant Christian belief.

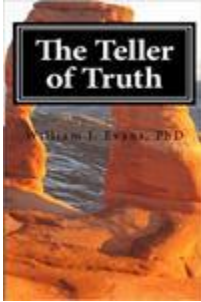
To date, over 1,000 people, including a number of Denver Seminary faculty members, have "signed" the confession. The RCC and an accompanying essay, which describes the thinking behind the confession, can be accessed at [www.reformingcatholicconfession.com](http://www.reformingcatholicconfession.com). You may visit this site and, if you wish, add your signature.

**Our faculty speak across the globe. Find out if any will be near you soon! [Schedule](#)**

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## *Alumni Updates*

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### **Dr. William J. Evans, BD 1966**

*The Teller of Truth* is a stunningly fresh perspective on the book of Revelation. It is a volume beginning a new page in the understanding of the often maligned last book in the Bible. Revelation, a most difficult Bible book to understand, is more significant for life today than most people realize. *The Teller of Truth* focuses upon understanding the image of God and God's relationship with his Creation.

### **An update from Dr. Howard Culbertson, DMin 1986**

I started working on my DMin in missions in the early 1980s when we were in Italy as missionaries. I did my on-campus work during a year of home assignment. Then, our mission board asked us to transfer to Haiti. That is where I finished up my work, including the project.

That DMin opened the door for me to teach missions at Southern Nazarene University during a year of home assignment in 1988-89. That one year turned into 25 years of teaching missiology at SNU. While I was there, two other Nazarene institutions -- Nazarene Bible College in Colorado Springs and Northwest Nazarene University in Idaho -- asked to me to begin teaching two or three online courses in missions each year for them. After my retirement four years ago, Nazarene Theological Seminary in Kansas City approached me about teaching one online course in missions each year for them.

Without the doctoral degree in missions, none of these opportunities for teaching would have opened up for me. Teaching was never in my thoughts about how God's call to be an expatriate missionary would play out in my life. I entered the Denver Seminary DMin program with the goal of being the best possible cross-cultural field missionary. However, that degree opened up some opportunities and when schools came knocking at my door, I felt the Lord's blessing and even nudge to accept.

Thank you for helping prepare me!

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## ***Come Back To Campus!***

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We would love to see you and hear your story. In fact, we have a gift for every alumnus that comes to the Advancement office! You are a part of the Denver Seminary family, we care for you, and we invite you to stay in touch.