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Living Endowment

A Program For Ministerial Education

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MINISTERIAL EDUCATION A C H I E V E M E N T O B J E C T I V E S

QUALITY EDUCATION

The desire and aim at Texas Christian University is not to become a big school. This means that the program of ministerial training will become more and more significant. The educational values to be achieved are of the highest value.

ADEQUATE LEARNING

This institution aims to provide the kind of informed, thoughtful, and constructive ministers demanded in the spiritual leadership of a peaceful, democratic world. Adequate knowledge is not enough. There must be achieved also an adequate understanding of how to use knowledge.

CHRISTIAN RELIGION

The Living Endowment Program is fostered by those who are realizing that good religion is indispensable to the good life. Ministers are to receive the fundamental ideals of a Christian philosophy of life. Wholesome, intelligent study of the Bible is a basic requirement.

THOUGHTFUL DEMOCRACY

The school is operated by truly democratic educational methods—not by the Board of Trustees alone, nor by the administration, faculty or students alone, but by all working together. Democratic sharing and friendliness become a campus experience in order that they may become a life method.

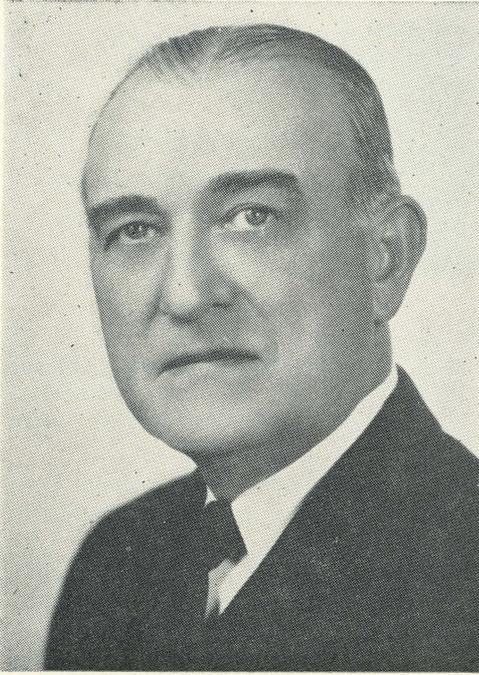
CULTURAL DISCERNMENT

Ministers today are called upon to crusade for a Christian world. Thus they must minister to many races, numerous religious groups and varied interests. Their ministry should create understanding and good will. Those world conflicts can be reduced only by a Christian cultural discernment.

WORLD-MINDEDNESS

Realizing the interdependence of nations in the modern world, Texas Christian University's ministerial training program accepts a major responsibility in the development of constructive world-mindedness among students who have enlisted for full-time Christian service. The significant function of the Church is in achieving its Great Commission program. Ministers, therefore, are obliged to be persons with a world mission.

MINISTERIAL TRAINING FEATURE



Pres. M. E. Sadler initiated the program of Living Endowment and gave it his personal guidance.

Established in 1873 at Thorp Spring the college from the first began to give vigorous attention to the program of ministerial training.

Free and independent of State control it was necessary from the first that support should come from those friends of Christian learning who see the vital need of Church-related Education.

More than 800 ministers, missionaries, secretaries, and full-time workers in churches throughout the world have been trained at Texas Christian University.

Proof of the academic attainment of the Institution is indicated by its membership in the Southern Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools, the Association of American Colleges, the Board of Higher Education of the Disciples of Christ, and other groups.

Eight schools and colleges compose the University.

Available to the teaching of the ministry, these faculties are of the highest quality. They are the Add Ran College of Arts and Sciences, Brite College of the Bible, the School of Fine Arts, School of Education, School of Business, Evening College, the Graduate School, and the Harris College of Nursing.

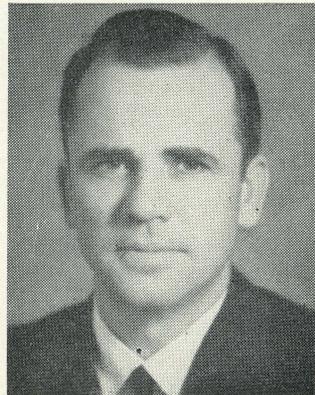
CHRISTIAN IMPERATIVE

Upon the basis of Christian faith alone the work of training the ministry becomes an imperative to this generation.

The ministry of the Church must become truly educated if it is to meet the new age into which we are entering.

Other Church leadership also finds educational opportunities at Texas Christian University because Christians of vision have said we must have trained teachers, secretaries, ministers of music, religious education directors, religious journalists, teachers for Church colleges and schools, missionary nurses and doctors, and many other specialized Church leaders.

The Administration of Texas Christian University understands that the world's future depends on how we provide and train the ministry.



Paul Campbell, director of the Living Endowment Program, has been serving the cause widely.



The Living Endowment Program at Texas Christian University is an effort to enlist and maintain at least one thousand men and women of the Southwest who will each support the institution to the extent of a minimum of \$100 annually. These persons, believing in ministerial education, are asked to make a continuing annual pledge to T. C. U.

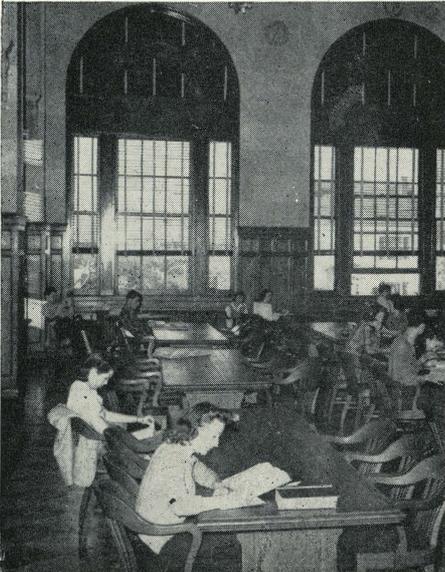
Endowments and monies invested in T. C. U. in the past have been insufficient to permit the institution to realize fully its great opportunity in the enlisting and training of Christian ministers.

All receipts of monies from the Living Endowment Program and from current gifts of the churches in the area are used only for the education of ministers unless otherwise designated. Persons and churches make their budgets each year with assurance that these gifts are directly responsible for training the Christian ministry.

IT IS NOT A NEW PROGRAM but it is increasingly important. The re-emphasis on Living Endowment is a timely reminder that the original plan included a goal of \$100,000 in annual pledges.

The first gift to the program was \$10,000. Following this gift by a friend, more than \$45,000 was pledged during the first year.

Living Endowment has proved its worth in meeting the need.



The Mary Coutts Burnett Library is part of many important factors which aid in training ministers at Texas Christian University.

Of its more than 100,000 volumes a large per cent of the books deal with the study of the Bible and important features of Church history, Church administration and Christian literature.

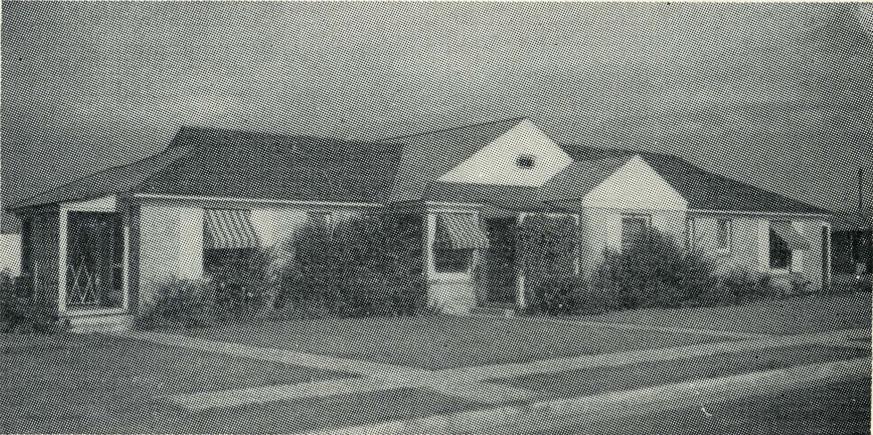
LIVING ENDOWMENT COMMITTEE

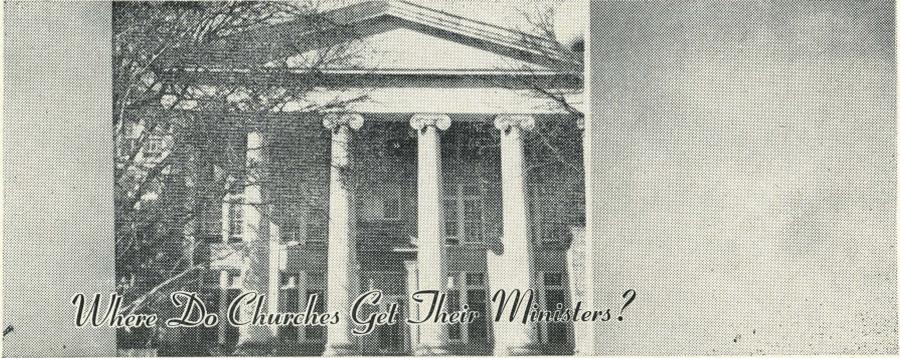
The committee which is giving leadership and direction to the Living Endowment Program is composed of the following persons:

H. H. Phillips, Chairman.....	San Antonio
A. D. Weatherly.....	Amarillo
Robert G. Carr.....	San Angelo
George Kuykendall.....	Lubbock
William Saunders.....	New Orleans

Promotional Expense Covered

Through the generosity of a friend all costs involved in planning and developing the Living Endowment Program are covered by a substantial gift for that purpose. Therefore all monies or other gifts designated for ministerial training under Living Endowment will go specifically into the actual work of ministerial education.





Where Do Churches Get Their Ministers?

The Church cannot expect the State-supported institution of higher learning to furnish a trained ministry. In our American life the State simply does not have authority to educate religious leadership.

Pioneers of the Christian faith have derived from the State the legal right to develop Church-related institutions of education. Within the sphere of this liberty Christian youth come from Christian homes and churches to equip themselves for the ministry.

In our American culture the ideal requirement is equal opportunity of a liberal education open to all. But some youth are not so situated economically or socially that they can use the opportunity. Furthermore, the general State-supported educational opportunities cannot legally provide equal ministerial education for all.

This democratic principle of educational opportunities is provided only by the generosity of friends of education and devoted followers of their religious faith.

Where do we get our ministers? We are obligated to get them through the Christian college which is supported by persons of faith.

DR. CECIL F. CHEVERTON has been named Chairman of the Department of Religion in Texas Christian University and is devoting his administrative and teaching skills to the work of that important phase of ministerial training.



A truly great Bible teacher, Dr. Cheverton inspired the International Convention of Disciples of Christ in 1946 with his modest but masterly series of addresses.

His knowledge of the Book of Life makes possible for the undergraduate ministerial student to gain a reasonable and faithful understanding of the Bible.

Graduate students in the Brite College of the Bible also will continue to have classes with him.



I can be assured of a front seat in the making of history through my participation in Living Endowment because it is a program of ministerial education calculated to produce a new world spirit.

President Sadler has pointed out that we have a world community but no world spirit; we have an association of nations but no powerful world fellowship; we have a world consciousness, but no sufficient world conscience. The creation of this spirit, fellowship, and conscience is the work of the Church.

In my contribution to the program of ministerial training I can help produce a new kind of history.



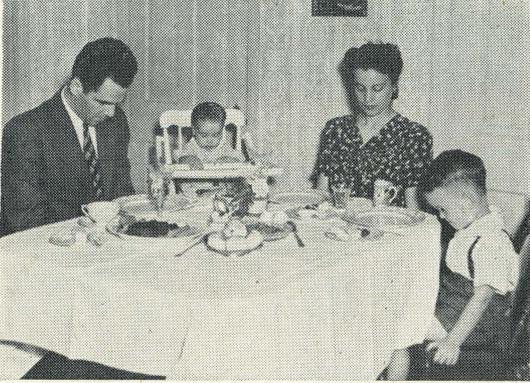
Dean D. Ray Lindley is beginning July 1, 1947, as dean of Brite College of the Bible, filling one of the most strategic positions in the Brotherhood in training ministers.



Dean Colby D. Hall, retiring dean of Brite College of the Bible, has carried forward a continuing program of worthwhile ministerial training in the University.



CHRISTIAN PREACHING TODAY REQUIRES A MESSAGE THAT IS FAIRLY INTELLIGIBLE AND VITALLY CONVINCING. THE CHRISTIAN GOSPEL DESERVES FAITHFUL AND TRAINED MINISTERS TO PRESENT ITS TRUTHS.



In a highly educated world the ministry must be highly educated.

Friends of Living Endowment are convinced that many fine prospects for the ministry come from homes with limited financial income and should be given necessary aid toward achieving their purpose.

These students come to Texas Christian University with great aims and capacity.

In a school where faculty and students work in close and friendly contact and in this situation where faith and reason meet on such a high level there are educational processes at work which make toward a qualified Church leadership.

Ministerial students are taking advantage of the high academic standards which are being maintained.

Missionary trainees and those who will fill the pulpits of the country are aware of the scientific responsibility to our age.

The giver who sees the importance of the ministry from the young student's viewpoint will hardly fear that his wealth will be dissipated when it goes into the provision of tomorrow's leaders.

Among the most grateful persons who are aware of the Living Endowment Program are T. C. U. ministerial students now on the campus.





Sooner or later memorials of marble and stone will disintegrate, but when a person builds a memorial which improves the spiritual life of the world he is building something that endures forever.

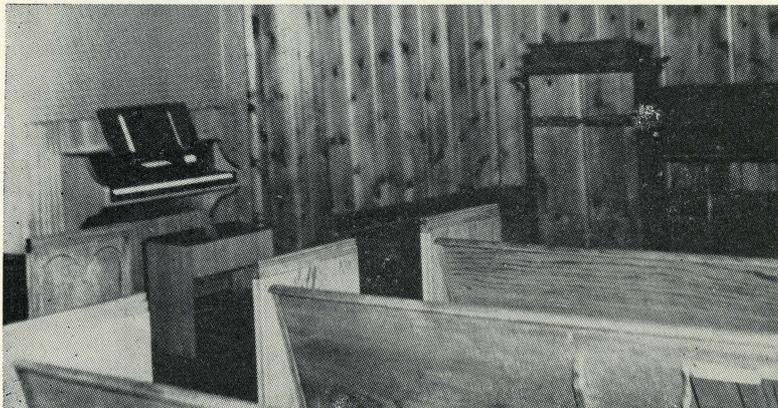
It would be difficult to find a more appropriate memorial than that which is being established by those who participate in the Living Endowment Program. It is an undying memorial, everlastingly engraved upon the character of our civilization. Every gift is the part of a total annual contribution which will go down in history as vital and strategic.

Texas Christian University has encouraged the establishment of named memorials. Named scholarships, fellowships, and professorships, as well as other named memorials are part of the trust to which the Institution has given its utmost care.

Living Endowment makes possible the sharing of many givers in the common task of undergirding an eternal memorial—the Christian ministry.

Indeed, a richly productive religion leaves its evidence of faith. A creative and responsible religious faith memorializes itself in the service which it performs.

Memorials carved in stone, after all, are less meaningful than memorials carved in the character of the ministry of our churches.



YOU CAN BUILD

The Christian principles of life express themselves in concrete action. You can build according to the obligation which is set upon you by your Christian hopes and aspirations.

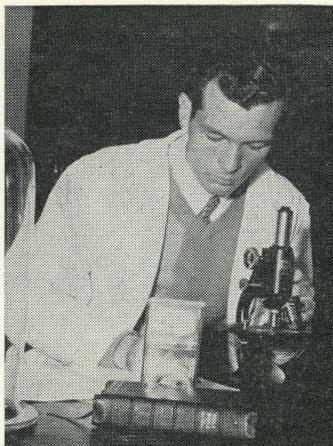
One of the best ways to express love to God and to fellowman is to build a ministry that is never outmoded. It is relevant to every age and condition of life.

Training of the Christian ministry is a work that stands in a class apart from other religious enterprise. Efforts are sometimes inadequate because our moral failure to be responsible for giving the necessary funds for such a work.

The Church cannot be built without trained ministers. If we are to have trained ministers we must provide for the training.

You have more valid reasons today than ever before in continuing to build the Christian faith into the life of the world.

This is the challenge to build a Living Endowment Program at Texas Christian University that will have the transforming power of the spirit of Christ.



The actual buildings now rising on the skyline of the campus will provide more of the needed space for academic training. Increased enrollment of the various schools requires additional classrooms and equipment for a more adequate University.

As the University grows, the minister's training advantages are increased.



Gifts to Texas Christian University are deductible from annual income, up to 15 per cent, in computing income taxes.

A direct gift to T. C. U. is not subject to any gift tax. Property passing to T. C. U. under a testamentary document is not subject to a gift tax, inheritance tax, or a state tax.

Gifts of income producing property are just as helpful to the University as are cash contributions.

"Thank You, T. C. U."

The above quotation comes so often to those in positions of responsibility at Texas Christian University that it deserves special attention. "Thank you, T. C. U." Letters constantly pour into the University from friends who have discovered the growing importance of the ministerial training program.

Certainly these words of gratitude are the expressions of faith which these friends have in the Institution. For example, here is part of a letter that reads, in essence:

Our church is so important to us these days. Our minister has such a vital place to fill. We lost a loved one not so long ago and we know what it means to have a helpful minister. We just want to thank you folks at T. C. U. for what you are doing - and we pray for and believe in you.

Uncompromizing faith! That is simple, Christian trust in an institution founded and designed to do a special task of Christian education. Knowing that such faith exists it is important to those on the campus, students and faculty, to accomplish the highest possible goal. The simplest task in the work of the University is charged with living faith. Thus Living Endowment becomes a sacred stewardship.

Three **BASIC** *Truths*
about
**Texas
Christian
University's**
BASIC PROGRAM
of
MINISTERIAL EDUCATION

1 ITS CONTRIBUTION to religious understanding and biblical knowledge furnishes the student minister with an insight so solid and enduring that the program merits great respect and trust.

2 GOOD THINKING and GOOD CONDUCT are the by-products because good Religion is an intergral part of the educational processes of this democratic Institution.

3 ONLY THE CHRISTIAN SPIRIT could have achieved the worthful ministerial training record of Texas Christian University; and only that spirit can maintain and sustain it in the tremendous goal of the future.