

Student Introductions

My name is Justin Rice and I live in Tulsa, Oklahoma. My pastor is Rev. Donnie Martin and I am actively involved in my local church. I sing, play the sax, direct our drama department, coach Senior Bible quizzing, and teach Sunday school both in the youth class as well as the adult class. I work full-time at Tulsa Community College as the Bursar and am an active traveler. I love to venture overseas and have been to several countries in the last ten years. I am also enrolled in Bro. Brickle's class which is a complement of the Sunday School divisions trip to Israel in November. I recently graduated from the University of Oklahoma with my BLS in Social Sciences and am also concurrently enrolled in OU's Master's program for Museum Studies. I am looking forward to what I will learn from UGST and to completing my MTS.

Greetings, my name is Brian Wagner and I live in Chipley, Florida. I am a licensed minister with UPCI and assist Rev. Caudle here in Chipley. I am very much looking forward to my study here at Ushan in pursuit of my MTS. I have been involved with the military all of my life, as a Air Force brat, enlisted Airman, and Field Engineer working with the Air Force for 8 years. I received a calling on my life while working on Okinawa, Japan in the missionary church of Rufus Parker from 2002-2005. I am currently working with Bro. Glass and the Florida National Guard to enter the Chaplain Candidate program. The blessings I am most excited about is my family. I am married to a beautiful woman and have been blessed with four daughters. The only reservation I have about seminary are the papers required throughout each course. I am looking forward to the testimony of growth in my life and of conquering this reservation.

Hello everyone. My name is Greg Bowe and I live in sunny Largo, FL with my wife of (almost) ten years and a beautiful baby girl that was born 06-04-07. I am the pastor of The Pentecostals of Largo, a daughter work from Clearwater, and am working toward a MTS here at UGST. I work full-time for AEGON Insurance group as a copywriter, love to be outside, and hope to be able to teach in the Democratic Republic of the Congo one day. I am looking forward to another great class this semester!

Greetings class mates from Texas! Let me begin by apologizing for a rather lengthy post of introduction. I just pulled some info from my BIO online with our church website so it's a little lengthy. By the way, if you're interested, our church has 2 websites: www.centerfirstupc.com or www.centerupc.com.

In officially introducing myself, my name is Stephen Harris. I was raised in a United Pentecostal Church minister's home in North Texas. I completed my Bachelor of Art's degree in Communication studies through the University of North Texas. I have been involved in numerous aspects of ministry from a weekly nursing home ministry, ACTS/Prison ministry instructor, volunteer chaplain, Christian education – foreign language, speech, physical education, and Bible, young married care group leader and full-time Youth Pastor for about 3.5 years.

May 2002 brought a major transition in our families' life. We accepted a 1-year AIM term to serve with the Kelley's in the country of Scotland and work with the church in

Aberdeen. However, the Lord had other plans as the pastorate came available in Center, Texas (East Texas) and we accepted the call to serve as pastor where we currently pastor and have served for 5+ years.

My wife Shelli stays busy homeschooling. We have 3 children: Naomi, age 11, Lily, age 4, and a newborn, Bella Grace, age 7 months.

I love radio ministry and have a background in radio syndication in Dallas. Some of the highlights of my ministry currently have been the 1-hour outreach radio ministry, Living the Life, a weekly, local talk show heard on two area radio stations for the past 6 years in our community. It airs live and taped every Friday morning at 11:00 a.m. and includes interviews of many ministries in the UPC and other people in society. In addition I have hosted the weekly 15 minute Bible teaching broadcast Lifelines heard each Sunday morning in our area and founded Character Moments, a 60 second radio commentary that airs locally. As of 2007 I was offered to broadcast a daily devotional called MORNING MANNA that is also heard locally Monday to Fridays. Again, I enjoy radio outreach. Finally, I love to travel when I get the opportunity to minister overseas or just travel. I have had the privilege to travel to several foreign countries and I am in planning stages to minister in the country of Nepal March '08. I am an Ordained Licensed minister in the United Pentecostal Church and currently continue my studies at UGST and hoping to graduate in May 2008 with my Master's of Theological Studies. I am thoroughly looking forward to Old Testament foundation and hoping to build a stronger foundation in my life and ministry in God's Word. By the way, one of our churches strongest ministries is Sunday School. I like to brag on it when I can because our team does a really great job. You can see a little documentary of our Sunday School on our children's ministry website if interested: www.spectacularss.com which will also give you little visual shot of the church where we currently serve. Glad to be in a great class along with brothers and sisters in Christ!

My name is Jereme Suey and I am currently in Los Angeles working with home missions pastor Justin Frailey. Home is in rural Illinois where my father pastors, so LA is quite a change of scenery. Graduated from IBC and Greenville College. I am a MTS student entering my 3rd year here at UGST. Looking forward to a great class.

Hello class,

My full name is John Matthew Powell. I have been living in Atlanta Georgia since December 1991. I am married (TaMara), and have one son (Evan) and one daughter (Chloe'). We feel like Atlanta is the permanent home for us. I received the baptism of the Holy Ghost in February 1992, and was baptized in Jesus' name a few weeks afterward. I have a great love for Jesus who I call "my everything." I possess a great love for the Bible, and am enrolled in the MTS program at UGST. Old Testament Foundations is my 4th class. I enjoy teaching and preaching God's word, and I like to debate against controversial doctrines. My Biblical foundation came from many years of personal study and devotion, learning from others inside and outside of Church, and Bible College. God bless

Greetings! My name is Dana Fee. I presently live in Davenport, IA where my husband and I are pastoring at New Life. I am a wife to Curtis Fee, (10 years, yay!)

and a mother to our three children, Kenton, age 7, Jaden, age 4 and Ashlann, age 23 months. I was born and raised in the Netherlands as a missionary kid. I completed my BA in French and Linguistics with a minor in Russian at California State University, Fresno. I earned my MA in Education at Truman State University in Kirksville, MO. I presently teach part-time at Rivermont Collegiate, a small college-prep school here in Iowa. I teach K-5 French and Spanish as well as 6th-8th Latin. At our church I serve as prayer coordinator, missions director, small group leader, Sunday school teacher and member of our worship team. When I make a spare moment, I enjoy scrapbooking.

After I took Pastoral Counseling this past summer with Cindy Miller, I decided to enroll in the MTS program to prepare myself for greater ministry to which I feel God has been calling me. I'm excited to be taking O.T. with Br. Seagraves and all of you. I'm thrilled to be taking this class with Curtis, my dear hubby, and the advantage to being distance learning students is that we get to watch the lectures in our pajamas with a hot coffee and chocolate chip cookies! I'm looking forward to drawing nearer to God by increasing in knowledge of His Word.

Greetings!

My name is Jorge Medina, originally from Bolivia, South America, now living in Houston, Texas. I am an ordained minister with the UPCI and minister in Mundo Pentecostal, a Spanish-speaking church in Pasadena, Texas.

I've been married for four years (so now I have all the answers regarding that subject), no children yet until my wife Yuliana (the most beautiful Colombian you've ever seen) finishes her Social Work degree.

I am an apologist for the faith (not an apologizer, thank you), and I've had the privilege of writing a few books on doctrinal subjects (all in Spanish). My first project in English was published by Word Aflame Press under the title *Upholding Our Future Hope: An Apostolic Response to Preterism*. I have posted on and off in an English doctrinal page at <http://ApostolicApologetics.blogspot.com>

I am attending Urshan to realize a life-long dream of learning theology from anointed Apostolic teachers. I look forward to this semester with anticipation.

By the way, the answer to any marital problems is to realize: my wife is always right!

My name is Rick Craft. I'm an ordained minister, and have pastored in Athens, Alabama for the last 19 years. Prior to that, I was assistant and co-pastor for 4 years, so I have been serving the same church for 23 years. Incidentally, it was also my home church - my family has been directly associated with the church for 44 years and indirectly connected since 1930! I also served as Assistant Pastor at Florissant Valley Apostolic Church and was on the faculty of Gateway College for 4 years in the ancient past. I seem to be the "old man" of the group - I'll soon be 58, and have been married to the same sweet lady for 37 of those years. We have two sons: one is a licensed minister and the other is a CPA. We have one 5 year old granddaughter in RI, and it is a good thing we have a fall break, or I'd have to miss a week to go see her. I have BS, MA and EDD degrees in Education; please don't hold that against me. I've been at teacher, principal and bus driver in the public schools. I also served as an administrator in the central office of St. Louis Public

Schools. (We lived in St. Louis for 9 years!) This is my third UGST course, and my first experience with Distance Learning. IF all goes well, I may stick it out and earn an MTS. I thoroughly enjoy the book of Genesis. I'm looking forward to deepening my knowledge but not to cramping my fingers on the keyboard! It's so much easier to discuss things verbally!

Give my regards to Bro. Martin - he is a good friend of mine and formerly pastored about 90 miles away from me.

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Hello! My name is Donna Koward and I live in Plainfield, New Jersey. I attend church at Oneness Pentecostal Tabernacle in St. Albans, New York. I am a pediatrician and have been practicing medicine for the past eight years in private practice. This is my second year as a distance learner pursuing the MTS degree. I enjoy reading the word of God and am excited about gaining a more excellent understanding in order to "rightly divide the word". I have had the opportunity to minister several times and know that there is a calling on my life to teach the word of God. I am an active member in my church. I am a praise and worship leader and also the head of the hospitality committee. In my free time I enjoy making crafts and spending time with my godchildren Justice, Zion, Grace, Kaitlyn and Korey who are a joy and definitely keeps me on my toes at all times!

Greetings everyone!

My name is M. Keith Sartin, J. (24) and I live in Marrero, Louisiana. My pastor happens to be my father - Michael Sartin. I'm a general licensed minister with the UPCI, and currently I work at my church as the youth pastor, connection coordinator, and assistant pastor. I graduated from the University of New Orleans with a BA in History, and I'll be returning to my old university later on to pursue a doctorate in psychology. I'm currently in the MTS program here at UGST, and I'm eager to learn anything that will better my understanding of Jesus and His Word.

Hi! My name is Nita Johnson. Actually, my first name is Gwenitha but somehow growing up I gained two nicknames. I'm Nita informally but Gwen at work. I am an active member of Christian Life Center in Gaithersburg Maryland, pastored by Rev R. E. Libby. I am not a minister but enjoy working in and with ministry. I currently work in the Government Contracting field as a Small Business Liaison Officer. However, I am investigating a career change. To date I've taken 4 classes at UGST and have really enjoyed them. I have a Masters in Public Administration and considering pursuit of a doctorate as I eventually would like to teach at the college level. Sis Donna, I completely understand the joy of godchildren. I have 8. And, my brothers, and their wives, have graciously allowed me to actively participate in lives of my 6 nephews.

Hello,

My name is Latunya Farr and I live in St. Louis, Mo. This is my 2nd year at Urshan. In the past I have attended on a part time basis but this will be my first semester as a full time student. Please keep me in your prayers.

I work as a Benefit Specialist at BJC HealthCare in the Human Resource department, which is a healthcare system made up of approximately 18 hospitals in the metropolitan and outlying areas of Missouri. After my tenure at BJC I plan to go into Education.

My educational experience is comprised of a bachelor degree in Business, a Masters in Human Resource Management, a Master's in Education (in progress), and of course a Masters in Divinity (in progress). From this you must know that I think education is a lifelong endeavor!!!

I am dedicated and active in my local church, Bethesda Temple Church of the Apostolic Faith. If any of you are in town and need a place to visit please come to: 5401 Bishop JA. Johnson Lane
Normandy, MO 63121

For Directions call 314-382-5401 :) !!!

I have two dogs, Brownie and Nail and I like going for long walks, reading and resting.

Latunya Farr

I am Norm Paslay II, senior pastor at The Calvary Church in Cincinnati, Ohio. This has been a crazy year. I turned 50 in March, married off my 2nd daughter Kandice in May, and my 3rd girl in July. The summer has been on big wedding. I am emotionally and actually broke. This will be a time of refreshing for me. I celebrated my 30th anniversary to the lovely and mysterious Jeannine, she is the best thing that ever happened to me. (Jesus is not a thing...)

I have seen my ministry expand in the last three years. I am the Assistant to the Director for the new Media Missions division; hosting THere Is Hope For Today on XM 170. Last year I was appointed to the Foreign Missions Board, that has been EPIC. However, I remain a quiz coach, loving that discipleship venue for over 32 years. I graduated from ABI in 1978, and now 30 years later I will complete UGST this spring. This has been a galvanizing and empowering experience beyond words. I am honored to be your classmate.

I have one incredible granddaughter; Emma Marie Ellis, Tom and Kristen (my oldest) joined my staff in 2-07 and have made it possible for me to run around and try to do everything. My baby remains at home; Katelyn is 17 and a high school senior. Tres the wonder dog is the son I never had; 10 lbs. of love and comfort- a minature dauchound. Every class has empowered my ministry and hope to serve the church for which Chrsit died and feed the flock of God.

Hello Nita

I took note that you attend Bro. Libby's church in Md. I went to high school in Potomac, Maryland. I got saved a few years later in Wisconsin, and on a visit to Maryland I took an old high school friend to Bro. Libby's church (probably at a different location then way back in the 80s). I have since been at a conference or two where Bro. Libby has preached. I love the rich history found in the east and think everyone should take a trip to the Maryland/D.C. area for its culture and

beauty. One of my favorite places is Chincoteague Island! Well, we have Maryland, our faith in one God, and now this class in common! It's good to get to know you
~ Carolyn Harrington

I am old enough to be my fellow students mother, and some their grandmother. I am a RN, but am disabled to work due to falls. I have no great position, but I play the bass guitar in church. I believe that my greatest calling is to live the life before others, and be an example. I live on a farm in south-central Kentucky. This is the driest summer for 113yrs. Please help me pray for rain that we may have hay to feed our milk cows during the winter. On a brighter note, I live with my mother and 2 small house dogs. We also have a Samoyed outside and 2 cats and a horse. I have been blessed to travel to several foreign lands with the United Pentecostal Church.

Hi everyone! I'm jumping on board a little late, as I am in transit from Milwaukee, WI to Boulder, CO. It's a bit hectic, but worth it all to be moving back to scenic Colorado. I was saved 30 years ago in Wisconsin where I attended Elim Tabernacle, Pastor Rogers, for 19 years. I taught Sunday School for 15 years and raised 3 children in the church (my daughter, Meg Harrington attends UGST on campus). We moved to Boulder, Colorado and joined up with a new home missions work with Pastor Carl Yeomans. The new church began in our living room and currently occupies a downown church building: the name is Elim Tabernacle of Christ ~ from Elim to Elim! My favorite thing is the free outreach coffee/ breakfasts called Jehovah Java. I served as church administrator, district Women's Esprit president, and music coordinator and absolutely loved being part of a new, growing church. This past year I taught second grade at Parkway Apostolic Christian Academy and chaperoned a missions trip to Boston with the high school students. There is never a dull moment in the service of the Lord. I owned a children's bookstore for 9 years which was truly a labor of love. It was the perfect combination of my education degree and B.F.A. in studio arts. My favorite part was bringing national authors on tour to our local schools and libraries. I hope to be connected with the publishing world again someday. But for now, I am excited to be a part of Old Testament Foundations class and look forward to the in-depth study, reading and discussion with fellow students. Onward and upward in Jesus' name!

Hi everyone, I am sorry that this post is so late! In any case I am thrilled to be taking another course from Bro Segraves. He was my pastor in Dupon III when my father was stationed at Scott AFB in the early 80's. Bro Segraves baptized me at the age of 8 years old in 1983 on Easter Sunday. Since then I have lived in CA for about 6 years until my Father's retirement from the Air Force and we returned to our NY roots. I have been a faithful member of Bethel UPC on Long Island pastored by Bishop and Pastor Davis. I am a graduate of Gateway College of Evangelism with a BA in Theology and AA in Christian Education. I am married to a beautiful woman, Melissa. I am currently the director of the Children's Church and Puppet Ministries at my home church. I am a mortgage loan processor as well as an aspiring writer. I also hope to pastor someday. My wife and I had the privilege of going on a missions trip to Sri Lanka with Pastor Davis and about 38 others from our church as well as pastors Robert and Harold Linder from

CT and NC respectively this past July. Awesome and life changing! It is wonderful to meet you all and I look forward to studying the OT with you!
Alex Daszewski