

# Sunday

## ***2:30pm Feature Film Paul, Apostle of Christ (2018)***

2:30pm, Cullen Auditorium The story of Paul – once the most infamous persecutor of Christians who became the most influential apostle – is retold through his relationship with Luke, a friend and physician. The two men struggle against a determined emperor and the frailties of the human spirit to spread their difference-making message to the world. Starring Jim Caviezel, James Faulkner and Olivier Martinez.

## **3:00pm Famous WACU Pie Sale One Day Only!**

Sunday only, 3-10pm, ACU Museum (Corner of EN 16th Street and Campus Court) The Women for Abilene Christian University invite you to visit the ACU Museum for coffee and dessert, including their famous homemade pies. All proceeds benefit the WACU Endowed Scholarship fund. Visit friends, tour the museum, and enjoy some great food before and after the Sunday evening activities.

## **6:20pm Opening Theme Conversation ACU Alumni Chorus and ACU ACapella Chorus**

6:30-7:00pm, University Church of Christ The ACU Alumni Chorus brings together alumni to promote vocal traditions and heritage, extend to all the goodwill of the university and its former students, and serve Abilene Christian's choral program. They will present uplifting songs to open Summit this year. Witness the ways in which our alumni join together to raise one voice to God.

## **God's Standing Ovation: Praising His Glorious Grace (Ephesians 1:3-14)**

7-8pm, University Church of Christ Theme Speaker: Randy Harris Worship Leader: Urban Rogers, Southern Hills Church of Christ Randy will reflect on how God graces the church with blessings upon blessings, all to his glory. God – In Jesus by means of the Spirit – calls, redeems and seals us for his good purposes. How delightful for all of us to rise and give God, our great Benefactor, a standing ovation.

## **7:00 pm Special Event: Fight Night Fight Night with Les Parrott**

7:00-9:00 pm, Abilene Civic Center Summit is teaming up with area churches to provide the ultimate relationship experience. Fight Night will reach across denominational lines for a night of growth for everyone in the community. This evening is backed by the Abilene Association of Congregations and Family

First, a ministry that is dedicated to providing resources to help promote healthy and Christ-centered relationships in the lives of all ACU employees and families. No matter what your age or what stage your relationship is in, Fight Night will provide tools to improve relationships immediately. Les will come to the Abilene Civic Center on Sunday, September 16th to teach couples how to fight a good fight. Join us for an evening of finding wholeness in our relationships! This event requires a separate ticket purchase and those can be made soon at the Parrott Website.

## 7:30pm Special Event – Jordan Lee Dooley Your Brokenness is Welcome Here

7:30-10pm, Cullen Auditorium Another opening event geared toward students will welcome us into the Summit week. Jordan Lee Dooley will be presenting the message she shares through her online media accounts: Your Brokenness is Welcome Here. It will be an empowering time for all who attend.

## 8:30pm World Christian Broadcasting Reception World Christian Broadcasting Staff

University Church of Christ, Family Room Hear the latest news about WCB sending the Good News around the world. Contact: Susan Perry, 325-677-8866 or susanperry@gmail.com

# Monday

## 8am Morning Prayers Morning Prayers at Jacob's Dream

8-8:30am, Jacob's Dream Sculpture Site (east campus) We invite you to gather at Jacob's Dream each morning, Monday through Wednesday, to begin the day in prayer. This brief devotional time will prepare us to seek wholeness together throughout the entire day.

## 9-9:45am Classes: Session One

### **HUMAN ZOOS**

9:00am-9:45am, BSB 114 Jonathan Witt, Ethical Wholeness How have we treated our fellow man? How have we broken unity? Here is one way: Ideas flying under the banner of science blinded some to the inherent dignity and worth of fellow humans, made in the image of God. This first of two sessions will preview a new documentary, Human

Zoos, which speaks directly to this year's Summit theme while also surfacing the chilling and oft-ignored story of racist eugenics in 20th-century America.

***SPARE THE ROD AND SPOIL THE PROVERB Reading Israel's Wisdom in a World Lacking Wisdom***

9:00am-9:45am, BSB 120 Glenn Pemberton, Biblical Wholeness This session attempts to unpack the inner-workings of the simple two-line proverb in an effort to train up readers in the way they should go. Blessed is the person who doesn't have a dog that returns to its vomit. And like the one who digs a pit, a little sleep and a little slumber can break bones.

**SMALL CHURCH BUT RIGHT FOCUS**

9:00am-9:45am, BSB 129 David Wayne Nelson, Small Church Wholeness Much energy is often invested in growing bigger churches. That's good, but what would happen if more energy is expended on getting the focus right? Listen to the story of a small church in New Zealand that is struggling to find its center.

**SAVE YOUR MARRIAGE BEFORE AND AFTER IT STARTS Part One**

9:00am-9:45am, BSB 130 Les Parrott, Marriage Wholeness New York Times best-selling co-authors Les and Leslie Parrott are well known for their ability to unlock the truth about how to help couples have a love that lasts a lifetime. Drawing from their SYMBIS assessment tool, Les explores important relational factors in marriage preparation and enduring relationships.

**HOW IN THE WORLD DID WE GET HERE?**

9:00am-9:45am, BSB 121 Jeff Nelson, Worship Wholeness Projectors, sound boards, microphones, sheet music, praise teams ... over the last 20 years our tribe has seen several significant shifts in corporate worship settings. In this session, we'll explore some of these changes, what caused them and what precipitated them.

**USING TECHNOLOGY WITHOUT TECHNOLOGY USING YOU**

9:00am-9:45am, BSB 117 John Dyer, Technology Wholeness Technology in the church can help or hurt a congregation. This session will consider the power and perils of incorporating technology in ministry and church settings, including social media campaigns, digital Bibles in worship and small groups, and whatever comes next.

***LOVE YOUR (NON-CHRISTIAN) NEIGHBOR AS YOURSELF Interfaith Relations and the Second Great Commandment***

9:00am-9:45am, BSB 115 Rob Sellers, Interfaith Wholeness Why is the second greatest commandment (Mark 12:31) relevant, even in our increasingly

pluralistic culture where our neighbors are often persons who follow faiths other than our own? What can this admonition mean for those of us who see Christianity losing influence in our society and other faiths – or no faith at all – challenging the way “things used to be”? Which reasons compel us to love non-Christian neighbors as ourselves? This session will explore a contemporary understanding of neighbor love in a world in which relationships are broken by fear, misunderstanding, stereotyping, and condemnation.

## 10-10:45am Classes: Session Two

**AN ANSWER TO SCIENTIFIC RACISM** 10:00am-10:45am, BSB 114 Jonathan Witt, Ethical Wholeness This second session builds off the documentary shown in Session 1. Darwinism was used to justify eugenics and racism, a movement with roots in Charles Darwin’s own thinking, and extending well into the 20th century – and now alive among the Alt Right. But neither God’s book of special revelation, the Bible, nor his book of general revelation, nature, justifies racism or eugenics. When the blinders of methodological materialism are removed, the scientific evidence is clear: Humans of every race are the work of a grand intelligence, extending from and enriching this understanding is the Judeo-Christian doctrine of the Imago Dei.

### **WHAT IS THAT THING? HOW WE GOT THE NEW TESTAMENT**

10:00am-10:45am, BSB 120 Curt Niccum, Biblical Wholeness Do you hate when scripture is projected on screens? Does the reading of the Bible from handheld devices in church annoy you? Come see how early Christianity embraced new technologies that shaped their communities and changed the world.

### ***UNTIL CHRIST IS FORMED IN YOU Preaching as Spiritual Direction in Small Churches***

10:00am-10:45am, BSB 129 Colt McCook, Small Church Wholeness In Kindling Desire for God, Kay Northcutt challenges preachers to consider the aim of a sermon. The aim, she argues, is the spiritual formation of the congregation. In this class, we will consider how this might be true, particularly in small churches.

### **SAVE YOUR MARRIAGE BEFORE AND AFTER IT STARTS Part Two**

10:00am-10:45am, BSB 130 Les Parrott, Marriage Wholeness As leading marital experts, Parrott and his wife, Leslie, have created SYMBSIS, an award-winning marriage preparation assessment tool used successfully by more than 1 million couples. In this session Les explores how churches and practitioners can use this assessment to help couples make their marriages everything they are meant to be.

### **WORSHIP RHYTHMS**

10:00am-10:45am, BSB 121

Sandra Henderson, Worship Wholeness There is a rhythm, a kind of automaticity that occurs when our hearts are in line with who God is in our life. Worship becomes natural. To lead worship, or to live a life of worship, there are some rhythms we need to acknowledge and practice. In this class, we will weave these things through the practical worship, praise team, and leading the church highs and lows. We can't handle the technical and spiritual highs or the lows if our hearts aren't in line with God's.

### **BIBLICAL SPIRITUALITY IN A DIGITAL WORLD**

10:00am-10:45am, BSB 117 John B. Weaver, Technology Wholeness The Bible's literary forms present patterned forms of behavior reflecting ancient situations in life, while also exemplifying practices that serve God, with habits realizable even today. What are these biblical forms of spirituality and their significance to individuals in an increasingly digital world?

### ***MUSALAHA Lessons Learned From Reconciliation Between Israelis and Palestinians the Last 25 Years***

10:00am-10:45am, BSB 115 Salim Munayer, Interfaith Wholeness Musalaha is a unique reconciliation ministry among Palestinian Christians and Messianic Jews who have a common faith in Jesus and also in the wider society among Muslims and Jews. Over the last 25 years, a six-stage model of reconciliation between groups has been forged, enabling measurement of successes and application to other conflicts around the world.

## 11-11:45am Theme Conversation

### **Your Brokenness is Welcome Here (Ephesians 2:11-22)**

11-11:45am, Moody Coliseum Theme Speakers: Matt and Jordan Dooley Worship Leader: Taylor Belt, Vancouver Church of Christ We all know that a growing partisan spirit divides communities in society today. Neighborhoods, cities and nations are becoming more divisive. The old walls that often divided us – ethnicity, gender and class – are being fortified by new bigotries. The Dooleys will remind us that the church exists as an alternative way of peace and the witness of a gospel that radically includes all.

### **How To Think: A Survival Guide for a World at Odds**

11-11:45am, Cullen Auditorium Theme Speaker: Alan Jacobs Worship Leader: Mike Rogers, music faculty, Abilene Christian University Using messages from his book by this name, Jacobs describes positive modes of thought allowing us to communicate effectively and love each other in spite of our differences. Key themes include the dangers of thinking against others, the need to find the best people to think with, the error of believing we can think for ourselves, the conflict between thinking and belonging, and the dangers of words that do our thinking for us.

### **Noon Ag Mission BBQ Luncheon**

Hillcrest Church of Christ Tickets: Complimentary Contact: Charlotte Marion, 325-674-2401 or marionc@acu.edu

### **Friends of ACU Library Luncheon**

Brown Library, Third Floor East, Bay Window Area Speaker and Honoree: Karen (Nelson '65) Hendrick  
Join us to celebrate the FACUL Friend of the Year, Karen (Nelson '65) Hendrick. Tickets:  
Complimentary (RSVP requested) Contact: Molly Scherer, 325-674-2340 or mas16e@acu.edu

1:30-2:15pm Classes: Session Three

### **SURVIVAL OF THE FITTEST IN INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS**

1:30pm-2:15pm, BSB 114 Neal Coates, Ethical Wholeness Is there a new Cold War? Will we run out of natural resources? How should the U.S. and Russia and China interact? How do we as Christians react to concepts of competition among the countries of the world, especially the most powerful states? The third session of this pathway considers how the ideas of Darwin have been interpreted and applied among the various nations and the ramifications.

### ***FLUID ROLES AND REGULATIONS Insights on Church Organization From the Ancient Mediterranean***

1:30pm-2:15pm, BSB 120 John H. Boyles, Biblical Wholeness Church leadership has always been complicated. Although we often think of the ancient gatherings of Christians as developing from one fixed stage of organization to the next, the evidence from the broad, ancient Mediterranean world portrays a much more flexible and fluid organization. What might that suggest for today?

### ***STARTING WITH THE PHARISEE IN THE MIRROR Bridging the Gap Between Small Churches and the Academy***

1:30pm-2:15pm, BSB 129 Alyssa Johnson, Small Church Wholeness An unspoken divide frequently exists between members of rural, smaller congregations and urban, larger ones, a divide intensified by differences in educational backgrounds. This session seeks to examine this divide between different-sized congregations and discover strategies for inter-congregational engagement that transcend boundaries imposed by education as well as size.

## **THE MARRIAGE FRIENDLY CHURCH**

1:30pm-2:15pm, BSB 130 Danny Camp, Marriage Wholeness Is the church intentionally teaching and promoting healthy and godly marriage? Drawing from his years in ministry, counseling and his book, *The Marriage-Friendly Church*, Camp explores how the church is a needed advocate in helping married couples.

### ***YOU WANT TO BUILD WHAT? Developing a Creative Team and Empowering Them to Lead Worship***

1:30pm-2:15pm, BSB 121 Taylor Belt and Duncan Campbell, Worship Wholeness For centuries, art has been at the root of church and worship. Too often, we isolate our creativity in worship to singing or an occasional video. In this class we will explore what it means to gather a group of creative people and challenge them to think outside the box. We will give you tools to begin to broaden your church's creative future, offering practical and impactful projects you can begin working on for a small amount of money. These tools will help bring a bigger impact to message series and bring to life what is being communicated in your services. Join us for this exciting journey into rediscovering what it means to use the creative gifts God has given us.

### ***SOCIAL MEDIA AND IDENTITY Developing Wholeness in a Connected World***

1:30pm-2:15pm, BSB 117 Jennifer W. Shewmaker, Technology Wholeness Young adults, teens and tweens are highly engaged with social media. They use it to construct and share their own identity while navigating social relationships. This session will explore the challenges and opportunities social media presents, and strategies for helping young people navigate its use in a healthy, spiritually formative manner.

### ***PEACE BY THE GOLDEN RULE Promoting Tolerance, Friendship and Reconciliation Between Christians and Muslims***

1:30pm-2:15pm, BSB 115 John Barton, Interfaith Wholeness Because Christianity and Islam comprise nearly 55 percent of the world's population, interactions between their communities and institutions are critical for global peace. Using the Golden Rule (Matthew 7:12) as a reference point, this session will explore how tolerance, friendship and levels of reconciliation between Christians and Muslims are possible and powerful.

## **2:30-3:15pm Classes: Session Four**

### **SURVIVAL OF THE FITTEST IN THE MIDDLE EAST**

2:30pm-3:15pm, BSB 114 Neal Coates, Ethical Wholeness We hear in the news constantly it seems of threats from some countries in the Middle East against Muslim minorities, Christians and Jews. Some of these take the form of discrimination, some of these actions are much worse and include overt hostilities. Have concepts of eugenics been involved in these acts? What sort of response is needed?

GUIDANCE AND LIGHT Christian Scriptures in Early Islam 2:30pm-3:15pm, BSB 120 Kelli Gibson, Biblical Wholeness Christianity and Islam, both tracing their roots to a common past, have been in conflict for centuries. Explore the shared and contested scriptural heritage of early Islam and Christianity as it appears in the Qur'an, apologetic writings and legendary stories.

***RAISING THE DEAD IN RURAL AMERICA The Power of Spirit-Reliant Prayer in Rural Ministry***

2:30pm-3:15pm, BSB 129 Jim Weaver, Small Church Wholeness What is the relationship between prayer and the transformative, life-giving power of the Spirit? What happens when prayer becomes Spirit-reliant in rural churches? God acts powerfully on behalf of his people.

**SEVEN THINGS YOU NEED TO KNOW TO HAVE A REWARDING MARRIAGE**

2:30pm-3:15pm, BSB 130 Jason and Heidi Morris, Marriage Wholeness What does it take to have a healthy and vibrant marriage? Explore how seven factors can help anyone have a fulfilling marriage that can last a lifetime.

**OPPOSITES ATTRACT ... OR DO THEY?**

2:30pm-3:15pm, BSB 121 Chad Higgins and Pat Bills, Worship Wholeness Preachers and musicians/artists tend to think ... differently. When it comes to Sunday mornings, the relationship between the worship leader and preacher is crucial. Worship services benefit when great collaboration takes place between the two; on the contrary, they can suffer because there is no trust, appreciation nor love. This class will explore healthy ideas and ways to have a healthy relationship with your worship leader or preacher.

***TECHNOLOGY IN EDUCATION Distraction or Empowerment?***

2:30pm-3:15pm, BSB 117 Berlin Fang, Technology Wholeness Technology has become integrated into our daily lives, but how is that affecting our students? This presentation will show how technology tools can be used to empower teachers and students in an age when the same tools also can create distraction and division.

***MORE IN COMMON A Muslim and Christian Discuss Faith and Friendship***

2:30pm-3:15pm, BSB 115 Derran Reese and Ezdehar Alsahow, Interfaith Wholeness Though we can disagree on various issues of theology and faith, deep and genuine friendships can emerge when people of different faiths focus on the numerous things held in common. Hear a Muslim and Christian describe how friendship can be forged through a shared commitment to hospitality, celebration of diverse cultures and people, and passion for serving the common good.

## 3:30-4:15pm Classes: Session Five

### ***CUTTING THROUGH THE NOISE Truth and Discernment in the 21st Century***

3:30pm-4:15pm, BSB 120 Frederick D. Aquino, Biblical Wholeness We feel overwhelmed by the noise of social media, news outlets, and the relentless stream of facts and opinion. This session will show how the thought of Christian monk and theologian John Cassian can help us sort through the many conflicting messages we encounter in public conversation today. ETHICAL WHOLENESS DISCUSSION AND Q & A

3:30pm-4:15pm, BSB 114 Pathway Presenters Join the speakers from the day's presentations for the pathway finale as they discuss themes from the day and close with a time of Q&A with attendees.

### **SMALL CHURCH WHOLENESS DISCUSSION AND Q & A**

3:30pm-4:15pm, BSB 129 Pathway Presenters Join the speakers from the day's presentations for the pathway finale as they discuss themes from the day and close with a time of Q&A with attendees.

### **MARRIAGE WHOLENESS DISCUSSION AND Q & A**

3:30pm-4:15pm, BSB 130 Pathway Presenters Join the speakers from the day's presentations for the pathway finale as they discuss themes from the day and close with a time of Q&A with attendees.

### **INTERFAITH WHOLENESS DISCUSSION AND Q & A**

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## 6:30pm Feature Films

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### ***I Can Only Imagine (2018)***

6:30-8:30pm, Cullen Auditorium The inspiring and unknown true story behind MercyMe's beloved, chart-topping song that brings ultimate hope to so many, *I Can Only Imagine* is a gripping reminder of the power of true forgiveness. Starring J. Michael Finley, Madeline Carroll and Dennis Quaid.

### **5:00pm Network 1:27**

1202 Estates Drive, Abilene 79601 Speaker: Nathan Burrow, Preaching Minister Hillcrest Church of Christ Join us for an evening of food and fellowship and be encouraged in your work of serving "the orphan and the widow." Tickets: \$20 Contact: Jim McNiece, 325-677-2205 or [jmcniece@christianhomes.com](mailto:jmcniece@christianhomes.com)

## 6:30pm Special Event: Dramatic Reading

### **Dramatic Reading**

6:30-9:30pm, Chapel on the Hill Join us Monday at 6:30 pm for an evening of multiple entertainment. Nationally acclaimed oral interpreter Dena Counts will be performing a reading of the book of Ephesians. She will be joined by renowned artist Heather Heflin Hodges, who will create a work of art as Dena speaks. The event also will include a performance by Gracenotes, a women's a cappella student group.

## 9pm Feature Films

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# Tuesday

### **7:00am World Bible School**

Hillcrest Church of Christ Speaker: John Reese, President of World Bible School World Bible School is you. Sharing Jesus. Find out how! Tickets: Complimentary Contact: Sondra Davis, 512-345-8190 or [admin.assist@worldbibleschool.net](mailto:admin.assist@worldbibleschool.net)

### **Restoration Quarterly Breakfast**

1226 Kingsbury Road Speaker: John Boyles Tickets: Complimentary Contact: James Thompson, [thompsonja@acu.edu](mailto:thompsonja@acu.edu)

### **8am Morning Prayers Morning Prayers at Jacob's Dream**

8-8:30am, Jacob's Dream Sculpture Site (east campus)

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### 8:30-9:15am Classes: Session One

**WHY BUSINESS MATTERS TO GOD** 8:30am-9:15am, Hart Auditorium Jeff Van Duzer, Business Wholeness  
Van Duzer will present and discuss the principles covered in his book, *Why Business Matters to God*. In it, he explores the nature and meaning of doing business and finds it calls for much more than most think. He presents a profoundly Christian approach integrating biblical studies with the disciplines of business and economics.

#### ***THE VULNERABILITY OF MINISTRY Facing Human Limitations to Empower Our Ministry***

8:30am-9:15am, BSB 129 Mandy Smith, Congregational Wholeness Church leaders often feel like they need to project strength and competency to minister effectively, but what if we are wrong? God's strength is often revealed through our human weaknesses when we are willing to embrace our brokenness. In this session, author Smith describes her pastoral journey of learning how vulnerability can shape a unique ministry presence and practice.

#### **WHOLLY AND HOLY LIVING**

8:30am-9:15am, BSB 130 Phil McKinney, Discipleship Wholeness What is a disciple? What is discipleship? These words are often confused today. However, the Holy Spirit enlightens the eyes of our hearts (Ephesians 1:15-23) to what it means to be disciples of Jesus Christ. This session will examine holy and wholly living as disciples of Jesus in a broken world.

#### **THE MESSAGE OF EPHESIANS**

8:30am-9:15am, BSB 117 Stephen Fowl, Preaching Wholeness Fowl authored the New Testament Library commentary on Ephesians, published in 2012. He will provide an overview of the structure and message of Paul's letter, helping all hear the message more clearly.

#### **THE CHRISTIAN POSSESSION OF TOOLS OF VIOLENCE**

8:30am-9:15am, BSB 114 Walter Taylor and Matthew Worthington, *Racial Wholeness*

After Jesus' arrest in Matthew 26:52, he tells Peter, "Put your sword back in its place." He does not tell him to discard it. In what ways does this passage speak today to Christians who possess weapons? How did Hutu and Tutsi Christians view this passage in the Rwandan genocide of 1994? How does a Christian reconcile the blessing on peacemakers in the Sermon on the Mount with Peter's willingness to use violence during a moment of civil conflict?

## 9:30-10:15am Classes: Session Two

### **COFFEE, CONS AND CHRIST What Could Go Right?**

9:30am-10:15am, Hart Auditorium Pete Leonard, Business Wholeness In 2007, social entrepreneur Leonard blended passion and purpose to found Second Chance Coffee Co. Its business model is simple and unique: Meticulously select beans from the top 1 percent of coffee in the world, roast and deliver the same day, and hire post-prison people into an environment that allows them to shine.

### ***THE LONG GAME OF MINISTRY Practicing Ministry in the Midst of Pain***

9:30am-10:15am, BSB 129 Mike Cope, Congregational Wholeness Church leaders are faced with a unique tension of ministering to the pain of others while experiencing their own seasons of doubt, pain and struggle. In this session, veteran minister Cope will speak about his years of experience, reflecting on how he has navigated this tension, including the people and practices that have sustained him and the lessons he has learned.

### **WHOLENESS IN COMMUNITY**

9:30am-10:15am, BSB 130 Shannon McAlister, Discipleship Wholeness This talk will examine the interpretation of Ephesians 4:1-16 in the thought of Thomas Aquinas, who taught Christian theology at the University of Paris in the 13th century. It will place Aquinas' interpretation of this passage into dialogue with current literature on women's experiences, exploring the possibilities for an understanding of "wholeness in community" that takes both of these perspectives into account.

### **THE EPHESIAN PATHWAY TO WHOLENESS AS A CHURCH IN SOCIETY**

9:30am-10:15am, BSB 117 Don McLaughlin, Preaching Wholeness During the more than 20 years in which McLaughlin has preached for the same dynamic congregation, the church has faced an array of social issues with grace and courage. Listen as he describes how Ephesians gives us ample encouragement for the church to find unity and peace through the power of the cross and the blood of Jesus.

### **NIEBUHR/BONHOEFFER AND THE PERSONAL USE OF VIOLENCE**

9:30am-10:15am, BSB 114

Darrell Wesley and Chris Dowdy, *Racial Wholeness During the Jewish Holocaust*, Dietrich Bonhoeffer, a German theologian and author of the Christian classic *The Cost of Discipleship*, struggled to apply Jesus' teachings on nonviolence in response to Adolf Hitler. In the 1932 classic *Moral Man and Immoral Society*, American theologian Reinhold Niebuhr addressed the difficulty of applying biblical principles to this topic as well. How can these texts guide our thinking and Christian convictions on whether the personal use of violence is justified?

## **11 am Opening of the Carl Spain Center on Race Studies and Spiritual Action**

**Ribbon Cutting Ceremony** in Moody Colosseum as a part of the 11am Theme Conversation

### **11am Theme Conversation God Imagines Our Future: Being Filled With the Spirit (Ephesians 5:1-21)**

11-11:45am, Moody Coliseum Theme Speaker: Jerry Taylor Worship Leader: Student group under the direction of Nick Tatum, Abilene Christian University Who better than Jerry to prompt us of God's call to imitate him and embolden us to emulate Jesus' way of love and self-sacrifice? Our journey to follow Jesus transforms us into a people of holiness. Jerry will proclaim how the Spirit within us seasons our conversations, rewrites our heart's melodies, inspires our thanksgivings, and enables our submissive service.

### **Noon Health Talents International Missions**

Halbert-Walling Research Center, HW 211 Find out about participating in short-term mission trips, internships in Guatemala, and our medical evangelism model of ethical mission work. Tickets: Complimentary Contact: Julie Obregon, 615-397-5447 or juliecarmen@gmail.com

### **The Carl Spain Center on Race Studies and Spiritual Action**

Hunter Welcome Center, Zone C Join us as we commemorate the grand opening on the campus of Abilene Christian University. Tickets: \$15 per individual or you may sponsor a table of 8 for \$200 Contact: Tryce Prince, 580-399-1231 or tdp15a@acu.edu

### **Hope of Life, a Herald of Truth Ministry**

Hunter Welcome Center, Zone A Join us to celebrate the results of evangelism in 166 countries around the world Tickets: Reservation only to Tom Hagan Contact: Tom Hagan, thagan@heraldoftruth.org

## **Healing Hands International**

Hunter Welcome Center, Zone A Join us to hear about this good work of God that is making a difference in the world Tickets: complimentary Contact: Jana Owen, (469) 892-2884 or jowen@hhi.org

1:30-2:15pm Classes: Session Three

### **CONSTRUCTING A CHRIST-LED BUSINESS**

1:30pm-2:15pm, Hart Auditorium Alan Barnhart, Business Wholeness When Alan Barnhart and his brother, Eric, decided to start a business, they were dedicated to building it on the biblical principles of money. Upon starting Barnhart Crane and Rigging, the brothers capped their income at a middle-class level and began sharing profits. More than 30 years later, they have given away tens of millions of dollars, and eventually the company itself.

### ***THE TRAUMA OF MINISTRY Caring For Yourself While Caring For Others***

1:30pm-2:15pm, BSB 129 Jessica McCoy, Congregational Wholeness How does “rejoicing with those who rejoice” and “weeping with those who weep” impact a minister’s personal and spiritual life? McCoy will share her expertise on self-care and trauma stewardship, and how ministers can incorporate practical steps to ease symptoms of burnout and compassion fatigue.

### **WHOLENESS OF SELF**

1:30pm-2:15pm, BSB 130 Ben Pickett, Discipleship Wholeness At the heart of discipleship is a recognition of the personal relationship between God and human beings. The nurturing of this relationship is central to our growth as disciples of Jesus. This

session will introduce classic and contemporary ways of understanding spiritual growth and examine how these themes, informed by Scripture, help us see ourselves, our relationship to God, and the moral and communal responsibilities that necessarily emerge for Christians.

### **THE EPHESIAN PATHWAY TO THE WHOLE HOUSEHOLD**

1:30pm-2:15pm, BSB 117 Amy Bost Henegar, Preaching Wholeness As a minister whose focus is on children and families, Henegar is keenly aware of how the pressures of society seek to form the essential human relationships into scarred, marred wrecks of what God hoped and intended that they might be. In the letter to the Ephesians, Paul lays out a blueprint for a healthy Christian household. Join Henegar as she explores how that concept preached today.

### **A CRITICAL ANALYSIS OF THE MOVIE, BLACK PANTHER**

1:30pm-2:15pm, BSB 114 Darren and Gloria Hagood, Racial Wholeness In a critical analysis of Marvel Comics' movie Black Panther, we will examine the various portrayals of the struggle to effectively respond to the violence of oppression. How does this popular movie inform us and what would an application of its principles demand of us as diverse Christians living in America and in the world?

## 2:30-3:15pm Classes: Session Four

### **UNLESS THE LORD BUILDS THE HOUSE**

2:30pm-3:15pm, Hart Auditorium Tim Bock, Business Wholeness With Bock's help, his Christian community, Jesus People USA, has started more than 30 for-profit businesses in 40 years. In this session, he will share his insights into building businesses that join God in building his kingdom, lessons he has learned through his successes and failures, and what it looks like for a disciple to be in business.

### ***THE PURPOSE OF MINISTRY Spiritual Formation in Broken Congregations***

2:30pm-3:15pm, BSB 129 Eric Wilson, Congregational Wholeness Like their ministers, congregations face seasons of doubt and trial. Can a church remain Christ-centered in these moments? If so, what practices of spiritual formation are vital to the congregation, and how do we enact those disciplines across a varied church body? Wilson, longtime minister and now a university chaplain, will share possibilities from the deep well of spiritual formation and spiritual direction.

### **WHOLENESS THROUGH PRAYER**

2:30pm-3:15pm, BSB 130 Jackie Halstead, Discipleship Wholeness

We tend to compartmentalize the various aspects of our lives. Our vocation is relegated to the hours between 8 and 5. Our family focus begins after 5 and continues on weekends. Our spiritual selves are relegated to Sunday or when we are with those of our faith community. This is not who God made us to be. The Jewish people perceived themselves through a holistic lens and brought all these aspects together. Thus, each part was infused through every other arena – one's vocation was viewed as spiritual life and spiritual life was viewed as one's vocation, etc. It is through prayer that we become integrated. This class will look at the process of integration through prayer as well as explore the way into which God's has invited us.

### **THE EPHESIANS PATHWAY TO WHOLE PERSONHOOD**

2:30pm-3:15pm, BSB 117 Sam Gonzales, Preaching Wholeness In the letter to the Ephesians, Paul challenges the Christians to walk in a new way. He tells them that by God's power they can stand against the evil one. This is the pathway of life to which we are called to the praise of God's glory. Gonzalez's presentation on the Christian walk is one you won't want to miss.

### **A CHRISTIAN CRITIQUE OF DAVID WALKER'S APPEAL**

2:30pm-3:15pm, BSB 114 Brandon Jones and Alvin Curette, Racial Wholeness David Walker, a former slave, wrote a book in 1829 in which he made a fervent appeal for slaves to use violence in gaining freedom from their masters. Does this strategy have a place in today's world in which corruption and other evil practices still prevail? Which scriptures or theological arguments could dissuade Christians today, regardless of race, from using civil violence to respond to oppression and injustice?

### **3:30-4:15pm Classes: Session Five**

#### **BUSINESS FOR TRANSFORMATION - MAKING YOUR LIFE COUNT**

3:30pm-4:15pm, Hart Auditorium Patrick Lai, Business Wholeness Patrick Lai has started multiple profitable businesses with the goal of kingdom growth, has planted churches, and also authored multiple books on the topic of transformational business. In this session, he will provide examples of how he and others have used business around the world to join God in his plan to create disciples and grow his kingdom. **PREACHING WHOLENESS DISCUSSION AND Q & A**

3:30pm-4:15pm, BSB 117 Pathway Presenters Join the speakers from the day's presentations for the pathway finale as they discuss themes from the day and close with a time of Q&A with attendees.

#### **DISCIPLESHIP WHOLENESS DISCUSSION AND Q & A**

3:30pm-4:15pm, BSB 130 Pathway Presenters

Join the speakers from the day's presentations for the pathway finale as they discuss themes from the day and close with a time of Q&A with attendees.

**CONGREGATIONAL WHOLENESS – Wilson McCoy**

3:30-4:15pm, BSB 129 In this concluding session all four presenters will join facilitator, Wilson McCoy, for a conversation that will engage the themes from the day. In light of the realities of brokenness in our world and our own lives, how can we move forward as faithful men and women of God in our churches?

**RACIAL WHOLENESS – CONVERSATION CORNERS COLLABORATIVE SESSION (Q&A)**

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**5:00pm College of Biblical Studies Celebration Dinner**

Hunter Welcome Center, Zones A and B Speaker: Sam Gonzales Honorees: Sam Elliott and Bill and Melba Kirkpatrick Tickets: \$5 (Purchase at Summit Headquarters) Contact: Tina Chisholm, 325-674-3700 or txc13a@acu.edu

**6:00pm Reception Special Event – The Mountaintop**

6:00-6:50pm, WPAC Lobby A reception will be held celebrating the opening of the Carl Spain Center and the Mountaintop performance.

**6:30pm Feature Films The Heart of Man (2017)**

6:30-8pm, BSB 114 The Heart of Man is a cinematic retelling of the parable of the Prodigal Son, interwoven with true testimonials of personal and sexual brokenness. Narrative storytelling and documentary filmmaking are combined to reveal the compassionate heart of God the Father for his sons

and daughters, illuminating an age-old truth: shame is not a barrier to God's love, but a bridge to absolute transformation, victory, freedom and hope. Starring Robert Fleet, Serena Karnagy and Justin Torrence.

*All Saints (2017)*

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7:00pm Special Event – The Mountaintop The Mountaintop

7-9:30pm, WPAC Recital Hall The Mountaintop is a play depicting the last night of Dr. King's life, starring Alisha Taylor, the daughter of Dr. Jerry Taylor, and Vincson Green, who are both ACU graduates.

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## Wednesday

8am Morning Prayers Morning Prayers at Jacob's Dream

8-8:30am, Jacob's Dream Sculpture Site (east campus) We invite you to gather at Jacob's Dream each morning, Monday through Wednesday, to begin the day in prayer. This brief devotional time will prepare us to seek wholeness together throughout the entire day.

## 8am Barna Work and Faith Christians at Work

8-9:15am & 9:30-10:45am, Hart Auditorium Kinnaman's presentation on Wednesday morning will explore how many Christians understand their vocational identity and offer insightful reflections on how the church might better equip Christians to understand their work as participation in the life and mission of God. Whether you are a student anticipating a future career, a working professional deeply embedded in the workplace, or a church leader looking for ways to encourage those whom you lead, join us as Kinnaman leads us in this crucial and timely conversation.

## 9am Enneagram Discovering the Enneagram

9-10:15am & 10:30-11:45am, BSB 114 The Enneagram identifies nine ways of seeing and experiencing the world and describes with amazing accuracy how we think, feel, and act. It is a fantastic tool for all kinds of relationships because it not only helps us understand ourselves but gives us compassion for other people in our lives. It also identifies our core struggles and sins that keep us trapped and helps us get out of our own way so we can grow into the person God created us to be.

## 9am Still Wrestling Still Wrestling: Faith Renewed through Brokenness

9-9:45am & 10-10:45am, BSB 120 When the preacher's wife and son are murdered, what then? Where was God? How does one recover from grief and loss when faith is shattered and doubt reigns supreme? Life happens to us all. When good turns to bad, the journey from bad back to good can seem impossible. In his recent candid book, Pastor Les Ferguson shares his true story of when he struggled to believe not that God existed but that he cared. The questions of faith and doubt shared in Still Wrestling show Les's journey through tragedy to a deep, renewed faith.

## 9am Mercy & Justice Mercy and Justice Wholeness

9-9:45am & 10-10:45am, BSB 117 Scripture makes provision for immigrants because they are the individuals who were most likely to be treated unjustly. From the beginning of Israel as a nation, there was recognition of their pain of oppression. There were laws established to protect the asylum seeker (the sojourner) and the immigrant. Justice demands justice for all—not just for a select few. We cannot say, “We shall love this person this way, and that person another way.”

**11am Theme Conversation God's Empowering Protection: Taking Our Stand**

11-11:45am, Moody Coliseum Theme Speaker: Don McLaughlin Worship Leader: Sandra Henderson, College Church of Christ Our courage to take our stand with confidence comes from God's power that provides us with the spiritual capacities to not only withstand the principalities and powers of the world, but also impact our neighborhoods for the cause of Christ by proclaiming the mysteries of God's intent.