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Last spring, the inferno of Los Angeles jarred the conscience and sensitivities of the Fuller community. During the month of May, a new conscience emerged which forced Fuller to examine itself — its commitment to relevance, particularly to the urban situation and the extent to which Fuller was modeling Christian, multi-cultural community. The packed Chapel services, multi-ethnic prayer meetings and open forum/mike discussions all conveyed the urgent sense that the Seminary had to act on issues related to diversity and justice.

So, have we acted? According to Dr. Bill Pannell, the newly appointed Dean of Chapel, "the riots clarified vision and underscored the validity of what many (at Fuller) were doing previously." Instead of viewing the various institutional changes as the "good that came out of the riots," Pannell prefers that we see them as reflecting "the relationship between good ideas and timing."

Last summer, the Board of Directors of Fuller adopted a proposal of the Trustee Ethnic Ministries Committee which called for a comprehensive plan for multi-cultural development. Dr. Jorge Taylor was appointed as the Assistant Provost, for ethnic and cultural concerns. Taylor brings to Fuller his rich cultural background which includes African, South American and Hispanic experiences.

A proposed course on multi-culturalism, in its final stages of approval, will be taught by representatives of four Ethnic American perspectives: Hispanic, African, Korean and Chinese. The goal of this course, a requirement for all three schools, is to prepare people for ministry in a multi-cultural world.

In addition to the course on multi-culturalism, two electives in the Spring will highlight social justice issues: Mark’s Gospel; Justice and Peace, taught by Ched Myers and Ethics of Wealth and Poverty in an Urban Setting, taught by Bill Doulas. Winter quarter, Jude Tiersma offers a one week intensive in Urban Ministry.

This year there are, no doubt, more staff and faculty from diverse backgrounds: Young Lee Hertig in SWM, Carlton Lincoln in the development Office, Stan Long and Rik Stevenson, Director and Asst., Director of Black Pastors Program, and Dr. Chun Choi, the new adjunct to the Korean Studies Dept., assisted by Peter Im. Such appointments, however, are not enough to satisfy those who are advocating for a genuinely multi-cultural seminary.

At a recent meeting of the Trustee Ethnic Ministries Committee, Leesie Moore, a member of the ASC Multicultural Concerns Committee, voiced the opinion that Fuller is, "using minorities to fill minority positions" which amounts to token representation. Students like Leesie feel that instead of confining ethnic faculty to their respective departments, the seminary should bring their global perspectives to the core areas of seminary education. Joseph Kim, president of the Korean American Fellowship, called Fuller's curriculum "market driven"; driven, that is, by the size of a constituency, and not based on the reality of our pluralistic society. In this respect, Joseph added, "secular schools are far ahead."

In cooperation with the heads of the Chapels, the ASC is planning an urban ministry convocation during the anniversary of the riots of late April. The purpose of this event is to stimulate vision among students for urban involvement. And the Multi-Cultural Concerns and Peace and Justice Committees will co-sponsor an all seminary forum on racism later this quarter. They have already held a forum on Educational Fairness in October.

Gauthri Mylvaganam, last year's Chair of Multicultural Concerns for the SOP, sees no real change in the SOP as a result of the riots. She was hoping to see more direct involvement of SOP students with post-riot mental health issues. However, the weight of the John Finch ordeal overshadowed SOP's attempt to respond to the riots. This year's chair, Elsie Gordon, anticipates another workshop on intercultural awareness, to follow up the successful event SOP sponsored last May.

Francis Kamau, the new SWM Chaplain, believes that there is a growing sensitivity, after the riots, to different races and cultures. "The in-built anger of the oppressed was given time to express itself. This has opened channels for community." Francis, a native of Kenya, put together a worship team which he hoped would recognize the talents of many parts of the world. In addition to the diverse worship team, the carefully chosen speakers can account for the SWM Chapel's success. In one month alone, SWM has hosted speakers from African-American, Jewish, and Hispanic backgrounds.

The greatest challenge at Fuller may not be at the administrative level, but in the way students choose to interact with each other on campus. The racial segregation of the student body, unsettled for a time by the riots, now seems to be repeating itself. Dr. Nancey Murphy, however, observed that people appear to be recognizing each other more in passing than before. Perhaps something as small as a greeting from someone of another race can do as much to prevent riots as new faculty, programs and curriculum.
Chapel Services

COMMUNITY CHAPEL
Rik Stevenson, Assistant Director of African American Studies and pastor in Los Angeles
November 18
Wednesday, 10 am
Pasadena Presbyterian Church

SWM CHAPEL
Marsha Snulligan-Haney, Ph.D. student and Ordained Presbyterian Pastor
November 19
Thursday, 10 am
Travis Auditorium

DAILY ORTHODOX MORNING PRAYERS
Monday-Friday
7:30-7:55 am
In the Chapel above the Library, led by Scott Watson and Fr. Sam Gantt. Everyone is welcome.

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URBAN LEADERSHIP DISCUSSION
11/14
Dave Frenchak, President of SCUPE in Chicago, will be in Los Angeles sharing his research on “Leadership Traits of Experienced Urban Pastors” during a brunch at 10 am on Saturday, November 14. Fliers are available in both the SWM and SOT Advising Offices.

WOMEN IN CROSS-CULTURAL MINISTRY SUPPORT GROUP
11/15
Support group will meet Sunday, November 15, from 7-9 pm at 527 E. Union, #103. Sharing her experiences as a single missionary with Assembly of God Missions in West Africa (2 years), Indonesia (8 years) and the Philippines (8 years) and as a married woman in Singapore (2 1/2 years) will be SWM doctoral student, Barbara Cavaness. For more information, call Kaarina Ham at (818) 795-2636.

DISCERNING YOUR CALL: A PANEL PRESENTATION
11/16
Have you ever wondered about the issue of calling to ministry? How you discern God’s call in your life? On Monday November 16, from 7pm - 9pm, in Travis Auditorium. The Offices of Christian Community and Career Services will present a panel discussion on “Discerning Your Call.” Panel members include: Dr. Stanley B. Long, Dr. Mitties McDonald DeChamplain, Judith Durf, and John Wierick. Panel members will share insights growing out of their respective journeys.

PC (USA) EVENTS
11/16
Monday Morning Fellowship, 10-11 am, Payton 301, Rev. David Roher, Pastor at Michilinda Presbyterian Church, will share from his experience of serving in a small church setting. Join us.

THEOLOGY MINI-CONFERENCE
11/16-11/17
The CATS Office in conjunction with the TGU and the SOT Dean’s office is supporting a (free) Mini-Conference of visiting professors on November 16 and 17. The three professors presenting papers are Dr. David Ferguson and Dr. I. Howard Marshall from the University of Aberdeen, Scotland and Dr. Douglas Campbell from the University of Otago, New Zealand. All three professors will be participating in a Round Table Discussion on current issues and questions on Tuesday November 17 from 10-10:50 am in Travis Auditorium. All students are invited to attend this rare occasion. MA and MDiv. students are especially invited to a Brown Bag Lunch at noon on Tuesday to speak to the professors about overseas graduate programs. For more information please contact the CATS Office at x5239.

PRESIDENT’S CONVOCATION
11/17
This quarter, the President will focus on strides in diversity issues at Fuller and other current topics. Be sure to attend this important event at 10am in Payton 301.
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FINANCIAL SUPPORT FOR MINISTRY
11/19
Student Ministries Inc. (SMI) is a mission agency that enables graduate students to develop support from various sources. It issues tax-deductible receipts to donors and monthly compensation checks to the students. Dr. George Till, Executive Director of SMI, will be on campus Thursday, November 19, from 8am to 1pm. Stop by the Garth at the SMI display table to learn how you can be supported in your ministry at Fuller.

THE EASTERN EUROPE PRAYER GROUP
11/20
We will meet at 12 noon on Friday November 20 at 527 E. Union #103. The focus will be on Nationalism with Aivars Ozolins from Riga, Latvia. For further information please call Kaarina Ham at 818-527-2636.

INTERVIEWING WORKSHOP
11/23-11/24
This is an hour filled with suggestions and practical exercises for putting your best foot forward in interviews. A good idea for everyone beginning the process of job hunting or finding internships. No registration required. Students, spouses and staff are welcome to attend. Please join us for this informative and practical session on Monday, November 23, 6-7 pm in Faculty Commons or Tuesday, November 24, 10-11 am in Payton 101b.

FREE ONE-YEAR BIBLES
Tyndale Publishing offers free Living Bibles to all new students and to seminary students and faculty who did not receive a copy in previous years. If interested, please sign up at the Office of Student Services, above the Catalyst. (Physically Challenged students: call 584-5435).

AAIM MEETING
Just a reminder, we're praying for all you AAIMers as midterms, papers, etc, have kept you from being with us. If you can't find us, our meetings are every Wednesday afternoon from 1-2:30pm, SOP room 120. Questions call Melanie at 818-576-1865, Tammy at 818-441-7972 or Gordon at 818-577-9076.

NOTICE REGARDING NOTICES
Has your advertisement of a computer for sale been covered up by someone else's announcement of a party? Find those jam packed bulletin boards hard to read? Because of the shortage of space for general notices, Student Services is changing the size requirements of the "General Use" bulletin boards. Beginning December 11, the maximum size permitted will be 5 1/2" by 8 1/2" (aka "half-sheets"). Also, remember that notices are not to be posted on buildings. Thanks for your help in keeping the campus clean and communication clear!
Dear Gregory:

I am approaching graduation and have involved in various small groups while attending Fuller. However, when I enter full-time ministry, I'm afraid I'll no longer have access to such groups for support. It is not available through either my denomination or local ministerial associations. Would you please suggest some ways that I can obtain spiritual and emotional support as a pastor?

Seeking Support

If a small support group is not out there for you, consider developing one yourself. You've got the experience, desire, and a good model (your own Fuller group). Maybe all you need is a tool to get such a group started. There are a number of authors, Roberta Hestenes is one, who have written good books on this topic. Obtaining support from others, whether we are a pastor or not, is something we all need. The people in the church you will be called to will also need small group experience. They will be blessed by your awareness of the small group process and the importance and potential it has for healing, establishing community, ministry (of all kinds) and accountability, just to mention a few of the spiritual and emotional benefits.

Gregory

Dining With Dan

BY DAN PAYNE

They all gasped in horror last week when I announced at the Overeaters Anonymous meeting that my life long ambition was to be a famous food critic... or an MTV video star if the food critic thing didn’t pan out. My dad always said that you have to have something stable to fall back on. The problem, however, is that I thought he said “table,” not “stable.” I guess that is why I’m trapped here in this other dimension.

Anyway, this week I am going to tell you about Casa Carlos in the Plaza Pasadena. I go here at least once a month and to this day I still don’t quite know why. Subliminal mariachi music perhaps? The food is not really that great, but it’s not really that bad either. The service is nothing to write home about, but then I really don’t write home much anyway, the telephone works better for me. I guess what I am trying to say, in simplified terms, is that this place is pretty average. But, on the other hand, it’s pretty close to Fuller.

CASA CARLOS: ⭐⭐1/2 OUT OF FIVE

The story is told of a man who visits a museum and views the bones of a dinosaur. The huge bones seemed to stretch endlessly from head to tail. He turns to the woman standing next to him and with a sad reverence asks, “What happened?” She replied, “The climate changed!” Devastating climate change has hit our churches too.

The Bible tells us that when the Spirit came people from all countries heard their own, diverse tongues spoken by those gathered for Pentecost, (Acts 2). I believe this implies that the first church was an ethnically diverse church. So, why is it today that for the most part churches in America are ethnically segregated? Why is it that here at Fuller, Church History, up until the LA Riots (Rebellion), was predominantly the History of European men? I believe that the climate has changed. Something is amiss. I have noticed that one reason the climate has changed is that we have forgotten that the Kingdom of God is an integrated affair.

The historical record shows that people of color are integral to the development of biblical revelation and church growth. Dr. Colin Brown mentioned in his Systematics class that Tertullian, the first of the ‘Latin fathers’, was a black African, and immediately a silence fell over the room of 300-to me it was that silence of shock. If our educational and ecclesiastical climate had not changed there would have been no shock!

This type of information may not on the surface be all that important to my Anglo brothers and sisters, (whom I love dearly); but in the non-white sectors of Christianity, specifically African-American, this type of information is empowering. I did not know the extent of ethnic diversity in church history until I came to Fuller because my Christian adulthood was spent in a predominantly Anglo setting. My Black Muslim Brother-in-Law rejects Christianity because it appears to be a “white-man’s” religion. I took Jesus as my savior several years ago. But, only now do I feel like I totally belong because Christianity is just as much a faith formed by my people as my Anglo brothers and sisters.

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I believe that we must integrate material, (books, pictures, and thoughts), about and by people of color into our seminary education and the ministry which God is working out through every person at Fuller, even and maybe especially Anglos. Not because Anglos are to blame, but because Anglos are in power, have a voice, are not oppressed, and are franchised. Even if you, as an Anglo, will never minister to anyone of color in your lifetime (which is highly unlikely), you will certainly have people in your congregations who do and can make a change in the racial climate. For example, teachers, lawyers, judges, doctors, the real shaker and movers in America are more likely to be Anglo, not of color. These people are directly affected by our ministries and our educational preparation. In a very real sense ALL who desire to take up the call have the opportunity to affect change.

The gospel presents Jesus as a champion of the voiceless and oppressed, of which people of color are a disproportionate number. If we are going to change the climate we must recapture the fact that Jesus’ teaching and preaching predominantly focused on people who were voiceless and oppressed. Thus, those with power must integrate material about and by people of color into their education and ministry if they are to effectively continue in the way of Jesus.

"We Need Another Change in the Racial Climate"

BY BERYL BANKS, SOT Student

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THE VIRTUE OF CHAOS

So, my friends, be eager to prophesy, and do not forbid speaking in tongues; but all things should be done decently and in order.” (1 Cor. 14:39-40 NRSV)

It is a curious twist of Christian history that a phrase of caution to a church bursting with spiritual fervor would become a 20th century unofficial defense against spontaneity and real revival.

It is no wonder we at Fuller have a very orderly solution to each and every concern that comes our way. If we see a problem arising, we’ll form a committee to contain it. If the problem surpasses the time and energy boundaries of a committee, we’ll hire someone to solve it. If even a full-time employee working year-round can’t quite get it all under his/her thumb, we’ll set up an entire office to at least hold the problem at bay. If the problem still won’t go away, we’ll unleash our ultimate weapon of protection: the seminary-wide Policy Statement on Problem X. If that doesn’t take care of it, we hold our breath and hope its impact dissipates before it totally overwhelms us.

What are we so afraid of? Will students stop enrolling if at times we forego our veneer of total control and admit that we don’t have it all together? Did Jesus clear the temple “decently and in order”? Was it such a tragedy that John Finch and the L.A. riots caught us off guard?

Surely, we seek more out of our community than the avoidance of anarchy. Surely, decency and orderliness are not so close to our hearts that, in moments of crisis, we cannot...

“...look with [our] eyes,
and listen with [our] ears,
and comprehend with [our] minds,
and turn and be healed.”

FROM THE VICE PRESIDENT: ROB GALLAGHER

FULLER FUND GENEROSITY

In the Fall Registration, over $4,000 was donated by the student body for Fuller students to be again involved in summer mission internships.

Last summer, Fuller students were sponsored from the fund in order to be sent in mission ventures to India, Indonesia, Turkey, Central Asia and areas of the Islamic world. Our sponsored students also were active within the United States in helping to establish new churches in urban environments, manage a home for unwed mothers in Venice Beach, counsel L.A. Riot victims and to provide support for various mission agencies in underprivileged urban settings.

If you would like to participate in a summer mission internship, please come by the ASC office (1st floor of the Catalyst) and let us know.

Thank you for your continued generosity towards this mission fund during our upcoming Winter Registration.

INTERESTED IN FORMING A COMMUNITY OF CELEBRATION?

This community (small group) would be composed of performing and visual artist, composers, directors, writers, etc. who seek to present creative celebrations with music-drama for chapels/churches. If interested call Jim Speck 818-577-4810 or FTS Box 173.

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