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What Would Martin Say to Fuller? or...The Beloved Community is Still a Dream
by Victoria Loorz, Editor

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Understanding that changing behaviors will eventually change attitudes, Fuller has begun to take steps to take some responsibility for racial discrimination within the curriculum. This year there are more multicultural courses offered and a couple new members of faculty and staff are experienced in the oppression and who know without reading books and starting up task forces what it is going to take to change the oppressive force.

The Freedom Explosion that King saw 30 years ago was an explosion that many hoped would be the end of racial oppression in this country. Yet, it is not difficult to see that the explosion that erupted last spring in Los Angeles was not the thundering of a people from the bright hills of freedom, but the eruption of a people still smouldering from the dungeons of oppression. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.’s dream of a “beloved community” remains, thirty years later, only a dream.

Fuller Trustee, Stan Long, Interim Director of African American Ministries at Fuller, talked about his discouragement, “There is no way I can make students understand how devastating it is...thirty years later we are still saying the same thing (that King lost his life for.)” He is most disappointed that the Christian community is so uninvolved. “It was expected that the Church would be on the forefront to make sure justice happens.”

Of course even King himself did not believe that the perfect beloved community in its fullness could become a reality in this age. His beloved community is more like an eschatological reality than a present one. Yet he urged his followers, and especially the Church, to constantly strive toward this “not yet” reality. “King explained that members of the beloved community would allow the spirit of agape to direct all their individual and social relationships. In their private lives and as members of a caring community, they would regard each person as an image of God and an heir to a legacy of dignity and worth with rights that are not derived from the state but from God. They would judge persons not on the color of their skin, but the content of their character.” (Ansbro, Martin Luther King, Jr. The Making of a Mind, p 157)

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But King’s message also gets lost in the color of his skin. Says Long, “The majority of the white community can’t get past the idea that King’s message is just a liberation one for the black people.” They miss the content of his message. It is a message for the oppressor also. It is a message for all of us. It is basically the message of Jesus Christ. Love your neighbor.

King knew that changing the racial discrimination laws was only the first step, but a necessary one since the attitudes and the hardened hearts change much more slowly. Desegregation, he knew, would bring people together physically, but not necessarily spiritually. He cautioned that laws cannot reach inner attitudes and change the heart.

Understanding that changing behaviors will eventually change attitudes, Fuller has begun to take steps to take some responsibility for racial discrimination within the curriculum. This year there are more multicultural courses offered and a couple new members of faculty and staff are ethnic minorities. But most feel it’s not enough. “What needs to happen,” according to Stan Long, “is that every syllabus needs to contain non-European thoughts, books, input.” Rik Stevenson says that ignoring the black contributions to theology and to society leads minority people to feel that they are unimportant. “When you find out about how many important people in history are black and you realize that they have been ignored, it makes you angry.” Racial equality must become a priority at Fuller.

Abraham Lincoln once said, “Finally I insist, that if there is anything which it is the duty of the whole people to never entrust to any hands but their own, that thing is the preservation of their own liberties and institutions.” We need people in the mainstream of Fuller leadership who have experienced the oppression and who know without reading books and starting up task forces what it is going to take to change the oppressive force.

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EDITORIAL:

**Guess Who’s Coming to Dinner?**

by Aleese Moore, SOT Student

Recently I was invited to a Christmas luncheon and celebration of the birth of Christ. The luncheon and celebration was a time for Fuller staff and faculty to come together and acknowledge our equality in sin, and need of salvation, grace, and faith. “For unto us a Child is born”, “God is with us”, “Emmanuel”. An opportunity to reflect upon and rejoice in all the scriptures that proclaim our faith in God’s redemption and liberation.

But something happened; something went awry in our celebration. Just as the program began some unexpected “guest” began crashing the celebration. The guest was not a stranger to me; it had been crashing in on my parties all my life. Racism, Sexism, and Classism, my old familiar enemies, had once more appeared to destroy another attempt at unity.

As usual Racism was the first on the scene. Racism did its job very well. It filled the program with Anglo speakers, Anglo European music to an Anglo drummer boy’s beat. It even managed to make the meal in the Anglo tradition. Again Racism kept color quiet and out of sight.

And, while Racism was raising its heel, Sexism took its cue to begin its part. Sexism hadn’t changed its method either. It did what it has always done throughout “herstory”. Sexism had begun building its foundation in the preparation of the celebration by having all or the majority of the workers women. It continued to build on that foundation by minimizing the contributions of women in the program to traditional roles like music, games, and story telling; the more serious contributions like prayer, benedictions, and proclamations of faith came from the men.

By now I as an African American, female student am somewhat surprised and very offended. I thought I was going to celebrate the birth of Christ with people who were highly educated and culturally sensitive. Instead I found myself among strangers who were totally ignorant of what was going on and their participation in it. I felt very uncomfortable. There was nothing there that was reflective of me, my culture, style of worship and thanksgiving, or fellowship. But it was to get worse because Classism— who had been known to have little or no respect for either race or gender— had not even begun its part.

Classism came on the scene, as usual, in all its splendor, trampling on everything and anybody that did not meet its criteria. Classism made sure that even though this was a celebration for the whole staff, only a certain type of staff would be able to participate.

It made sure that none of the minimum wage co-workers, none of the blue collar employees, no janitors, or maintenance workers would be seen on this prestigious program. Classism made sure the fictitious stories told would be about and by middle class. It made sure the content of the stories would be about the middle class minister helping the less fortunate. It made sure that the only identification the poor could make (and the poor were there) in these stories would be with those who were in need. The privileged told sad stories that came out of having too many privileges, something some of us know nothing about. Classism made sure that the lower class knew that even the saddest Christmas for the middle class was more than they could ever dream of. Finally Classism did its best trick, it made sure that the sad realities of the Christmas season were focused on people abroad and not readied or acknowledged with those who are right in our midst.

Racism. Sexism. Classism. Still the controlling powers of dominant culture. Although the faculty and staff came together to celebrate Jesus, some of us who were invited were made to feel de-humanized by racism, minimized by sexism and ignored by classism. The celebration was created by and for dominant culture and dominant culture always assumes that as they go, so goes everyone else, or when in Rome do as the Romans do and the whole world is Rome. But that’s not true.

If I could go back to that day, to that time, I would grab Racism, Sexism, and Classism by their throats and drag them to a lower class neighborhood, into a stable, where a brown skin, woolly-haired baby was born, to a low income, blue collar worker, and his wife who was chosen by God. There, at that place, at the feet of Jesus, King of Kings, would I make them bow in submission, repent, and ask forgiveness.

Everyone who reads this will not agree. Some will not even understand. But I hope those that do will pray with me that God would change the hearts of the men and women in this institution and that we would change the structure.
Martin Luther King, Jr. Week

EVENTS

ROSA PARKS:
"Mother of the Movement"

by Victoria Looze, SOT Student

On December 1, 1955, Mrs. Rosa Parks was tired and refused to give up her seat at the front of the colored section of the bus for a white man. The two African American men sitting with her got up and moved, but Rosa Parks was arrested without incident. Mrs. Parks was not tired physically, she was not old. In her words from her book, My Story, published last year, "No, the only tired I was, was tired of giving in."

Rosa’s decision to be arrested rather than giving in to the racial injustice which de-humanized her and her people was not an act of bitterness or hatred. It was the natural impulse of a woman who learned at a young age the damage done to blacks by racism and could not allow it to continue. Twice before that year, two other women were also arrested for the same “crime.” The NAACP and other civil rights activists were looking for a case which they could use to challenge the segregation laws, but there were problems with these other women’s cases over issues of character. But Rosa Parks was the ideal defendant. She was a model African American citizen--she worked as a tailor at a department store; she was articulate and respected; she was a faithful wife, daughter, and church member; she was also active, behind the scenes, in the civil rights movement. Here’s became the case that led to the Montgomery bus boycott which led to the end of segregated busing laws.

After Rosa’s arrest, the Women’s Political Council in Montgomery gathered to write letters and petitions and flyers, protesting and asking for a temporary boycott of the buses until the trial the following Monday. Once Rosa was convicted, her case was appealed, and she was released on bail. It was at this time that a plea was made by Mr. Nixon, the then president of the local NAACP chapter, to local pastors to garner their support. Until then, it was very difficult to get the black community to stand together. Dr. Martin Luther King was the first to join the protest and was then elected president of the newly created Montgomery Improvement Association.

Up until that time, women had been carrying the cause. After that time, women were told to take the back seat. Though Rosa Parks did a lot more for the civil rights movement than that one act of defiance, she is only vaguely remembered as “the woman on the bus.” At the famous 1963 March on Washington, women were not allowed to play much of a role. The wives of the male leaders and other women leaders like Mrs. Parks were told not to march. In the program where King made his famous “I Have a Dream” speech, there were no women participants.

Aleese Moore, a theology student who put together the Rosa Parks Series at Fuller, sees Rosa’s role as a familiar one for women. “Women often begin movements and somewhere along the way, about the time when the spotlight comes on, the women are lost.”

One of the objects of the Rosa Parks Series this week is to keep the spotlight on women with rightful places in leadership in the community, education, and the church. Several women leaders in our community have been invited to participate in panel discussions this week. The series will not offer an either/or mentality often feared from feminist presentations. “Front Seat Women” are not angry feminists out to replace and discount the contributions of men, but only to co-exist with them in leadership while facing the problems our society faces today. According to Leesie Moore, this should take some re-definition in the character of leadership and power. Leesie wants to encourage upcoming women leaders to take the front seat not just to be able to sit up in the white section of the bus, but to be a part of changing the segregation laws altogether.

Rally and Worship Service
MONDAY, 1/18, 6:30 P.M.
TRAVIS AUDITORIUM

The theme of this evening’s rally and worship service is “Building Bridges” between the Asian and African-American communities in response to the tension which exploded between the two cultural groups during the riots last spring. Following a drama by the Kingdomizer’s group, Dr. Young Lee-Hertig, Fuller faculty, will speak. Sponsored by African American Ministries and Kingdomizer Intl.

Worship Service and Banquet for the Homeless
TUESDAY, 1/19, 6:30 P.M.
PAYTON 101

As a symbolic act of putting feet on Dr. King’s message, the theme and action of tonight’s service is “Reaching the Community Together.” A $15 ticket will buy you and one homeless person from Union Station a dinner. Roberto Colon, Vice President of Union Rescue Mission, will be speaking and music will be provided by the MATZ and an African ensemble. Councilman Chris Holden is one of the special guests. Tickets available in the ASC office and the African American Ministries office. Sponsored by African American Ministries, ASC, and Peace & Justice Committee.

Rosa Parks Series
TUESDAY, 1/16 - THURSDAY, 1/20
11:30 A.M. - 1:00 P.M.
PAYTON 101

This 3 day series will feature “Front Seat Women in Church, Community and Education.” Daily panel discussions will feature Rev. Juanda Green-Peters, Pastor of New Visions Church and Fuller student; Rev. Teri McFadden, on staff at Confirmed Word in Pasadena; Joyce Streeter, Councilman Holden’s assistant; and Fuller faculty members Dr. Nancy Murphy and Dr. Mitties McDonal DeChamplain. There will also be video viewings of the civil rights movement, readings, story telling and an art exhibition. Sponsored by African American Ministries, Women’s Concerns, and Peace & Justice Committee.

Martin Luther King Chapel
WEDNESDAY, 1/20, 10 A.M.
PRESBYTERIAN SANCTUARY

Bishop Charles Blake of the West Angeles Church of God in Christ will be speaking in honor of Dr. Martin Luther King’s birthday. Music by the Fuller choir and soloist, La Carol Pratt of Zoe Christian Center.
**Events & Calendar of Fuller Events**

**RCA/CRC STUDENTS 1/18**
Join us on Monday, January 18 at 10am in Psych Bldg 120 to hear special guest Jerry Davelaar, speaking on marriage and family issues.

**UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST STUDENTS 1/25**
You and all interested Congregational students are invited to the first Monday Morning Meeting of the quarter, January 25 at 10am in Payton 303. Jeff Utter will be leading the meeting.

**THE EASTERN EUROPE PRAYER GROUP 1/22**
We will meet at noon on Friday, January 22 at 527 E. Union #103. Malakyan Petros will focus our attention on the ministry needs in his homeland of Armenia, formerly of the republic of the USSR. For more information, please call Karina Ham at 818-795-2636.

**ATTENTION ALL STUDENT WIVES 1/22-23**
Come to a retreat planned just for you! The speaker will be Rev. Becca Jordan-Irwin, who will be helping us focus on the topic “Being the Bride of Christ.” Join us for a time of spiritual and physical renewal. The retreat will be held at Embassy Suites in Arcadia from 7:00pm on Friday, January 22 to 4:00pm on Saturday, January 23. The price is just $40, with a few scholarships available. Please contact Christi Silver at 398-1875 or Meg Madvig at 797-3657 for more information! Please join us for this chance to make new friends, deepen old relationships and to learn more about our relationships with God!

**MEET THE HOUSE NIGHT 1/31**
Are you interested in learning more about the “Cabin On The Mount” Community House, and what crazy things Rob and Julie Banks have been up lately? Come on up for “Meet The House Night” Sunday, January 31, 7:30 - 9 p.m. at 1080 E. Rubio St., Altadena. It will be an informal time of dessert and conversation. All welcome: students, faculty and staff. For more information call 818-797-0811

**WOMEN IN MINISTRY WORKSHOP 2/1**
February 1, 7:30pm “Women Who Are in Ministry: Their Spouses” with Rev. Daryl Fisher-Ogden and Greg Ogden, Director of Presbyterian Ministries and her “choir member” husband. Spouses invited. February 8, 5pm “Women Who Are in Ministry: Balancing Family, Career, Pastoral Duties, Personal Needs.”

**PC(USA) BIBLE CONTENT EXAM REVIEW SESSIONS 1/25, 1/27**
January 25 is Old Testament; January 27 is New Testament. 5-6:30, Payton 301.

**PC(USA) ORDINATION EXAM REVIEW SESSIONS 2/2 ff**

**INDIVIDUAL PSYCHOTHERAPY OPPORTUNITY**
Low cost individual psychotherapy offered by the School of Psychology, beginning February, 1993. The psychotherapy is appropriate for those experiencing difficulties, life change adjustments and personal growth. Fifteen sessions provided for $75. The therapists are students enrolled in either the Ph. D or Psy.D. program in clinical psychology (A.P.A. approved). For further information contact FPPS at 818-584-5555

**Say "Hi" to the New Baby!**
Mark S. Ghabrial joins the Fuller community. Born, November 4, 1992, weighing in at 7lbs 3oz, to Sammy H. Ghabrial (SWM M.A. program and Soher Z. Ghabrial).
FINANCIAL AID

CALIFORNIA GRADUATE FELLOWSHIPS
These large, competitive fellowships assist California residents who are preparing for a career in teaching at the college level. Students whose parents have a modest income and education are encouraged to apply. GRE scores are required. Contact Financial Aid immediately if interested. NOTE: Current recipients applying for renewal must complete a 1993-4 Financial Aid Application.

THE JAKE GIMBEL LOAN
If you are a Ph. D. student and attended schools in Santa Barbara county from the 7th through 12th grade, stop by the Financial Aid Office for more information on this interest free loan.

JONATHAN M. DANIELS MEMORIAL FELLOWSHIP AWARDS
Students who are interested in becoming directly engaged in some area of social concern for a summer, quarter, year, or a combination of these should contact the Financial Aid Office. These awards are not intended to support activity that is primarily based in the school curriculum but are designed to free students from academic life for a period of time to be involved in social concern projects. Grants up to $4000 are available. Proposal deadline: February 15, 1993.

ROARY GRADUATE SCHOLARSHIP
The Rotary foundation offers competitive scholarships for a year of study in a foreign country which has Rotary Clubs. Applicants must be over 18 and completed at least two years of undergraduate studies or vocational work and be fluent in the host country native language. No one with any type of Rotary affiliation may apply. Contact Financial Aid immediately if interested for the February 1, 1992 deadline.

KOREAN AMERICAN SCHOLARSHIP
Full-time Korean American students in at least their second year may apply for these $1000 awards. Application deadline: January 31, 1993. Inquire immediately in the Financial Aid Office if interested.

KINGDOMIZERS AND KOREAN STUDENTS
Three $10,000 scholarships available for three persons from Kingdomizer International students who are interested or already involved in multi-ethnic churches (writing or ministry). Also, $10,000 available for any Korean student. Application deadline, February 28. Contact Moses Bang-Seek Lee for applications and more information. (818)683-9055, 144 N. Los Robles, #4 Pasadena, CA 91101.

FIELD EDUCATION

UPCOMING INTERVIEW FOR FULL-TIME POSITION
Seaside Presbyterian Church (EPC), Encinitas, CA. will be interviewing Thursday, January 21, 1993 from 1-5pm for a Pastor. For more information and to sign up, see Career Services.

INTERESTEDS IN RELIGIOUS JOURNALISM??
Religious News Service (RNS) is offering a one-year paid internship for ethnic minority persons, beginning July 1, 1993. Deadline: February 1, 1993. If interested, please come by Career Services for additional information.

UPCOMING EVENT
Find out about current and future positions with the Presbytery of the Cascades, which represents 126 churches. James Steward will be meeting with students on Monday, February 1 and Tuesday, February 2. Please see Career Services to sign up for individual appointments.

ON-CAMPUS JOB OPPORTUNITY
Program Assistant, full-time in Fullers Adult Day-Care for Alzheimer's. Variety of duties, activity programming, clerical work, some driving. Call Cordula at 818-577-8480.

DENOMINATIONAL MEETINGS

American Baptist
Finch 116

Assemblies of God
Finch 311

Christian and Missionary Alliance
Library 203

Christian Church/Church of Christ
Payton 231

Episcopal/Anglican
Preaching Arts Chapel

Evangelical Covenant
Payton 302

Foursquare
Ethnic Ministry Classroom

Kingdomizer
Payton 302

Lutheran (All Synods)
Finch 314

Messianic Jews
Glasser Hall, Chinese Library

PC (USA)
Payton 301

RCA/CRC
Finch 120

Seventh Day Adventist
Library 205

United Methodist
Finch 130

Vineyard Christian Fellowship
Travis Auditorium
Excellent Adventures for Kids

(like if you have a kid or if you want to act like a kid
or if you want to get in touch with your inner kid or...)

By Thea Wilshire

Edited by Victoria Loors from Thea’s booklet, “Becoming A Pasadena Local”

“As I follow Madeleine throughout the day, I marvel at her tireless reactions to the here and now. Not plagued with worries about the future or regrets from the past, she throws herself wholeheartedly into whatever comes her way. With transparent delight or potent disdain, she is utterly, unashamedly herself, leaving those of us around her to stand open-mouthed with disbelief. Were we ever so spontaneous?… At what point do the trapdoors of our soul shut off the deeply felt wonder of a rainbow or questions about squirrels and where they live at night?” (Cynthia Merrill, describing her 3-year-old daughter, L.A. Times, 8/23/92, E6).

Are you interested in opening up those trapdoors in your own soul? Or are you a parent with a overly full Fuller experience with limited time to enjoy these treasured and irreplaceable years of your kids? Here’s a few ideas of fun and inexpensive outings for your kids or the kid in you.

There are several museums that cater specifically to kids. In Pasadena, there is KIDSPACE (390 S. El Molino) which offers interactive “museum” fun on Wednesdays from 2-5 and Saturdays/Sundays 12:30-5. Admission is $3.75. A little longer drive will allow exploration at The L.A. Children’s Museum (310 N. Main St., 213-687-8800). Also in Los Angeles are the many museums in Exposition Park. The Museum of Natural History has a wonderful reconstructed dinosaur and the Museum of Science and Industry lets you learn scientific principles in an interactive, “hands on” environment. In Exposition Park you can also visit the IMAX theater, wander among thousands of rose bushes, and let your kids explore inside a commerical airplane. Driving west instead of south will lead you to the Gene Autry Western Museum where you can enjoy both the authentic “Wild West” as well as the Western movie genre. The Gene Autry Western Museum (213-667-2000) is located directly across from the Los Angeles Zoo, (213-666-4090) while just a little west of these two complexes you can visit Travel Town, a huge yard filled with old trains of all sorts and sizes.

All kids like nature and adventures involving the furry, feathered, scaled, or finned. You can explore the displays and talk to the volunteers at the Eaton Canyon Nature Center (open M-Sat 9:30-5 with guided family nature walks on Sat at 9 am, special monthly outings, (213-687-8800). Of the many botanical bonanzas in the area, I think the L.A. County Arboretum offers the most fun for kids (301 N. Baldwin, Arcadia 821-3222). Take an easy hike up Millard Canyon where you can catch newts (please put them back in the water!) or Eaton Canyon where you can catch polywogs, hatch frogs, and later return them to the stream. You could even just spend some time at a local petstore (the one next to the Mann Theater in Monrovia lets you touch the animals).

Another unique place to visit is the Wildlife Waystation, a place where hurt and/or abandoned wild and exotic animals receive care. The Waystation is open on the 1st and 3rd Sunday of each month for tours and costs $4.50 for adults and $2 for kids (14831 Little Tujunga Canyon Rd. 818-899-5201). Of the many botanical bonanzas in the area, I think the L.A. County Arboretum offers the most fun for kids (301 N. Baldwin, Arcadia 821-3222). There are countless coasters roaming free around the grounds, Indian huts and a Tarzan jungle to explore (the original Tarzan movies were actually filmed here), winding paths among mini-waterfalls, and the whimsical Queen Anne style mansion pictured in the opening scene of “Fantasy Island.”

We have beautiful parks in our area, especially Lacy Park in San Marino (1485 Virgina Rd., San Marino 304-9648). Note that nonresidents need permits on the weekends, but it is free midweek. For at-home fun, set up a “tent” in your living room and have a family “sleep out” one evening. If you have a yard, eat your dinner outside on a picnic blanket. Do you have a fireplace? Well, roast marshmallows and sing songs around it.

Finally, while I have not been to Griffith Park (213-665-5188) in a long time, I always remember this place with joy. As a schoolgirl, we took many field trips to the observatory and watched the “planetary show” while my dad used to take us kids there to ride the ponies and the Merry-Go-Round.

Want to know more? Then you might consider purchasing your very own collection of Thea’s Adventures. Now available through the Office of Student Services, Becoming A Pasadena Local is a steal at $5.95.
BENNETT SHARES STORY IN MUSIC

On January 23rd, Mr. Bob Bennett, well-known Christian guitarist and singer, will be here on campus to “do theology” through music. Just to wet your appetites, here are some excerpts from a recent article of his:

“In the same way that tabloid TV shows pretend to be real news, so it is that many times, especially in Christian-oriented media, we portray an honesty that is not real honesty.

“Sometimes in Christian media, we are guilty of creating works that only tell the positive side of the truth of our lives. We do this to ‘put our best foot forward,’ to ‘be a good witness,’ etc. But, what makes the gospel message so vital and wonderful (and relevant to those who wish to consider it) is the real-life context in which it applies and is lived out. We must tell the ‘negative’ side of the truth as well: our struggles, our pains, our failures, our doubts. . . .

“And I do not mean to suggest that the worth of the gospel message can be measured by context alone. But, what I do mean to suggest is that it is important to be mindful of not only what we say of Christ, but how it gets heard and understood. Our message (both our spoken message and our lived-out message) is not meant to exist or function in some theological vacuum. Our books, songs, films, lectures cannot merely proclaim [a word] and be done with it.

“Sometimes we are so intent on transcending the sinful nature of our humanity that we make the crucial mistake of forgetting that being ‘human’ is precisely what God created us to be. If we airbrush the flaws of our humanity out of our artistic works, we’ll have a nice set of ‘perfect prints’ that don’t bear any resemblance to the complicated and unpredictable lives that most of us lead. . . .

“As ‘heretical’ as it might seem to some, in my work I do not try to ‘minister’ to people. What I try to do is honestly communicate with no holds barred. If I can get close to that first, then the ‘ministry’ will happen as a natural (or maybe more correctly, Spirit-directed) outgrowth of that. This is more than just a semantics game that I play for my own amusement. I believe that it is essential to never put the ‘ministry goal’ cart before the ‘artistic/communicative’ horse. Why? Because we’ve all been exposed to ministry efforts that seemingly covered all the bases, but still left us empty. It’s akin to those nutritional scientists who can create ‘perfect’ foods in the laboratory. The nutritional ‘dogma’ is satisfied, but who eats that stuff? What I long to hear (and try to write) are songs that are not predigested.”

DON’T MISS A CHANCE TO HEAR HIM TALK ABOUT HIS FAITH BEFORE THE CONCERT: FRIDAY, JANUARY 22ND “A FIRESIDE FORUM” AT 7:00 PM IN PAYTON 101 ($1.00 DONATION AT DOOR)

BOB BENNETT LIVE IN CONCERT
The ASC Arts Committee is proud to present Bob Bennett live in concert, January 23, 7pm in Travis Auditorium. Tickets are on sale through the ASC office. Tickets cost $5 for students with valid ID, $7 for general admission. Tickets are $1 extra at the door. He will share how he expresses Christian faith through song. Join the ASC Arts Committee for this Fireside Forum with Bob Bennett, Friday, January 22, 5:30-7:00pm, in Payton 101. The cost is a $1 at the door.

COMING SOON . . . THE FULLER FOLLIES!!!!!
Fuller’s own annual talent/comedy/variety show extravaganza is coming soon to an auditorium near you! (Travis, to be exact). This is the biggest event on campus, and we want YOU to be a part of it! We’re looking now for performers who can entertain and amuse the whole community with a diverse array of acts and skits for this special occasion. If you, or your friends, or your friends’ friends, want to be a part of the Fuller Follies, call Jill Colwell at the ASC office (584-5452) and let her know. If you want to be involved, but don’t know yet what sort of act you will do, call Jill anyway and let her know you are interested. If you have questions about the Follies, what it is or what it means or how it relates to deep theological issues, call Jill. Or if you just want to say hi, call Jill. Anyway you slice it, this event is could be the high point of your Fuller career, so start planning now. And reserve this date:

Friday, February 26 in Travis Auditorium

FROM THE PRESIDENT’S DESK
NORMAN GORDON

DO YOU HAVE SUPPRESSED CREATIVE BANQUET PLANNING TALENT?
The TGU is looking for a few creative individuals who are not getting maximum fulfillment out of their banquet planning skills. Every year at commencement the TGU sponsors a banquet to honor their graduates. If you have had experience planning banquets or interest in using some of your creative energy Chandra Mallamallii is the person you need to talk to. Help make this a memorable time for those graduates you are sending off into the “real world”. Call Chandra Mallamallii at (818) 584-5453.

WELCOME TO LUNCH!
The ISCC luncheon has now moved to a new day. Each Wednesday the ISCC will be sponsoring a lunchtime gathering for students to talk with various speakers on various topics. This Wednesday, January 20th Dr. Dudley Woodberry will be speaking at noon at the Refectory.

NEED TO GET INVOLVED?
The International Students Concerns Committee is looking for a TREASURER. If you would like the opportunity to be involved on campus the ISCC would like to work with you. Contact Katherine Kot or Naliny Nair at (818) 584-5454.

MUSLIM WORLD PRAYER AND FELLOWSHIP GROUP
This group will continue to meet throughout this quarter on Sunday evenings at 260 N. Oakland, #2. If you want more information please do not hesitate to call Willie Tan (818) 287-5653 or Mark (818) 792-7020.

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**KING KONG VS. GODZILLA** by G. Henry Omata

...As God has created a universe of clockwork precision, it is irrational to accept that miracles could occur as a result of human will.

...For God in no reason dare not interfere in our human free will, and consequently disrupt the balance between the natural world and...

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