David Allan Hubbard
His Life and Legacy

Reflections on a Leader
by Richard J. Mouw, President of Fuller Theological Seminary

With the rest of the Fuller community, we at the SEMI mourn the sudden loss of David Allan Hubbard, President of Fuller Seminary from 1963-1993. Dr. Hubbard’s influence and heritage are very alive among us, and it is his life and legacy which we honor in the pages of this issue.

- Ed.

During the week after David Hubbard’s death, I talked with a reporter who was collecting some thoughts about Dr. Hubbard’s contribution to evangelicalism. “Everyone tells me,” he said, “that Hubbard was a creative and courageous leader. But maybe you can help me to get more concrete. What did he actually do that was courageous and creative?”

I told the reporter about how President Hubbard addressed three specific challenges that were important for the future of Fuller Seminary. The first was his insistence, during the “Battle for the Bible” controversy, that “strict inerrancy” was not the only acceptable way for evangelicals to think about biblical authority. The second was the strong stand he took in welcoming women into the Fuller community as equal partners in “the manifold ministries of Christ and his Church.” The third was his openness to the insights and impact of the Pentecostal and charismatic movements as vitally important to the larger evangelical mix.

In each case President Hubbard challenged the accepted orthodoxies of evangelism. But none of this was simply out of a desire to innovate. His creative deeds were typically expressions of faithfulness. David Hubbard was the son of Pentecostal parents, both of whom were ordained ministers. From them he inherited sensitivities that shaped his leadership. His stand on the inerrancy issue was informed by a strong sense that the broad evangelical movement draws upon different strands of thinking about the Bible’s supreme authority. His commitment to women in ministry was inspired by the example of a mother who preached the Word with power. His openness to Pentecostal and charismatic insights began in his childhood.

David Allan Hubbard performed mighty deeds of faithfulness on this campus for thirty years. In this issue of the SEMI, people who worked at his side will offer other concrete examples of his creative and courageous leadership. It is good that we honor him in these days by reflecting carefully upon what he accomplished in our midst. And we must do so with the prayer that we, too, will be faithful as we face the new challenges that come our way as a seminary community.

- Richard J. Mouw

Dr. David Allan Hubbard passed away in his home in Santa Barbara on June 7, 1996. He is survived by his wife of forty-six years, Ruth; his daughter Mary Given; brothers John and Robert; sister Laura Smith; and grandsons David and Jeffrey.
Understanding the life and contributions of leaders who shape our past is essential for reflection upon our future. Through his thirty-year presidency, Dr. David Hubbard’s leadership distinctly shaped Fuller Seminary. Grounded in evangelical Christianity, he led in developing Fuller’s open and innovative ethos, integrating the disciplines of theology, missiology, and psychology in the task of equipping women and men for the manifold ministries of Christ and his church. He had a vision of Fuller as a place that would be “a model of Christian charity, piety, intellect, and practicality.” (Marsden, Reforming Fundamentalism)

Some in our community knew Dr. Hubbard intimately; others were taught and mentored by him; still others never had the opportunity to meet him in person. But all of us have been touched by his vision. The personal perspectives on Dr. Hubbard’s life and legacy which follow are offered in the spirit of appreciating the gifts and vision of the past so that we may be strengthened and inspired in our dreams for the future.

Dr. H. Newton Malony
Professor of Psychology

Dave Hubbard was the best leader under whom I ever worked—I guess my 25 years of service here at Fuller says something about my admiration. Most importantly, in these last years when I worked closely with him on the history of the School of Psychology, I grew to admire him even more. We shared many tidbits about double reed instruments—his the bassoon, mine the oboe.

Kathleen Thompson
Administrative Assistant in the Office of the President, 1992-1993

One need only look around Fuller Seminary to be confronted with the unique legacy of David Hubbard. Personally, I simply miss him. He was a loving, thoughtful employer who was interested in me and my family and who cheered me on in my doctoral studies. Good-bye, Dr. Hubbard. I look forward to seeing you again in a better place.

Norman G. Gordon
ASC President, 1992-1993

As the final months of his 30-year presidency came to a close, someone asked him what he was going to do in his retirement. The answer: teach, write, play golf, garden, and take care of his wife; that is, he would do the same things he had done throughout his adult life. The most impressive fact about David Allan Hubbard was that, despite his renown, he had a life and that ‘life’ was NOT Fuller Theological Seminary.

Dr. Lewis Smedes
Professor of Christian Ethics

The encouragement I received from David Hubbard has been one of the most important gifts God has given me. But more importantly, God’s gift to him enabled him to contribute more to evangelical thought and life than any other person I know. David Hubbard was a great leader because he was a great person. I thank God for the privilege of having been allowed to play on his team.

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Personal Perspectives

Inez T. Smith
President, Fuller Seminary Auxiliary
Assistant to David Hubbard, 1963 - 1983

David Hubbard was a leader of leaders. A man of vision, he broke new ground in theological education, and saw how important it was for an evangelical Christian to have a voice in such groups as the World Council of Churches, the Pasadena Urban Coalition, the California State Board of Education, and College and University Campus Ministries.

He encouraged you to think, to grow, to be the best that you could be. He allowed you to make decisions and supported you whatever decision you made.

No matter how critical others might have been of him, he never responded, but turned the other cheek. He built people up instead of tearing them down.

Dr. Arthur F. Glasser
Dean Emeritus, School of World Mission

What a privilege to have known and served this good, gentle, and wholly committed man of God. For him, Jesus was always preeminent. The Scriptures were always trustworthy and authoritative. The Gospel was designed to address all aspects of the human condition. The Church must always strive to express its oneness before the world. The Jewish people and the Gentile nations must be fully evangelized. And Fuller must never become so cautious that it forfeits its role as the venturesome and Spirit-filled institution God intended it to be. David Hubbard set a stamp on Fuller that I trust will always be treasured, and never bartered away.

Dr. J. Dudley Woodberry
Dean, School of World Mission

Three things stand out in my memory about David Allan Hubbard. First, he knew how to free himself from the urgent and even the important in order to do the most important. Secondly, he crafted his words so that they moved people and were remembered. Thirdly, he sought my counsel even when I was an inexperienced junior professor. He had the wisdom to keep learning even from unlikely places. We are better people because he walked with us.

Dr. Leslie C. Allen
Professor of Old Testament

Fuller Seminary, especially the School of Theology, takes a middle position on a number of issues and is liable to criticism from the right and left. For President Hubbard, it was a virtue and even a necessity to be situated in the center of the spectrum, avoiding the extremes on both sides. It is best, he urged us, to walk in the middle, with people on either side of you.

Anne Huffman
Fuller Board of Trustees Member

Knowing and working with David Hubbard has left an indelible stamp on my heart and in my life at Fuller. That stamp is the loving graciousness that permeated everything he believed in, stood for, said and did. In mourning his death, I’ll always remember and be encouraged by his grace-filled life.

Denise Schubert
Executive Assistant to Dr. Hubbard, 1990 - 1993

I had the privilege of working for Dr. Hubbard during the three years prior to his retirement. What an honor! Dr. Hubbard was known, loved, and respected by key leaders in government, religious organizations and educational institutions across the world. Yet he would remember the names of people that he had met only once and he would stop to talk with them despite a busy schedule.

The most admirable quality of Dr. Hubbard was his loyalty and commitment to his wife, Ruth, who had various health problems. He was by her side constantly — even if he had to cancel speaking engagements across the world to care for her.

Dr. Hubbard was indeed the wisest man I have ever known. I only wish that I had spent more time learning from him when I had the chance. He was a Rock to so many. People depended upon him and his wisdom. Fuller has lost a great man and father.

Dr. Robert N. Schaper
Senior Professor of Preaching and Practical Theology

How I thank God for his servant David Hubbard, who was certainly one of the pivotal persons in my life and ministry. I first knew him when I was pastor of Bethany Church of Sierra Madre in the '50s and '60s. I attended his inauguration in the Methodist Church in 1964, and served on the faculty under him from 1967 till my retirement in 1992. I watched him lead the seminary in crises that could have been disastrous. He was incisively perceptive of the real issues, loyal to the Word of God and loyal to his faculty. He had the vision and the skill to gather and nurture a Board of Trustees par excellence. He excelled in any endeavor to which he gave himself, and there was no seminary president in America who brought more to his position than David Allan Hubbard. He administered, preached, taught, wrote, counseled, befriended, prayed, played, laughed and loved with excellence and grace. I am forever grateful that God allowed my life to be touched so long and so magnificently by David Allan Hubbard.

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What a privilege it was to be in the last class Dr. David Hubbard taught at Fuller in the Spring of 1992. He loved teaching. His love for God and His Word was contagious. I remember sitting in Travis as he shared on the Old Testament Writings, and catching jewels of practical living that I knew at the time I would carry with me for the rest of my life.

In that last class, he shared more of himself than I had heard before. Here are a number of the jewels I carry with me. They are simple truths, but powerful in their impact on my life.

(1) Whether we enjoy a high or low status in life, we should always enjoy the simple things. Dr. Hubbard spoke about going to bed each night with a glass of warm milk and crackers. As a seminary president or as an ex-president, he would continue to enjoy the simple pleasure of his milk and crackers.

(2) As a leader of God’s people, always rebuke a person face to face, never through the written word. When a person is to be encouraged, then do so through a letter as well as verbally. Never write anything that cannot be placed on the kitchen fridge.

(3) A leader needs to realize there are going to be times when she/he will have to absorb dissatisfaction by the people. In such a situation, the leader should resist the temptation to justify his or her position. The leader should listen and absorb the anger or dissatisfaction of the people. Two weeks after Dr. Hubbard shared this gem, I saw him live out this axiom on our campus. The L.A. riots had erupted after the Rodney King verdict was delivered. Students were angry and frustrated with the blatant injustices in the city. I saw Dr. Hubbard sit through over five hours of torrid discussion with tremendous compassion and understanding. At times he became the scapegoat for the students’ anger, yet not once did he justify himself or the Fuller position. I saw him live out what he taught in class.

(4) Lastly, I received from that last class on “Writings” in Travis, something of the depth of his love for his dear wife, Ruth. She had been unwell for many years. With great tenderness he spoke of reading to her at night. Together they shared such sweet intimacy as he read to her Chaim Potok’s My Name is Asher Lev.

These are some of the many gems of truth that I carry with me from Dr. David Hubbard. I am a rich man for having sat for a moment at his feet.
Summer Opportunities

A Time to Rest
Take some time this summer to “treat” yourself to a personal retreat in the mountains, by the beach, or somewhere else in the area. Come by our office and pick up an updated retreat center list that lists most of the retreat centers in southern California as well as their phone numbers.

Community Living
It is still not too late to get involved with community living. If you are interested in sharing several meals a week with your neighbors, living around people who are committed to building relationships, or if you have been disappointed with the community life here at Fuller, community living may be the perfect opportunity for you. Allelous (meaning “one another” in Greek) has a few more openings, and we would especially love to have more families!!! Call the OCC at 584-5322 for more information.

Spiritual Formation Groups
There will be no “Further Up and Further In” groups during the summer, but they will be starting up again in the Fall. The groups are usually made up of 8 to 10 people (male, female, or mixed). Meetings focus on spirituality, support for one another in the group, and the uniqueness of each person and how better to relate to God (given our unique qualities). Call and get on our list if you are interested for the fall.

Barnabas Partners: Pray for us!!!
We will be doing the Barnabas Partner program for the second year and are very excited about it. This year, it will consist of many offices besides our own, and the retreat for preparation will be happening over Labor Day weekend. Keep us in your prayers as we get ready for the Fall and look forward to orienting the new students here at Fuller. Thanks!!!!

The Bridge to Wholeness 12-step group will not meet during the summer, but will start up again during the fall.

The Office of Christian Community is on the second floor of the Catalyst and the phone # is 584-5322.

A Special Thank You

I would like to take this opportunity to praise and thank God for my time at the Office of Christian Community. As of early to mid-August, I will no longer be working here. The timing has worked out well with the office because they are needing a full-time person and I am needing a more part-time job so that I can focus more on school.

God has used my time at this office as a healing and restoring time. As many of you know (through the articles I have written), my transition to California was very hard. When I started this job last summer, I still had a lot of anger and frustrations toward Fuller. Through the process of this year, many of those feelings have been resolved and drastically turned around.

I just want to thank Doug, Cathy, and Katie for their friendships and their commitment to me, as well as their commitment to spiritual growth and community here at Fuller. You will never know how much I appreciate each of you. I also want to thank the Office of Student Services for being such a fun place to hang out and chat - I will miss seeing each of you every day. Lastly, I want to express my appreciation to the Barnabas Partners. What a great group of people!! The Catalina retreat and the year of friendships has totally changed my attitude towards Fuller. I feel honored to know each of you.

Most of all, thank you God for my opportunity to be here at Fuller and to know such wonderful people and to be learning the things that I am learning. I look forward to the days to come.

Cheryl Teeter
OCC Program Assistant
Disney & Victor Hugo Make Social Commentary
The newly released *The Hunchback of Notre Dame* is not just for kids

*Review by Allen Corben*

Disney films of late have had elements which must be intended to go over the heads of pre-adolescents and understood by their parents. For instance, Disney films in the Golden Age of Animation (eg., *Snow White*) seemed to be primarily for children, but *Beauty and the Beast* has a fair bit of social commentary. Disney’s latest animated musical, *The Hunchback of Notre Dame*, is no exception.

The story, from the novel by Victor Hugo, involves Frollo, a religious figure with significant political power in Paris in the 1500’s. Frollo has hunted down and killed two gypsies who have illegally entered Paris with their child. In a rare non-violent moment, Frollo spares their child, who is raised as the bell ringer in the cathedral in Notre Dame. He names the hunchback Quasimodo, meaning ‘half-formed.’ After twenty years of confinement in the bell tower, Quasimodo attempts to secretly visit the annual Festival of Fools, but is discovered. He is mocked and tortured by the crowd, but is defended by the gypsy dancer Esmerelda who releases him. Threatened with arrest, she ducks into the cathedral and is given sanctuary. She makes friends with Quasimodo, who helps her escape the guards. Frollo, driven by anger at having been publicly defied by the gypsies, and by lust for Esmerelda, threatens the city with destruction until Esmerelda is brought to him. When Quasimodo unknowingly gives her location away by trying to warn Esmerelda of Frollo’s impending attack, she is captured. Given the choice of becoming Frollo’s concubine and being burned at the stake, she chooses death... but I won’t give away any more.

The animation is excellent. There are scenes which mix traditional and computer animation seamlessly, and the resulting images are so complex that they approach live action footage. The children sitting near me in the theater laughed often, and loudly. The three gargoyles are a great source of comic relief at the level of any rambunctious 10-year-old. Along with the entertainment, there were moments of seriousness as well. While Esmerelda walks among worshippers in the cathedral, she sings a song of prayer about her people, the gypsies. They have been and are being oppressed, and Esmerelda wonders if the God of this cathedral ever hears their prayers. There is a pronounced, and distinctly religious, theme of social justice in this and other songs. Children will likely understand this, and it is very refreshing to have more mature themes developed in a ‘children’s movie.’

There are, however, scenes which struck me as too mature for the youngest children. Far from laughing out loud or understanding the point, children were completely silent during Frollo’s fantasy of Esmerelda, which has strongly sexual overtones and images. Later, Frollo is almost literally thrown into the fires of hell by a distinctly supernatural presence. This is not Winnie-the-Pooh-style Disney, where the most threatening elements are bees which must be convinced that ‘it looks like rain.’ I am not a parent, and so I don’t often think about whether a movie is ‘appropriate for young children,’ but this was a Disney animated film, and I was surprised that it was rated ‘G’ despite these scenes. Frollo is a violent and dangerous person, in a position of near impunity, with nothing but contempt for every person around him. He is overwhelmed with lust for Esmerelda, and has no bad conscience about burning an innocent family to death or killing those who trust him with his own hand. This villain seemed too villainous to fit a ‘G’ rated movie. I recommend this movie strongly, but not for unaccompanied children.
## FALL FILM FESTIVAL
Look ahead! The third annual *City of the Angels Film Festival* is on the horizon. This year's topic is "The Search for Meaning in Film." Funded in part by Fuller, the Festival fosters conversations about spiritual perspectives in film. Mark your calendars for October 17-20, 1996, at the Director's Guild of America Theaters, Hollywood.

## IMMEDIATE NEED AND OPPORTUNITY
The International Student Services Office at Fuller Seminary is in need of two Furniture Distribution Coordinators. These two positions are approximately 20 hours per month. If you are interested, please contact the International Student Services Office (818) 584-5395 for further details. We hope to fill these positions by the end of July.

## MINISTRY ENRICHMENT SEMINAR
Rev. Rickey Porter, pastor of South Hills Presbyterian Church in Pomona, will speak about "Integrating Recovery Principles Into the Life of Your Congregation" on Tuesday, August 6, from 12:00 - 1:00 in the Geneva Room. Rev. Porter, an African-American pastor with an interest in renewal of the spirit and body, will discuss how he invites recovery and growth into his congregation.

## FREE THERAPY
The Division of Marriage and Family is offering 10 free counseling sessions, starting the first week of the Fall Quarter, to engaged/married couples or families who wish to improve their interaction patterns. For more information, call Denise Hall at (818) 584-5415. Space is limited. Not available to MFT students.

## MINISTRY OPPORTUNITY IN THAILAND
An international English-speaking congregation in north Bangkok, Thailand, is looking for a student to work with the church's youth group and the 2000-student K-12 school for the calendar year 1997. All expenses paid and stipend provided. Go to the Job room or e-mail the pastor at jkludder@ksc8.th.com.

## NEW STUDENT ORIENTATION NEEDS YOU!!
The Office of Student Services (OSS) is looking for 7-10 people to work before, during and after New Student Orientation, which will take place September 16-20. These are temporary positions which will entail 15-40 hours a week for 2 weeks. If you are interested in welcoming new students to the Pasadena campus, please contact Carmen at 584-5436 or come by the OSS (second floor of the Catalyst) to pick up an application.

## WANTED (STILL!!!): Production Editor
Do you have an interest in newspaper design and layout? Are you a fairly organized individual and have experience working with Macs and graphics software? Are you interested in learning? If so, you may be the person we're looking for to be the next Production Editor for the SEMI.

More information is available at Human Resources (next to Amy's) or call Office of Student Services at 584-5436. Apply today!
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