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Peer Learning Network Presents Dr. Stan A. Toler General Superintendent

Dr. Stan A. Toler is a general superintendent in the Church of the Nazarene. He was chosen for the highest elected office in the church at the 27th General Assembly at Orlando, Florida, USA, in July 2009, after serving for 40 years as a pastor in Ohio, Florida, Tennessee, and Oklahoma.

Dr. Stan Toler is a dynamic international speaker, having spoken in nearly 80 countries of the world. He has written over 90 books. His books have sold over 3 million copies. Some of his best sellers include, *The Secret Blend; Richest Person in the World; Five Secrets of An Exceptional Leader; The Inspirational Speaker's Resource; ReThink Your Life* and his newest book, *Terrific! Five Star Customer Service.*

Toler has shared the platform with great speakers such as Zig Ziglar, Jerry Lucas, Rick Warren, Bill Hybels and baseball great R.A. Dickey. R.A. often says that Stan is the most prolific writer he has ever met. His best friend, John C. Maxwell, describes him as an engaging speaker who has a terrific sense of humor and the charm of a Southern storyteller.

Bringing a wealth of knowledge and candor, Dr. Toler will present concepts from his new book on customer service when he is the keynote presenter for Peer Learning Network Presents.

Toler for many years served as Vice-President and taught seminars for John C. Maxwell's INJOY Leadership Institute, training church and corporate leaders to make a difference in the world. In 2009, he was honored with a Doctor of Divinity degree by Southern Nazarene University.

He and his wife, Linda, an educator, have two married sons, Seth (Marcy) and Adam (Amanda), two grandsons Rhett and Davis, and one granddaughter, Clara.

> Eunice Trent Director, ASP



On Thursday, April 18, 2013, Dr. Stan A. Toler at The Petroleum Club Downtown, Oklahoma City 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Registration for Peer Learning Network Presents, Eunice Trent, ASP Director at 405.491.6311 by Monday, April 15 5:00 p.m. Cost: \$15.00 Due at registration. Additional Information page 2

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The Never-Ending Mission of ASP

Teach this to your children and your children's children . . . Write my laws on the doorpost of their hearts. Write them on the posts of your house, and on your gates.

"Whenever you go out and come in, when you sit down when you walk, when you lie down, when you rise up, teach My Law, revere my Law that your days might be multiplied . . . "

These are divine words from Deuteronomy 11. Just prior to entering the Promised Land, God gave these subsequent laws to his people, instructing how everyone can live together in civil harmony and freedom.

Last week, I was thrilled to learn my fifth grade granddaughter was learning and quoting the Bill of Rights in the context of our Constitution.

- How our freedom is preserved!
- How protective civility is disseminated in the Bill of Rights and governance of all societies.

She was quoting the law. It is being written on the doorposts of her young life.

What is the Academy's mission if it is not about the divine law of freedom . . . the bylaws of governance that includes freedom of belief, thought and religion? This is Christian education at its best. One cannot read Deuteronomy without seeing the overarching mercy and justice of the Judaic law given to us from Almighty God. It is all inclusive and cannot be expelled from our lives. The Academy is all about education. It is not about us, but about our continuing life work of writing the law of God on the gates and the doorposts in our schools and community. We do what we can, and join hands where we are able, using our gifts and creative talents together.



PEER LEARNING INFORMATION

ASP MEMBERS

THURSDAY APRIL 18

Dress code: Men —Coat and tie Ladies—church attire



Transportation: Sawyer Center Parking Lot 10:30 board the bus 10:45 leave for Petroleum Club



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October 8 - Legend of Council Road November 12 - United Pharmacy in Yukon December 10 - Southern Plaza January 14 - Concordia Life Care Community February 11 - Mercer-Adams Funeral Service March 11 - Spanish Cove Retirement Village April 18 - Southern Nazarene University-Peer Learning Network May 13 - Hospice of Oklahoma County

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STEPPING FORWARD

Emmalyn German



April is a special month for us since our one and only son is getting married. Dale even wrote a poem to express his feelings about this event. Maybe you can recall your feelings when your son or daughter jumped the broom.

My Boy Is Leaving Home

It's April and springtime and my boy is leaving home. Love is in the air, wedding bells in the breeze. So soon baby kisses blew away, so fast school days done. Love for mom, and dad, and cat belongs to Laura now. He's leaving home for that.

Once I held him in the air, a flying angel over my head. Once I tucked him in and kissed him by his bed. Once I taught him how to pray and how to read and spell. Once I rocked him in my arms when sick till feeling well. Once was all the chance I had, though still he calls me dad. Once was long enough to give him all the love I had.

Times like this touch the soul. Show us what's of worth. It's loving others, doing good, with our time on earth. Politics, doctrine, opinions too Matter less than doing good until this life is through. It's April and springtime love is in the air. Home is Dale's and Laura's now be it here or there.

So bring on April, bring on May, and bring on June as well. I've never had a daughter yet and Laura I can tell, Will bring more joy than I have known With just a boy alone.

It's April and springtime and my boy is leaving home. Love is in the air, wedding bells in the breeze. Dale and Laura are getting married. Dear God, bless them please.

C. Dale German



ASP "Trek" Time



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Pat Perry

Dear ASP Members,

We had a wonderful outing to the Devon Tower. I am so sorry we couldn't get some of you on this trip; we did have a full house. We won't be able to get



West view from Devon Tower

another group together to Devon until the fall. If you would like to go individually, the web site for you to check for individual reservations is http://devonenergycenter.net . Click on tours and it will show what is available

We would still love to have you join us for the British Isles tour or the Panama Canal Cruise this fall. Feel free to call me for information.

Thanks, Pat Perry 373-4157 - home 627-3996 - cell

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BETTYE DENSMORE APR 13. 1943—FEB 20, 2013

Bettye Densmore, 69, passed away Feb. 20, 2013. Bettye was born in Orange, TX to Merle Claude & Monteal Margaret (Bruce) Pitchford. Bettye was a registered nurse who dedicated her life to caring for others. She



was a loving mother, grandmother, and friend who will be greatly missed.

Bettye was preceded in death by her parents; husband, F. Trent Densmore, on Nov. 30, 2012; brother, Robert Wayne Pitchford; sister, Donna Kaye Terry; and second husband, P. Randall Entsler. She leaves cherished memories with her three daughters, Andrea Lamkin, Dena Lamkin and partner Pepper Clark, and Joanna Sorenson and husband Charles; three stepdaughters, Laura Jergensen and husband Eric, Valerie Densmore and partner Crystal Flippen, and Sarah Densmore; 17 grandchildren and six great-grandchildren. Services were February 23 at Trinity Church of the Nazarene.



RUTH FRANKLIN DEC 4, 1928—MAR 4, 2013

Ruth Franklin, 84, died March 4, 2013 in Bethany, Oklahoma. She was born December 4, 1928 in Many, Louisiana to Charlie and Mary (Miller)



Williams. Ruth graduated from Many, LA High School in 1946. She attended Northwestern College in Natchitoches, LA for one year. Ruth attended Bethany-Peniel College from 1947-1950. She met Roy in the spring of 1948. In the summer of 1948, Roy joined the Army. Their romance and engagement was conducted through the mail. After waiting for three years for her fiance to return from the war in Korea, they were married on Jan. 1, 1952. In August of 1952, they returned to Bethany, OK where Roy completed his B.S. degree. In August of 1955, they moved to Pueblo, CO where Roy worked for the Pueblo City Schools.

Ruth was first and foremost a homemaker, but she also worked in retail for a few years. In 1957, their first child, Rhonda, was born. Kendall was born in 1961, Alan in 1967 and David in 1969. All of the children graduated from SNU. The family now boasts of 8 grandchildren and 2 great-grandchildren. Ruth served as a Sunday school teacher and missionary treasurer of the Pueblo First Church of the Nazarene. In December of 2002, Roy and Ruth moved to Bethany, OK to be closer to some of their children. Ruth was a member of Bethany First Church of the Nazarene, where she served on the funeral meal preparation committee for several years. Ruth loved the Lord with all of her heart, mind, soul and strength. And, she loved others with a gentleness and grace.



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SNU MUSIC CALENDAR FREE CONCERTS

Mon, April 8, 2013 7:30 PM Vocal Jazz Festival Concert featuring jazz artist, Roger Treece, Herrick Auditorium

Thu, April 11, 2013 7:30 PM Colin Deibert, guitar in Senior Level Recital Cantrell Music Hall

Tue, April 16, 2013 7:30 PM SNU Chorale presents a Concert of Meditations on the Dark of Night and Light of Life Cantrell Music Hall

🕤 Thu, April 18, 2013 7:30 PM

Jazz Band Concert

GREG B GARABEDIAN, Ph.D.



GUEST PIANIST J W BRAND



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ASP Calendar

Thursday April 18, 2013

10:30 a.m. Boarding bus at the Sawyer Center lot (41st and Donald)
10:45 a.m. Bus Leaves for Petroleum Club
11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Luncheon
1:30 p.m. Return to Sawyer Center lot

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