

# 2018 Annual Report

## Billy Graham Center archives



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## INTRODUCTION



**Researchers in the Manuscripts Reading Room in March.**

The 2018 year was a year of continuity and momentous events. We again had many occasions to serve those who came to us for our resources, but we also commemorated the passing of Billy Graham in February when he completed his earthly race. This good man, who traveled countless miles around the world for many decades and was confined to his home by illness for the last years of his life, continued his ministry of prayer and encouragement until the end. To mark his passing, we opened two major Graham-related collections in March and November (see [Two Exceptional New Collections](#)), developed [Wheaton College's memorial website](#), and added documents to fill out the [memorial photograph exhibit](#) in the Billy Graham Center Museum.

Katherine Graber led the effort to launch the [new version of our website](#) in May. Researchers, whether scholars, Wheaton College students, or genealogists, came and went in the Reading Room. Archivists guided Wheaton College faculty and their students in sessions on use of our collections. Remote inquirers and web visitors sought answers to questions or copies of documents. In September, Dr. Edith Blumhofer gave the 11th Archival Research Lecture, speaking on "Music and the Billy Graham Crusades." And we hosted guests from the Billy Graham Evangelistic Association and Summer Institute of Linguistics' JAARS [formerly Jungle Aviation and Radio Service]. Newly processed collections and oral history transcripts were opened to the public to use and learn from. Significant acquisitions were donated to our growing collection; the families of George Beverly Shea, Merv Rosell, and Merrill Dunlop donated papers of these men to our collection. Archivists recorded oral history interviews with missionaries and Christian workers, adding their first-hand accounts to our collections. An [exhibit of documents](#) was developed at the request of the Lausanne Movement's for their regional gathering in June. We also created digital copies of documents, photographs, and audio and video recordings, both to respond to researcher requests and to expand access to our collection through our website. The following pages detail the record of our 2018 stewardship of the BGC Archives.

## PUBLIC SERVICE



**Katherine Graber teaching an instruction session to an Evangelism & Renewal class.**

### Archival Instruction Sessions

Every year, Archives staff collaborate with Wheaton faculty to acquaint students with the treasures of the BGC Archives through orientation sessions. These class sessions introduce students, both undergraduate and graduate, to archival research methods and give them hands-on experience working with a wide range of primary sources related to their course material.

In 2018, Archives staff offered orientation sessions across several disciplines including:

- BITH 577: Modern World Christianity
- BITH 693: Historiography
- BITH 677: Modern British Religious History
- BITH 585: Christianity in North America
- CFM 421: Philosophy of Ministry
- ENGL 202: West African Literature
- EVAN 526: Evangelism and Renewal
- HIST 391: Christianity in East Asia
- HIST 295: Historical Inquiry
- HIST 391: Modern US Pop Culture
- HIST 334: Modern East Asia
- HIST 391: Becoming Americans
- PSYC 241: Social Psychology
- Missions Historiography (visiting class from Trinity Evangelical Divinity School)

## 2018 Archival Research Lecture



**Dr. Edith Blumhofer presents the 2018 BGC Archival Research Lecture to a packed room in September.**

Since 2007, the Archives has invited scholars who have used our collections to give a public lecture on campus, describing the experience of doing archival research in general and their own findings in particular. In September, the Archives sponsored its 11<sup>th</sup> annual BGC Archival Research Lecture. This year's event featured Wheaton Professor Emerita and historian Dr. Edith Blumhofer, whose lecture [“O Lamb of God I Come’: Music and the Billy Graham Crusades”](#) examined how music took center stage in every Billy Graham crusade under the leadership of Cliff Barrows and George Beverly Shea. The topic was particularly fitting for the year of Graham's death and the hundredth anniversary of his birth. Dr. Blumhofer has been user of and friend of the Archives for decades and spent many hundreds of hours in the Reading Room, including for this project. In the context of music in Graham evangelistic campaigns, she focused on the lives and contributions of Cliff Barrows and George Beverly Shea. (Barrows oversaw music for all of Graham's crusades from 1946 on and in particular was song leader and choir director. Shea, a well-known Christian artist before he joined Graham, was the soloist who Graham insisted sing just before he got up to preach, because he believed that Shea's singing put people in the right mood to receive his message). Blumhofer described some of the new and surprising things she discovered in archives in Canada and the United States, and gave fascinating insights into how the crusade music was both shaped by the BGEA's approach and influenced the BGEA message. She also described the developing roles of music in evangelism from D.L. Moody to Billy Graham and uncovered the impact of crusade music on musical practice in congregations around the globe. A highlight of the evening was the audience participation in singing several songs frequently used in Graham's meetings, accompanied on the piano by John Innes, a musician on the BGEA team for more than forty years.

## Website



In May 2018, under Katherine’s planning and engineering (below), the Billy Graham Center Archives website migrated to a new platform, retiring its original site after 22 years. [The new site](#) features a user-friendly interface, access to the Archives digital exhibits, and collections database. The Archives blog, “The Bulletin Board,” was also suspended during the migration process and was scheduled to be relaunched in January 2019, renamed [“From the Vault.”](#)



## Websites Linked to the BGC Archives Site in 2018

ThoughtCo.'s "History and Culture page featuring ["Biography of Corrie ten Boom, Hero of the Holocaust"](#)

World Christian Video's on ["Christian Films and Movies From the Past"](#)

[Wikipedia's Spanish-language page](#) on Igreja Batista [Baptist Churches]

The Billy Graham Evangelistic Association's ["A Timeless Memorial Day Message from Billy Graham"](#)

National Communication Association's ["Billy Graham and the Power of Media Celebrity"](#)

PDFSeed.com [page on Billy Graham Sermons](#)

Boston University's ["Chinese Christian Posters" website](#)



**"The Parable of the Good Shepherd," one of the posters the Archives made available for the poster project. (To be read from right to left in the Chinese fashion).**

For years, the Center for Global Christianity & Mission at Boston University has been working on a massive project to open online in a quality format hundreds of posters used in China in evangelistic work. Daryl Ireland of the Center invited archives and organizations in the United

States holding such posters to participate with significant contributions, along with schools in Hong Kong and the United Kingdom. The result is a rich and valuable resource. Besides the beautiful posters themselves, the exhibit includes detailed background and explanatory texts in both English and Chinese. The staff of the BGC Archives worked with Ireland (a Wheaton College alum) starting in 2016 to select appropriate items from the Archives' collections to be scanned. Altogether 45 posters from our collection were included in the online resource. (Robert Carlson, a retired missionary living in Wheaton, translated the Chinese text of the Archives' posters.) The exhibit opened online in late-2018. We are proud to participate in such an ambitious effort to make available these vivid images, which are not only important documents of Chinese church history, but living witnesses going forth on the Internet to proclaim the Good News.

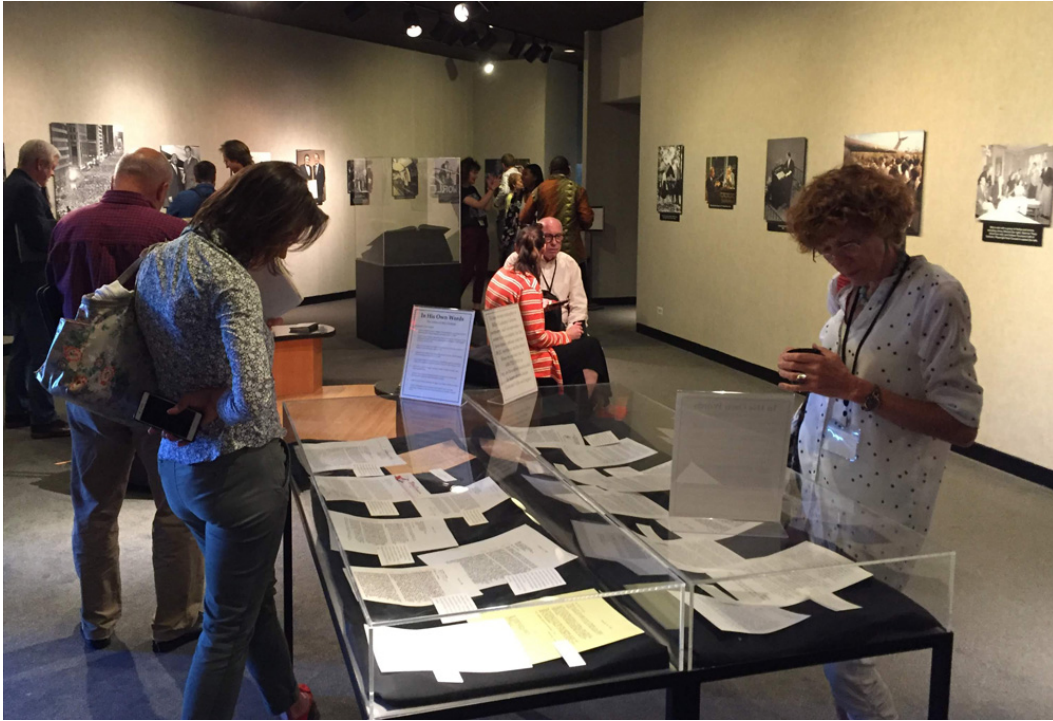
Society for Pentecostal Studies' ["Resource Sites"](#)

Oxford Academic's "The English Historical Review" page featuring ["Women Missionaries and Colonial Silences in Kenya's Female 'Circumcision' Controversy, 1906–1930"](#) by David M. Anderson

Christian Legal Fellowship's ["Hope Restored: Billy Graham's Message for Lawyers"](#)

Cambridge University Press's "Religion and American Culture" page featuring ["Youth, Christianity and the Crisis of Civilization, 1930-1945"](#) by Thomas E. Bergler

## Billy Graham Memorial Portrait Gallery



**Visitors to the Billy Graham Center Museum in June browse the memorial Billy Graham photo exhibit in the museum gallery and read Graham's original letters in the Archives previously unavailable during his lifetime.**

Following Billy Graham's passing on February 21, 2018, the BGC Museum, in collaboration with the BGC Archives, unveiled the Billy Graham Portrait Gallery, a semi-permanent photo exhibit featuring images of Graham spanning his life and ministry on display in the Museum gallery. The photos depict Graham's evangelistic and humanitarian work around the globe and feature Graham alongside many notable figures, including Martin Luther King, Jr., Johnny Cash, Indira Gandhi, American Presidents Eisenhower and Kennedy, and Johnny Carson. The Archives also provided a display of previously-unavailable letters, memos, and telegrams from Billy Graham. See the updated [Billy Graham resource page](#) on the Archives' new website.

## Lausanne Movement Reception



**Attendees at the Lausanne Movement Regional Gathering browse the Archives' exhibit of materials from the Lausanne Congresses in 1974, '89, and '10.**

In June, the Billy Graham Center at Wheaton College hosted the North American Regional Gathering of the Lausanne Movement. The Movement's records are held by the Archives in [Collection 46: Records of the Lausanne Committee for World Evangelization](#). At the request of the Lausanne Movement's organizers, staff from the Archives created an exhibit of photographs, posters, and organizational records from the 1974, 1989, and 2010 Lausanne Congresses and intervening projects and deliberations, provided for attendees to enjoy and learn more about the Lausanne Movement's rich history. The exhibit prompted several attendees to ask for additional information or documents.

## Walking Tours of Billy Graham's Wheaton



**Bob Shuster leading a walking tour of Billy Graham's Wheaton in June, exploring sites around the Wheaton campus and greater community connected to Graham's student days (1940-1943) and later ministry.**

Every year, the BGC Archives offers periodic walking tours—two during 2018—of Billy Graham's Wheaton, highlighting sites on the Wheaton College campus and greater community where Billy Graham lived, studied, socialized, and preached during his undergraduate education at Wheaton College from 1940-1943. Open to the Wheaton College community and general public, the tour offers a glimpse into Wheaton's wartime campus, where Graham majored in anthropology, served as president of the Christian Council, honed his preaching skills, and met his future wife, Ruth Bell. The walking tour also emphasizes Graham's long association with Wheaton College over his ministry, including the Wheaton-area evangelistic crusade in 1959 and the Billy Graham Center dedicated in 1980 to evangelism training on Wheaton's campus.

## Public Service Statistics

Throughout the year, Archives staff receive hundreds of requests for information or services from scholars, students, Christian workers, publishing houses, journalists, and the general public, among many others. In 2018, Archives staff responded to separate questions, fulfilling photograph and audio/visual orders, interlibrary loan requests, answering requests for information and documents, as well as leading instruction sessions.

	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	Last 5 years avg.	Totals, 1984-2018
<b>BGEA</b>	36	27	26	38	24	30	1,312
<b>Classes</b>	14	12	10	7	16	12	523
<b>E-mail</b>	366	297	202	251	417	307	11,976
<b>Interlibrary Loan</b>	13	6	4	7	5	7	411
<b>Letters/faxes</b>	1	3	0	1	1	1	1,160
<b>One-on-one</b>	18	14	10	26	27	19	548
<b>Phone</b>	44	19	29	44	57	39	4,378
<b>Presentations</b>	3	2	2	3	5	3	216
<b>A/V Orders</b>	NA	NA	NA	12	18	6	30
<b>Totals</b>	495	380	283	389	570	423	20,554

Totals and averages are based on the number of years for which that particular statistic has been gathered. For example, BGEA statistics have been gathered for 39 years, so the total is divided by 39; email statistics have been gathered for 26 years, so that figure is divided by 26. Other than A/V Orders gathered just the past two years, no statistic has been gathered for less than 26 years. All categories above are exclusive (if a phone caller asks for an interlibrary loan, the request is counted under "Interlibrary Loan" or Phone" but not under both).

### Definitions:

- **BGEA:** Requests for information from the Billy Graham Evangelistic Association.
- **Class:** Instruction session prepared for a college or university course and held in the Archival Seminar Room.
- **Interlibrary Loan:** Material loaned to another institution for use by their patrons.
- **One-on-one:** Assistance given by staff to a patron on a one-to-one basis outside the Reading Room. (Figures were revised in 2015 to include only those from 1998 and later. Prior to that, if a class came to the Archives, it was counted as personal contacts.)
- **Presentations:** Session prepared for a non-academic group outside of the Archival Seminar Room.
- **Presentations:** Session prepared for a group outside of the Reading Room. (Starting in 2006, all sessions were held outside the Reading Room. Many were held next door in the Archival Seminar Room.)

## Organizations Assisted in 2018

Asbury Theological Seminary  
Associate Reformed Presbyterian Synod

Billy Graham Evangelistic Association  
Billy Graham Library, Charlotte, NC  
Broadwell Christian Hospital, Fatehpur,  
India

CareNet  
CBS News  
Center for Global Christianity & Mission,  
Boston University

*Chicago Sun Times*  
Christian & Missionary Alliance  
Christian History Institute  
*Chronicle of Illinois*  
*Christianity Today*  
Conjukski Publications

*Daily Herald*

Frontiers

Inspiration Ministries  
InterVarsity Christian Fellowship, Canada

Lausanne Movement  
Lighthouse Trails Publishing  
Lumina Datamatics

The Media Evangelism  
Metzger Collection  
Miami University

The Moody Church  
Museum of the Bible

National Public Radio  
*New York Times*

The OC International

Paraclete Press  
Prison Fellowship  
*Publisher's Weekly*

Overseas Missionary Fellowship

SEND International

Trinity Broadcasting Network  
Trinity International University Archives

University of Northwestern – St. Paul

WBEZ 91.5 Chicago  
Western Springs Baptist Church, IL  
Wheaton College, Billy Graham Center  
Wheaton College, Chaplain's Office  
Wheaton College, Conservatory of Music  
Wheaton College, Marketing and  
Communications Office  
Wheaton College, Special Collections,  
Buswell Library  
Winona History Center at Grace College

Youth for Christ

## READING ROOM



**Kenneth and Mary Lynn Mitchell from the Washington Street Mission, examining some of the records from the mission ([Collection 193](#)). The occasion of their visit was bringing additional documents to add to the collection.**

The BGC Archives had another busy year in 2018. Over 260 researchers, including Wheaton College students and those who traveled from nine different countries and 29 states, visited the Manuscripts Reading Room, where they accessed over 150 unique collections. Just under half of these visitors were affiliated with Wheaton College, many of whom were students working on class assignments and thesis papers. However, a significant number of students and faculty from other universities also visited the Archives, as well as various Christian workers, independent scholars, members of the Wheaton community, and the general public. Seven of these visiting scholars received the [Torrey M. Johnson Research Grant](#), which provides financial support to researchers whose work intersects with the history of non-denominational North American evangelism. During their visits, patrons logged over 1,500 hours of research on a diverse range of topics, including the role music played in Billy Graham evangelistic crusades, the spiritual life of Dwight D. Eisenhower, Pentecostal movements in East Asia, the role of missions films in global Protestant missionary recruitment, and 19th-century city planning in Chicago, among many others. This diverse research was used to complete theses/dissertations, scholarly articles, documentaries, class assignments, and genealogies, as well as for ministry training.

## Reading Room Statistics, 1984-2018

	<b>2018</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2014</b>	<b>Last 5 yrs. Avg.</b>	<b>Last 39 yrs. total</b>
<b>Researchers</b>	268	245	245	267	242	254	19,559
<b>Research Visits</b>	622	612	501	681	452	574	36,762
<b>Research Hours</b>	1,598	1,516	1,269	1,772	1,202	1471	66,778
<b>Visits per Researcher</b>	2.3	2.5	2.1	2.6	1.9	2.3	--
<b>Hours per Researcher</b>	6.0	6.2	5.2	6.6	5.0	5.8	--
<b>Wheaton College Researchers</b>	131	150	156	174	131	148	11,347
<b>Non-Wheaton College Researchers</b>	137	95	89	93	113	105	8,212

## Topics Studied in 2018

### **Billy Graham and the BGEA**

- Billy Graham crusade music, especially the roles of Cliff Barrows & George Beverly Shea
- Billy Graham and the founding of *Christianity Today*
- Billy Graham's career with Youth For Christ
- Billy Graham's 1977 visit to Hungary
- Billy Graham years as president of Northwestern Schools, 1947-1951
- Billy Graham's Amsterdam '83 conference (1983 International Conference of Itinerant Evangelists)
- Billy Graham's 1965 Hawaii Crusade
- Early BGEA counseling and follow-up practices

### **American Evangelicalism**

- Postwar personalized providence in American evangelicalism
- Life of Lewis Drummond
- BGC Museum history
- Life of song leader, and hymn writer and publisher Homer Rodeheaver
- Biography of Elisabeth Elliot
- Moody Church architectural history
- Spiritual life of Dwight D. Eisenhower
- Life of Harold Lindsell
- History of evangelicalism and prison ministry
- Jim Rayburn and Young Life
- Paul Rader and Billy Sunday in Chicago
- Bob Pierce, World Vision, and Christian charity
- Harry Ironside and the Friends of Israel
- Steve Hayner and the InterVarsity Christian Fellowship
- National Association of Evangelicals, 1941- circa 1960
- American Evangelicals, Russian evangelism, and Soviet Economics
- Origins of Chuck Colson's autobiography *Born Again*
- Richard Nixon, Graham, and Cold War missionaries

### **World Christianity**

- Pentecostal movements in East Asia
- Chinese hymnody
- Manchurian Revival of 1908
- Corrie ten Boom
- Baptist British church history in British Honduras (Belize)
- Christianity in Mongolia
- History of Broadwell Christian Hospital in India
- History of the Lausanne movement
- Muslims on the Sino-Tibetan Border
- 1948 YFC World Congress in Beatenberg, Switzerland
- History of Christianity in East Africa
- Chefoo Schools Association
- Evangelicals in Chile

### **Global Missions**

- J.O. Fraser and evangelism among the Lisu in SW China
- Overseas Missionary Fellowship Muslim ministries
- “Auca” Incident and radio station HCJB
- Samuel Zwemer, China Inland Mission, and Muslim Evangelism in China
- Christianity and missions among the Waorani
- Missionaries among the Dakota Indians
- Missions in Cameroon
- Life of missionary pilot Donald Berry
- History of missions in Kenya
- Protestant films about foreign missions  
Life of Africa Inland Mission missionary Myrtle L. Wilson
- U. S. Missionaries in Brazil

### **Miscellaneous**

- Geography of Tibet and China
- 19<sup>th</sup> century city planning near Moody Memorial Church in north Chicago
- Bibliographic project for the Oxford Centre for Mission Studies
- Servicemaster Industries



## 20 Most Used Collections in 2018

Collection Number	Collection Name	Times Used
	* indicates collection consists entirely of or includes microfilm	
81*	Records of Africa Inland Mission	68
580	Records of the BGEA: Montreat Office	59
275	Papers of Chuck Colson	22
17	Records of the BGEA: Crusade Activities	22
318	Papers of L. Nelson Bell	20
330	Records of Moody Memorial Church	17
136	Records of Mission Aviation Fellowship	16
514	Records of the Wheaton College Revivals	16
215	Records of Overseas Missionary Fellowship	15
300	Records of InterVarsity Christian Fellowship	15
459	Records of the Fellowship Foundation	13
192	Papers of Harold Lindsell	13
46	Records of the Lausanne Committee for World Evangelization	12
622	Papers of Cliff Barrows	12
223*	Records of the Baptist Missionary Society	12
141	Records of the BGEA: Oral History Project	12
685	Records of the BGEA: VIP Notebooks	10
8	Records of <i>Christianity Today</i>	10
78	Papers of Corrie ten Boom	10
338	Records of World Evangelical Fellowship	9

## 20 Most Used Collections, 1984-2018

Collection Number	Collection Name	Times Used
<b>* indicates collection consists entirely of or includes microfilm</b>		
81	Records of Africa Inland Mission	1,718
212	Records of the Kathryn Kuhlman Foundation	1,008
215	Records of Overseas Missionary Fellowship	680
165	Records of the Evangelical Fellowship of Mission Agencies	530
188 *	Papers of Jonathan and Rosalind Goforth	451
74 *	Ephemera of Billy Graham	442
318	Papers of L. Nelson Bell	416
46	Records of the Lausanne Committee for World Evangelization	410
8	Records of Christianity Today International	397
459	Records of the Fellowship Foundation	375
330	Records of Moody Memorial Church	365
20	Papers of Herbert J. Taylor	358
514	Ephemera of the Wheaton College Revivals	348
182	Papers of James and Winnifred Kane	344
141	Records of the BGEA: Oral History Project	311
48	Records of Youth for Christ	308
187	Papers of Eleanor R. Elliott	298
246	Papers of Jessie McDonald	261
379	Records of the Woman's Union Missionary Society	261
278	Papers of Elisabeth Elliot	259
113	Records of the BGEA: Films and Videos	254

## RESEARCHER REPORTS



**Jane Caple, a scholar of Tibetan history, meeting with Robert Carlson, who grew up in Tibet. The Archives staff arranged the meeting. See Dr. Caple's report below.**

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### **Jane Caple** **Marie Skłodowska-Curie Fellow, University of Copenhagen**

I am currently working on a two-year project (funded by the European Commission) on wealth, virtue and social justice in northeast Tibet (Amdo) which builds on my previous work on Tibetan monastic economies and monastic-lay relations in this region. Much of my work to date has focused on the later twentieth and twenty-first centuries, but I am increasingly interested in locating documentary sources from the pre-Communist period. There were Christian missionaries working on the northeastern edge of the Tibetan plateau during the first half of the twentieth century. Their documentation of their work, life and encounters among Tibetans in letters, diaries, photographs and published works provides an important historical source alongside the available Tibetan and Chinese language materials. A number of these missionaries had personal connections to Wheaton, including Robert Brainerd Ekvall [[Collection 92](#)], the missionary perhaps best known among Tibetologists because of his extensive ethnographic writings on northeastern Tibetan religion, culture and everyday life. I visited the Billy Graham Center Archives en route to a workshop in Indiana to get a sense of the materials available and their relevance for my current and future research.

I was particularly interested in accessing the papers of Victor Guy Plymire [[Collection 341](#)], a Christian and Missionary Alliance and later Assemblies of God missionary who established a station near Kumbum, a major Geluk monastery in northeast Tibet, as well as viewing the Ekvall ephemera. The Plymire materials include a particularly rich photograph collection, including many images of Kumbum, as well as some interesting descriptions in the articles and letters. I came away with some leads about missionaries who operated in one of my key field areas,

Rongwo, as well as a sense of the particularities of mission financing for those working in Tibet – something to dig into further in future work on histories of religion, economy and morality in the region. The staff were extremely helpful in pointing me towards additional materials of potential interest at the BGCA, including papers on W. E. Simpson [[Collection SC114](#)]. The staff also arranged for me to meet with Robert Dean Carlson, a Wheaton-born son of missionary parents who spent much of his childhood in Gansu's Sino-Tibetan borderlands. Hearing his stories and looking through photo albums with him was an unexpected highlight of what was already proving to be a fruitful visit.

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### **Emily Dawes**

**Doctoral Candidate, School of Advanced Studies, University of London**

My project is a PhD dissertation looking at the way that Christian missionaries and Chinese Muslims interacted with one another during the late nineteenth century. I visited the BGC archives to view the China Inland Mission North American archives [[Collection 215](#)], as well as the Moody Bible Church archives [[Collection 330](#)]. I expected to find some letters between the North American branch and missionaries in China. However, among the Moody Bible Church foreign missions correspondence I found a wonderful letter from a missionary to Moody Church explaining why he wanted to work with Muslims in China. I was surprised to find this letter as well as a tract written in Mandarin and in Arabic explaining the gospel for Chinese Muslims.

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### **Marge Fogel**

- 1. What was the exact nature of your project?** No project, just wanted to look at my parents correspondence through the years with MAF [Marge's parents were Donald and Phyllis Berry. [Collection 325](#) is an interview with Donald Berry, [Collection 136](#), the records of Mission Aviation Fellowship, contains their correspondence.
  - 2. Why did you come to the BGC Archives?** Visiting the university where my parents went to school and met.
  - 3. What did you expect to find?** Didn't know about eh BGC Archives and was so surprised to find the correspondence of my parents!
  - 4. What did you actually find?** I found all their prayer letters and correspondence from the field and from home base
  - 5. Was there anything you came across that was surprising or particularly interesting?** Everything was interesting and surprising!
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### **Mark Grotelueschen**

**Professor, United States Air Force Academy**

I am planning to write the first full-length biography of Eisenhower that addresses his religious and spiritual life as one of its main themes. I was asked by Wheaton's Dr Timothy Larsen to consider contributing such a volume for Oxford's Spiritual Lives series. [I came to the BGC

Archives] to look through any and all papers that might shed light on Eisenhower's religious and spiritual life, and especially on his relationship with Billy Graham and other religious figures. I expected to find some correspondence between Eisenhower and Graham, and perhaps correspondence between Graham and others that addresses Eisenhower. I knew before I came that the VIP files [[Collection 685](#)] would not be opened until November 2018, but wanted to see what else was in the archive. I did find correspondence between Graham and Eisenhower [in [Collection 580](#)] (though I had seen some of this at the Eisenhower Library in Abilene), as well as lots of other material that referenced Eisenhower. I found some interesting correspondence between Graham and various friends/associates, including letters between supporters of Ike's candidacy and discussion about Graham's need to be careful about become partisan; a letter in which Graham asks for prayers for the newly elected Eisenhower--"that he would come to know Christ in a personal and intimate way"; letters between with Bob Jones about Eisenhower (showing Jones clearly dissatisfied with Ike, while BG was a big supporter). I saw part of a particularly interesting correspondence between Graham and Eisenhower's Washington DC pastor, Rev Elson, in which the latter asks the former for his prayers as he engages in spiritual discussions with Ike and Mamie. He confidentially discloses that Ike was considering making a public declaration of faith in Christ and becoming a communicant member of Elson's National Presb. Church. I also saw references to additional correspondence that has been placed in the VIP file. I also found a few very informative articles about Ike in *Decision* magazine.

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### **Frank Hinkelmann**

**Vice Chair World Evangelical Alliance, President European Evangelical Alliance, President Martin Bucer Seminary, Bonn (Germany)**

I visited the BGA early September 2018 to do some further research on Youth for Christ's (YFC) 1948 Congress for World Missions in Beatenberg, Switzerland. While the congress was one of the most influential global evangelical mission congresses after World War II with a few mission agencies being initiated as a result of this event, hardly any research has yet been done on it. At the same time, it proves very difficult to find any detailed information more than 50 years after the congress.

As BGA holds the archives of YFC [[Collection 48](#)] of those years and as it is one of the very few institutions which hold a complete edition of YFC magazine, BGA was the logical place to go to. I found some reports on the congress as well as some correspondence [[Collection 285](#)], which will be helpful as I write on this congress. However, I did not find a complete list of participants nor records of the message given – both for which I had hoped for. A personal film by a participant was also interesting to look at.

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### **Krista Horn** **Novelist**

[During my visit to the Archives] I was reading Florence Stauffacher's journal from her early years in Kenya [[Collection 281](#)] for the purpose of researching missions history in Kenya at that time. I'm currently working on a novel set during that time. I read parts of Florence's journal as a grad student at Wheaton in 2011 and remember how interesting it was, and that it took place in Kenya, which is where my family is now serving as medical missionaries. I have grown an interest in the history of missions in Kenya and this journal offers an invaluable insight into part of that history. I did not know that much of her collection has been digitized. I knew her journal

had been digitized because I was told that before I came to the Archives, but I was so excited to know that more had been digitized and made available to me online for the month after I was at the Archives. It helped my research continue at home. I loved learning about [the Stauffachers'] relationship with a young Kenyan man who'd converted to Christianity, and about their encounters with wild animals, and all the normal daily things like struggling to bake bread and fighting illnesses and going to prayer meetings, etc. It was such a wonderful picture of a normal and sometimes difficult life of a missionary! My experience at the Archives was wonderful - I just wished I'd had more days to go through everything. If I'd known I could read her journal online after I left, then I would have spent more time researching books in the missions collection of the library that I couldn't access after I left Wheaton rather than spend most of my time reading her journal.

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### **Dan Hummel**

#### **Post-Doctoral Fellow, University of Wisconsin, Madison**

I visited the BGC Archives May 1-2, 2018 to begin exploratory research on a new project on the history of biblical inerrancy and American evangelicalism. Harold Lindsell, the editor of *Christianity Today* from 1968-1978 and author of *The Battle for the Bible* (Zondervan, 1976) and *Bible in the Balance* (Zondervan, 1979), is a key figure in this history. Lindsell's personal papers [[Collection 192](#)] are housed at BGC Archives. I spent two days researching Lindsell's personal correspondence and notes pertaining to *Battle for the Bible*, including his collection of sources for the book and response to critics. I was very satisfied with what the collection had to offer. Not only did Lindsell keep copious notes at every step of producing his book, but he engaged in extended correspondences with supporters and opponents alike after its publication. Some highlights were his sparring with historian Donald Dayton, a critic of *Battle for the Bible*, and his commiseration at the current state of the inerrancy debate with supporters including Harold Ockenga and Carl F.H. Henry. Lindsell's correspondence with Billy Graham, some of which was recently opened for access [[Collection 580](#)], was also helpful. Ultimately, I expect this research to produce a peer-reviewed article, and possibly in the future, with additional visits to BGC Archives, a monograph.

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### **William Kostlevy**

#### **Director, Brethren Historical Library and Archives**

My visit to the Billy Graham Center Archives in early August was to use the Evangelicals for Social Action Collection ([Collection 37](#)). It was for a presentation at the Brethren World Assembly in Winona Lake, Indiana in August 2018 that will result in a publication. It is tentatively entitled "Bob Richards, Anna Mow and Dale Brown: Faces of Brethren Evangelicalism in the Era of Billy Graham." Brown was an active participant in the November 1974 ESA meeting in Chicago. David Swartz discusses the role of Brown in his book on the Evangelical Left. The ESA collection included correspondence with Brown and copies of presentation from the conference. It was very helpful a collection of papers.

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**Li Xin**  
**Businessman, Shanghai**

I came across the story of CIM [China Inland Mission] Chefoo School a couple of years ago and was amazed to learn that the old buildings across the school that I attended some 40 years ago were of the Chefoo School campus, although hardly anyone in the city knew of its heritage. So, I got in contact with Ian Grant, the Chefoo Schools Association's North American Director, and two years later in March of 2018, we opened a Chefoo School exhibition at the Yantai (formerly named Chefoo) Municipal Museum, to let the citizens know this part of the city's history, and to welcome back the alumni who once studied there. Most of the news coverage is in Chinese language. Here's some English info - <http://www.canadiandragonfly.net/a-chefoo-school-celebration-yantai-2018/>

To gather additional information on Chefoo School, I made a visit to Wheaton in October 2018. I was curious to see what's in the BGC Archives on Chefoo School, so we can use the material for future studies or events. I found letters, photographs, audio/video recordings, and school records and documents spanning over the past 100 years [Collection 710, additional Chefoo Schools Association material is currently being processed]. I was particularly interested in seeing pictures of students, faculty and local Chinese people associated with the school, and also letters written by Henry R. Luce, alumnus of the Chefoo School and founder of *Time* magazine. I have shared my findings with the Chinese researchers back home, who were excited to know the wealth of material available at BGC Archives.

The BGC Archives staff, particularly Katherine, has been extremely helpful in helping navigating through the boxes of unprocessed material. I hope to see this information made available online for research from afar. I am thankful that BGC Archives has kept such great historical material, and hopefully more people will get to know its existence, and be able to study and publicize it.

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**Michelle Robinson**  
**Professor, University of Chapel Hill-North Carolina**

In July 2018, I spent time at the Billy Graham Center to complete research for a scholarly monograph that investigates Christian evangelical communities' participation in the work of the Billy Graham Evangelistic Association's Christian Crusades. This project, supported by a Chapman Faculty Fellowship and the Institute of Arts and Humanities at UNC-Chapel Hill, has two major objectives. First, I am studying invitations that Graham and the BGEA received requesting crusades, in order to understand how individuals and communities expressed the spiritual and social needs they believed would be fulfilled by revivals with Reverend Graham at the helm. Second, I am researching individual crusades as case studies that illuminate the heterogeneity of the Crusades as communities worked with the BGEA and Graham to serve local needs. (My initial list of potential case studies includes Oklahoma (1956), Hawaii (1965), Detroit (1976) and Las Vegas (1978), but I am also considering Harlan County (1966), Birmingham (1972), or Hollywood (1951).)

I devoted my time at the BGC to exploring letters and petitions to Graham, and the meticulous preservation of these materials astounded me—especially since they exist in such large numbers. After I corresponded with them about my project, [the archives staff] located resources that

were well off my radar (e.g. a correspondence series in [Collection 580](#) from the Montreat Office that included invitations the BGEA declined due to other commitments). These require much more attention, and I am planning another visit to continue studying these materials. I also had the thrill of reviewing documents that had only just become available after Graham's passing earlier this year [2018]. Additionally, I had the opportunity to thoroughly examine the BGEA records of the 1965 Hawaii Crusade and scrapbooks associated with the visit, and to listen to digitized sermons from that event.

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### **Jonathan Powers**

#### **Assistant Professor of Worship, Asbury Theological Seminary**

I began work [in 2015] on a PhD at the London School of Theology focused on the worship theology of Robert E. Webber. Because Webber was a former and longtime professor at Wheaton, I visited the BGC Archives in order to find material that examined evangelical influences on Webber's worship theology. In particular, I wanted to research Webber's work in the Chicago Call conference held May 1-3, 1977, at the Cenacle Retreat Center in Warrenville, Illinois, which was focused on "a call to evangelical maturity."

I was astounded by the amount of material I found at the BGC Archives on the Chicago Call [[Collection 33](#)]. There was no shortage of documents, handwritten notes, minutes from planning meetings, publications, letters, etc. Additionally, I was surprised by the freedom I had to make scans, photocopies, and take pictures of any of the Chicago Call material. (I know this is not the case for all material, so it was a very pleasant surprise for me.) The staff was incredibly helpful in assisting my research and helping me with equipment. The only hindrance to my work was the inability to access some files due to a statute of release since it has only been twelve years since Webber's death.

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### **David A. J. Reynolds**

#### **Author**

I visited the BGCA on two occasions in April 2018 for research towards a long-form article I was preparing for *Hungarian Review* on the 1977 visit of Billy Graham to Hungary. Having investigated online the collections of the BGCA related to this topic, I pre-requested a wide selection of specific boxes, folders, and files to view upon my visit. These many items were, without exception, provided for my use in the reading room. The items granted me invaluable inside information about the planning and course of the visit that I would not otherwise have accessed. Particularly useful and intriguing were the unpublished in-depth interviews with Alexander Haraszti (who was instrumental in the planning of the trip) [[Collection 141](#)] and the raw film footage not in the public domain of many moments from the trip [[Collection 113](#)]. The sermon notes of the messages that Dr. Graham delivered on the trip, which the BGCA directed me to [online, were](#) also especially invaluable.

**David Swartz**  
**Professor, Asbury University**

I spent one day in June searching through photo files for images to print in my forthcoming book *From the Ends of the Earth: How the Majority World Is Reshaping American Evangelicalism* (Oxford 2019). I found some fine images on the 1945 Memorial Day Rally at Soldier Field, the 1973 and 1989 Lausanne Congresses, and several others.

The permissions process is laborious, slow, and confusing—though not because of archives policies, from what I can tell. But perhaps conversations with Lausanne and the BGEA could be initiated that might streamline the process . . . Katherine Graber has been a delight to work with.

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**Lionel Young**  
**Doctoral candidate, University of Sterling (Scotland)**

I would like to thank the staff for their invaluable assistance to me for more than 8 years as I did research for my PhD under David Bebbington. The archives of the BGC proved invaluable for the completion of my thesis on the Africa Inland Mission ('The Transition from the Africa Inland Mission to the Africa Inland Church, 1939-1975, Ph.D.) I am continuing to work BGC archives on a postdoc project exploring some of the 'The Lost Histories of East African Christianity'. This project is largely focused on efforts to recover the 'African voice' in the AIM-AIC, exploring issues such as protest, Africanisation and liturgical development. An article on Wellington Mulwa, the first Bishop of the Africa Inland Church, was published in 2018 in the Dictionary of African Christian Biography as well as the Journal of African Christian Biography. Mulwa's correspondence was discovered scattered throughout the files of mission leaders who served with the AIM in the 1960s and 1970s [[Collection 81](#)]. I would like to thank the staff for their generous assistance. The collection at the BGC is invaluable to understanding the history of Global Christianity in the 20<sup>th</sup> century.

## RESEARCH GRANT REPORTS



**Nicholas Clark in the Reading Room in January. See his report below.**

Each year a gift from the family of Torrey Johnson, Sr., allows the Archives to provide some grant assistance to researchers coming to Wheaton to use our collections. Listed below are the reports of five people who received grants in 2018. These recipient reports, like the researcher reports elsewhere in this annual report, give an idea of the variety of different studies done in our holdings each year. Find out more about the [Torrey M. Johnson Sr. Research Grants](#).

Click on a link below to view a grant recipient's report or scroll beyond the links to each of the reports.

**Andrew Atherstone.** Billy Graham's connections with English Evangelicals in the 1950s, particularly during the 1954 Harringay meetings; his relationship with author John Pollock; and the life of Douglas Johnson, a leader in InterVarsity in England and in the International Fellowship of Evangelical Students.

**Nicholas R. Clark.** Theologian Lewis Drummond's contributions to theological education, evangelism, and church growth.

**Rebecca Davis.** The history of religious conversion in post-World War II America and the interaction between two men whose conversion received much publicity, Eldridge Cleaver and Charles W. Colson.

**Aaron Griffith.** The history of African-American Christian evangelism among prisoners, and the complicated relationship of prison ministries to law enforcement leaders and organizations.

**Patrick O’Grady.** The role the global evangelical movement played during Chile’s military government under Augusto Pinochet from 1973 to 1990.

**Marcus Schoof.** The missionary activities of Southern Baptists and Presbyterians in twentieth century Brazil and the 1974 Billy Graham Rio de Janeiro Crusade.

**David St. Cyr.** The friendship of John Stott and Billy Graham and their role as uniting leaders in the global Evangelical movement.

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### **Andrew Atherstone**

**Tutor in History and Doctrine, and Latimer Research Fellow, Wycliffe Hall,  
Oxford University**

It was my first visit to the archives, which are wonderfully diverse with many unexplored riches. My research was focused in three particular areas. First, I examined Billy Graham’s connections with British evangelicals in the context of his crusades to Britain in the 1950s, most notably at the Harringay Arena in 1954. For example, [Collection 580](#), recently opened to researchers, includes fascinating correspondence between Graham and Hugh Gough (bishop of Barking) and Bryan Green (rector of Birmingham). Gough and Green were well-known Anglican evangelists, part of a small team under the auspices of the Evangelical Alliance which sponsored Graham’s early visits to Britain. Gough was deputed to attend the Syracuse crusade in 1953, as part of the preparatory relationship-building. These papers demonstrate the complexities of combining British and American styles of evangelism, including advice for Graham concerning how best to reach his British audience. Gough also promoted the Graham crusades in Australia, where in 1959 he was the last Englishman to be elected Archbishop of Sydney. With Ed Loane (lecturer in church history at Moore College, Sydney), I am writing a study of Archbishop Gough’s global ministry, for which these Billy Graham Archives are of key significance.

During my research at Wheaton, I also began to examine Graham’s relationship with another English evangelical, John Pollock, who published numerous histories and biographies between 1955 and 1993 of leading evangelical societies and personalities, including the Zenana Bible and Medical Mission, the Children’s Special Service Mission, the Keswick Convention, the evangelists George Whitefield and John Wesley, the Cambridge Seven (missionary recruits), Hudson Taylor of the China Inland Mission, and D. L. Moody (who Pollock called ‘the Billy Graham of the nineteenth century’), among others. Pollock was Graham’s authorized biographer and at his invitation also wrote the biography of Graham’s father-in-law Dr Nelson Bell, former medical missionary in China. Pollock’s correspondence with Billy Graham stretches over half a century.

A third area of my research at Wheaton concerned evangelism among university students, through the archives of the Inter-Varsity Christian Fellowship [[Collection 300](#)] and the International Fellowship of Evangelical Students [[Collection 640](#)]. These are also excellent collections, with material dating back to the 1930s showing the important transnational relationships among evangelicals in university settings, especially in Britain, Scandinavia, the Netherlands, and the United States. My principal focus was the career of Douglas Johnson, whose biography I am writing – he was the first general secretary of the Inter-Varsity Fellowship in the United Kingdom and of IFES, a regular collaborator with Stacey Woods in the United States. These early pioneers laid down some important theological principles, and networks of relationships, for student evangelism today.

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**Nicholas R. Clark****Ph.D. candidate, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary**

I am studying evangelism and church growth under Dr. Timothy Beougher (former Director of The Billy Graham Center). My dissertation research concern revolves around Dr. Lewis Drummond and his ministerial influence in theological education as well as his contributions to evangelism and church growth primarily through a robust theology of evangelism and revival. This project is important because nothing of any note has been written on Drummond and this dissertation will be the first to focus solely on his contributions to the Southern Baptist Convention and broader evangelicalism. Drummond had a long-standing relationship with Billy Graham that dated back to the 1950s and served the Billy Graham Evangelistic Association for decades in various capacities including as an associate evangelist, seminar speaker, and later as theologian-in-residence at The Cove.

My research in the archives centered around three important facets of Drummond's ministry that are often overlooked. First, Drummond served as an evangelist in a crusade in New Zealand and Australia in the 1970s. The archives provided a collection of correspondence, media reports, audio recordings, and planning details for the crusade [[Collection 245](#)]. One thing I learned is the amount of work, investment in prayer, and minute attention to detail required in the planning of an evangelistic crusade particularly in a time prior to the modern conveniences of electronic communication. Such work is a kingdom enterprise for souls, and that is exactly what I needed in order to demonstrate the level of Drummond's cooperative evangelical spirit when it comes to seeing the kingdom of Christ advance. What I discovered in the archives will make an important point within my larger argument that Drummond's ministry and influence was widespread. Second, I discovered helpful correspondence between Drummond and Robert Coleman [[Collection 563](#)] that depicted a few difficult seasons within Drummond's life where he confided in Coleman and petitioned him for prayer. This information is useful specifically in rounding out Drummond's biographical sketch including his presidency at Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary.

Third, the archives' collection on the World Congress on Evangelism [[Collection 14](#)] was helpful because it detailed Drummond's presentation on building a seminary training curriculum for itinerant evangelists. I was even able to listen to a recording of Drummond's leading a workshop on the subject.

A final benefit will be the access I had to more of Drummond's recorded preaching. Most of what I currently have in my possession is mostly academic lecture and a few seminary chapel addresses. Being able to access other samples of Drummond's evangelistic preaching on the field will be an asset to my dissertation.

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**Rebecca Davis****Professor of History, University of Delaware**

My week at the Billy Graham Center Archives proved tremendously helpful to the research I am engaged in about the history of religious conversion and ideas of the "self" in the post-World War II United States. My original intention had been to devote my week in the archives to the papers of Charles Colson in an effort to trace responses to his bestselling book, *Born Again* (1976). I was particularly keen to read correspondence from readers of the book. In addition, I

was eager to find any trace of the engagement between Eldridge Cleaver and Charles Colson. Cleaver, a former leader in the Black Panther Party based in Oakland, California, had spent much of his youth and young adulthood in and out of prison. In 1968 he fled the country to evade charges of parole violation. After he returned to the United States in 1975 (and began a prison term), he announced that he had been born again. Like Colson, he wrote a memoir of his religious journey, *Soul on Fire*, and also like Colson, whose film adaptation of *Born Again* was released in 1978, Cleaver also authorized a film adaptation of his book, which became *The Eldridge Cleaver Story*. I wanted to trace their public appearances (they made several together, and from Cleaver's papers, I knew that they had corresponded) and to understand as best I could the degree to which Colson served as a mentor or supporter for Cleaver during his years of most fervent engagement with evangelical Protestantism. (By the early 1980s Cleaver was a follower of the Rev. Moon and also announced his conversion to Mormonism.) Finally, I wanted to see if Colson's papers might shed light on how Cleaver's own experiences of incarceration shaped his response to Colson's Prison Fellowship Ministry.

With guidance from the archivists, I expanded my research beyond the Charles Colson Collection [[Collection 275](#)] and the Prison Fellowship Ministries Collection [[Collection 274](#)] to include the papers of Christianity Today International [[Collection 8](#)], Robert O. Ferm [[Collection 19](#)], Grady Baxter Wilson [[Collection 544](#)], Harold Lindsell [[Collection 192](#)], and Wesley G. Pippert [in Buswell Library's Special collections, not a part of BGC Archives].

From the Charles Colson Papers I was able to learn a great deal about the production and editing of *Born Again*, the marketing and promotional campaign that set Colson on a long book tour, and the myriad published book reviews that are compiled in these papers. To my surprise, while I found very little in the way of reader responses to the book, I located dozens of handwritten and typed letters from 1974 from Americans who had learned from news reports about Colson's born-again conversion and wished him well as he faced sentencing in the Watergate investigation. In these letters, many people shared their own conversion stories. This kind of primary source evidence will be extremely helpful to me as I write my book.

The Christianity Today International papers included one folder of interest to me, with correspondence to and from Billy Zeoli, a Michigan-based evangelical leader and film producer. (He was also credited with Gerald Ford's conversion.) His film company, Gospel Films, Inc., produced the film version of Cleaver's conversion book, so I was eager to learn as much about him as possible.

The Grady Baxter Wilson Papers included more correspondence with Billy Zeoli. It also contained some correspondence with Art DeMoss, another figure about whom little is known but who played a key role in Cleaver's story. While Cleaver was imprisoned in California in 1976, word got out to the general public that he had been born again. Art DeMoss, who ran a successful life insurance business in Valley Forge, Pennsylvania, read these news stories and decided to post Cleaver's \$100,000 bail. He secured Cleaver's release in August and provided Cleaver with personal introductions to Colson, Billy Graham, and other evangelical leaders. While I did not find any correspondence directly related to DeMoss's concern for Cleaver, I found some letters from earlier years to help me document his role in national evangelical circles, his outreach to other evangelical leaders through his business, and his family.

The Harold Lindsell Papers similarly contained one folder about Art DeMoss with a copy of his 1979 family newsletter, which he wrote and circulated shortly before his sudden death that August.

The Prison Fellowship Ministries Papers proved absolutely essential to my broader

understanding of the film production of *Born Again* and its city-by-city promotional tour. I consulted files with financial statements from the film's opening, its promotional materials, and reviews. I learned that the film had been directed by a secular director and produced by a secular production company in the hope of reaching a broad national audience, but that it had principally found success with Christian audiences. I also learned that Prison Fellowship dedicated the Art DeMoss building as an office for their work, in 1985.

The Robert O. Ferm papers offered fascinating information about evangelical conversions in the 1950s and 1960s. Ferm was involved in studying conversion on behalf of the Billy Graham organization. He wanted to know how many people converted at or as a direct result of the Billy Graham Crusades, and how many of those conversions "stuck." He circulated surveys to converts and analyzed the responses. While Billy Graham and his crusades are not the central subjects of my research project, I am very interested in the many first-person accounts of conversion contained in this collection. Given how profoundly Billy Graham shaped twentieth century American evangelicalism, these accounts of individuals who felt their lives transformed through his guidance will help me interpret the spiritual journeys of Colson and Cleaver in the 1970s.

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**Aaron Griffith**  
**Ph.D. candidate, Duke Divinity School**

A generous grant from the Torrey M. Johnson, Sr. Scholarship Fund allowed me to travel to the Billy Graham Center Archives for three days to conduct research for my book project, entitled *American Law and Gospel: Evangelicals in the Age of Mass Incarceration*. My project, which is an expansion of my doctoral dissertation, examines the history of American evangelical Christian involvement in prison ministry, prison reform, and criminal justice in the twentieth century.

As I was completing my dissertation, I knew that I wanted to include more details about two topics before I published my work as a book: the history of African-American Christian evangelism among prisoners, and the complicated relationship of prison ministries to law enforcement leaders and organizations. The Torrey M. Johnson, Sr. research grant allowed me to explore several collections at the Billy Graham Center on these topics. I was able to look at the records and papers of Consuella York [[Collection 397](#)]. "Mother York," as she was known, was an African-American evangelist at Chicago's Cook County Jail. She became a popular figure in the 1970s-80s after several news organizations ran stories and features on her and her ministry. During my research I found two items of particular relevance to my project. First, I saw several letters and cards that inmates had sent to Mother York. They were effusive in their praise for her. This was particularly significant because it is very difficult to track the responses of inmates to prison ministry efforts. These materials showed that Mother York was someone who was appreciated by prisoners; though she was a woman in an all-male facility, she was trusted, listened to, and beloved. Second, the collection contained several remarkable photographs of Mother York ministering among inmates. They contained scenes of her preaching and ministering to individual inmates, literally reaching through the bars to grasp prisoners' hands. It is rare to see photographs of Christian work inside prisons, much less ones of this quality and power.

Next, the Torrey M. Johnson, Sr. Scholarship afforded me the opportunity to examine the papers of Tom Skinner [[Collection 430](#)]. Skinner was known as "Harlem's Billy Graham" for his evangelistic work in New York City, and later became famous for his public calls for social justice

and racial reconciliation in tandem with evangelization. Skinner also discussed crime issues, sometimes harshly critiquing white evangelicals in his speeches for what he saw as their misplaced confidence in “law and order” politics. I discussed this latter point some in my dissertation, but I wanted to probe it further with reference to Skinner’s evangelistic work. In looking at collection at the archive I discovered that Skinner actually had prison ministers on his staff during the 1970s and that he sought out partnerships with other prominent prison ministers at the time, such as Ray Hoekstra. This information provides an interesting backdrop to his warnings against putting faith in “law and order” politics, an unusual combination that provides evidence that concerns about prison ministry and criminal justice reform were not mutually exclusive (as some critics of evangelical prison ministries have maintained).

Lastly, I was able to examine records relating to International Prison Ministries [[Collection 320](#)], led by Ray Hoekstra (or, as he was more commonly known, “Chaplain Ray”). I wrote about IPM and Chaplain Ray some in my dissertation, but there were several items related to his ministry at the archive that I had not yet seen and that I knew I would need to consult. Chaplain Ray is one of the understudied figures in American prison ministry. While most scholars and journalists have focused on Charles Colson, contemporary prison evangelists will often remark that Chaplain Ray was a primary inspiration for them as they entered prison work. His radio broadcasts and small paperback books were a regular feature of religious life in American prisons. I spent most of my time with this collection examining two items, a radio broadcast Chaplain Ray did with a Dallas sheriff, and a film that he produced on women’s prisons. Both are very significant for my research. The former provided a look at how prison ministers and law enforcement officials thought about their relationship, common goals, and occasional tensions, while the second gave me a needed perspective on how evangelicals thought about ministering to women in prison (most prison ministry writing is male-focused).

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**Patrick O’Grady**  
**Ph.D. candidate, University of Michigan**

The purpose of my trip to the Billy Graham Center Archive was to determine what, if any role the global evangelical movement played during Chile’s military government under Augusto Pinochet from 1973 to 1990. In other historical case studies, there exists a very clear link between some evangelical groups in the United States providing support for pro-military government groups throughout Latin America. In addition, there were a large number of United States-based religious groups opposing the host of human rights violations that occurred in the region. In the case of Chile, however, many historians’ investigations of religion emphasize the role of the Catholic Church, largely ignoring the prominent role evangelical Christians have played in Chile in the past and continue to play today. During my trip, I wanted to answer a series of analytical questions to the documentary source base. Namely, I wanted to know what role prominent North American evangelists like Billy Graham played in Chile during the military government.

Prior to my visit to the Billy Graham Center Archives, I had spent some time in Chile investigating the role of the Catholic Church during the Pinochet dictatorship. During that research trip, I also examined the periodical publications of Chilean evangelical churches, among them *Chile Pentecostal*, *La Voz Pentecostal*, and *El Cristiano*. These publications clearly demonstrate a close link between Chilean evangelical protestant leaders and the military government. Given the extensive connections between the United States government and the Chile’s military government of the 1970s and 1980s, I surmised prior to my visit to the Billy

Graham Center Archives that a connection likely existed between cultural and religious figures in the United States and Chile.

My time in the archive revealed that such a connection did exist, however not in the way that I expected. The lines of communication between the Billy Graham Evangelical Association and various pro-military government protestant churches in Chile were open, but most of the communication went from Chile to the United States, not the other way around. For example, most compelling for my research was a letter from the Iglesia Metodista Pentecostal de Chile inviting Billy Graham to Chile for a crusade ([CN 580](#), Box 76, Folder 14). In the letter addressed to Dr. Graham, Gustavo Navarrete exclaims that Chile had recently been saved from global communism by the hand of God. Part and parcel of the communist threat, according to the letter, was the Catholic Church. This divine intervention referred to in the letter (written in November of 1974) is a reference to the military coup of September 11, 1973 that brought Augusto Pinochet to power. The letter repeatedly praises the new military government and highlights the extent to which evangelical groups had connections with Augusto Pinochet. Nevertheless, the Billy Graham Evangelical Association politely declined the invitation on the grounds of having received invitations for crusades from six other Latin American nations. One could take the decline of the invitation at face value; however, I suspect more is at play. At the time of the writing of the letter, Chile had one of the highest percentages of evangelicals among its population of any Latin American nation. This evangelical population was also rapidly growing. While more research will be needed on this topic, likely in Chilean archives, I believe Dr. Graham's declining of the invitation is representative of his relative political moderation that he would become famous for in later decades in the face of organizations like the Moral Majority. The letter also speaks to the relative autonomy of the Chilean evangelical movement from United States-based forces. Other documents in the archive revealed to me the extent of the network of protestant schools and seminaries in Chile, which I plan to examine further during my next research trip to Chile. As such, my trip to the Billy Graham Center Archives provided multiple avenues for further research. The various letters and school records sent from Chilean protestant groups to the Billy Graham Evangelical Association provided a helpful list of names and addresses that will enable me to further my investigations of the nature of the rise of evangelicalism in Chile.

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**Marcus Schoof**  
**Ph.D. candidate, Ohio State University**

It is with happiness that I can relate that my research trip to the Billy Graham Center last week was of great usefulness to my dissertation. Thanks to the generous support through the Torrey M. Johnson Research Grant, I now find myself in the possession of hundreds of electronic copies of sources that spell out the remarkable missionary activities of Southern Baptists and Presbyterians in twentieth century Brazil.

More than anything, my time in Wheaton allowed me to zone in on the 1974 Billy Graham Crusade in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. Here, over two hundred thousand Brazilians and evangelical believers from all over the world congregated for several days to spread and listen to the good news of the gospel. According to the sources I obtained, it might have been the largest evangelical campaign in the history of the Western Hemisphere. Fittingly, I was fortunate to both read and listen to interviews that Billy Graham gave for the occasion [[Collections 24, 345](#)]. The preparations, I learned, were staggering. Dozens of letters were also available at the archives that spelled out overly positive reactions of the evangelical community in Latin America and the United States. Beyond that, I obtained close insights into the extensive letter correspondence of

Southern Baptist and Presbyterian missionaries who served in Brazil—to a point that it revealed their thoughts and actions more intimately than source I have been able to find in Brazil per se! [Collections [17](#), [627](#), [646](#), among others]

Truly, my research at the BGC archives was of great significance for my dissertation and I hope it will find itself into the book that I endeavor to publish after my graduation.

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**David St. Cyr**  
**Independent Scholar**

I arrived in Chicago for the purpose of building upon my thesis and potential book pertaining to the friendship of Billy Graham and John Stott for five wonderful days in Wheaton at the Billy Graham Center. The topic of this project centers on Rev. Graham and Rev. Stott, that despite their differences in upbringing, background, cultures, familial relations, and even denominations followed a parallel track of becoming two of the uniting leaders for evangelicals worldwide. This track centered on evangelism and led to the formation of a strong global Evangelical Community being united for the later half of the 20<sup>th</sup> Century in particular through the Lausanne movement, but also through the crusades they led, organizations they built, and publications they wrote. However, it was not just their accomplishments but their unique friendship and mutual respect of each other that I believe helped propel them into these positions as ‘Evangelical Fathers’ who united the evangelical community from across the globe. Through the funding of the grant, I was able to look through the personal letters and correspondence between Graham and Stott and discovered their deep and abiding respect for each other [Collections [46](#), [580](#), [590](#)]. This friendship lasted even through differing opinions and disagreements, which I find is a rarity these days to disagree with someone politically, theologically, or ideologically and remain close friends. I was also able to go through photographs of their various crusades, listen to a number of messages that they gave, as well as oral interviews of other great Evangelicals perspectives on each of their character as well as commitment to the gospel and making disciples. The outcome of the research was an immense sense of gratitude for these men in the work for the gospel that they accomplished in their lifetimes, but even more so how their great influence did not hinder nor affect their sincerity and humility as servants of Jesus Christ.

What I most hopeful for however, is that others might see these two men in a new light and that this research will encourage them to build strong friendships out of mutual love and respect, in turn inspiring them evangelize to the next generation. This may take different forms be it through personal evangelism to friends, meeting in prayer groups, being held accountable to abide in the Holy Spirit, or to be creatively moved by Stott or Graham’s example to become the next evangelist, theologian, preacher, or priest. From the current trend evangelicals fracturing, my ultimate hope would be a reversal and returned focus on the Gospel and Scripture to rebuild the global evangelical unity that these two men created amongst millions across the globe.

## ACQUISITIONS



**Papers of Merrill Dunlop, as they were received from his son, David.**

A large part of the Archives' endeavor has always been dedicated to preserving and making available the documents of Billy Graham's life and impact. This work continues, and we received documents from the beginning and very end of his ministry during 2018. The Montreat office sent twelve wire recordings from Graham's 1949 Los Angeles meetings that had been found in his desk after he died, and a briefing book for his last evangelistic meeting in 2005. The Archives also received from a variety of sources, programs, video, and other ephemera from his funeral service in Charlotte, North Carolina, on March 2, 2018.

Other seeds planted many years ago came to fruition in 2018. Merv Rosell (1919-2001) and Merrill Dunlop (1905-2002) had had somewhat parallel lives. Both had been active in the early days of Youth for Christ. Both were independent evangelists with ministries in many countries as well as the United States. Both were also accomplished musicians and composers. Archives staff had talked with both men repeatedly (with Rosell starting in 1976 and with Dunlop starting in 1977) about putting their papers in the Archives. After each man had died, the staff had continued the contact with their families. All these contacts over the years resulted in donations in 2018, large and valuable accumulations of the papers, films, audio recordings, scrapbooks, and other documents. Each of these dual acquisitions illustrate 20th century Protestant Evangelicalism as well documenting two long and active lives of ministry.

But these were hardly the only riches received during the year. The BGEA sent many shipments. These included the general correspondence and the subject files of Billy Graham, extensively illustrating his work, outreach, and influence over his entire ministry. There were also large shipments of the papers of men who were Graham's important associates, including Cliff

Barrows and George Beverly Shea, who had been the other members with Graham in an evangelism trio that had lasted an unprecedented sixty years. Also received were hundreds of transcripts of interviews done by John Pollock, Graham's authorized biographer. Toward the end of the year, Archives staff recorded several hours of oral history interviews with John Innes, who first began his ministry of playing the piano and organ at Billy Graham crusades in 1962.

There were many other accessions through the year, fragments that illustrated the many aspects of evangelistic outreach: foreign missions, work among the homeless, the development and change of evangelistic institutions, and the tribulations and joys of individuals as they shared their faith and planted churches. Oral history interviews during the year, besides with John Innes mentioned above, also described the life of the church in the United States, England, Argentina, Bolivia, Mexico, Cambodia, Sri Lanka, and the Philippines. Some of the more significant of these 2018 accessions are listed below.



**Bob, student worker Nathan Palladino, and David Jarzyna of the BGEA with 11 of the 30+ boxes of Subject Files shipped to the Archives from Montreat, North Carolina, with processing them commencing later in the year.**

## Acquisitions Statistics

	'80-'89	'90-'99	'00-'09	'10-'15	'16	'17	'18	Total '80-'18
<b>BGEA accessions</b>	347	222	122	23	3	7	10	734
<b>Non-BGEA accessions</b>	1,234	1,059	574	318	44	44	43	3,316
<b>Totals</b>	1,581	1,281	696	341	47	51	53	4,050
<b>BGEA volume</b>	4,436	2,062	1,012	352	1	28	107	7,998
<b>Non-BGEA volume</b>	2,383	1,633	1,084	607	83	108	123	6,021
<b>Totals</b>	6,819	3,695	2,096	959	84	136	230	14,019

## Notes:

- BGEA is an abbreviation for Billy Graham Evangelistic Association
- Average for accessions shows the average number of accessions per year (rounded off to the nearest whole number)
- Average for accession volume shows the average volume of accessions in cubic feet per year (rounded off to the nearest whole number)

The average volume of an accession in 2018 was 4.34 cubic feet. The average volume of a BGEA accession was 10.7 cubic feet. The average volume of a non-BGEA accession was 2.86 cubic feet.

## Select List of Acquisitions

### Billy Graham

- Programs, moving image recordings, and other ephemera from Rev. Graham's funeral, 2018
- Miscellaneous papers, CDs, DVDs, songbooks, phonograph records, sheet music of Cliff Barrows, 1946-2017
- Photos, clipping, and tracts from the 1960 Venezuela campaign
- Correspondence between Billy and Ruth Graham and Earl and Mary Ann Mooney, 1965-2005
- From the Montreat office: files of *Christianity Today* magazine, L. Nelson Bell, John Pollock, 1917-2018
- Briefing book for Billy Graham's last campaign, the 2005 New York City meetings
- From the Montreat Office: General Correspondence files, 1962-1972; Subject files, 1955-2018
- Wire recordings from the 1948 Christ for Greater Los Angeles Campaign
- Video of a television interview with Ruth Graham, 1991
- Papers of Harvey Thomas, BGEA staff member involved in evangelistic campaigns in England and Australia, as well as the 1971 European evangelism congress, the 1974 Lausanne Congress, and Eurofest, 1954-2004

### Evangelism

- Video and audio recordings and papers from Leighton Ford Ministries, 1991-2015
- Transcripts, correspondence, recordings and other material relating to Elisabeth Elliot's radio program, *Gateway to Joy*, 1959-2012
- Papers of evangelist Luis Palau, 1948-2015
- Records of George Beverly Shea, 1950-2010
- Papers of evangelist and musician Merv Rosell, 1923-2001
- Paper of evangelist and musician Merrill Dunlop, 1916-2002
- Scrapbooks and papers of David Mainse, Canadian evangelist and media personality; 1938-2012

### Missions

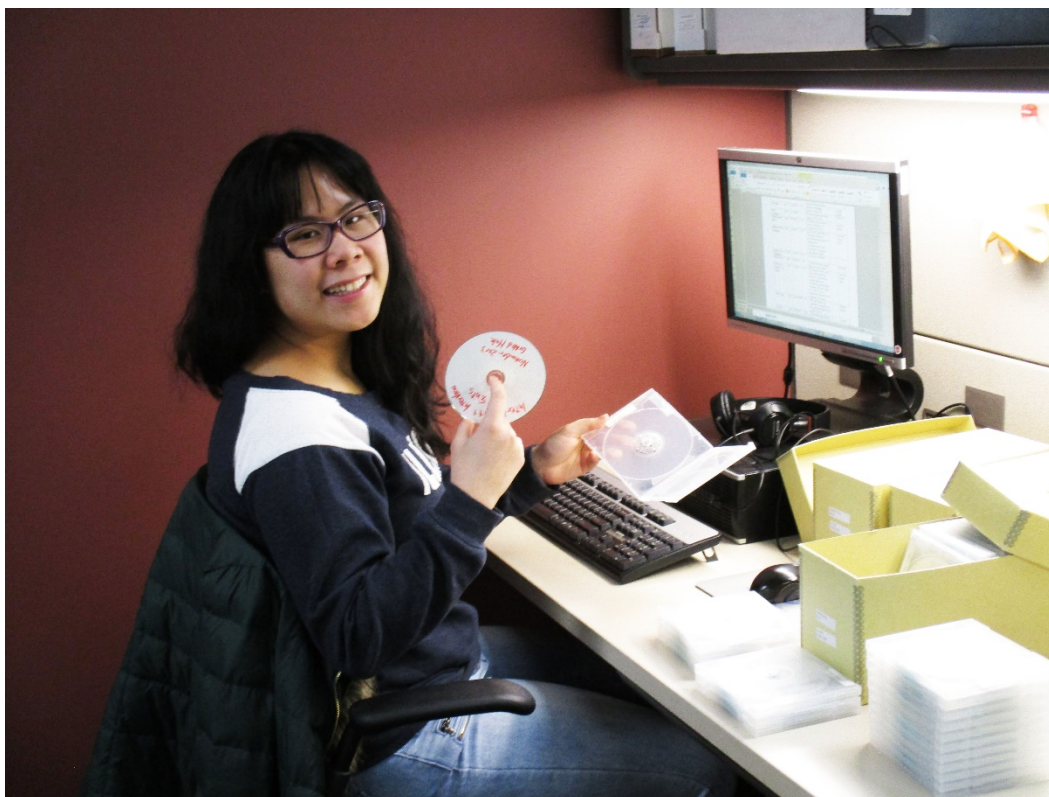
- Documents about the work of the Washington Street Mission among the homeless and destitute in Springfield, Illinois, 1922-1925
- Diaries, correspondence about Linda Panci's musical ministry with Youth with a Mission in France, 1966-1984
- Home movies of the Downing family from Africa Inland Mission's Rift Valley Academy, 1937-1953
- Papers of Margaret Hughell, Africa Inland Mission worker in the Sudan, Kenya and Congo, 1988-2018
- Photo album of John Allen, AIM worker in Kenya, 1948-1955
- Diary of missionary to China Rosalind Goforth, 1888
- Papers of Robert Savage, worker with Youth for Christ and radio station HCJB in Ecuador, 1938-1993
- Letters and documents of Robert Glover, director of China Inland Mission's North American branch, 1915-1926



## Oral History Interviews

- Elisa Chinn about her life as staff worker with InterVarsity Christian Fellowship in the Philippines and InterVarsity in the United States
- John Innes about his 40+ years with the BGEA and the development of the Association's music program
- Amira Mina about her life growing up in Egypt and providing counseling and humanitarian assistance in England, Greece, and Cambodia
- Nathan Somanathan about his and his father's experiences as ministers in Sri Lanka and the development of Christianity in that country
- Douglas Stewart about his work in Latin America as a staff worker of the International Fellowship of Evangelical Students (IFES) in Argentina, Bolivia, and primarily Mexico, and the history generally of the IFES in Latin America

## PROCESSING



**Student worker Hannah Ting helping to list and describe the InterVarsity oral history interviews in the IVCF records ([Collection 300](#)).**

*Processing—the activities of accessioning, arranging, describing, and properly storing archival materials.*

Processing was “in process” for two major collections in 2018, both of which are rich with a broad range of material for Protestant Evangelical global history in the 20th century. The International Fellowship of Evangelical Students (IFES) is an association of national ministries to university and college students on six continents. These materials in the hundreds of boxes in this collection document not only the work of the IFES, but the institutional and theological developments in Evangelical Protestantism around the globe, as well as the careers of many significant leaders. Processing on it was begun in 2017 and continued all through 2018. The staff hope that it will be available to researchers by the end of 2019.

A second major project was the Subject Files of the BGEA’s Montreat Office, Billy Graham’s personal office. When Billy Graham accumulated a significant amount of correspondence with a particular person or organization or on a particular topic, the staff in his office in Montreat, North Carolina, would pull these from the General Correspondence files and put them into the alphabetically-arranged Subject File. The 96 boxes of correspondence, news clippings, memos, and other documents, ranging from the 1940s to the 2000s, will be a subseries in [Collection 580](#), the records of the Montreat Office. Again, the staff worked on these for a good part of 2018 and continue to do so in 2019.

Some processing was completed in 2018. This included oral history interviews and transcripts of more than 180 oral history interviews conducted between 2005 and 2017 of staff members of

InterVarsity Christian Fellowship on the United States. These interviews were conducted and transcribed by InterVarsity staff (not by the Archives staff), led by Ned Hale, who also did most of the interviewing. The recordings and transcripts give an internal view of the beginnings and development of one of the major Evangelical institutions in the United States. The years covered in these interviews range from the late 1930s right up to the present. See the [description of these interviews](#).

Henry Holley was a BGEA staff member for more than fifty years. For most of that time, he was Billy Graham's primary point man for making arrangements for BGEA evangelistic meetings in Asia, as well as handling a variety of special assignments for both Billy and Franklin Graham. His files were added to [Collection 17](#), which now includes [a description of them](#).

Also processed and open to use this year were a small collection of Evangelism posters ([Collection 706](#)), and three oral history interviews with:

- Dravan Glavas of Croatia ([Collection 554](#))
- Willie Richardson ([Collection 555](#))
- Joseph Jeter ([Collection 532](#)).

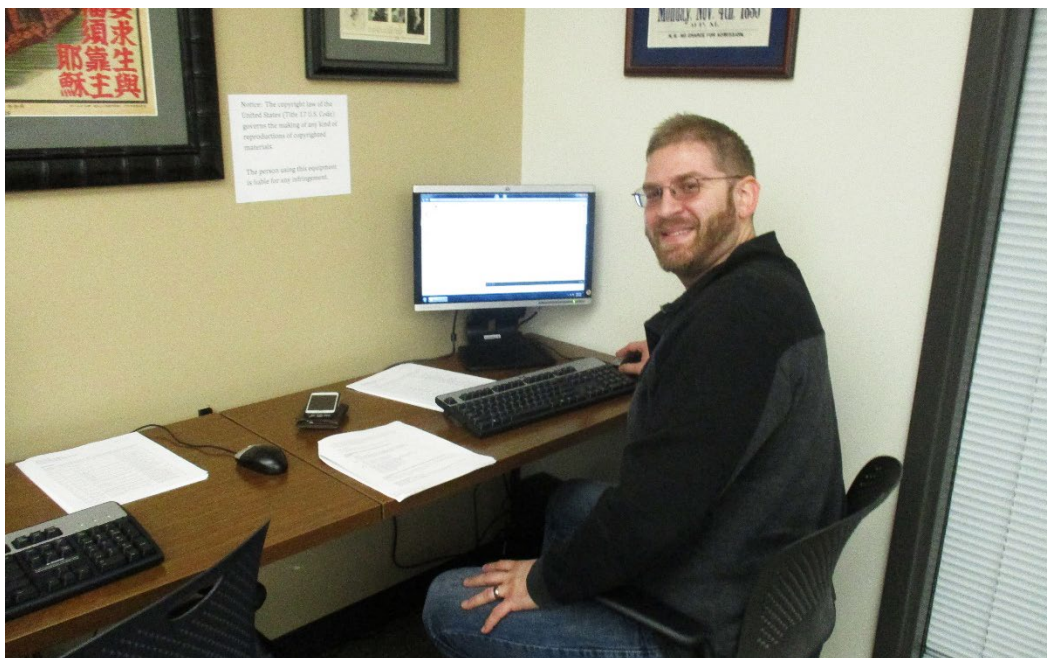
The latter two both had pastoral and evangelistic ministries in the Philadelphia area.

Significant documents from the beginning and end of Graham's ministry were made available in 2018. The program and other material from his March 2018 funeral service were added to [Collection 15](#). Wire recordings from the 1949 Christ for Greater Los Angeles campaign, which first brought Graham national fame, were added to [Collection 26](#), digitized, and put online as part of the [Big Tent exhibit](#).

Throughout the year, the staff digitized 394 audio recordings in-house, while 33 films were converted to digital form by a local vendor (the cost for the outside vendor was usually borne by one of the Archives' patrons).

Finally, 35 oral history interviews from 16 different collections—all conducted by the Archives staff—were transcribed throughout the year and most were put online. These represented almost 40 hours of audio tape and 698 pages of written text.

## TWO EXCEPTIONAL NEW COLLECTIONS



**The first researcher to use the VIP notebooks in November was Wheaton College graduate student Alex Callaway.**

In 2018, the Archives opened two very large and significant collections documenting the life and ministry of Billy Graham.

In March, one month after Rev. Graham passed away, [Collection 580](#), the files of the Montreat Office of the BGEA were made available for use by the public. Montreat, North Carolina, was Graham's home for about three quarters of a century and also the site of his office where he prayed, studied, wrote, and prepared for his evangelistic campaigns. Through his office there, he also oversaw the staff and many activities of the BGEA, which had its main headquarters in Minneapolis, Minnesota. The collection documents these administrative activities. In fact, the records go back to 1943, before there was a BGEA, with two boxes of records from Graham's years as pastor of the Village Church in Western Springs, Illinois, and his years as a field worker and vice president of Youth for Christ. The rest of the hundreds of boxes in the collection deal with Graham as the leader of the BGEA, illustrating both his administrative style and methods and the development of the organization over six decades. For the past ten years, the Archives staff has been accessioning portions of the files, sent yearly from Montreat. Three hundred and sixteen boxes have been arranged and described and the staff is continuing to work on other sets of files to add to the collection. In addition, the BGEA office in Montreat is continuing to send more boxes of files from the Billy Graham era of the BGEA. The collection is essential for understanding Graham and American and international Protestant Evangelicalism and will probably be expanding yearly for many years to come. At the initial opening of the collection, there was a 30-year restriction on most of the folders, meaning that folders with material more recent than 1987 were closed. In December, the BGEA (which owns the materials) changed the restriction to 20 years, so most material dated before 1998 are now open. The [descriptive guide](#) is available online.



**From 2015: Staff who scanned the VIP notebooks at the end of the project. Left to right: Student worker Johana Martinez, Archivist Bob Shuster, Archival Coordinator Marla Matthews, student worker Richard Ndekezi**

In November, on November 7th (Billy Graham's birthday), a second major collection was opened. [Collection 685](#) contains digital copies of what was called in the Montreat Office the VIP notebooks. In these were stored letters, notes on phone conversations, programs of events, and other documents on Graham's direct contacts with numerous figures, most notably U.S. Presidents from Harry S. Truman through Barack Obama, as well as with popes, prime ministers, royalty, and other heads of state. (Other files, documenting contacts between BGEA staff and presidential staffs, can be found in [Collection 580](#).) The notebooks were loaned by the BGEA to the Archives in 2014 and the staff made digital copies of 11,380 of documents, completing the scanning in 2015. The originals were then returned to the BGEA in North Carolina and the digital copies were processed and described to be used by researchers at the Archives. The collection was closed during Rev. Graham's lifetime, but he wished them to be available after his death. A few items have special restrictions, but almost all the material has a 30-year restriction, meaning that documents from 1988 or earlier are already open. The unrestricted digital copies are stored on three computers in the Archives Reading Room and researchers are welcome to come, browse the notebooks, and print out interesting material. (Restrictions that expire at the end of each year will result in more documents being opened with each passing year. The [descriptive guide](#) is also available online.

## THE YEAR IN PICTURES

### January



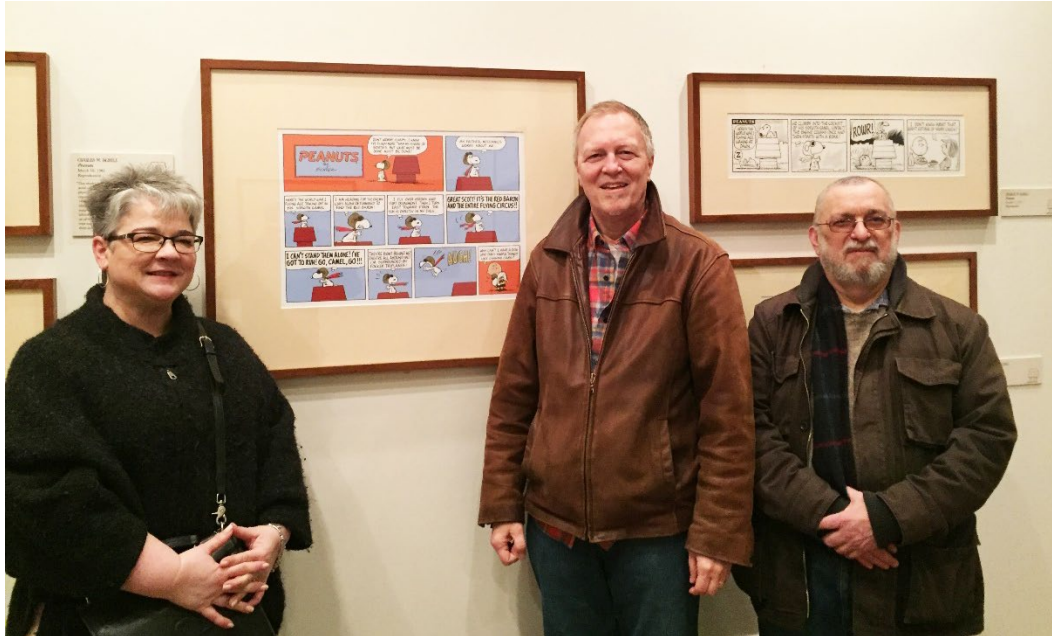
**Bob instructing an East Asian History class in the use of Archives collections.**

### February



**Katherine preparing a sampling of Archives' documents to accompany the BGC Museum's Billy Graham memorial photograph display, installed shortly after Graham's death on February 21.**

### March



**Robyn, Paul, and Bob during a staff outing to a local display of Charles Schultz's Red Baron *Peanuts* cartoons. (Katherine is behind the camera.)**

### April



**Students from Dr. Jennifer McNutt's Missions Historiography class using primary sources for an in-class exercise.**

## May



**Descendants of gospel singer and composer Ira Sankey looking through the small Sankey collection in the Archives.**

## June



**Guests from the Lausanne Movement's North America regional gathering enjoying a display in the BGC Museum, featuring Lausanne-related documents and collections, especially prepared for their inspiration.**

## July



**Paul (right) with Woody McLendon of JAARS during a tour of the BGC Museum's Billy Graham memorial photographs exhibit. McLendon was visiting to discuss starting an archives for JAARS.**



**Bob with Garth and Jan Rosell at the Center loading dock after they had driven from Massachusetts with the papers of their father, Merv Rosell.**

## August



**Paul (left) and Bob (right) with Kerri and David Bruce of the BGEA. David is the BGEA's key liaison to the Archives, while Kerri oversees the collection of artifacts and documents at the Billy Graham Library.**

## September



**Dr. Edith Blumhofer addresses the audience gathered for her lecture for the 11<sup>th</sup> Archival Research Lecture.**



**Bob converting a wire recording to a digital file. The wire recording, one of several of Billy Graham's 1949 evangelistic campaign, was added by the BGEA to the collection.**

### October



**Contractors installing a window in the Archival Seminar Room, newly outfitted with updated digital equipment and soundproofed, where archivists provide instruction to faculty and classes in using primary sources using Archives' collections.**

## December



**Staff, family, and guests enjoying the Archives' annual Christmas party.**



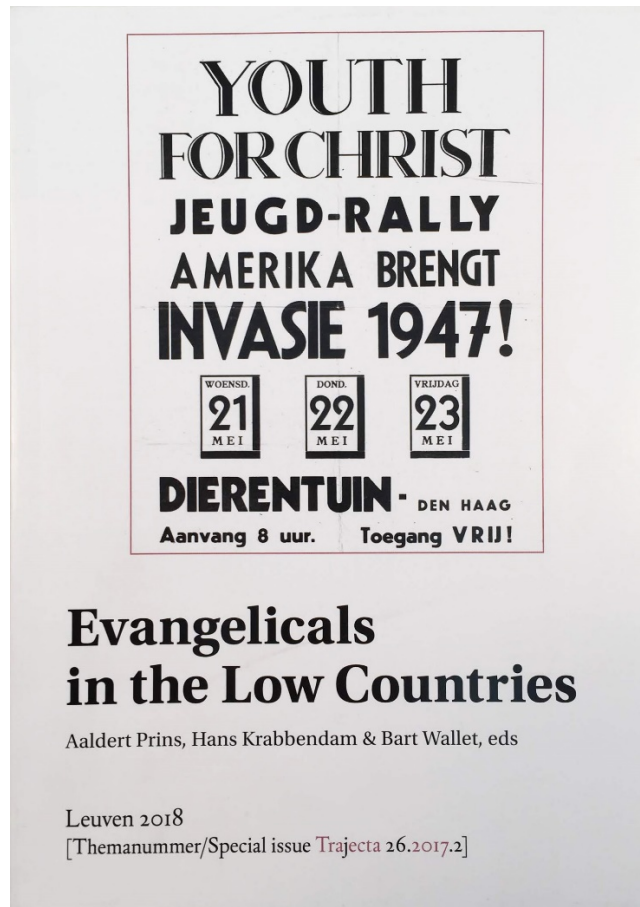
**A full Reading Room closed out the year as researchers completed projects.**



**The final acquisition of the year, two trunks of documents sent to the Archives from one of the BGEA's representatives in Great Britain.**

## ARCHIVAL HARVEST

Selected Books, Dissertations, and Other  
Products Based on Recent Research in the Archives



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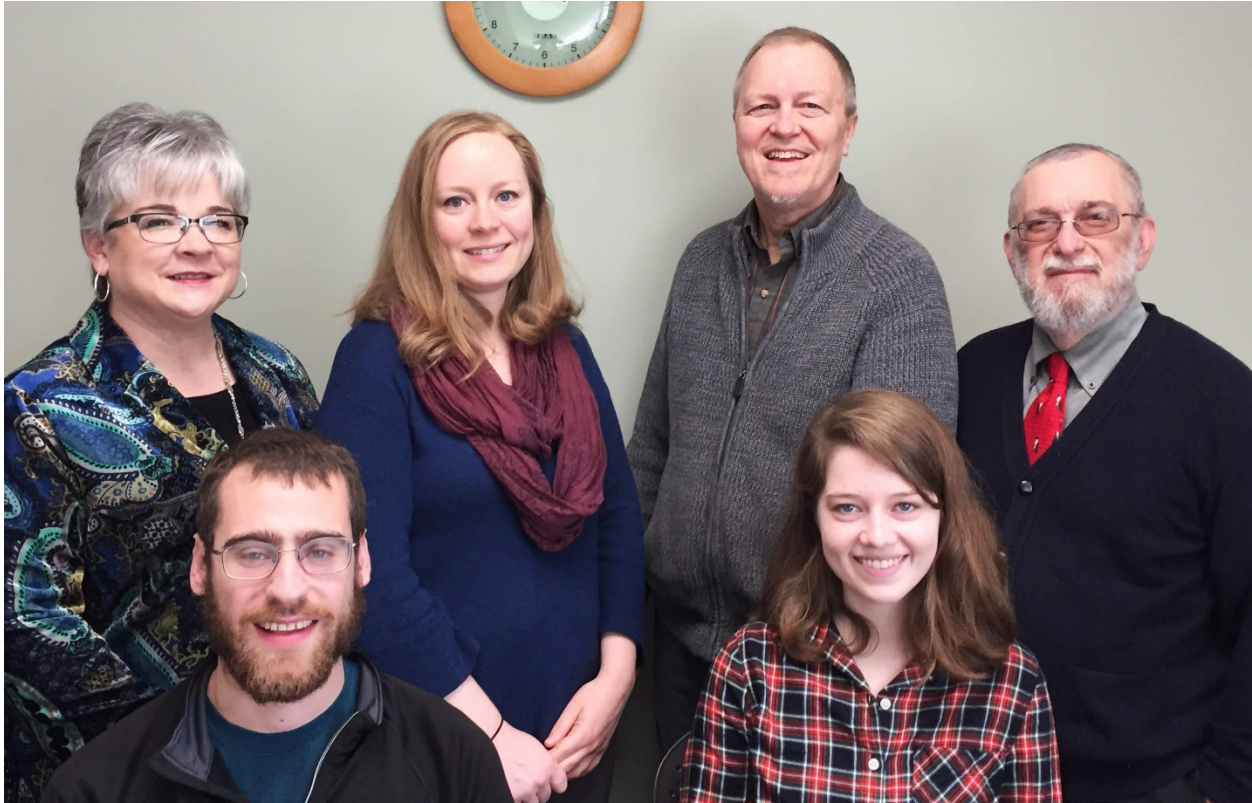
<p><b>January</b></p>	<p><i>Thanks very much for your quick response and willingness to send along a copy of the interview. Hearing his voice again meant a lot to my family and me, so having this recording in our possession will certainly bring continued comfort. I appreciate your thoughtfulness and consideration.</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Message from an online visitor who requested access to oral history interviews the Archives staff had done with a family member</p>
<p><b>February</b></p>	<p><i>Yesterday, because of the last-minute invite to “Chicago Tonight”, I only had a few minutes and a crazy lunch. Because of your expertise and care I was able to read and show a portion of Billy Graham’s first sermon [actually a copy of Graham’s 1941 sermon, “Strange Things”]. Please accept my heartfelt thanks for your immediate assistance.</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Email from the Wheaton College Chaplain</p> <p><i>I was particularly interested in the sermon notes for the July 20th Yankee Stadium sermon and would be thankful if you could send me the pdf for my personal use. It is a powerful, straight forward and totally biblical message that is sorely missed in the NA churches today. I was just preparing a message on choices and when I saw Billy deliver this on YouTube it resonated powerfully with me.</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Message from a researcher who found the Archives’ <a href="#">Billy Graham Sermon Database</a></p> <p><i>I thank you most sincerely for the copious and very helpful reply below. This is a tremendous aid to my research into William Borden’s life and legacy, and I am greatly indebted to you.</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Email from a researcher requesting information on William Borden from <a href="#">Collection 215: Records of Overseas Missionary Fellowship</a></p>
<p><b>March</b></p>	<p><i>Thank you so much for those dates and that clipping. I vaguely remember attending the 1956 rally. I was nearly 10 at the time and my parents were part of the 1,000 voice choir. My parents loved to hear George Beverly Shea sing. My dad was the Cliff Barrows (song leader/choir director) in our church.</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Email from a researcher studying Billy Graham’s Honolulu Crusade</p>

	<p><i>Thank you so much for forwarding this photo. I believe that all of my grandfather's children including my mother (Virginia E. Stough, class of 1936) graduated from Wheaton. My father (Rev. Calvin Busch) also graduated in 1936. I have quite a few photos of my grandfather, but did not know of this one. Thank you so much.</i></p> <p>Message from an online visitor who requested a family photo from the Archives</p>
<b>April</b>	<p><i>Wow! Thank you so much Bob! Those files you sent have literally blown my mind! I've been a missionary in Uganda the last 9 years and when I read that I realized I'm doing almost the same thing as my great great, great aunt did for 49 years in neighboring Kenya! God is just amazing. Thank you so much! I do believe Gordon and Dorothy are also relatives! Any more I can learn about my relatives that went before me in missions would be an amazing heritage to know. God bless you and thank you for all the help!</i></p> <p>Message from a missionary in Uganda seeking information from <a href="#">Collection 81: Records of Africa Inland Mission</a></p> <p><i>Thank you so very much for your reply as well as for its quickness. The one picture of Lane Adams preaching in my high school football field is just perfect for the display along with the other two attachments. I was so excited to receive them that, I confess, I opened the attachments before reading your email, so expecting a second picture of the crusade, the picture of my father was a surprise. Billy Graham was just part of our Christian upbringing! Thank you for preserving Billy Graham's legacy.</i></p> <p>Email from a researcher looking for information on Billy Graham's Greater Pensacola Crusade</p>
<b>May</b>	<p><i>Thank you so much! This is a treasure to me, as I thought I had every document on J.O. Fraser there was to be had.</i></p> <p>Message from a scholar researching CIM missionary J.O. Fraser</p>
<b>July</b>	<p><i>Thanks so much for all your help during my archive trip. I'm grateful for the Torrey scholarship and all the work that you and everyone at the archives do. I've been to a lot of archives for my dissertation/book research, and y'all are definitely my favorite!</i></p> <p>Email from a visiting PhD student, who received a Torrey Johnson Research Grant from the Archives to support his research</p>

	<p><i>Thank you so much for all your assistance in my research at the archives-- both in preparation for my visit and during my week at the archives. Thanks to your recommendations, I was able to review collections I would not have considered--such as the China Inland Mission and the Africa Inland Mission. It was so terrific to come the first day and have everything ready and waiting for me. I especially appreciate the extra time you spent with me preparing the films for viewing. Thank you again for all your support and efforts on behalf of my research. It was a wonderful visit thanks to all your contributions.</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;">Email message from PhD student, completing a dissertation on evangelical mission films</p> <p><i>I wanted to thank you for taking the time to set me up with Young Life materials this past week. It was a joy to visit the Billy Graham Center and do some research. Really, I could have kept myself entertained for several days with all of the materials in your collection. I particularly enjoyed looking through the H.J. Taylor boxes and managed to scan the majority of the documents.</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;">Email from the Young Life Archives Manager who accessed the Archives' Young Life materials</p>
<p><b>August</b></p>	<p><i>Greetings and thank you for coaching me through the process of securing documents from <a href="#">Collection 46</a>, Box 97, folder 12 of the Billy Graham [Center] Archives at Wheaton College. The information does indeed satisfy my curiosity and provides a piece of information that I hope will help my family learn a little more about the rich heritage that they have in our evangelical Christian history.</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;">Email from a researcher inquiry about the Lausanne Movement</p> <p><i>It is good to be in touch with you again. Thanks so very much for tracking down this wealth of information about the wonderful escape into India of the youngest CIM students. What an interesting job you have! Ministry, actually.</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;">Email from a researcher who seeking information from <a href="#">Collection 187: Papers of Eleanor Elliott</a></p>
<p><b>September</b></p>	<p><i>I cannot believe that you would do that for me by helping with more than 50 pp. How can I ever thank you for that... I only read a few pages from the folder, and boy oh boy... these info are way too precious for my research. You will hear from me again. For now, thank you, thank you, and thank you.</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;">Researcher who asked about materials in <a href="#">Collection 192: Papers of Harold Lindsay</a>, which Archives staff scanned and sent to her</p>

<p><b>October</b></p>	<p><i>I can't thank you enough for making those recordings available through your archives! It is so amazing to listen to the interviews and hear about the experiences of these men and women of God who have served Him in the past and paved the way for future generations to know Him. I somehow also heard parts of an interview with a Ruth Mellis, and it is just like having the missionaries in our living room (or in my case, kitchen, as I'm chopping apples, lol). And what they are sharing is part historical narrative and part guidelines on things that still apply today. And they challenge me to step out in faith and see how God will work in the places where He leads me! May God bless you in your work, even when it may seem that some of what you're doing doesn't reach the light of day--it does!</i></p> <p>Email from a researcher who accessed oral history interviews online in <a href="#">Collection 363: Papers of Ruth Mellis</a></p>
<p><b>December</b></p>	<p><i>Thank you for that link to all those interviews! Wow, those look like real treasures! And thanks for the invitation to drop by if I am ever in the area again.</i></p> <p>Email from an OM staff member who accessed oral history interviews with missionaries to Turkey</p>

## STAFF



**(Above, left to right): Robyn McKenzie, Nathan Palladino, Katherine Graber, Paul Ericksen, Grace Gardziella, and Bob Shuster.**

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Katherine Graber, Public Services Archivist  
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Bob Shuster, Archivist

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**Use your research skills and imagination to figure it out!**