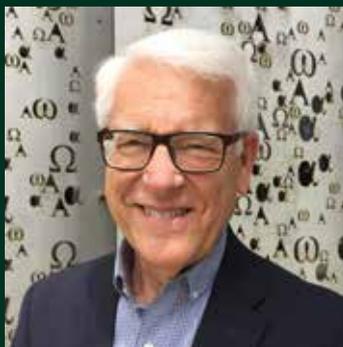


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Dr. Ken Martin (70)

The hiring of an entire generation of chemistry department faculty. The completion of a long-awaited, laboratory facility. The publication of more than 60 research articles. The education and edification of students. Service to the university at large. Dr. Kenneth Martin's legacy is multi-faceted, far-reaching, and certainly worthy of recognition.

Martin retired this spring after nearly 40 years as a chemistry professor, first at Gordon College from 1977 to 1990 and then at PLNU from 1990 to 2016. He served as department chair for 16 years at PLNU.

Martin began his academic career at Pasadena College as a first generation college student. He graduated with a B.A. in chemistry and mathematics. Inspired by his professors and academic experiences, he went on to earn an M.S. from UC Davis and a doctorate from the University of Kansas, both in physical chemistry.

"I was captivated by the life-changing potential of a Christian liberal arts education," Martin said. "I witnessed it first in my own life and then later in generations of students."

His commitment to future generations of PLNU students motivated Martin to play a leading role in the development of the new science complex at PLNU. In 1998, Martin, retired dean Dr. David Strawn, and then-biology chair, now-provost Dr. Kerry Fulcher attended a conference about science building design and construction. This first step led to years of planning with architects, university leaders, and fundraising experts. The facilities came to fruition in fall 2015.

"I'm proud of my active role in planning the new science laboratories," Martin said. "The hundreds of hours spent pouring over architectural plans has yielded a building that will benefit generations of students for decades to come."

When the doors to Sator Hall opened last fall, it only made sense that the physical chemistry lab was dedicated to Martin. The plaque inside includes a quote from Martin that helps explain why he worked so passionately.

"Teaching chemistry at a distinctively Christian college allows one to understand aspects of nature at the most foundational levels and at the same time acknowledge how they reveal God's character," it reads.

In fact, Martin's faithful teaching has made challenging subject matter come alive for countless undergraduates.

"I remember [Dr. Martin] pausing a moment, then holding up a new CFL light bulb, which caught my attention," said William Schumacher (16), who is currently beginning a doctoral program in chemistry at Cornell University. "He explained how the concept from the chapter I had been pouring over the night before was realized in this light bulb and how it was just as bright as other light bulbs but used less energy. It was in that moment that another light bulb came over my head. It was in that moment that I drew my first connection from the textbook to the real world."

Along with his colleague Dr. Allan Nishimura of Westmont College, Martin has published more than 60 peer-reviewed research articles, all with student co-authors.

"He is always very giving of his time and energy to teaching the students with whom we are working," Nishimura said, "not only explaining the concepts in spectroscopy but also the pieces of equipment we have to align or fix."

"Dr. Martin was extremely pivotal to my immediate success as a student and my maturation as a Christian interested in medicine and health sciences," said Marcus Anthony (14).

Martin's influence extends beyond students to the faculty and university governance as well.

"In my 16 years as department chair, I oversaw the hiring of all the current chemistry faculty," Martin said. "They are a stellar group, and I couldn't be prouder of them. They are building on the excellent foundation of quality teaching and active undergraduate research that has been the chemistry department hallmark for more than 50 years."

Outside the chemistry department, Martin has helped shape university policies and practices through leadership on numerous committees and task forces.

Martin's leadership activities started when he and his brother, Russ, guided their Nazarene youth group and continued to develop through his involvement in student government at Pasadena College. When he returned to PLNU to teach, Martin brought committee leadership experience with him from Gordon College.

Just as he had at Gordon, Martin helped PLNU transition from the quarter to the semester system and to revise the GE program. He was the first chair of the Planning Action Council; two-term chair of the Faculty Council; and faculty representative to both the Board of Trustees and the alumni auxiliary Research Associates. Martin was also involved in establishing the Science Honors Weekend STEM recruiting efforts, the university's long-standing faculty faith and science discussion group, and the Wesleyan Center. He has most recently been intimately involved in shaping the current faculty governance system.

"It's remarkable to me that someone as hard working, talented, and brilliant as Ken can also be so modest, gentle, and kind-hearted," said his long-time colleague in the biology department, Dr. Michael McConnell.

"If you look at all of his contributions, it is evident that it will take an army-of-many to replace the army-of-one, Ken," said Dr. Sara Choung, chair of the PLNU chemistry department.

Martin and his wife, Sue, have been married for 45 years. They have two adult sons, Timothy and Andrew.



Rev. Norman Moore (70)

Spending 37 years as an evangelist has given Rev. Norman Moore a chance to see God at work through changing times.

Three decades ago, many pastors used to ask Moore to speak at revivals—so much so that he had to keep a waitlist in his notebook. The revivals typically began mid-week and lasted straight on through to Sunday.

In 2016, the waitlist isn't necessary. Multi-day revivals are less common, with more working families having long commutes and kids with competing activities during the week.

In addition, with lower giving rates, Moore sometimes has to pay for his own plane ticket and accommodations to go to a church that needs him.

But earthly challenges pose no threat to Moore's ministry. The One who has called him is able to overcome all things, after all, and Moore trusts Him completely. If someone expresses worry that the offering might not cover his expenses, Moore's answer is profoundly simple.

"I'll take it up with the God who parted the Red Sea," he says. "God provided manna and water for the Israelites in the desert. I know he can provide for my needs as well."

Changing times have also brought new opportunities for Moore to share the Gospel and encourage believers. He has spoken on radio and television and has his own YouTube channel, called "Preacher Norman," with 10 recorded sermons and 10 devotionals.

"I have seen him help thousands of people across this country draw closer to the Lord," said his wife, Vickie. "His reputation is of an excellent preacher, a Bible expositor. He helps us laugh, and he makes us cry with the insight of God's amazing love. He shows us how to grow closer to our heavenly Father."

Moore is known for elucidating God's Word through analogies and vivid, memorable images. This is one reason he was selected to be the 2014 Nazarene Bible College T.W. Willingham Preacher of the Year.

Moore's unshakable faith first took root when he was just 11-years-old. It was 1959, and Moore was living in Pueblo, Colo. Moore's parents weren't believers, and his home life was often difficult. It wasn't hard for a church layman to entice Moore to ride the Sunday school bus—especially when Moore was promised a spot as first baseman on the church's summer softball team.

Soon, Moore accepted Christ and, shortly thereafter, chose to fully surrender his life to God. It was during that same year that he experienced his call to preach.

That call and how it would be lived out became clearer during Moore's time at Pasadena College. At the 1967 Los Angeles District Camp Meeting, which was held at Pasadena College, Moore realized that his specific calling was to serve as an itinerant evangelist.

Dr. Reuben Welch, Pasadena College chaplain at the time, encouraged and affirmed Moore in this calling.

Moore met Vickie Elkins (pref. 70) that fall through a traveling ministry called Evangelistic Crusaders. By 1969, the two were married.

Moore took Welch's advice and served as a youth pastor for three years and a pastor for seven to better understand the pastors and churches he would soon be serving. He was ordained by the Church of the Nazarene in 1973. Then in 1979, Moore received what he called "the green light"

to begin traveling as an evangelist, from Jeremiah 1:7: "But the Lord said to me, 'Do not say, 'I am too young.' You must go to everyone I send you to and say whatever I command you.'"

At the same time, Moore established Norman Moore Ministries, Inc., to support his work. The nonprofit has allowed Moore to serve in places he otherwise couldn't.

Even after 37 years of boarding planes to share the Gospel at churches, crusades, camp meetings, universities, retreats, and missions, Moore is far from travel weary.

"I'm committed to this cause for life," he said. "If I never needed another penny of income, I would still do what I am doing, donating my time, because the agenda has not diminished. Lost people still need to be saved. Believers still need to be sanctified. The church still needs to be revived. And pastors still need to be encouraged. That agenda is as relentless as the sunrise. I could not pursue any other calling."

"He is, and has always been, an evangelist," said Welch. "Better, an encourager-evangelist. This has been his calling and passion, year in and year out."

Moore's role and experience allows him to encourage not only lay people but pastors as well.

"Not only is Rev. Moore a great revivalist," said Rev. Raynard Martin of the Church of the Nazarene in Wadsworth, Ohio, "but my wife and I spend every moment we possibly can with Norman when he is with us. He is such a great encourager and is like having our own personal counselor for the week."

Rev. Doug Pittam from the Church of the Nazarene in San Luis Obispo, Calif., echoed Martin's sentiment.

"The revival services went well, but I'll never forget the time and energy Norman Moore took to encourage and guide me as a new senior pastor," he said.

Norman and Vickie live in Chandler, Ariz. They have one married daughter, Nickie, and two granddaughters.

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