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“ Knowledge by itself does not save, but salvation does not come without knowledge. ... How is it we can know that we have eternal life? It is because we know Jesus Christ as Son. We not only know about him, we not only know of him, we know him. We believe in him. There is more here than an intellectual knowledge, but there is not less here.”

- SBTS President R. Albert Mohler Jr., talking about the relationship between knowledge and salvation in 1 John



2011 Heritage Golf Classic | By SBTS Communications |

The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary hosted the eighth annual Heritage Golf Classic, Aug. 22. The event doubled the number of participants from last year's tournament. And those double-participants helped the contest raise more than \$115,000, nearly tripling last year's amount.

"In every way, the golf tournament surpassed our expectations this year," said Jason Allen, vice president of institutional advancement. "I am deeply grateful to Charles Smith, Josh Thomas and the Southern Seminary ambassadors and the many volunteers who served. Most of all, I am grateful for our players and corporate sponsors. The big winners are Southern Seminary students who benefit from all of the money raised."

The Heritage Golf Classic raises money for the seminary's annual fund. The annual fund helps keep seminary tuition costs as low as possible in order to maintain an accessible theological education. In this way, the purpose of the scramble-style tournament is the furtherance of the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Several factors contributed to the success of the Heritage Golf Classic, Smith explained, from prize giveaways to free food. Prizes included name brand golf clubs, golf bags, Sky Caddies and an iPad. Chik-Fil-A and Mark's Feedstore provided food and refreshments while professional bluegrass musicians entertained participants.



Axletree Media promotes innovative ministry

| By Josh Hayes |

Lying at the intersection between ministry and the Internet, Axletree Media hopes that the future pastors and leaders who pass through Southern Seminary's halls will consider the vast opportunities the Internet offers.

"We are passionate about helping pasors and churches use the Internet for Kingdom purposes," said Bill Nix, CEO and president of Axletree Media.

With a global focus upon building up Christian ministries, Axletree Media offers its Internet-based tools and services in 25 countries, using software, services, education and customer service in order to assist clients to communicate their message most clearly and effectively. Further, the company helps churches and ministries manage their Web presence and social media.

Axletree Media served as the Naming Sponsor for Southern Seminary's recent Heritage Golf Classic, a scramble-style golf tournament that raises funds to lower tuition costs for SBTS students.

"The Heritage Classic seemed like a focal point for the development of the activities of the school," Nix said. "The event creates leverage for the school to raise money. I've long appreciated the work of Southern Seminary."

Among Axletree's resources is E-zekiel, a Web hosting service geared specifically for ministry, enabling users to publish blogs, Web pages and photo albums in addition to audio, video and other content.

Axletree Media is based in Birmingham, Ala. More information about the company is available at www.axletreemedia.com

Mary Mohler at Koinonia's inaugural event

| By SBTS Comm. |

Mary Mohler kicked off the first-ever gathering of Koinonia, sharing her testimony in front of a crowded Heritage Hall, Aug. 16.

Koinonia is a new fellowship that exists to connect the women of the Southern Seminary community in hopes of building life-long relationships and is open to all women - students, student wives, faculty, faculty wives and staff.

Mohler encouraged her audience that "no one ever has a boring testimony." She explained how she came to faith in Jesus Christ as a young girl and mentioned her home life growing up, noting her love for American cars as she hails from near Detroit, Mich. Mohler concluded her talk by addressing marriage, parenting and life in the empty nest.

Following the event, attendees enjoyed dessert at the President's home.

Koinonia will host more events in Heritage Hall Nov. 1, Jan. 31 and March 20, each at 7 p.m.

More information is available at www.koinoniaatsbts.wordpress.com