



# BACK TO UNIVERSITY HILL

## DBU HOMECOMING 2008

Fun, family, and friends filled the air during the week of DBU Homecoming 2008.

Hundreds attended dinners, lunches, a musical celebration, and the annual DBU Homecoming Basketball Game. This year marked the 10th anniversary of the Class of 1998, the 25th anniversary of the Class of 1983, and the 35th anniversary of the Class of 1973.

During the annual Alumni Homecoming Banquet, held on Friday, November 21, DBU presented an Honorary Alumni Award to Robert Whitfield. A devout servant leader, Whitfield has left his mark as a member of several church staffs, an ad agency liaison at KPRC-TV in Houston, manager of special projects and community relations at Carter BloodCare in Dallas, and since 2001 as a DBU staff member.

Robert currently serves the University as an advancement officer, specializing in donor relations and international relations. He has long embraced the mission field, traveling the world to share the message of hope in the love of Christ. A passionate world traveler, Robert has represented

DBU in India, Singapore, South Korea, Malaysia, and China.

Following the Homecoming Banquet, alumni and guests were entertained during the Homecoming Gala, featuring the performance of many Rodgers and Hammerstein classics. The DBU Grand Chorus, together with selected alumni from the Department of Music, performed memorable show tunes from *South Pacific*, *The Sound of Music*, *Oklahoma!*, and *Carousel*. Afterwards, attendees were treated to a special Homecoming reception hosted by the DBU Women's Auxiliary Board.

The weekend of festivities culminated in the annual Homecoming Basketball Game, held on Saturday evening. The DBU Patriots won in spectacular fashion, downing the Ecclesia College Royals 100-40. The Patriots improved to 3-0 on the season before the packed house in the Burg Center. During halftime of the game, the Homecoming Court was announced and Jaceson Mann was named the 2008 Homecoming King while Leigha Caron was named the 2008 Homecoming Queen.



*(Above) 2008 DBU Honorary Alumnus Robert Whitfield visits with Dallas Mayor Tom Leppert at the annual DBU Homecoming Banquet. (Left) Members of the Class of 1983 gather along with their former DBU professors and several current DBU staff and faculty members for their 25th Anniversary Luncheon.*

