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From left to right: Dr. Gary Cook, Katy Piper, Paul Piper, Jr., Shirley Piper, and Dr. Bob Garrett

INAUGURAL MISSIONS AWARD

Christ Is Our Salvation Foundation
Honored as Recipient of First Annual
DBU Missions Award



ANSWERING THE CALL

First Annual DBU Missions Banquet Honors Christ Is Our Salvation Foundation and Highlights DBU's Commitment to the Mission Field

Recently, Dallas Baptist University hosted its first annual Missions Banquet. The event highlighted many of the mission projects DBU students had undertaken over the past several years and also presented its first Missions Award to the Christ Is Our Salvation Foundation.

The Christ Is Our Salvation Foundation (CIOS), founded in 1952 by Paul Piper, Sr., and his wife, Katy, has over the years supported numerous ministries and missionary efforts, student scholarships and non-interest bearing loans, housing for low-income families, daycare centers, a Christian camp, medical facilities, and the planting of new churches.

Mr. Piper passed away in 2004, but the CIOS Foundation remains in the Piper Family, still led by Katy, along with son Paul P. Piper, Jr., and his wife, Shirley. During the award ceremony, Paul, Shirley, and Katy Piper accepted the first DBU Missions Award on behalf of the CIOS Foundation.

The Christ Is Our Salvation Foundation has provided a dual-gift to DBU for a total of \$700,000. With \$500,000, the CIOS Foundation will establish the Piper Endowed Chair of Missions. This fund comes in the form of a matching gift program, which will match donations of up to \$500,000 in order to raise the combined amount of \$1 million needed to establish the endowed chair. For years to come, DBU will be blessed in having this faculty position, which will keep DBU focused on missions, as well as help to lead DBU in the teaching and training of future missionaries.

In addition to the endowed chair, the CIOS Foundation has given a \$200,000 grant for ministerial student scholarships in the Cook Graduate School of Leadership.

In response to a growing number of DBU students sensing God's calling to missions, DBU employed Dr. Bob Garrett as the first professor of missions at DBU in 2004, and shortly afterwards began a new graduate program, the Master of Arts in Global Leadership, seeking to develop students' cross-cultural skills in order to serve with a kingdom focus in international and multiethnic settings.

The Great Commission® Sculpture by Max Greiner, Jr., located on the DBU campus, symbolizing DBU's commitment to world missions.