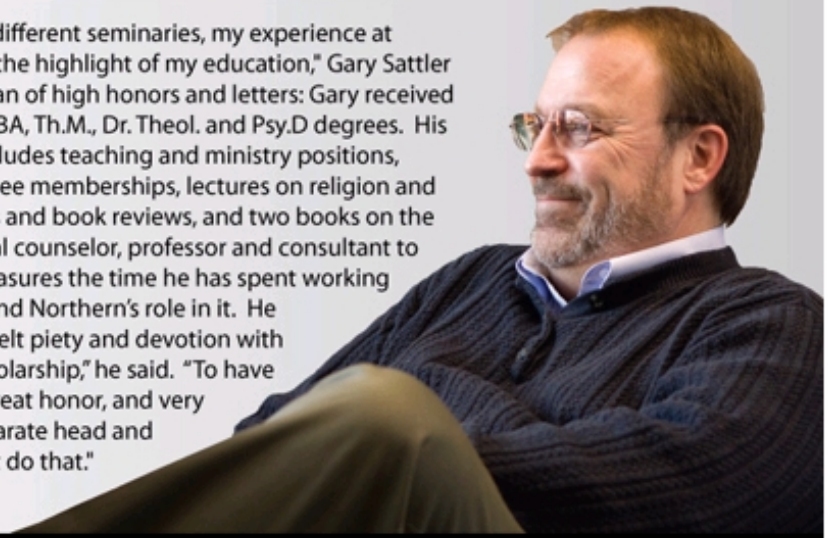


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GARY SATTLER - M.Div. Alumnus, 1975

"Having attended and taught at different seminaries, my experience at Northern as a student was really the highlight of my education," Gary Sattler shares. Glowing words from a man of high honors and letters: Gary received his M.Div. at Northern and holds BA, Th.M., Dr. Theol. and Psy.D degrees. His short list of accomplishments includes teaching and ministry positions, professional and church committee memberships, lectures on religion and psychoanalysis, a score of articles and book reviews, and two books on the Pietists. A psychoanalyst, pastoral counselor, professor and consultant to troubled congregations, Gary treasures the time he has spent working to further the Kingdom of God, and Northern's role in it. He remarks, "Northern blends heartfelt piety and devotion with earnest commitment to high scholarship," he said. "To have been able to teach there was a great honor, and very humbling. In life, we tend to separate head and heart, and at Northern they don't do that."



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JOSEPH VO - 3rd year M.Div. Student

Although he's a long way from Vietnam, Joseph Vo is never far from God's love. Joseph's story is one of redemption. He anticipates doing mission work in Asia, and will graduate in March with an M.Div. He currently serves as assistant pastor to Pastor Huu Nguyen at Vietnamese New Hope Church in Winfield, IL, where he works with youth 18 and under. Joseph has a burden for all Vietnamese and Vietnamese Americans—to draw close to the Lord and relate more with each other. He hopes to bridge the gap that exists between the youth and older generations in both the church and society. Joseph's home church in California, Grace Baptist, sponsors and ministers to Vietnamese refugees. Here, they hear the good news, find homes, jobs and a new life in Christ.

Joseph's life verses come from Psalm 23. He truly lives in the knowledge that the Lord is his Shepherd, Protector, Provider and Teacher. He shares, "I don't mind where I serve God, as long as I'm allowed to serve Him. I no longer live for myself, but I live to serve my God."

