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an invitation from what was then the first independent church of Wilmington, Delaware to use their Sunday School rooms for our classes. We decided to move to Wilmington and started the seminary. Dr. Harold S. Laird was pastor of the church at Wilmington and Dr. McIntire and I went upinto Allentown here in Pennsylvania. When we first began to make plans for the seminary we went up there because we were looking for - I guess it was Dr. McIntire who went up. He was looking for Dr. Laird and Dr. Brumbaugh who was later in Tacoma, Washington, who were carrying on a Bible Conference up there near Allentown. And we went up there to try to find them to ask if they would join with us in starting a faculty. We went up there and we got there and found Dr. Latham of Chester was there also but the two that we were looking for particularly had gone away for the afternoon. But people said we could stay around for the evening.

(7.75) We stayed around and at supportime in walked Mr. Paiste, another of the Directors of Westminster, who was with us, who lived out in Wayne, Pa. So we had one more who was with us. And that evening under a tree there we thought of the name Faith Seminary for our seminary and prayed the Lord's blessing on it and decided to go forward. Then it was the next week and then that the church of which Dr. Laird was pastor, offered us the use of their Sunday School rooms

. We went down to Wilmington and looked around for places for students to live and we found down there on 14th Street four houses within a block of each other that were for rent. And people said that for years they had never seen more than one house for rent on that street at any time - and here there were four within a block. The Lord had worked things out and decided to start our seminary down there. We had three Middlers at Westminster who had come with us. And I had a dream shortly after that that October 1st came and we started our seminary and those three students were the only students we had in the seminary. But you know Dr. Brumbaugh said that he thought that if we had eight students it would be quite all right to start. And Mr. Benz, our Vice President, a lawyer from New York said (9.25)

And when October 1st came and we started our first year, we had twenty-five students altogether. And we rejoiced in the way of the Lord, that He had shown us that we were blessing and encouraging us to go forward. I was the only man who had ever