

time, his parents could not have predicted that he would be called of God into the gospel ministry, would enter Faith Seminary, would complete his theological studies at Biblical School of Theology, and would become a successful pastor in Western Pennsylvania.

During the next several years, Faith Seminary was experiencing growing pains. For example, in 1951 the student body jumped to 120. Following a search for new quarters, the school moved in 1952 to the Widener estate in Elkins Park. The growth of the student body reached its high point in 1952-53, when it numbered 156.

Following a major disruption in 1956, Dr MacRae began the painstaking task of rebuilding the faculty and the student body, a task which occupied him over the next few years.

In 1960, Dr MacRae's car overturned on the Pennsylvania Turnpike. He suffered seven broken bones, and for six months carried around embedded in his arm an inch-long chunk of metal which the doctors who patched him up had failed to detect. The fact that the accident did not take a greater toll of life or limb was a wonderful instance of God's providential care.

in 1971, after 34 years as President and Professor of Old Testament of Faith Theological Seminary, and facing a crisis which threatened to destroy the approach and emphasis which he had sought to maintain at such personal cost for so many years, Dr MacRae displayed a new burst of pioneering dedication and spirit which, in collaboration with Dr Jack W. Murray and with the sponsorship of Bible Evangelism. Inc., led to the establishment of Biblical School of Theology.

Biblical began with a seasoned faculty team, 48 dedicated students, no library, no buildings, and no constituency of its own. Now, having completed its fourteenth year, the Seminary has a fine student body of 100, a splendid library, functionally excellent buildings, and a steadily growing loyal constituency. And it still has Dr Allan A. MacRae as its President.

When we attempt to assess the greatest area of impact in Dr MacRae's life, we may be tempted to think of his contributions to the lives and ministries of *Christian leaders*, through interaction at