My love for Scripture began when I was a young child. My parents challenged me to hide God's word in my heart. (Ps. 119:11) The first full-length passage I committed to memory was Psalm 100 (KJV) and my father rewarded my diligent memorization with a silver dollar!

Throughout the years of my teaching at Nazarene Bible College, I have developed a passion for the public reading of Scripture. Dr. Audrey Williamson, a master teacher and my professional mentor, had a profound impact on me through her ministry of the spoken Word. Students of hers and mine throughout the years have experienced a transformation of heart and mind as they have engaged in learning the skills of interpretive reading.

This service is dedicated to the memory of Dr. Norman Oke, a member of the original faculty at NBC. His vital interest in effective public reading of the Word compelled him to initiate the annual Oke Bible Reading Award for students. This cherished tradition is the culmination of the Oral Interpretation speech course offered in the winter trimester on campus.

This ancient tradition maintains its potential to bless, instruct, convict, interest, challenge, and exalt. It is a powerful ministry medium. I invite you to let the Holy Scriptures minister to your spirit as you listen to and participate in the readings.

- Professor Ron Attig

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"Ancient Words"
Ancient words, ever true,
changing me and changing you.

# A SUMMONS TO PRAISE

Psalm 100

## **CONFIDENCE IN GOD**

Psalm 27

## THE HEARING HEART

Matthew 13 Excerpts (NIV)

#### THE GREATNESS OF GOD

An Old Testament Compilation

### **KNOWING CHRIST**

\* Philippians 3:4b-14

# PAUL'S DEFENSE BEFORE AGRIPPA

Acts 26:1-29

# THE SCROLL & THE LAMB

\*Revelation 5:1-14

\* Congregation participates in reading and singing