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Camp Kirkland Visits FWBBC Music Class

NASHVILLE, TN—Premier church musician Camp Kirkland addressed the Choral Arranging class at Free Will Baptist Bible College on November 17, according to Dr. James Stevens who chairs the college's Music Department. The Franklin, TN-based churchman has emerged as one of the nation's leading musicians pioneering the use of instrumental music as a viable medium in the life of church music programs.

Dr. Stevens said, "Camp Kirkland is one of the most well known Christian choral and instrumental arrangers for the past 20 years. We were delighted to have him on campus to speak with our music students."

Kirkland's lecture included practical choral and instrumental arranging tips. He also allowed the students to listen to some his recent orchestrations and choral compositions as he offered his personal analysis of the pieces.

Mr. Kirkland began creating an instrumental music program for churches in 1971 while serving at First Baptist Church in Jacksonville (FL). His program is still a model of excellence in music and effectiveness in ministry. In addition to being a skilled educator and clinician, Kirkland has enjoyed a brilliant career as an arranger and orchestrator. He has over a thousand publications in his catalog.

Camp has gone on 20 music mission trips around the world in the past four years. "Music," he says, "is an 'instant magnet' to connect and build relationships that cross international boundaries and cultures."

The Nashville Praise Symphony under the direction of Mr. Kirkland played for the opening of the Schermerhorn Symphony Center in Nashville on October 7.

