Introduction to Volume 4 Dean Blevins, Editor

Greetings and welcome to the Fourth Volume of *Didache: Faithful Teaching*. This issue combines numbers one and two due to several factors that are addressed in the editorial, "Why We Publish This Online Journal."

We have a strong series of articles in this volume that offer perspectives ranging from theology on the Pacific Rim to exploring the heritage of one of our first Wesleyan institutions in the Church of the Nazarene.

We are fortunate to have two papers that emerge from the Asia-Pacific Theology Conference that took place last year. Dr. Floyd Cunningham, Asia Pacific Nazarene Theological Seminary, explores how holiness is embodied within the Asia-Pacific setting and Dr. Seung An Im, president-elect of Korea Nazarene University, provides an inter-religious exploration of sanctification from both a Wesleyan and Confucian perspective. Both articles will appear in print in *The Mediator*, which includes other articles from the conference. For copies of *The Mediator*, contact Robert Donahue at <u>rdonahue@apnts.com.ph</u>.

In addition, Ruth Reynard, Trevecca Nazarene University, presents a strong treatment on the relationship of the church and power and Philip Hamner, Overland Park Church of the Nazarene, explores John Wesley's vision of the Kingdom of God. In our last research article Bryan Williams, Warner-Pacific College, discusses a "paradoxical" treatment of holiness. *Didache* is thankful to the Wesleyan Philosophical Society for co-publishing Dr. Williams' paper. You can find other articles of the WPS at <u>http://david.snu.edu/~brint.fs/wpsjnl/index.htm</u>.

We are also privileged to gain three offerings that speak directly to the educational setting. Dr. Mark A Maddix, Northwest Nazarene University, provides us with an address given to the NNU faculty on Christ-like character. Aaron Friberg, Point Loma Nazarene University, provides our student entry with a marvelous treatment on the theological contributions of H. Orton Wiley to higher education. Aaron's work includes a special "appendix" that provides an invaluable editing of Wiley's address to "Nazarene University" as the institution was known prior to becoming Pasadena College and now Point Loma Nazarene University. This document is a careful recovery of an important document in our heritage. I want to thank John Wright of PLNU for recommending Aaron's work. We are richer for its inclusion.