

Pamela Reeve knew she was led of God to build people. During World War II, Pamela was one of a team of architects from a New York firm hired to build an entire town for 70,000 people in two years' time in Oak Ridge, Tennessee, site of the atom bomb project. Though working 60-70 hours a week, Pam, a fairly new Christian, invited women in the employee dormitory to attend Bible classes she taught at night. A pastor challenged her to go into full-time ministry, pointing out that she was working long hours for something that wouldn't last. The decision was difficult for she had just been invited to return to the New York office to work in design. But God said to lay it down: "Build people, not buildings."

Pam accepted a position in California as a teacher and principal of a Christian high school. After several years she resigned the position because of a stand she felt to be necessary. She began public school teaching while she earned a graduate degree and credentials in education and counseling. Later she accepted a teaching and counseling position at Glendale College. But there were desert times of no ministry.

Then in 1964 God opened a position at Multnomah Bible College serving as Dean of Women. What an opportunity to "build people." Her ever popular Dean's Hours twice a month and her classes in Personal Development and Biblical Counseling were the conduit to literally pour into students the life-giving Word and the deeper knowledge the Lord had given as she waited His leading. Over these years she has authored six books including **Faith Is . . .** and **Relationships, What It Takes to Be a Friend**. She continues teaching in the Seminary and as a member of the Board of Trustees at this time.

When seminary faculty were reviewing the architect's plans for the Travis-Lovitt seminary building, God brought together His dual gifting of "architect and builder of people." Faculty were delighting in the beauty of design for classrooms, conference rooms, administrative offices—all of the prospect of facilities and accommodations they had been longing for. But Pamela Reeve pointed out a major omission—**space for community**. A relaxed gathering place to "hang out," to enjoy one another, share and fellowship. The **builder of people** had a God-given passion in the place where God had planted her, and spread the vision to this very room.