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Above and below are images of the Bethany University Campus from the closed university's website.

New mission for Bethany U

Bethany College

SF-based Olivet taking over closed Scotts Valley campus

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SCOTTS VALLEY — A San Francisco-based Christian college is taking over the mission of Bethany University, the small Assemblies of God-affiliated school that announced two months ago it was closing its Santa Cruz Mountains campus.

According to the Associated Press, Olivet University, which is affiliated with the Evangelical Assembly of Presbyterian Churches, has requested permission to use Bethany's name.

Bethany's 60-acre Scott's Valley campus west of Highway 17

is in escrow, which is expected to close in November. Financial details haven't been disclosed.

Scotts Valley Mayor Dene Bustichi says he believes the Olivet will operate the property as a branch of the university.

The university, once owned by the Assemblies of God Northern California and Nevada District, was the Assemblies of God's oldest college in the nation. It had an enrollment of about 400-500 students who paid about \$25,000 for tuition and housing. The campus was closed June 13.

