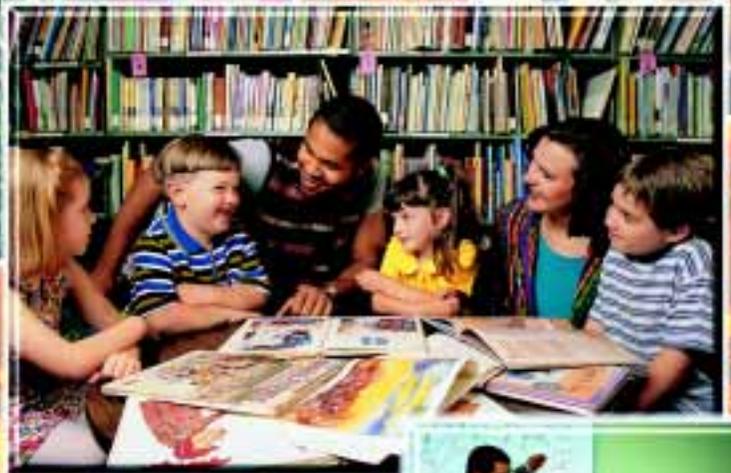
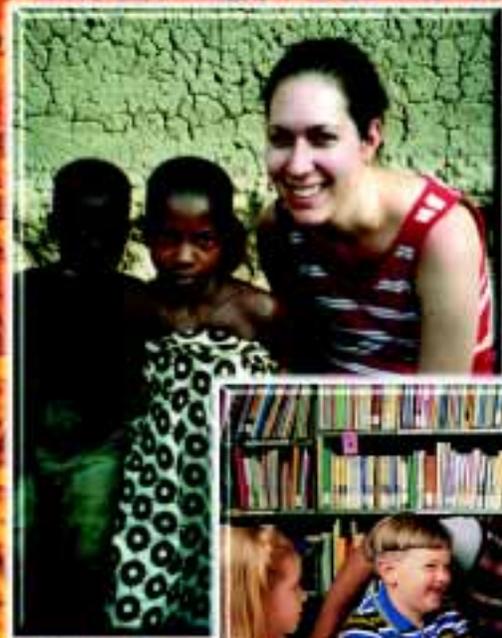


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*Pray the Lord of the
Harvest to send out laborers
Into His harvest.*

New Faces On Campus



PROVOST

James Riley Estep, Jr.

President Keeran recently announced the appointment of James Riley Estep, Jr., Ph.D., as Provost and Chief Academic Officer. Jim, his wife Karen, and their three children, Budd, Dovie, and Dylan arrived in Grayson in late July. Jim grew up in Kentucky and was ordained into the Christian ministry in 1985 at Southern Acres Christian Church in Lexington. He holds six degrees including two earned doctorates, a Doctor of Ministry degree from Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, and a Ph.D. from Trinity Evangelical Divinity School. Before joining the KCC administration, Jim served as professor of Christian Education and Vice President of Academic Affairs at Great Lakes

Christian College in Lansing, Michigan. In addition to spending time with his family, Jim loves reading science fiction and going with friends to bookstores and coffee shops. 

ASSISTANT PROFESSOR

Guthrie Veech



Dr. Guthrie Veech has been appointed as Assistant Professor of Christian Ministries following nearly thirty years of

significant congregational leadership. Guthrie and his wife, Barbara, arrived in Grayson in early August. The Veech's have three children, Jennifer, Sarah, and John, who is a sophomore at KCC. Guthrie holds a Doctor of Ministry degree from Emmanuel School of Religion. Before coming to KCC, he served as Senior Minister of the New Hope Christian Church in Anderson, Indiana. Guthrie says his favorite part of the day is spent taking

long walks with his wife. He loves playing with his grandchildren and whacking a golf ball. 



PUBLIC SERVICES LIBRARIAN
Sheril King

Mrs. Sheril King has been appointed as

Public Services Librarian. Sheril and her family moved to Grayson in late May. Her husband, Ron is also employed by the College. The King's have two children, Michael and Caitlin. Sheril holds a Master of Science in Library Science from the University of Kentucky. Before coming to KCC, she worked with the Pendleton County, Kentucky School System as a Library/Media Specialist. Sheril's hobbies include sewing and even though books are her career, she loves reading. She is an enthusiastic Nebraska Cornhuskers fan and enjoys cheering their football team on to victory. 

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The President's Perspective

Ask the Lord of the Harvest

A few years ago at convocation, I took the liberty of introducing myself to the 200 new students who joined upperclassmen and faculty at this traditional opening event of the academic year. "My name is Dr. Keith P. Keeran," I said. "I am the president of this College. I am the leader of this organization—and I have absolutely no idea where I'm going!" There was an outbreak of laughter, but I turned around to look at the faculty seated behind me. It is always good to check faculty reaction to any statement made by the President. What I saw were expressions of surprise, and perhaps concern. Most people like to think the leader knows where he's going. I turned around and finished my remarks, explaining that while we may have well laid plans, we are waiting for God's interruption. God's people should always be prepared for and even anticipate His redirection. Our plans should never be so fixed and unchangeable that we are bound to them regardless of God's intervening guidance.

Why is it important to be flexibly in touch with the Spirit of God? There are many reasons, but on that occasion (as at the beginning of every new academic year) there were many students who came to the campus with career goals already firmly impressed on their minds. It is important that these plans not be so firmly set as to be unchangeable. The pliable human spirit may be inspired to consider something more grand than merely working for a living or enjoying a brief moment in the sunlight.

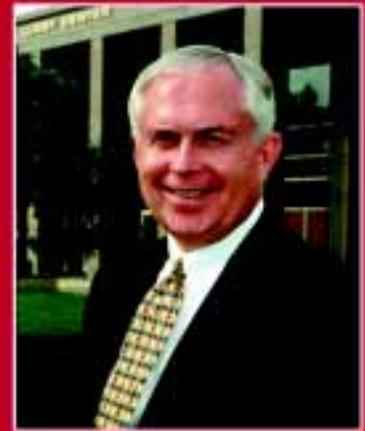
Today, in all of our Christian colleges there are fewer students enrolling from our churches who have plans that include leadership ministry. Often our

colleges are criticized for not graduating as many preachers as we did thirty years ago, but the fact is that far fewer students enter college with pulpit ministry as a goal. The many students who are graduating with a vision for ministry, having accepted and acted on God's redirection while in college, are a great encouragement. They are hearing God's call of redirection. A Christian college campus is a great place to sort out some of life's greatest decisions, and a great place to hear God speak.

The same spirit of flexibility that is necessary in the life of a Christian student is essential in the life of a Christian college.

Kentucky Christian College has a strong commitment to institutional planning. Those who engage in this arduous task understand the value of planning, but the real rewards sometimes far surpass our expectation. At KCC we recognize that the outcomes of our planning are often different than anticipated and we credit the Lord of the harvest for bringing into being what our shortsightedness could not envision. Remember the harvest principle: You reap not only what you sow, but more than you sow.

If you are reading this column, you are a member of the KCC family of alumni and friends, and I want to take advantage of our friendship to ask a special favor. Will you pray for this ministry? Specifically, I want you to ask the Lord of the harvest to send workers into His harvest fields (Matthew 9:38). Pray that God will ignite the imagination of our students and move them with passion toward the harvest. Beg the Father to set the hearts of our faculty ablaze with the urgency of the gospel and



President Keith P. Keeran, Ph.D.

“A Christian college campus is a great place to sort out some of life’s greatest decisions, and a great place to hear God speak.”

that the fundamental truths of His word will permeate each course as faith and scholarship are woven together into a beautiful tapestry of praise.

This year God has blessed us with another record setting enrollment. We are both grateful and humbled that He would entrust us with so many capable students. This year's entering class is more academically proficient on average than the typical first year college student in America. There is so much potential in these young people. Pray that somewhere along the way, God will interrupt them. Pray that they will hear the call of the Lord of the harvest. 



Lusby Award Presented to Bob Russell and Russell Blowers



Bob Russell



Russ Blowers

Bob Russell and Russell Blowers were both taken by surprise when KCC President, Dr. Keith P. Keeran called them to the platform to receive the Lusby Award during separate ceremonies. Both had been asked to speak at special campus events, Bob Russell at the spring 2000 baccalaureate and dedication of the Wayne B. Smith Center for Christian Leadership, and Russ Blowers at fall convocation,

marking the beginning of the 2000-2001 academic year. The Lusby Award, which has replaced the honorary doctorate as the College's highest tribute of honor, is conferred only by nomination and approval of the Board of Trustees.

Bob Russell is Senior Minister of Southeast Christian Church in Louisville, Kentucky and Russ Blowers retired in 1997 after 45 years as Senior Minister of E. 91st Street Christian Church in Indianapolis. President Keeran, speaking on behalf of the Board said, "These men demonstrate the significant impact a long ministry can have on a community as well as the spiritual and numerical growth of a congregation. The Board of Trustees is pleased to acknowledge the broad influence of their ministries."

The award, which includes a framed certificate and custom-cast medallion personalized to each recipient, is named in honor of the College's first two presidents. The tireless and enduring influence J.W. Lusby and J. Lowell Lusby spanned three-quarters of a century. The

award is inspired by their sacrificial commitment to Christ and His Church, eloquently expressed in their dedication to the preparation of Christian leaders.

The Lusby Award is conferred on those rare and outstanding individuals whose Christian and personal influence has had a broad and profound impact on the Church and the development of Christian leaders. Moral integrity, courage, vision, persistence and passion characterize the recipients. They possess a sense of mission, which excites the imagination and inspires Christian commitment and service in others.

President Keeran said, "The contribution of both Blowers and Russell should not be measured by the size of their congregations alone. The numbers are impressive and they speak for themselves. But what I find most impressive is their unselfish spirit and gentle demeanor. I have both observed these men at a distance and spent time with them one on one. They genuinely love people. You can see it in their eyes. You can feel it. They make each person feel important. They focus complete attention on one person at a time."

Dr. Keeran cited the role that both Russell and Blowers have played in strengthening and encouraging Christian leaders across the country. "Their ministry has not been confined to the cities and states where they serve local congregations. They have given of themselves to the entire brotherhood and their influence beyond Christian Church circles has been profound. Their leadership is not defined by tasks and responsibilities, but by passion and vision."

The Lusby Award honors not only those for whom it is named and the very worthy recipients selected by the Board of Trustees, it is a tribute to the faith, labor, and love, which created and sustains Kentucky Christian College. 

Campus Community Pledges \$38,438 During Faith Promise

Supporting laborers who are working in the Lord's harvest has been the mission of the Kentucky Christian College Faith Promise program since its inception in 1964. According to information obtained from Dr. George Pickens, Professor of Intercultural Studies, and Professor Emeritus Tom Gemeinhart, the College's students, faculty, and staff have given a total of \$524,000 over the 36 year history of KCC's Faith Promise program to support world evangelism and the fulfillment of the Great Commission.

The amount of money given through the years has increased. In 1964, the College's Faith Promise campaign generated \$3,150. During the 1999-2000 academic year, \$23,976 was raised to support world missions. Primarily, the missionaries supported by the College's Faith Promise are KCC alumni who are serving our Lord in various countries throughout the world.



This board charts the progress of our Faith Promise giving.

On September 15th, Mr. David Parrish of Pioneer Bible Translators challenged the College community to pledge to give during this 2000-2001 academic year with a heart filled with faith to send missionaries, meet various spiritual and physical needs, strengthen the faith of people being served by supported missionaries, and of most importance, glorify God. At the conclusion of this year's Faith Promise campaign, Dr. George Pickens reported that the KCC community pledged a record \$38,438 in support of world evangelism! 



Student Spotlight

Music not only runs, but also travels in Wendy West's family. Each year as Wendy and her family traveled to family reunions she always found musician relatives turning a picnic into a concert. From church choirs, to musicals, bands, and vocal competition, music has always been a part of this KCC student's life.

Wendy says this school year will take on a whole new dimension because of her life changing experience this past summer on a mission trip to Burkina Faso, Africa.

Her first step taken toward Africa began last year when Wendy switched her major from Music Education to Intercultural studies. Her missions professor, Dr. George Pickens encouraged her to join a team with the Wycliffe Bible Translators that specifically dealt with Ethnomusicology - the study of the "heart" music of a culture of people in order to develop their own worship through music. Wendy explained,

"Ethnomusicology is the same theory as translating Bible into the language of their mother tongue. They may be able to

listen and appreciate the music more through their own instrumentation as words and rhythms bring life to music."



Wendy West interacting with children in Africa on a mission trip.

When Wendy stepped out of her "comfort zone" and decided to join a team of five other women and travel to Africa she dramatically saw God working in her life. Wendy said, "Wow! God started doing amazing things. My whole attitude on life changed as He opened my eyes to see Him and His work in all that surrounds me—His people, His creation, and the whole world that exists."

Wendy now has a greater appreciation for the music style of her own culture and experienced first hand how music can impact not only your heart and soul but also your worship when it is your own "heart" music.

God is continually using students like Wendy as laborers in the field, utilizing music as a harvesting tool. 



J.W. Lusby



J.L. Lusby



Martha Jordan



Brent Jordan

Family Heritage Continues

Tradition continues as we welcome the Class of 2004 which includes Brent Jordan. Brent is the great grandson of KCC's first President, J. W. Lusby, the grandson of KCC's second President, J. Lowell Lusby, and son of alumnus Martha Rose Lusby Jordan and John Jordan. 



Professor Michael Veech lends a helping hand during Welcome Weekend, helping freshmen settle in on campus.

College Welcomes Record Number of Students

The college community was thrilled at Welcome Weekend to greet 207 new students. There is so much potential in these young people. Twenty-seven states and eight countries are represented in our student population of 571, all wanting a KCC Great Commission education. 



Graduate School Partnership with Southeast Christian Church Links Theory with Practice

President Keeran has announced that the KCC Board of Trustees and the Elders of Southeast Christian Church have formed a strategic partnership that provides opportunities for ministers and church staff throughout the United States and beyond to pursue graduate study in the congregational environment of Southeast Christian Church.

Students from across the country will be able to witness first-hand the distinguishing characteristics of one of America's largest and fastest growing congregations. Southeast Christian Church provides fertile ground for vision casting, which is a vital ingredient in leadership education at the graduate level.

Learners will be exposed to the staff of Southeast Christian Church, as well as Kentucky Christian College's highly credentialed faculty. In addition, guest speakers and field practitioners, with proven expertise in ministry, will be involved in the program.

Initially, half of the Master of Applied Theology (MATH) and the Master of Arts in Christian Leadership (MACL) will be offered on the Southeast Christian Church campus. The College will seek regional accreditation of the SCC campus as a

graduate academic site. Negotiations with area university libraries to provide needed academic resources have been initiated. Eventually, most of the coursework for the MATH and the MACL including all of the practical ministry courses will be offered at SCC's campus.

The strategic partnership enables KCC to provide graduate education to non-traditional adult ministry professionals at a site that is easily accessible by ground and air transportation. According to Dr. Keith Keeran, President of Kentucky Christian College, "Louisville is an attractive and accessible location for these unique programs that are designed for the adult learner. Of course, the students are the ones who benefit the most from the SCC-KCC strategic partnership. They benefit from the integration of theory and practice provided by the College and the Church working together."

The strategic partnership also enhances Southeast's dynamic educational and teaching ministry to congregational leaders. In expressing his support for the partnership, Bob Russell, Senior Minister at Southeast Christian Church, said, "When we moved to our Blankenbaker Parkway location, we envisioned becoming a resource center for the church at a

national level. The SCC-KCC strategic partnership is an exciting step in fulfilling that vision."

The degree programs offered on the Southeast campus will be offered in one-week modular formats. Three hours of credit will be awarded for each one-week module. Students will complete pre and post session assignments along with their required participation in the module. The one-week modular format is especially designed to attract students from across the country. Generally, two years are required to complete a degree, though it is possible to fast track a student who may transfer credits into one of the programs.

According to Dr. Leonard Knight, Dean of the KCC Graduate School, classes leading to a Master of Applied Theology and the Master of Arts in Christian Leadership will be offered at the Southeast campus beginning in the 2001 fall semester. Classes leading to a Master of Arts in New Testament will continue to be offered only on the campus of Kentucky Christian College.

For more information, contact Dr. Knight by phone: 1-877-841-6391 or by e-mail: gradstudies@email.kcc.edu 



Southeast Christian Church, Louisville, Kentucky to partner with Kentucky Christian College, Grayson, Kentucky





Strategic Partnership Formed With View Toward Establishing a School of Nursing



President Keeran has announced the formation of a strategic partnership with King's Daughters Medical Center, located in Ashland,

Kentucky. This strategic partnership has been formed with a view toward the establishment of a KCC School of Nursing. The College will follow a phased-in approach for this new academic program. Plans call for the offering of a pre-nursing curriculum during the 2001-2002 academic year. Conditioned upon adequate funding and the hiring of a Dean of Nursing, the College hopes to open the School of Nursing in the Fall 2002 semester.

As with all of KCC's degree programs, the curriculum in the School of Nursing will be rigorous in its scholarship, inspire excellence in professional practice, and be Christ-centered. Kentucky Christian College will be the only institution of higher education in the tri-state (which includes eastern Kentucky, southern Ohio, and western West Virginia) to offer a Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) from a Christian worldview.

Dr. Keeran, in announcing the planned opening of the School of Nursing said, "Our belief in Christ will not only be evident in the curriculum, but also in the

type of care that will be provided to those who have medical needs. KCC nursing graduates will be uniquely qualified to minister to the ailing and burdened spirit while attending to those who have emotional or physical wounds."

The strategic partnership with King's Daughters Medical Center is a distinguishing and strengthening characteristic of KCC's School of Nursing. The College's relationship with KDMC, the leading provider of medical services in the tri-state, will allow its nursing curriculum to emphasize the importance of classroom and in-hospital field experiences. This strong commitment to scholarship and supervised professional experience generated through the KCC-KDMC strategic partnership will allow the College's nursing students to develop into savvy practitioners who are comfortable and confident in clinical settings.

Initiating such a large project as the development of a School of Nursing requires the leading, guiding, and provision of the Lord. Please pray for the College's School of Nursing. Please specifically pray for the following needs:

1. Pray for the Lord's provision as it relates to acquiring the financial resources needed to support the opening of the School of Nursing. \$1 million is needed over a four-year period to fund faculty additions, staff

additions, physical plant renovations, and the purchase of medical supplies and equipment.

2. Pray that the Lord will lead the College to the person He has selected to serve as the Dean of the School of Nursing. The Dean will provide the primary leadership in the development and organization of the School of Nursing.

3. Pray that the Lord will guide the College's Admission's Counselors to Christian students who are interested in laboring in the Lord's harvest in the field of nursing. 



Referrals Needed:

KCC is looking for someone who has, or is working toward a Ph.D., or a similar credential in Nursing to serve as the College's first Dean of the School of Nursing. If you know of someone who may be interested, please contact Dr. Jim Estep at (606) 474-3242.





*John Dundon
Executive
Vice President*

KCC Begins “Knights of Prayer” Initiative

“Pray...the Lord of the harvest, that He will send forth laborers into His harvest” (Matthew 9:38 KJV). Jesus encouraged His disciples to pray for workers,

because while there is much Kingdom work to be done the number of laborers are few.

The mission of Kentucky Christian College is to educate students for Christian leadership and service in the Church and in professions throughout the world. In fulfilling this mission, the College seeks to glorify the Lord by joining Him in His work by equipping students to be laborers for the harvest.

KCC is preparing students to work in many different parts of the harvest field. Many students intend to dedicate their lives to the Lord in full-time Christian service by working for Him in the located church ministry, or as a missionary, or in church-related organizations. Others are desiring to shine the light of the Gospel

through professions in education, music, business administration, history, intercultural studies, psychology, or social work.

The Lord’s harvest field is large and the work is immense, as well as immediate. Truly, the College has been given an assignment by God to educate students and equip workers to be Great Commissioners in many different parts of our society.

Just as Jesus encouraged His disciples to pray for harvest laborers, the College’s faculty, staff, administration, and trustees want to invite you to join with hundreds, and perhaps thousands of other supporters of this institution in praying for the Lord’s continued guidance, protection,

and provision for Kentucky Christian College. The College’s prayer initiative, to be known as Knights of Prayer, has been organized to emphasize the importance of prayer in the life of KCC thus underscoring the College’s complete and absolute dependence on God to guide, protect, and provide for this institution.

As His people, we can do nothing better for Kentucky Christian College than to ask for the Lord’s blessing upon this educational ministry. In the near future, you will receive additional communication from the College inviting you to join KCC’s “Knights of Prayer” initiative. Please be praying about your commitment to this important effort. 



Congratulations 2000 Graduates

We congratulate the class of 2000 for joining the ranks of over 2,800 KCC graduates. These graduates join a fantastic group who take the message of Christ with them to the workplace.

These Great Commissioners are making an impact for the cause of Christ wherever their journey may lead. We praise the lord that Kentucky Christian College graduates are equipped to be sent forth as laborers into the Lord’s harvest. 



Wayne B. Smith Center For Christian Leadership Building Dedicated



Keith Wise, Floyd Sack, Wayne B. Smith, and Melvin Keeran join in the ribbon cutting.

Preparing and retooling leaders for the 21st century is the mission of the Wayne B. Smith Center for Christian Leadership. On May 4, this building was dedicated to service. The day was also a celebration of the naming of the two Schools that will occupy the facility. It is because of the level of commitment to the mission of the College, the purpose of the building, and significant contributions to this project that the KCC Board of Trustees have renamed the Teacher Education Department and the Bible and Ministries

Department. The new names are the Keeran School of Education and the Sack School of Bible and Ministries.

Melvin and Ruth Keeran wanted to invest in something that would make a difference in people's lives for generations. As lifelong teachers and intimately involved with KCC as the parents of President Keith Keeran, they decided to give their life savings to the College. It is through the Smith Center that this dream will be fulfilled.

Floyd and Dolly Sack made a gift to the College for this building in honor of their two sons who died at an early age. They wanted their sons to be trained for ministry. Floyd Sack, a former KCC Board member, contractor and retired preacher said "I like what I see here at KCC, academically and every other way." It is through their gift that honors Mark and David, that the hundreds will be trained to minister to hundreds of thousands. 



"When you know Wayne at a distance, you know him for his laugh. But when you know him closer, you know his tears."

—Dr. Tom Lawson
Dean, Sack School
of Bible and Ministry



President's Cabinet Welcomes New Vice Presidents

President Keeran announced effective June 1, 2000 the promotions of Jeff Metcalf, Bill Bondurant, and Sandra Deakins to the position of Vice President.



Jeff Metcalf

Jeff Metcalf, who joined the College in 1996 as Director of Institutional Research, has been appointed Vice President of Planning & Assessment. His primary responsibilities include providing administrative leadership to the institutional research and strategic planning functions of the College.



Bill Bondurant

Before his appointment to Vice President of Finance, Bill Bondurant, who joined the College in 1988, served as Director of Business and Finance. Providing leadership for the College's Business Operations, Human Resources, and Facilities Management are included in his primary responsibilities.



Sandra Deakins

Sandra Deakins has been appointed Vice President of Enrollment Management. Mrs. Deakins, who joined the College in 1991, previously served as the Director of Admissions. Her responsibilities include providing administrative leadership to the Admissions, Campus Events, and Outreach Departments. 



“In all thy ways acknowledge Him
and He will direct thy paths.”

-Proverbs 3:6

Turning to God



If you're like most of us you can use a little encouragement from time to time. We all face trials and difficulties in our lives. In this feature, we want to encourage your spirit, fortify your family, and help strengthen your faith as we remind ourselves of the importance of Turning to God in prayer.

A Prayer of Provision

by **Dr. Rob Ford**

Converted at the age of 12, I was introduced to the need for prayer in my Christian life right away. It was not, however, until I came to Kentucky Christian College that prayer became a way of life for me.

Like most students “emptying the nest” set me on a quest for a life-time partner, a vocation, and a life in general. Through prayer I found all three at Kentucky Christian College.

One Friday, my wife, Karen Sue, and I were without food and money. We would not get paid until Sunday. The little church where we were ministering would give us a check for \$30. I was ashamed to beg. I certainly did not want our parents to know. Pride of being a good provider was at stake.

In our little '37 trailer on G.I. Boulevard (ha!) Karen was trying to console me by saying, “Everything will be alright. Don't worry about it.” We both walked out of our trailer, locking the door behind us, so that we could do our jobs for the College.

My heart was so heavy. My mind was so confused. I was so embarrassed. I began to really regret giving the last five dollars we had to the KCC Faith Promise that

Thursday. I went behind the curtains of the stage in the old chapel. I prayed hard, but cried much harder. Somehow I emerged with the strength to sweep the chapel clean and went home.

I pressed the handle and the trailer door was unlocked. I thought Karen was home, but she was not there. An envelope was lying on the counter. I opened it and read, “Dear brother Bob and Suzie, I do not know why, but I feel there may be some kind of problem and I feel led to help you in some way.” It was signed by George Markey. Enclosed were two five-dollar bills.

To this day, we do not know how George got in through a locked door. How did he sense something was wrong? How was he led to give exactly what was needed? Even George did not know the answers to these questions. We praised God who doubled our sacrificial offering! 

Dr. Rob Ford is Professor of Biblical Studies and Christian Ministries at Kentucky Christian College and is a member of the KCC class of 1966. Dr. Karen Ford is Professor of Teacher Education at KCC and also a member of the class of 1966.

Philippians 4:6

“Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your request to God.”



Prayer of Thanks for Family Lessons Learned

by **Roxanne Hammond**

For my three children it's hard to imagine that "mom" had a life BC (before children), much less that she was a college student, cheerleader and someone with lessons to learn. It was during those years that I learned a valuable lesson that has been a foundation for my life.

When I left my family of six, the oldest of four children, to embark on my college education I felt very vulnerable. I arrived on the KCC campus in August 1975 and after meeting several staff and their families I quickly found myself drawn to a family very similar to my own. Dick and Linda Damron had four children, two girls and two boys, like ours. Dick was athletic, physically fit and a hunter (bird hunter), just like my dad. Linda, too, was like my mother, a Christian teacher, mother, wife, and devoted to her relationship with God. I immediately bonded with this family and felt God had placed them in my life.

Since the Damrons lived on campus their children were very integrated into campus life, in the gym, at ball games and other social events. Andrea, their

oldest, was 12 at the time I lived on campus. She was a beautiful, energetic elementary cheerleader who attended many of our cheerleading practices. She was always turning cartwheels, practicing cheers and even offering suggestions to our squad. She eventually became our younger "sponsor".

My commitment to KCC as a freshman was to seek God's direction for my life through the classes offered. However, in the months to come, one of the greatest lessons learned, came not from the classroom but from Andrea and her family.

During my first year at KCC, Andrea was diagnosed with cancer. The students, staff, and families were devastated with the news. Andrea's faith, courage and positive attitude concerning her illness brought encouragement to the entire KCC campus and Grayson community. The KCC family cried, prayed, and offered our love to the Damrons. It was Dick and Linda, however, who encouraged us and with one heart and mouth glorified God even in the midst of a tragedy. Andrea

went home to be with the Lord two years after first being diagnosed. To this day in my life I have yet to witness such courage, faith, and love. Their love for the Father and desire to glorify Jesus was magnified in this difficult situation.

It has been over twenty years now and I still reflect on that lesson. It has been the foundation for our marriage and ministry. When Eddie and I were married we used Romans 15:6 as our wedding motto. We had so vividly seen it lived out in the life of this family.

Andrea Damron is a blessing and her light still shines in the foothills of the Bluegrass State at KCC. My heartfelt thanks to Dick and Linda for including me as part of their own family and teaching me to glorify God with one heart and mouth. 

Roxanne (Hammons) Hammond is a Registered Nurse who lives in Mt. Vernon, Kentucky. She is a member of the KCC class of 1979. Eddie Hammond (KCC class of 1979) is Senior Minister at First Christian Church, Mt. Vernon, Kentucky.

Praying for Your Children

by **Cynde Dundon**

On Sunday, December 17, 1995, I tore off the little page from my desk calendar, getting ready for the next day. Before tossing the paper in the trash, I read it once more. Its message struck me so strongly that it has been a permanent addition to our family's cluttered refrigerator ever since. On needed occasions, the yellowed, curled message peeks out from our children's latest artwork to remind my husband and me of one of our primary missions in life. Allow me to share it with you: "My most important reason for living is to get the gospel of Jesus Christ safely in the hands of my children." James Dobson, *Straight Talk to Men and Their Wives*, (Word Books, 1980), 51.

Now this may seem very obvious and simple, but often we get distracted. As



parents, our prayer is that we will be used by the Lord to help our children fall in love with Jesus and raise them in the training and instruction of the Lord. 
Cynde (Turner) Dundon (attn: '81-'82) is

a fourth grade teacher who lives, along with her husband John, and two children in Grayson, Kentucky.

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1930s

Kelly and **Nena (Hale)** (attn. '36-'39) **Hash** celebrated their 58th wedding anniversary on March 21, 2000. After leaving KCC, Nena received a BA from Transylvania University and an MA from the University of Virginia. Five of the Hale sisters attended KCC.

1940s

Ardis Ann (Harris) Whalen (attn: '43-'45) has decided to get with the 2000 generation and go on the web with her art. Address: PO Box 733, Stanton, NE 68779. E-mail: aawhalen@stanton.net.

1950s

Richard and Nancy Hostetter ('57) served as professors at Windward Islands School of Evangelism, Kingstown, St. Vincent, West Indies, January-April 2000.

Fred and Marge Whitacre ('59) celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on August 26, 2000. A surprise card shower was given in their honor by their six children, Susan, **Mike** ('74) **Kathy** ('76), **Ron** ('81), **David** ('81), and **Chris** ('87) in recognition of their lifetime commitment to family, KCC, but more importantly, to Christ. Address: PO Box 55, Mackville, KY 40040. E-mail: fwhitacr@kyol.net.

1960s

Gene ('66) & **Ellen Richard** announce that Gene is retiring from a second job of substituting in Wooster city schools and Wayne County schools. Address: 2453 Armstrong Dr., Wooster, Ohio 44691. E-mail: richard6040@aol.com.

1970s

John ('74) and **Diana Aters'** daughter **Jennifer Powell** graduated from KCC in 1999. Address: 1018 Gilcrest, Brilliant, OH 43913. E-mail: aters@1st.net.

John Fisher ('77) serves as coordinator of outpatient services to children and families in the FIVCO and Gateway Health Districts. Address: PO Box 148, Rush, KY 41168.

Tom ('79) and **Cheryl Ledford** announce the birth of a son, **Carson Thomas Ledford**, on November 9, 1999. Address: 3417 S. Swineheart Rd., Applecreek, OH 44606.

Herb and Kathy (Caldwell) (attn: '77-'79) **Spangler** announce the birth of a daughter, **Madison Grace Yvonne**, on January 6, 2000. She joins brother **Casey** (9 1/2) and sister **Holly** (11). They are serving at the Fayetteville Church of Christ in Ohio. Address: 1744 E SR 28, Midland, OH 45148. **Mark** ('75) and **Linda (McCutcheon)** ('76) **Trout** announce that daughter **Jennifer** graduated with the class of 2000 from KCC. E-mail: mltrout@hotmail.com.

1980s

Scott ('88) and **Rhonda (Wells)** ('91) **Baker** announce the birth of a son, **Seth Franklin**, on March 29, 2000. Address: 708 Fernwood, Delta, OH 43515.

Doug Foote ('83) is the Head Basketball Coach at Marietta College. Address: 104 Edgewood Dr., Marietta, OH 45750. E-mail: footed@marietta.edu.

Faron ('89) and **Janet (Arehart)** ('92) **Franklin** are now ministering at the Glen Lyn Church of Christ. Address: 210 Houston Ln., Glen Lyn, VA 24093. E-mail: faron@gva.net.

Phil ('85) and **Kim (Sellars) Martin** ('85) began their ninth year at the First Christian Church in Salem, IL in July. Phil recently moved from Youth and Family Ministry to the Worship and Adult Ministry. They have two sons, **Kyle** (14) and **Eric** (11). Address: 341 Woodland Dr., Salem, OH 62881.

Rich ('87) and **Kim (Brooks) McKinley** ('87) recently moved to Miamisburg, Ohio where Rich will be the Minister of Christian Development. Address: 1838 Burnside Dr., Miamisburg, OH 45342. E-mail: chip814@earthlink.net.

Robert E. Moler ('84) is the owner and director of Gallery on the Square. Robert teaches art and organizes regional and national art exhibits for the community and park tourists. He recently published a new

pop-up children's book, *If I Were a Halloween Monster*. Robert and his wife, Robin, have three children; **Mandy** (10), **Olivia** (6), and **Benjamin** (3). Address: 607 Seminole Trl., Danville, KY 40422.

Steve (attn: '84-'85) and **Terri (Messer) Murphy** ('85) will be in Costa Rica in 2001 to study Spanish and will be moving to Caracas, Venezuela in 2002 as missionaries with Team Expansion. E-mail: SMurphy@TeamExpansion.org They have three children: **Carmen** (10) **Aaron** (7) and **Nathan** (5).

Tim Powell ('85) is ministering at the Steele Creek Church of Charlotte, 7705 Suite E South Tryon St., Charlotte, NC 28217. E-mail: tim@steelecreek.org.

Eddie ('80) and **Cheri (Calloway) Prather** ('80) announce the birth of their second son, **Jackson Edward** born on February 22, 2000. He joins his brother, **Grayson Dylan Prather** (4). Address: 7401 E. 200 N., Avon, IN 46123.

Tim ('83) and **Jenny** (attn. '81-'83) **Rohrbacher** are now ministering at the North Park Church of Christ. Address: 6251 Willow Crest Dr., Columbus, OH 43229.

James Sapp ('89) has been a missionary to Honduras, Central America, teaching English, building churches, doing social work and evangelizing since March 2000. Address: 349 Gray Station Rd., Gray, TN 37615.

Mark and Patt (Alderdice) ('86) **Senseman** announce the birth of their son **Blake Edward** on October 3, 1999. Patt just completed her second book *VideoTalks for Kids*. Address: 7387 Robin Drive, Maineville, OH 45039. E-mail: PattSense@aol.com.

1990s

Todd ('97) and **Heather (Sweeney)** ('97) **Calvert** are now serving at Highland Christian Church. Todd is the Youth Minister, and Heather is



teaching at the Highland Christian School, which opened in August, 1999. Address: 561 Circle Dr., Maysville, KY 41056. E-mail: hccyouth@yahoo.com. **James** ('96) and **Katie (Love) Chaney** ('96) have moved to 7140-120 Selby Rd. Athens, OH 45701. Son Will Franklin was born on June 30, 2000. He joins his sister, Summer. **Bob Elness** ('96) is now serving at Attica Christian Church. Address: PO Box 165, Attica, IN 47818. **Kendall** ('91) and **Sharon (Watt)** ('91) **Freeman** are serving at Westerville Christian Church. Kendall is the Student Minister. Sharon is enrolled at Otterbein College and is the Girls Varsity Volleyball coach at Tree of Life Christian School in Columbus. A son Justus Paul was born February 16, 2000. He joins sister Carlie, 4. Address: 3339 Valley Park Ave., Columbus, OH 43231. **Ron** ('91) and **Terri (Monhollen)** ('92) **Gibson** recently moved to the Nashville, TN area. Ron is Branch Manager for Employee's Credit Association, and Terri stays home with son Toby, 22 months. Address: PO Box 582, Hendersonville, TN 37077-0582. **Rebekah Hannum** ('99) began working in Caracas, Venezuela in May, 2000. She plans to be on the mission field for a minimum of two years. E-mail: bekah.hannum@excite.com. **B.J.** ('98) and **Jodi (Williams) Hunt** ('98) announce the birth of their son, Andrew Jason, on March 11, 2000. He joins older brother Bradley Christopher, age 2 1/2. E-mail: bradhunt@vnet.net. Dave and **Andrea (Boone)** ('94) **Jones** announce the birth of their daughter, Eliza Ruth on October 23, 1999. She joins

sister Emily, 3. Address: 16500 Wooster Rd., Mt. Vernon, OH 43050. **Julie Knick** ('91) married Matt Brown on June 23, 2000. She is an English teacher for South-Western City Schools. Address: 2665 Eakin Rd., Columbus, OH 43204. **Dan** ('90) and **Kim (Lemmon) Leinbaugh** ('90) announce the birth of a son, Nicholas Alan on December 19, 1999. He joins brother Nathan, 3 1/2. Address: 2959 Brooks Bend Dr., Carmel, IN 46032. **Ed** ('90) and **Beth (Pugh)** ('91) **Mack** announce the birth of a son, Caleb Elijah on June 7, 2000. He joins brother Joshua. Address: 207 N. Liberty St., Delaware, OH 43015. **Heather (Duncan)** ('95) **Perry** is a Patient Representative at Central Baptist Hospital in Lexington. Her husband Garry is an attorney for Lexmark International. Address: 1129 Turkeyfoot Rd. #6, Lexington, KY 40502. **Stacie Phillips** (attn '97-'98) married Jeff **Wehmiller** June 17, 2000. Address: 8043 N. Sunset Ct. Columbus, IN 47201. **Trent** ('93) and **Melinda (Switzer)** ('94) **Ross** announce the birth of their fourth child, Trey Michael, born on November 29, 1999. He joins brothers Joshua (6) and Caleb (2), and sister Brittany (5). Address: PO Box 192, Advance, IN 46102. E-mail: trentster@lightdog.com. **Bobby** ('94) and **Danielle (Daniels)** ('94) **Rumer** started a new church, Common Ground Community Church, in Lexington, KY. They hosted their first public service on April 16, 2000 with 83 in attendance. They have two children, Kaile (5) and Sadie (2). Address: 880 Ridgebrook Rd., Lexington, KY 40509. E-

mail: genxpstr@aol.com. **Timothy** ('92) and **Kathryn (Shafer)** ('90) **Sherer** celebrated 5 years of ministry at the Ridgeway Church of Christ on July 2, 2000. They have three children, Keisha (17) Jessi (7) and Timmy (5). Address: PO Box 41, Ridgeway, OH 43345-0041. **Rob** ('96) and **Cindy (Mitchell) Shoaff** ('96) celebrate in the birth of their new daughter, Abigail JoAnn, born in Malaga, Spain on December 4, 1999. She joins her brother, Samuel, (2). Address: RR #2 Box 288 Bloomington, IL 61704. **Jeannie (Vaughn) Stafford** ('92) and her husband Tom adopted a baby boy, Zachery Thomas, born March 25, 2000. Jeannie is a Medical Social Worker for King's Daughter Medical Center. Address: 315 W. Greenhill Rd. Ashland, KY 41102 **Lisa Talley** ('93) is employed by Boeing Guidance Repair Center as a Cost Analyst. Address: 3325 Dresden Rd. Zanesville, OH 43701. **Heath West** (attn '94-'98) married **Heather Sharp** ('99) on July 22, 2000. Address: 6286 Pleasant Hill Rd. Athens, OH 45701. **Casey** ('93) and **Sara (Ford)** ('95) **Whitacre** have moved to Wilmington, OH. Casey is co-minister at Jamestown Church of Christ and Sara is a (401K) Retirement Account Specialist in Cincinnati, OH. Address: 1059 Ventura Dr., Wilmington, OH 45177.

In Memoriam

Kristen Carter, daughter of **Wayne** ('81) and **Janet (Skaggs) Carter** ('81), died on August 10, 2000 after an

extended illness. Wayne and Janet's address: 315 Cherokee Trl., Huntington, WV 25705-4105. **Russell Deitch** ('36) died on March 5, 2000. Russell is survived by his wife **Dorothy (Darrah) Deitch** (attn: 1934-'36). Address: 6403 Peace Pl., Indianapolis, IN 46268. **Jack Knight** ('85) died July 2000. He is survived by his wife JoAnne and children: Cathy, Jimmy, and Timmy. Address: P.O. Box 381, Malta, OH 43758. **Norman Mansfield** (attn: '75-'79) died in an accident on August 28, 2000. He is survived by his wife Jean and son, Connor (7). He is the son of **Clarence** ('52) and **Pat Mansfield** ('52) and the brother of **Kathy (Mansfield) Durham** ('76), **Larry**, (attn: '73-'74) Steve, and **Vince Mansfield** ('86). Address for Jean: 389 Fairfield Ave., Columbiana, OH 44408. Parent's address: 42121 Madison Dr., Columbiana, OH 44408. **Gene Clarence Sellers** ('51) died on July 11, 2000. The memorial service was conducted by his former roommate at KCC, Bill Sleasman, assisted by one of his "Timothies," Robert Cree. Gene is survived by his wife of 46 years, Theresa Sellers, one daughter, and two sons. Address: 113 Michael Ln., Royal Center, IN 46978.

Prayer Requests

Lesia (Underwood) Bowley ('85) is in the hospital awaiting a heart transplant. Lesia is the daughter of **Hillary** ('attn: '58-'62) and **Sue (Amburgey) Underwood** (attn: '72-'75) and the wife of **Bill Bowley** ('84). Address: c/o St. Vincent Hospital, Room 3815, 2001 W. 86th St., Indianapolis, IN 46260-1991. **Bitsy (Thomas) Spencer** ('84) continues to battle cancer. Bitsy is the wife of **Tim Spencer** ('84). Address: 10 Fitch Ln., Greensburg, PA 15601.

Alumni, Let Us Hear From You...Online!

We are always excited to see what our Alumni are doing and where God is using them. Be we can't report it if we don't know it. For your convenience of reporting, we have provided an online form on our website (www.kcc.edu/alumni.htm). If you don't have access to the internet, just send us a note through the mail and we will be glad to post it.





Alumni Spotlight

Profiles of Distinctive Alumni

Little did Doug Lucas know as he marched in to the President's office twenty five years ago, begging for mercy, so he wouldn't have to take Mr. Gemeinhart's Introduction to Mission class, that he was right where God wanted him. Even though Doug

thought it would be a waste of time and was allowed to swap the Intro class to the Principles and Methods of Missions, Mr. G., red pen and all, planted a seed in Doug's heart for missions.

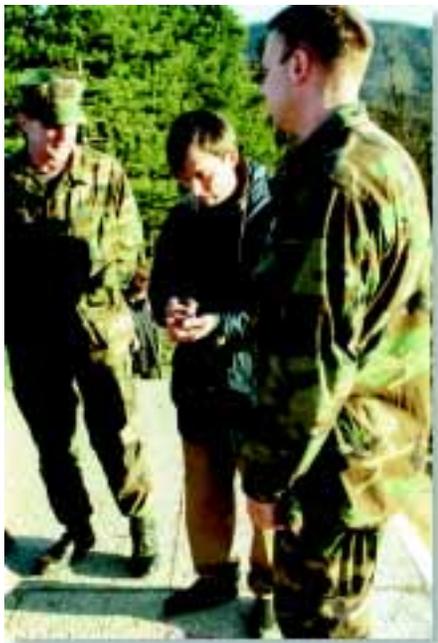
By the time his mid-term exam rolled around, that seed took root as Doug and his future wife, Penny Tapp planned to serve in the mission field. Doug and Penny married a month after graduation and within a year they were serving as missionaries in South America. Team Expansion, the mission organization that Doug started, on the KCC campus has grown from just the two of them to over 175 adult full-time missionary workers in 27 different nations around the globe. Annually these top-flight co-workers baptize hundreds of new believers. The International Team Expansion office is located in Louisville, Kentucky sending laborers out into the field for harvest.

Doug says he works with "some of the greatest people in the world." In cooperation with those fellow workers, God has raised up new full-time church-planting teams in Albania, Argentina, Bosnia, China, Colombia, Cote d'Ivoire, Ecuador, France, Ireland, Italy, Kosovo, Laos, Mongolia, Taiwan, Tanzania, Ukraine, Uruguay, and Venezuela, as well as with Hispanics in the USA. Doug's newest project is taking him to Somalia in East Africa.

Doug and Penny have two children, Christopher (13) and Caleb (10). Doug coaches his boy's soccer teams and plays soccer himself in a competitive league in Louisville.

When asked what impact KCC had on his ministry, Doug explained how the organization focuses their energies by working together in some three dozen different teams, and as President Doug said, "I have to use KCC taught leadership principles every day of my life." He added, "Whoa. Come to think of it, looking back at the fact that KCC gave me all this, no wonder I'm thankful for KCC."

You can contact Doug at Team Expansion at 1-800-447-0800, email: Dlucas@TeamExpansion.org, or on the web: www.teamexpansion.org.



Doug Lucas - '79

The camera caught Doug interviewing NATO troops on a hillside in Bosnia, shortly after the conflict ended there. Today, Team Expansion has full-time workers in Bosnia.

Congratulations Outstanding Young Ministers

More than 1,200 people attended Outstanding Young Ministers luncheons sponsored by Standard Publishing during the 2000 North American Christian Convention. Approximately 200 young ministers were honored for their excellent service and dedication to the Lord's work in the local church. KCC is thankful to honor its alumni who have been recognized as Outstanding Young Ministers.

- Gary Baker**
Colfax Christian Church, Colfax, IN
- Jarrin Chevront**
Greenford Christian Church, Greenford, OH
- Eddie Clark**
New Life Church of Christ, Walton Hills, OH
- Rick Cooper**
Walton Hills Church of Christ, Walton Hills, OH
- Al Dangelo**
Jackson Christian Church, Massillon, OH
- Solomon David**
Bachelor Creek Church of Christ, Wabash, IN
- Kurt Flora**
The Christian Church, Heyworth, IL
- Derrick Horne**
Metro Faith Christian Church, Tulsa, OK
- Alex Jack**
Central Christian Church, Greenville, TN
- Darren Johnson**
Claysville Christian Church, Cynthiana, KY
- Michael Kjergaard**
North Hampton Church of Christ, Hampton, VA
- Jeremy Klein**
First Christian Church, Salem, OH
- Doug Martin**
Spencer Christian Church, Fisherville, KY
- Jeff Michael**
Christ's Church, Effingham, IL
- Willie Purdee III**
Guyandotte Church of Christ, Huntington, WV
- Scott Stewart**
First Christian Church, Greensburg, IN
- Ronald Tabor**
First Christian Church, Harve de Grace, MD
- James Terry**
First Christian Church, Covington, VA
- Phillip Vaughan**
Sherwood Oaks Christian Church, Bloomington, IN
- Jon Wells**
Mowrystown Church of Christ, Mowrystown, OH





Over 300 Alumni and friends enjoyed a wonderful breakfast cruise on the Belle of Louisville during the North American Christian Convention in July.



Alumni Calendar of Events

November 8, 2000

Alumni & Friends Regional Reception following KCC Concert Choir presentation at the First Christian Church, 2600 Cleveland Ave., Canton, OH. R.S.V.P. by calling (606) 474-3277

December 1, 2000

Founders Day & Alumni Night for Feast of Christmas. An alumni reception will follow the Feast performance in the new Wayne B. Smith Center for Christian Leadership.

February 16, 2001

Alumni Homecoming and Reception following men's basketball game.

April 27

Family Reunion/Alumni Banquet at 6:00 p.m. in Lusby Center.



Approximately 125 Alumni and their families returned to campus September 2. Alumni Soccer and Volleyball games plus family games filled the afternoon. The evening concluded with a picnic and devotional time.



Reminisce...

Pull Away to Pull Together- A Devotion by Alumnus Bev Haas (Class of 1977)
"When Jesus got the news, he slipped away by boat to an out-of-the-way place by himself... When the crowd dispersed, he climbed the mountain so he could be by himself and pray."
(Matthew 14:13,23: The Message)

In the midst of a saturated schedule of teaching and healing, Jesus climbed into a boat and sailed to an out of the way place intending to be by Himself. Because of His growing popularity, He was unsuccessful, and we next find Him feeding the 5,000 people who found Him. After a massive meal Jesus again tries to withdraw to be by himself. Pulling away from the constant demands that people place upon us is something that even Jesus needed.

How full is your schedule? Is it so crowded that you can no longer think of feeding others because you are starving yourself? Then it's time to slip away to be alone with your Lord.

As a student at KCC, the prayer room was where I found the solitude I needed. When the stress of classes, research papers, and tests became overwhelming I withdrew to the prayer room. I would read God's Word, gaze at the cross on the wall, and then pray. Pulling away to be in the presence of God pulled everything back into it's proper perspective. In reality, the pressures were still there, but I was reminded that God was still there too!

In that quiet place, I could sense God in a very real way. Even today the memory of my time in the prayer room brings stillness to my spirit. I have long since graduated from KCC, the stresses of my



Phil and Bev Haas in the KCC prayer room, 1975

school days are far behind me, but the need to slip away to an out-of-the-way place to be alone remains within me. The solution to a crowded life that has become cluttered with life's constant "to do" list has not changed—so slip away to be with Jesus. 





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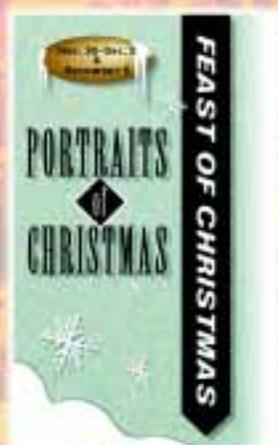
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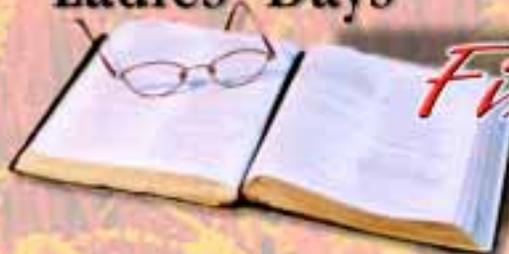
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Ladies' Days



Fix Your Eyes on Jesus



March 30-31
Featuring
Liz Curtis Higgs

November 30 - December 2

KCC Campus
(An Alumni Reception will be held
following the Feast performance on Dec. 1)

December 8

Paramount Arts Center/Ashland, KY
For tickets call: 606-474-3199



April 27, 2001



Concert Choir

Fall Tour 2000

November 7

KCC Chapel

November 8

First Christian Church
Canton, OH

November 9

Marlboro Christian Church
Alliance, OH

November 10

Jackson Christian Church
Massillon, OH

November 11

Ligonier Valley H.S.
Ligonier, PA

November 12

First Christian Church
Martins Ferry, OH

November 12

Athens Church of Christ
Athens, OH



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