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The Highest Call

Jesus our Lord was known by many different titles. To some in Nazareth He was a carpenter, to others He was a healer and miracle worker, and still others knew Him as the one who fed the hungry and encouraged the poor.

To many He was a compassionate friend, but His enemies saw Him as a revolutionary and a dangerous threat to their power over the people. Amazingly everyone, friends and enemies alike, knew Him as Rabbi (Teacher).

When God chose the role He wanted His Son to have, He sent Him to us as a teacher. The Son came to reveal the Father and to bring about reconciliation between the Father and all His fallen children.

Jesus was the embodiment of all that God desires a teacher to be. He exemplified what all good teachers now acknowledge, but struggle to achieve: real learning does not happen until students are brought into relationship with the teacher, with each other, and with the subject. Parker Palmer has said, "We cannot learn deeply and well until a community of learning is created in the classroom. In a wide variety of ways, good teachers bring students into living communion with the subjects they teach."*

Jesus as teacher came to teach us about the Father and to "bring us into living communion" with Him. There is no greater model of what it means to teach well. There is no greater lesson objective than the one He came to fulfill. There is no higher call for mortals than to hear and to follow the call to teach.

This issue of *The Voice* is a celebration of both the teacher and the craft of teaching.

Dr. Charles Gresham finished his work of teaching this year. He traded his position at the head of the class for a place at the feet of the "Master Teacher." His voice is now silent, but the impact of his life continues on in the ministries of those whose minds and hearts were enriched under his graceful instruction. The eulogy contained in this issue of *The Voice* is more than a celebration of a life

well lived, it is a testimony to a dear colleague and friend who worked diligently to create a community of learning in the classroom.

Dr. Gresham's classroom was not defined by four walls and a lectern, but stretched throughout the entire Christian brotherhood. We miss him deeply. The College and the Gresham family greatly appreciate the prayers and expressions of sympathy that have been offered by so many friends across the country.

As this academic year draws to a close, we are also celebrating the 20th anniversary of our program in teacher education. This important program was launched in 1983 in response to several pressing needs:

- A national teacher shortage was imminent in America's public schools—a problem which continues to this day.
- The rapid growth of the Christian school movement had quickly outpaced the number of qualified teachers. The need for certified teachers remains the most significant challenge in private and public education today.
- A persistent plea from KCC's alumni, donors, prospective students, parents, and church leaders that the College add more breadth to its program and degree offerings.

Our constituents were pressing for consistency with the biblical teaching on the "priesthood of all believers." Concerned voices spoke and the College listened.

The teacher education program is not only consistent with the College's historic mission; it has significantly increased the educational ministry and career opportunities for women on our campus. Those who know KCC's history are aware that it had its beginning in 1919 as a teacher training school under the name Christian Normal Institute. The restoration of teacher education in 1983, however, was not so much a romance with the past as it was a response to real and legitimate needs about which the entire Christian community was, and is, properly concerned.




President Keith P. Keeran, Ph.D.

The opportunities for influence and ministry through teacher education are profound. Teachers make a real difference in the lives of our children, and Christian teachers who bring their students into communion with their subjects make a permanent impact on the way children think about God and the universe.

I want to encourage you to take the time to thank a teacher. It may be a teacher who personally touched your life in a special way as you advanced in your formal education.

Perhaps it was someone who encouraged you through a particularly difficult time by their counsel or simply their friendship. Remember, real teaching is not something confined only to a classroom and it is far more than a lecture, reading assignments, and an exam.

A true teacher is someone who brings you into communion with things that matter. Maybe it was your minister or a Sunday school teacher, or perhaps it was someone who passed your way for but a moment.

Whoever they are, we are indebted to these people through whom God has touched our lives. They helped us see Him more clearly by their own walk and they awakened within us a sense of hope and a longing to be more than we thought we ever could be. 

*(Parker J. Palmer, *To Know as We Are Known*, Harper Collins Publishers, 1993.)



Message from the Editor

John L. Dundon
Executive
Vice President

Amidst the tensions of our world, Kentucky Christian College has not wavered in our commitment to serve Christ by preparing servant-leaders who will take the Gospel to the four-corners of the earth. KCC graduates are uniquely equipped to serve first – and then lead as a way of expanding and enhancing their service to others.

About the Cover

In this issue we celebrate the Keeran School of teacher education's 20th Anniversary. We celebrate this accomplishment along with the dedicated teacher education faculty who have committed their lives to preparing ambassador-educators for Christ. Nearly 500 students have graduated from the program and are making a difference in the lives of

the next generation. Today's children need to receive an excellent education, but they also need the positive influences of love, encouragement, and support. Pictured (clockwise, starting at top right) are: Teresa (Norris) Russell ('02), Mark Berggren ('02), Libby (Vance) Stuart ('89), Greta (Miller) Casto ('91), and Dana (Tingler) Brown ('92).

SITS Celebration

We are also celebrating the 20th Anniversary of the Summer In The Son program. Through the years, more than 30,000 young people have been encouraged to follow the Son during this summer event. Moreover, thousands of baptisms and other decisions have been made for Christ through this effective ministry. We send a special "thank you" to Russell Johnson, Senior Minister at the Fairfield Christian Church in Lancaster, Ohio, for initiating this wonderful outreach!



Remembering Dr. Charles R. Gresham

Dr. Charles R. Gresham went to be with the Lord in November 2002. I count it as one of life's great privileges to have had him as a teacher. Dr. Gresham's influence can be observed each day as the seeds of instruction he planted in thousands of Christian leaders continue to produce fruit for Christ and His Kingdom. In honor of the memory of Dr. Gresham, the eulogy President Keeran shared with those in attendance at his memorial service is presented in this issue.

Thank You

Thank you for supporting the educational ministry of KCC with your prayers and encouragement. You are the fuel for Kentucky Christian College's mission. We appreciate and remember your support with thanksgiving. 🇺🇸

The mission of Kentucky Christian College is to educate students for Christian leadership and service in the church and in professions throughout the world.

One Nation Under God



Please earnestly pray for President Bush and Congress as they lead our country. Also pray for those in the military as they protect our freedom so that we can be one nation under God.

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Celebrating Twenty Years of Teacher Education

by Kail D. Ruffner, Ed.D.

Teacher education is not new to Kentucky Christian College. In her earlier days, when she was known as Christian Normal Institute, a two-year course of study was offered to high-school graduates to prepare them for the teaching profession.

This program of preparation for teachers was phased out during the 1920's. In the fall of 1982, under the leadership of Dr. L. Palmer Young, President, and Dr. Gary Hall, Academic Dean, Dr. Robert Migneault was brought to the campus to help in the establishment of the present teacher education program. Dr. Migneault offered the first teacher education classes in the spring of 1983.

It is from these beginnings that we mark the twentieth anniversary of the Keeran School of Education. The unit has been blessed with dedicated professors during the last twenty years.

Dr. Kail D. Ruffner, Dean of the Keeran School of Education, now serving in his twentieth year, came in the fall of 1983. Dr. Rosalyn A. Ruffner came in the fall of 1984 following the departure of Dr. Migneault. She has continued with the school as professor and coordinator of student teaching for the last nineteen years.

Mr. Ora Davis served from the fall of 1986 to the spring of 1988. In the fall of 1988 Dr. Sherry Curtis and Dr. Karen S. Ford came to serve as professors. In the fall of 1994 Dr. Blanche Glimps joined the college community and taught foundations courses for the unit through the spring 2000. In 1995 Dr. Curtis became

Vice President for Student Life and Dr. Darrel W. Fyffe joined the unit.

The education of teachers depends on the faculty from all departments in the institution. Mr. Kenneth Jones and Dr. Michael Veech (since 1998) worked to develop the music program. Faculty

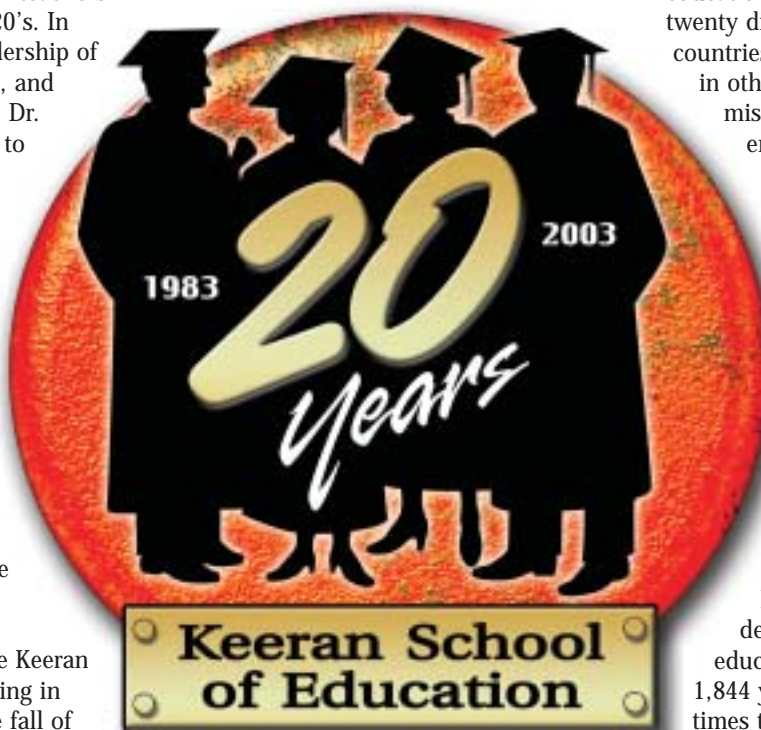
teacher education program are also a vital part of our story. On May 4, 1984, Gale Rogers Morris was the first graduate from the new teacher education department.

Since that date 473 have been added to the list of graduates. At this time teacher education graduates are teaching in twenty different states and three foreign countries. Some program graduates are in other fields of service: ministry, missions, nursing, law, business, entertainment, military, and social services. The graduates of the teacher education program at Kentucky Christian College have permeated society.

Each graduate has experienced a unique preparation for service. They are prepared for their chosen profession of teaching and they are prepared for the profession of the greatest teacher, Jesus Christ.

In a recent survey it was determined that KCC teacher education graduates had taught 1,844 years. That amount of years times the number of students taught by our graduates indicates the great potential for the greater good which can come from a thoroughly prepared teacher candidate. This is what we are attempting to do at this time in the life of the Keeran School of Education.

The future impact of teacher education graduates will become greater as increased numbers of them begin their life of teaching and as those who have gone before continue in their chosen profession. Those involved in the preparation of teachers in the Keeran School of Education sense the great responsibility



members from the arts and sciences have worked to develop different teacher education program offerings and ensure that the general studies and content area needs of students are being met.

The past has been impacted by many named and unnamed people who have contributed to the success of the teacher education programs at Kentucky Christian College.

The students who came to Kentucky Christian College and graduated from a



Row one (l-r): Dr. Rosalyn Ruffner, Dr. Kail Ruffner, Dr. Karen Ford
Row two: Dr. Darrel Fyffe, President Keith P. Keeran


for excellence in the preparation of teachers and rejoice in the success of all those who leave to touch the lives of others.

Therefore, we will continue to do what we do, because it is good. Dr. J. Lowell Lusby, the second President of Kentucky Christian College, would have said it is "For the Good of the Cause."

Throughout the last twenty years, there has been a steady stream of teacher education graduates from the Keeran School of Education. At the end of this

twentieth year an average of twenty-four graduates per year will have completed a teacher education program.

There is great reason for rejoicing in the successes of the last twenty years and there is great reason to express thanks for those who selected and supported Kentucky Christian College during these two decades. Also, we look to the future as a time when the school and the world will be

blessed by the lives of those who have experienced the unique preparation of Kentucky Christian College's Keeran School of Education. 

Dr. Kail D. Ruffner has served as the Dean of the Keeran School of Education since 1983.



Editor's Note: Please see related article on page 17 about how teacher education students get practical field experience at Mountain Mission School in Grundy, Virginia.

Superintendent Prichard Endorses KCC's Keeran School of Education




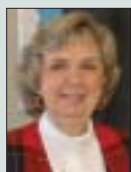
*Dr. Larry Prichard
Superintendent,
Carter County (KY)
School System*

"The Carter County School system has utilized resources from Kentucky Christian College's Keeran School of Education since its inception. We have enjoyed a warm profes-

sional relationship that shares vision, talent, and skills due to the collaborative efforts of KCC students, as well as, the extensive knowledge of their professors and faculty.

The student teachers from KCC are well prepared, not only in Kentucky core content and academic expectations but also in teaching strategies and child development. They are consistently among the best teachers we receive.

The Keeran School of Education at KCC should be very proud of its accomplishments. We are!" 



*Dr. Rosalyn
Ruffner*

"In August, 1983, Kail left his Indiana ministry, and I left my sixth grade classroom for a new life in Grayson, Kentucky. The years since have been exciting, challenging, and rewarding. Our colleagues in teacher education here at

KCC have become our family. However, the greatest satisfaction has come from sharing the lives of hundreds of wonderful students.

I am so proud of our graduates who are serving God as classroom teachers. They are providing sound instruction and Christ-like examples to hundreds of young people every day. My life is richer for having been a part of their preparation for service."



*Dr. Darrel
W. Fyffe*

"Teachers imparted positive influence in my childhood. Having chosen teaching, it appeared I should use all my ideals to affect students. My Christian view calls for a life of service.

While teaching junior high, an administrator suggested I could impact more by preparing teachers. I could not have known that, in 31 years of higher education, four thousand teachers would come through my classes. I have attempted to be a Christian witness, to demonstrate Christian service, to exemplify professional development, and to show these are consistent with a Christian life. Teachers ought to convey joy derived from learning and growing."



*Dr. Karen
Ford*

"Having several years of teaching experience I know there is a great demand for quality teachers who can meet the needs of their students both in academic and nonacademic areas.

Our students at KCC are guided to an extra responsibility in their chosen profession — commitment. Moreover, they are committed to a quality and effective academic program, and to instilling in their students a lifelong value system containing love and respect for themselves and others.

I praise God that we have an opportunity to provide positive, moral, and ethical role models for the students we serve around the world."

KCC Teacher Education Graduates Reflect on Their Unique Training

Kentucky Christian College teacher education graduates are serving as educational-ambassadors for Christ. In this article, several of the Keeran School of Education's graduates reflect on the unique training they received at KCC. Each of their academic programs included excellent instruction in teacher education, as well as a minimum of 30 semester hours in Bible.



**Aislin
Arney
(’00)**

Aislin serves as an eighth grade teacher at the Sonlight Academy in Port-de-Paix, Haiti. Sonlight is a Christian English immersion school for pre-school through twelfth grade.

I remember the family-like atmosphere at KCC. It truly felt like home away from home. In my four years at KCC, I had my ups and downs, but there were always others on campus who stood beside me. The faculty and staff were especially kind and loving during those times.

My education at KCC was very beneficial in preparing me for my work at a Christian school. In addition to my education classes, I also had a number of different Bible classes. These classes helped broaden my understanding of Scripture and are helping me to be a better teacher of the Bible.

At KCC, I learned that the spiritual element of our being is inseparable from the physical and emotional elements. I realize that when my students are struggling or facing difficult times, there are usually a number of different factors contributing to the situation. I watched recently as one of my former students struggled with the decision to give his life to Christ. This struggle was very evident in his relationship with others, his school work, and his general demeanor. I was grateful for the opportunity to lift him up in prayer and encourage him as he sought the Lord. He was baptized this spring!



**Lynn
(Barrell)
Bates
(’96)**

Lynn teaches chemistry and physical science at East Carter High School in Grayson, Kentucky.

My education at KCC helped me develop a stronger foundation for my Christian life and develop strong classroom management skills. The professors were a good witness to me and provided an excellent example of what a Christian educator should be. The manner in which I treat my students has been shaped by my relationship with the teacher education faculty at KCC.



**Sarah
(Macy)
Bowser
(’90)**

Sarah serves as a counselor at Mason Heights Elementary School in Mason, Ohio.

I have many special memories of KCC. I felt so fortunate to have wonderful professors who not only taught in the classroom, but also took time to develop relationships with us and serve as wonderful models of dedication and service. Life is a wonderful collection of memories and my time at KCC is one that I greatly treasure.

I knew early on in my studies that the public schools were to be my mission

field. My training at KCC helped me to have a stronger understanding of God's Word and prepared me to see my future students as gifts from God. Each day I feel blessed to get to work with many students, knowing they all belong to God. It gives me a strong desire to give my best to them, because by doing this I am giving my best to the Lord, and hopefully planting a seed that will make a difference in their life.



**Rita
(Gollihue)
Denief
(’87)**

Rita serves as a Technology Integration Specialist in the Grant County (KY) School System.

Although I did not realize it at the time, the years I spent at KCC played a very important role in determining how I would live my life. Second only to the role my parents played in teaching me a love for the Lord, friends and professors at KCC taught me the importance of putting Christ first in my life. These lessons have been the foundation of my marriage, my role as a mother, my role as a teacher, and my part in my husband's ministry. For these and many other reasons, I am so thankful that God allowed me the opportunity to attend KCC.

Working in public education for the past several years has been very rewarding. There have been instances, however, where my Christian faith was tested. The many Bible classes and Christian-based education classes I experienced at KCC prepared me to face difficult issues with courage because I had the faith and Biblical knowledge to support my convictions.



**Kim
(Thornton)
Jenkins
(’94)**

Kim is a seventh grade science teacher and soccer coach at Harrison County Middle School in Cynthiana, Kentucky.

At KCC, I had great examples as to how to be a great teacher and be an ambassador for Christ. Dr. Karen Ford, Dr. Sherry Curtis, and Drs. Kail and Rosalyn Ruffner were all great examples of teachers who were ambassadors for Christ. They taught us to treat the children in our classrooms as Christ treats us, with compassion, mercy, and love.

I begin each day with a prayer for my students and I also pray that I will be a Christ-like example. I care about each of my students. Not only do I want to see them learn the fundamentals of science, but I also want to see them succeed in life.

I was taught from the very beginning of my program teacher expectations, core content, lesson objectives, etc. All of these things are required of me and I knew how to do them before graduation. In other words, I didn't have to learn these duties while on the job. I think I received the best education possible at KCC and I am thankful to God for that blessing every day.



**Tim
Miller
(’92)**

Tim serves as a fifth grade teacher at Worthington Elementary School in Worthington, Kentucky.

Although I have several great memories of KCC, I remember most the wonderful people I met there. My life was changed through the relationships I developed at KCC. I often think of friends and former teachers. I have fond memories of singing in Destiny, Concert Choir, and Madrigals, as well as participating in plays. I am so thankful that the Lord guided me to attend college at KCC and for the way He worked in my life through the relationships I developed with fellow Christians.



**Gale
(Rogers)
Morris
(’84)**

Gale serves at Greysbranch Elementary School in Greenup, Kentucky. She is currently teaching special-need students in the school's Complex Needs Resource Room.

I have many good memories from my years at KCC. If I had to highlight one memory, it would be of the dedicated faculty that taught me both inside and outside the classroom. The time and study in God's Word allowed me to build a deeper and more solid foundation in my Christian life. I feel that a deeper purpose is instilled in my life that helps me face the daily challenges I encounter.

My fondest memories come from the English office of Mrs. Carole Phillips. She was an inspiration to me as she increased my English education and served as a great teacher role model. I was also encouraged by other professors such as Mr. Tom Gemeinhart, Miss LaVern Karns, and Dr. Charles Gresham. I hope my teaching ability, inspiration, and dedication will be passed on to my students just as the faculty at KCC passed theirs on to me.



**Debbie
O'Leary
(’97)**

Debbie teaches third grade at a public school in Brooklyn, New York.

My days at KCC were filled with joy and a sense of purpose. It was a time when God was preparing our family for ministry in the northeastern United States. The relationships developed with the professors and staff at KCC is something I will always remember and cherish. I feel blessed to have had an opportunity to study at a college that represents my Lord.

I commute to work by train and subway from Long Island. While teaching in this setting is a challenge, I truly believe this is where God has placed me. It is a blessing from Him, and I praise Him for this opportunity to serve.

The Bible major that was included in my program at KCC has provided me with a foundation that allows me to share my faith with others. My knowledge of the Truth makes me aware of how I conduct myself in the classroom. I pray for my students daily. I also pray that through my actions and attitudes, I am able to demonstrate my faith to those around me.




**Tara
Woolard
(’98)**

Tara serves as supervisor/coordinator/teacher trainer of the Sunday School program at a new church-plant in Venezuela. She also teaches part-time at a missionary school in Caracas.

Since I serve as a missionary on a foreign field my role as a "teacher" is a bit different. I am the supervisor/coordinator of the adult Sunday School program at a church-plant in Venezuela. My experience and education at KCC has helped tremendously with my Christian education responsibilities at the church. I use my teaching skills to train new Sunday School teachers and I also teach part-time at a missionary school in Caracas. I teach physical education two days a week to 10th-12th grade girls and I coach the high school girls basketball team.

My education at KCC came in many different forms. I will always remember my education professors and Coach Ron Arnett stressing the importance of living as an ambassador for Christ. My professors and coach were "living testimonies" of what it truly meant to be Christ's ambassadors. Their faith came shining through in their instruction, as well as outside the classroom in the everyday settings of life.

God blessed me in so many ways during my years at KCC and I will be forever grateful for the education and spiritual growth that I received while at the College. I wouldn't be doing what I'm doing now if it had not been for the vision KCC has for world missions. I learned how to be an ambassador for Christ by observing and receiving instruction from the finest professors and coach at the finest institution...KCC. 

China and Taiwan: New Opportunities to Fulfill KCC's Historic Mission

For 12 days in January, KCC President, Dr. Keith P. Keeran, and four other representatives from the Association of Independent Kentucky Colleges and Universities were hosted by Chinese and Taiwanese educators to explore the establishment of collaborative programs.

This is the President's report

Christmas ornaments were still hanging from the holidays, and New Year's celebrations were still many hours away, as we taxied for take-off from Bluegrass Airport in Lexington, Kentucky. In moments we were airborne. It was 6:00 a.m. and we were on our way to China. As we ascended through dense clouds the sun was just beginning to rise, splashing puddles of pink and streaks of gold onto the white cotton canvas below. It was a new day filled with mystery and anticipation.

And so began a journey that would take us from the foothills of the Appalachian Mountains of Kentucky to Beijing, China. We would pass over the Great Wall, visit the giant pandas outside Chengdu, and eventually make our way to the subtropical tip of Southern Taiwan.

Our journey would take us through 13 time zones, visiting several of China's modern cities and sometimes passing through remote villages where the calendar stopped fifty or seventy-five years ago. We were surprised and delighted by eight-lane super tollways filled with cars, trucks, and buses; and

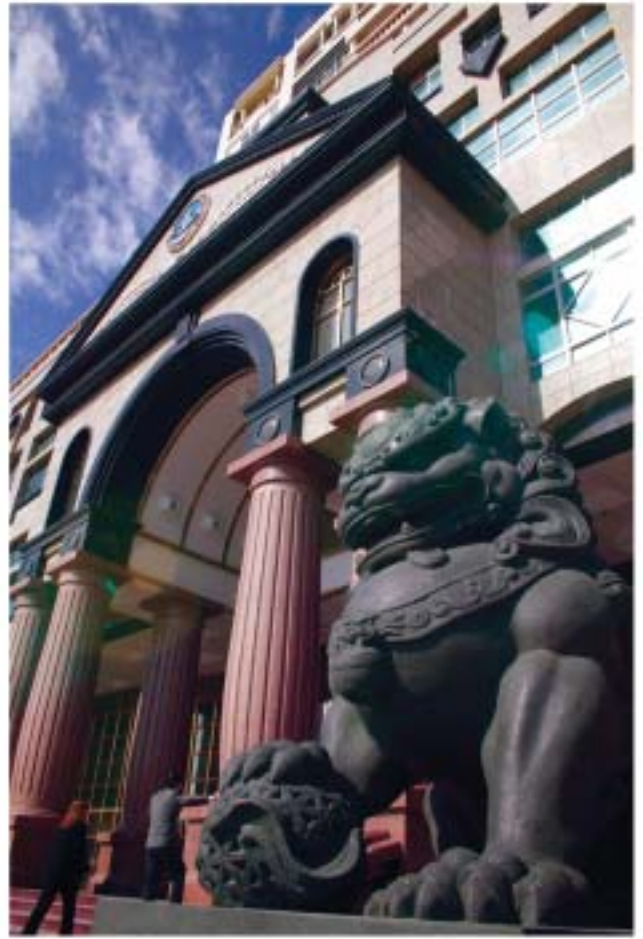
entranced by modern office buildings that would match those on the skyline of most any American city. Most of all, we were impressed by the friendliness and hospitality of these beautiful people.

"Amazing" is the only word adequate enough to describe the 20-course meals we sat down to twice each day. It was not the variety of food, but its presentation that made every meal a special event. Our hosts were very generous, taking care of every need far in excess of our expectations. We truly were "honored guests."

China was not as I had imagined. The People's Republic of China is a Communist country and I had expected to see progress at a level equal to that of the former Soviet Union.

What I saw in the cities was a significant improvement over the conditions in post-Soviet Europe. China has not abandoned the Marxist economic theory, but neither has it renounced the capitalism of the West.

In fact, it has intentionally, though cautiously, embraced a modified form of free enterprise. Today the private sector is the fastest growing part of the Chinese economy. Kentucky Fried Chicken, 7-Eleven, Pizza Hut, and of course



Chien Kuo Institute (Taiwan) is seeking KCC graduates to teach English as a Second Language.



These children enjoy the results of limited free enterprise in China.

McDonald's are only a few of the more obvious Western economic connections visible on the streets of China.

There are nearly one and a half million private enterprises located mainly in the cities and

almost a quarter million foreign joint ventures. This new "socialism with capitalist characteristics", and China's multinational trade agreements and manufacturing contracts with U.S. companies, have resulted in an extraordinary period of unparalleled economic growth. Unlike the former Soviet republics where corruption and organized crime are common and a root cause for economic



English as a Second Language courses provide an opportunity to interact with Chinese students.

stagnation, China has strict laws which prohibit organized crime under penalty of death.

There are definite signs that China is a nation in transition. While there are human rights issues that still raise concerns, in today's China there are more active Chinese Christians than when the American missionary movement was at its height in the early 20th Century.

Although politically, the People's Republic of China is still far from being a functioning democracy, there are more elements of the democratic process, especially at the grassroots level, than at any time since American political influence was at its height seventy years ago. Another significant factor contributing to change is the rapid rate of technological and scientific progress, especially evident in the country's metropolitan centers.

All of these indicators suggest that a new era of exchange, communication, and cooperation is at the doorstep, signaling the possibility for new opportunities in Sino-American relations at every level.

China and Taiwan are both in the midst of dramatic change, but these changes have come about as a result of intentional decisions to change and have not been imposed by outside political pressures. This is no more evident than in the higher education communities of both countries. There is now an aggressive effort to build educational bridges between East and West.

Our trip was jointly sponsored by colleges and universities in China and Taiwan. While private higher education in Taiwan is more progressive due to its longer recent history of democratization, a recent education act passed by the National Peoples Congress (People's Republic of China) now allows for the establishment of private schools at all educational levels in mainland China. These private institutions are built largely by wealthy nationals with some funds contributed by overseas Chinese.

By far the most impressive and interesting part of our journey was the opportu-

nity to visit the campuses of nearly fifteen colleges, universities, and schools. Governments and private investors, both in China and Taiwan, are making a substantial financial commitment to higher education. Much of what we saw was elaborate new construction and state-of-the-art technology. The facilities emerging on these campuses would make administrators at many leading American universities drool with envy.

During the 12-day visit, the Kentucky educators traveled thousands of miles by air and bus, visiting institutions in the Guangdong, Sichuan, Guangxi provinces on mainland China, and several more campuses in cities throughout Taiwan. While there is strong motivation for collaboration between the U.S. and China, distance and differences in educational programs and accreditation requirements present some challenging, but not insurmountable problems.



Though Buddhism remains the dominant religion in China, there are more practicing Christians than ever before.

Included among the more realistic opportunities are (1) dual degree programs in the U.S. designed for Chinese students, (2) ESL or "English as a Second Language" programs in China and Taiwan supported by a pool of native English speakers who are recent graduates of U.S. institutions, and (3) study abroad programs for U.S. students




This boy represents a promising new generation of leaders in China who are looking to us for help.

designed specifically to foster relationships and to build a bridge of understanding through the study of Chinese history, culture (art, music, literature, religion), social structure, language, politics, and economics.

Kentucky Christian College has a special interest in both China and Taiwan.

Already the College has faculty, students, and alumni engaged in various educational and humanitarian ventures in mainland China, and the College has an affiliation with the North American English as a Second Language School in Chengdu. A private college in Taiwan has a particular interest in KCC's nursing program and there is a discussion now underway between the two institutions to explore the possibility of Taiwanese students transferring to our campus to complete their training.

Despite the constant threat of war and terrorism that dominates the media, these are especially exciting times for Christian higher education. The possibilities and opportunities to make a significant contribution to the betterment of mankind through the medium of education has never been brighter.

Dramatic changes in our world are forcing us to constantly re-examine our personal global responsibilities as world Christians as well as our role as a Christian higher education institution. As a college with a world mission, KCC is constantly seeking ways to engage cultures, explore new opportunities, and continually rethink and redefine our special place in the grander scheme of Heaven's plan. 

Charles R. Gresham (1928-2002): A Shining Star

by Keith P. Keeran, Ph.D.

"...shine like stars in the universe as you hold out the word of life..." Philippians 2:15-16

I was on my way home from Louisville when I received the disturbing news that Charles Gresham had died suddenly while out walking. I had watched Charles walk past my office window many times. He walked for exercise and it was not unusual to see him walking even in the cold and rain.

More than once, I said to my secretary, "There goes Charles." From my office window I had come to admire both his physical stamina and his spiritual discipline. Charles walked with purpose and meaning — and his walks were always conversational. If you looked closely you could see him talking though he always walked alone — or so it seemed. Now, I know better. The truth is that Charles Gresham **never** walked alone.

Friday, November the 8th was a sunny and unseasonably warm afternoon. It was a perfect day for an afternoon walk and Charles was taking advantage of the opportunity — only this walk would be different.

While strolling along, talking to that old faithful Friend, Charles walked right out of this life and disappeared into the glittering light of Glory. As was said of Enoch, it is also said of Charles Gresham, "He walked with God and was not." Within a few minutes his well worn earthly body was discovered, but Charles was nowhere to be seen.

That night the sky was clear and a million stars were sparkling with light from ages past. As I drove toward home, my attention was suddenly drawn skyward by a streak of fire speeding across the heavens. It was there for but a moment; barely noticed in time and gone too soon. Quickly I searched the sky, hoping to see more; wishing I could have noticed sooner so that I could have followed its trek across the atmosphere longer. I scanned for other "shooting stars," but there were none. It was one of a kind.

With my attention drawn heavenward, I could not help but think of Charles. Like that meteor, his life had streaked across our lives, brightened our days, drew our eyes toward Heaven, and was gone too soon. There would never be another like him. He was one of a kind — and he was God's gift to all those who were blessed to know him.



His obituary was buried behind the sports pages of Sunday's newspaper — 148 words in all. There it was — the bare facts; not much recognition — only two words for each of his 74 years. Obituaries rarely tell the story of one's life, and this is certainly true in the case of Charles Gresham. Each of us have a dozen or more personal stories of the many ways Charles touched our lives.

Charles Gresham was a teacher. If he was like most great teachers, his lectures have long ago faded into the past, but the lessons he lived out in our presence are clear, and today those lessons shine a bit brighter. Briefly, like that shooting star, Charles captured our attention and brilliantly helped us see — not just hear — the most important lesson of all. ***The worth of a man is not to be measured by the abundance of what he possesses, but by what he gives away.***

Charles taught and gave to us so much that the full impact of his life can only be measured in eternity. Our words can never do him justice. But let me suggest a few ways in which he has enriched our lives.

He taught us to love Christ and the Church.

Charles Gresham was born into controversy. He loved the brotherhood, but when he was born in 1928 the brotherhood was broken into pieces. Dissension and debate, arrogance and sectarian pride had torn at the very heart of a movement designed to bring the church together as one body.

Charles was passionate for the Church and longed for the day when unity would be restored. He was never able to see that dream fulfilled, but his efforts along with others have helped to lay a foundation for unity. In 1954 he became the managing editor of *The Christian Quarterly*: "A Theological Journal representing the viewpoint of those holding the Restoration Ideal and looking forward to the unity of God's people through the proper application of this ideal; the ultimate goal being the evangelization of the world."

Charles was on the forefront of the unity movement and was a leader in the Restoration Forum, bringing together a *capella*, independent, and Disciple of Christ spokespersons, as well as creating a dialogue with the Church of God (Anderson, IN). He loved the Restoration Movement and the 19th Century leaders who gave it form and substance, but he loved Jesus more.

He taught us to love the people for whom Christ died wherever they are.

Charles witnessed the devastating effect of world war and international strife. He saw young men go off to battle and his heart was touched by their sacrifice, a sacrifice made even more devastating by the fact that many of these young people went into harm's way without hope in Jesus Christ.

The Christian Churches had no ready access into the military chaplaincy and he wanted that to change. With others, Charles envisioned a chaplaincy program and he became a founder and the Executive Officer of the Chaplaincy Endorsement Commission which has enabled scores of Christian Church ministers to be inducted into the military chaplaincy.

Charles spent his own money and his leisure time traveling abroad — not to vacation — but to teach and preach the gospel. He, and his devoted wife Ruth, spent many months in Birmingham, England and Vienna, Austria providing important instruction to committed young evangelists from the British Commonwealth and Eastern Europe.

He was also quick to engage the participation of his colleagues in the United States. I was one of those people Charles recruited to spend six weeks teaching at Springdale College in England. Little did he know, but his efforts lit a fire that is not yet quenched and the baton he passed to me is being passed to many others.

He taught us that life is a relay race, so pass the baton with care.

Charles' great zeal was for Christian higher education and he spent his life preparing the next generation to take the baton and "run for the prize." Over the years, he served on the faculty of seven Christian colleges. Twenty-eight of those years were invested at KCC.

In the Old Testament, there is a wonderful account of David. He had it in his heart to build a temple to the honor and glory of God. Even Nathan, David's good friend and faithful advisor said, "Go ahead and do it, for the Lord is with you." But God quickly denied David the privilege, saying, "You are not the one to build a temple for my name." Rather than feeling rejected, David accepted his role, content to "make extensive preparations" that would enable his young and inexperienced son Solomon to accomplish what he himself could not. He passed the baton.

Like David, Charles had it in his heart to do more for God than one lifetime would allow, so he made extensive preparations by equipping others and getting them ready to take the baton.

One of those who took the baton was Bill Park. Bill, who ministers in Oklahoma, wanted us to know how Charles influenced his life. His comment is typical of those who experienced Charles Gresham as a teacher, mentor, and friend. Bill wrote, "He was truly one of God's great servants. To me, the greatest. I am one of his many 'Timothies.' Dr. Gresham served as the pastor of my home church in Coyle, Oklahoma when I was in high school. At the same time he was teaching more than a 'full load' at Midwest Christian College in Oklahoma City, and working on his doctorate at Southwest Seminary in Ft. Worth, Texas. I know he was a very busy man, but he never seemed rushed. He always had time for my life's struggling questions, encouraging me and pointing me in the right direction. He was a dear friend, mentor, and encourager. He was my father in the faith. I pray that I can pass on some of what he taught me to those I teach."

To Charles Gresham, passing the baton was more than a metaphor. When you pass the baton you have to hand it off or give it away. Charles and Ruth Gresham have never known material wealth, but they are some of the most generous people I have ever known. Their gifts were always intentional and designed to enable others to grow and develop in service to Christ. Over his lifetime, Charles contributed more than 6,000 books to Christian college libraries. He loved books, but believed that the value of a book was multiplied when it was shared and read by others.

Charles told me once that there are two things in the earth that have the potential to change our lives dramatically. They are the books we read and the people we meet. In addition to the books he enjoyed and joyfully gave away, Charles believed that students should personally meet and have opportunity to hear some of the important thinkers and scholars of our day.

He envisioned an annual lectureship to be named in honor of two of KCC's most devoted trustees, and the Hayden-Sensibaugh Lectureship was born. Charles provided the funds to underwrite the lectureship.

On a more personal level, I will never forget his generosity to me. Charles wanted me to attend the World Convention of Churches of Christ and Christian Churches which was to meet that year in Sydney, Australia. He offered to pay for the trip if I would go.

I was deeply touched and humbled by his generosity. Though I had to turn down his offer due to a prior commitment, I will never forget his kindness.

"With my attention drawn heavenward, I could not help but think of Charles. Like that meteor, his life had streaked across our lives, brightened our days, drew our eyes toward Heaven, and was gone too soon."

In an undated conference paper entitled, *The Role of Christian Higher Education*, Charles described the task assigned to Christian colleges and the kind of persons to whom the baton should be passed. Christian educators would do well to listen carefully. "Our task is to shape the courageous disciple who will oppose the status quo when opposition is imperative, who will battle for constructive change, who will take risks precisely because he trusts in God, who will experiment with new methods and techniques as the ongoing of the Gospel may necessitate. Needless to add, innovation demands courage. More often than not, the innovator — who differs profoundly from the iconoclast — is liable to suffer misunderstanding, ridicule, and persecution."

Charles added, "Bearing the stigma of nonconformity, he must be braced to endure unpopularity, loneliness, and failure. Yet he

must be bold to speak up, speak out, and speak often against the cherished prejudices and entrenched sins of his own in-group. What the world needs is resolute leadership; what the Church needs is resolute leadership — only it must be resolute leadership of the right kind, a spiritual leadership, a revolutionary leadership, a leadership which is committed, critical, and courageous; a leadership which is Christomorphic. But we who are Christian educators will fail to produce a leadership like that for the Church unless God enables us to give leadership like that to our own institutions."


His strong convictions, his gentle and humble spirit, and his deep love and concern for all people sets him apart from the crowd. Charles Russell Gresham was no ordinary man.

He taught us the meaning of true greatness.

In 1954, Charles wrote an article tracing the lives of notable Christian leaders such as Alexander Campbell, Barton Stone, Walter Scott and "Raccoon" John Smith. In the introduction to that article, he offered an observation equally appropriate to himself, "It is not these individuals as mere men who are interesting, but it is the fact that they made incarnate in their own personalities the aspiration and ideals of whole groups of people and of climactic moments in the course of human history. It was not the man, but what he stood for that mattered."

Though always the gentleman, Charles Gresham was a man of strong conviction. He knew what he believed and why he believed it. "It was not the man, but what he stood for that mattered." And that is the message that Charles would leave for us today. He did not regard himself as a significant player in the field of human events, but he was convinced that the Truth that he stood for really did matter.

In the end, his greatness was not determined by position or earthly wealth, but by full submission to the call of God on his life and a humility that made Truth attractive and grace irresistible. I have never known a more gracious man. He never aspired to rise to a place of prominence in the eyes of his fellows, but was content to spend his life making Jesus preeminent.

To that end he burned himself up as a wick in God's lantern, dispelling the darkness; bringing light to the lost and assurance to the saints. Charles Gresham was one of those rare and outstanding characters of which this world was not worthy. 

KCC's Curriculum: Shaped by the Biblical Model

by Keith P. Keeran, Ph.D.

Kentucky Christian College is a unique institution with a revered history and an unashamed passion for the Great Commission. It began in 1919 as a "normal school," i.e. a teacher training institution. Then, in the early 1920s its focus changed to ministerial training and in 1945 its name was changed to Kentucky Christian College.

In 1983 the teacher education program was resurrected and, in the years that followed, several other majors were added. The College's new academic programs were concentrated in areas directly related to ministry (e.g., preaching, youth and family ministry, church music, intercultural studies), the helping professions (e.g., social work, nursing, counseling psychology, psychology), humanities (e.g., history, English, interdisciplinary studies), and business.

During all the changes and the program additions, there has remained a strong and exemplary commitment to biblical education. Every four-year degree program, regardless of major, requires students to complete a Bible/Theology Core of no less than 30 semester hours. We believe this is important for our students' effectiveness as Christian servants and leaders in the church and in their vocational calling.

The Biblical Model for Education

For many years I have been concerned about the unbalanced approach to biblical education being taken by our Christian colleges. Coincidentally, a

thorough review of our Bible/Theology Core here at KCC was long overdue. When we compared our Bible/Theology Core to the biblical model for the education of spirit-filled servant-leaders we, after much prayer and discussion, determined that adjustments were needed to bring it into closer agreement with the educational model described in the Bible. This model can be found in Exodus 18:20:

"Teach them decrees and laws, and show them the way to live and the duties they are to perform."

Clearly, there are three specific components that must be addressed in the education of Great Commissioners: a **knowledge** component, a **skills** component, and a **values** component. The knowledge component relies on instruction in biblical content, i.e. "Teach them the decrees and laws..." The other two components are more in the vein of applied theology, i.e. "...show them the way to live" (Christian ethics/moral values), and show them "the duties they are to perform" (skills of Christian service).

After we evaluated the College's Bible/Theology Core, it became evident that our focus was on the knowledge component to the serious neglect of spiritual skills and values. We had unknowingly fallen into the trap of assuming that our students somehow would make a connection between the teachings of Scripture and the application thereof.

Amazingly, Jesus never made that assumption when educating His disciples. With intention and purpose He led them through a series of real life practical exercises that enabled Him to apply and reinforce His instruction through life experience.

After a thorough review, we made three primary adjustments in our Bible/Theology Core that seeks to emulate the "theology of education" found in Exodus 18:20, and that was lived out and demonstrated in the educational methodology of Jesus and His disciples.



Inclusion of Service Learning Experience

The first adjustment relates to the inclusion of formalized "hands-on" experiences in the Bible/Theology Core. At KCC, nearly all of our professional career preparations require carefully orchestrated practicums, internships, or clinicals. These experiences are critical to the successful transfer of classroom theory to practical realities on the field.

Such a transfer has not been required for Christian service requirements in the past. Our newly modified Bible/Theology Core now addresses that issue through a required, for-credit, service-learning experience.

Characteristics of the Stone-Campbell Movement

Second, the new Bible/Theology Core seeks to expose freshman students to the biblical principles that gave rise to the Stone-Campbell Movement and which underlie the unique fellowship known variously as independent Christian Churches and Churches of Christ.

While a course in *Restoration History* is offered at the College, we felt that new students needed a course that includes three important integrated and interlocking components. This course will help students learn how to study and understand the Bible, understand the theological principles that underlie the Stone-Campbell Movement, and further appreciate Kentucky Christian College's



role within the Movement, as well as its mission and purpose in the world.


Christian Ethics

The third adjustment includes the addition of a course entitled *Christian Ethics*. It is not enough to have biblically and theologically informed students. Those students need to have a biblically informed ethic to guide them in decision-making. The course in Christian ethics will provide students with a biblical perspective on contemporary ethical issues. We live in an increasingly complex world where troublesome issues (i.e., cloning, abortion, fertility therapies, euthanasia, etc.) call for a biblically informed Christian response.

It is unrealistic to believe that students will ferret out the moral issues at stake without an understanding of how the biblical revelation provides a framework for that discussion. Certainly no one can dispute the devastating impact of political scandal and corporate greed on the moral fiber and economy of our nation.

Clearly, we have been remiss in America in dealing with ethical dilemmas at the national level, but similar problems have, and are, plaguing the church. If we believe that the Bible contains the key to correcting our course, then we can no longer assume that just because someone graduated from a Bible college that they know how to make the connection between biblical content and their ability to make responsible moral and ethical decisions.

It is important that I reaffirm the College's absolute commitment to the education of students for vocational Christian ministry and congregational leadership. Ministry students have a 45-hour Bible/Theology requirement in their programs, and the advanced biblical studies program requires 66 semester hours in Bible/Theology. Certainly, students who have the desire to include more biblical or theological courses in their programs may do so.

As the President of Kentucky Christian College, I affirm and applaud the resolve of the faculty to turn a corner and chart a new course toward excellence in Christian higher education. 

New Faculty and Staff Positions Announced

Kentucky Christian College is pleased to welcome several new faculty and staff to our College community.

Faculty

Jane M. Roberts, MSN, RN, CS, has been appointed an Assistant Professor in the Program of Nursing. She has a wealth of nursing experience and has worked in healthcare since 1976. She previously served as a faculty member at



Morehead State University. Mrs. Roberts earned her Master of Science in Nursing from the University of Tennessee School of Nursing.

Ronald A. Sisk joined the Sack School of Bible and Ministry as an Instructor in Christian Education. He received his Master of Arts in Educational Ministry from the Wheaton College Graduate School. Mr. Sisk has experience in youth and



preaching ministry. He has served as an adjunct faculty member at KCC since 1996. He specializes in camp and recreational ministries.

Connie Y. Wineland has been appointed an Assistant Professor of English. She has taught English in institutions of higher education since 1991. Previously, she served as a faculty member at Morehead State University. Mrs. Wineland earned her Master of Arts in



English Composition from Miami University, Oxford, Ohio. Mrs. Wineland's husband, John, serves as a Professor of History at KCC.

Staff

Amy M. Eshelman serves the College as an Enrollment Counselor. She works with prospective students from Kentucky and Tennessee. Amy earned a business degree from the University of Akron. Her husband, Bill, is a ministry student at KCC.



Matthew E. Gingerich, has been appointed Director of Special Events. Mr. Gingerich, who attended KCC, is a founding member of *Bleach*, a popular contemporary Christian music band. While traveling with the group, he participated in hundreds of festivals and concerts. Matt's experience has



uniquely prepared him to lead the College's Summer In The Son and Junior High Challenge programs.

Janet L. Hines serves the College as an Enrollment Counselor. She earned her Bachelor's degree in Intercultural Studies from KCC in 2001.



Janet works with prospective students from the western United States, as well as prospective international students. Her husband, Scott, is graduating from KCC this spring with a degree in Bible.

Paul M. Rice joined KCC's Outreach Department as Producer/General Manager.




He received a degree in Communications from the University of Kentucky and has 15 years of field experience in audio engineering. Previously, he provided concert sound and support for major Gospel performers through a regional audio production company. 



Enrollment Records Established

Once again, Kentucky Christian College has been blessed with record enrollment for the fall and spring semesters. During the Fall 2002 semester the College enrolled 601 students, while in the Spring 2003 semester 547 students were enrolled. This marks the first time in the history of the College that more than 600 students were enrolled during the fall semester. The photo above represents the incoming class of 2006.


We are excited about the growing number of students who are being equipped for Christian leadership and service at KCC. More importantly, we appreciate the quality of students who are preparing for "works of service, so that the Body of Christ may be built up" (Ephesians 4:12). 

Homecoming Highlights

Lori Reed was crowned Queen and Jason Kennedy was crowned King during KCC's 2003 Basketball Homecoming festivities.

The Lady Knights defeated the Cincinnati Bible College Lady Eagles and the Knights defeated Cincinnati in an exciting contest that went into overtime.

Following the games, hundreds of alumni and friends shared in a time of food and fellowship.

Men and women's alumni basketball tournaments were held the next morning. Please be watching for information relating to 2004's alumni basketball activities. 




*Jason Kennedy
and Lori Reed*

Back Row:
Leslie Arnold
Kara Bomer
Tina Leamon
Sandra Deakins

Meet the KCC Enrollment Staff

The College's dedicated Enrollment staff is here to serve incoming students and to help prospective students decide if KCC is where the Lord is leading them. They can answer virtually any question relating to student life at the College.

If you, or a friend you are recommending, are interested in attending KCC, we encourage you to call a member of our Enrollment staff at 1-800-KCC-3181 and schedule a campus visit. Please come and meet our excellent faculty and talk with our students who are being equipped as Great Commissioners to shine the Light of the Gospel throughout every area of society.

Visit our website at www.kcc.edu and learn more about applying to KCC! 



Front Row: Janet Hines, Amy Eshelman, Martina Schrader

KCC Bible Bowl Tournament Continues to Draw Nationally Ranked Teams; Beginner Bowl Tournament Added

Forty-seven Bible Bowl teams from 12 states gathered on campus for KCC's February Bible Bowl tournament. Teams from as far away as Colorado, Iowa, Florida, Maryland, and Michigan competed.

The College hosts an exciting event that draws nationally ranked teams and has a reputation as being one of the most competitive tournaments in the nation.

The First Christian Church of Malvern, Ohio won the Upper Division Championship and the Greenwood Christian Church, located in Greenwood, Indiana, won the Lower Division. Congratulations!

The Most Christ-Like Award, which is awarded to the teams who exemplify the most Christ-like attitudes throughout the tournament, was awarded to the Rocky Mountain Christian Church of Rocky Mountain, Colorado in the Upper Division and the Greenwood Christian Church of Greenwood, Indiana won the Lower Division.

Sandra Deakins, Vice President of Enrollment management at KCC, and Bret Talley, provide leadership for the tournament. Mr. Talley,



Bret Talley

a KCC graduate, serves as the National Bible Bowl Director and has voluntarily served as KCC's Bible Bowl Tournament Coordinator for 15 years.

The College is excited to announce its inaugural Beginner Bowl Tournament, which is scheduled for May 16-17, 2003. Beginner Bowl is designed for students in the third, fourth, and fifth grades. Twenty-four teams will be participating in this event. This is the first opportunity for Beginner Bowlers to participate in tournament competition anywhere in the nation. In addition, the Senior High Bible Bowl Tournament is scheduled for June 5-7, 2003. This tournament is already filled to capacity.

Should you wish to be added to the College's Bible Bowl mailing list, please contact Sandra Deakins by telephone at (606) 474-3281 or by e-mail at sdeakins@email.kcc.edu.



First Place – Upper Division
 First Christian Church
 Malvern, Ohio



First Place – Lower Division
 Greenwood Christian Church
 Greenwood, Indiana



Most Christ-Like (Upper Div.)
 Rocky Mountain Christian Church
 Rocky Mountain, Colorado



Most Christ-Like (Lower Div.)
 Greenwood Christian Church
 Greenwood, Indiana

Ladies Learn About the Master Potter

Ladies' Days is always an exciting time on the KCC campus. This year was no exception. A crowd of more than 460 women from 11 states enjoyed praise and worship, a dramatic performance of *God's Favorite*, workshops, a prayer walk as well as a timely message from Kay



KCC's Roy Shimek (right)
 assists Albert Bauman in a
 pottery demonstration.

Moll around the theme *In The Potter's Hands*.

Albert Bauman, an accomplished potter and ceramist



molded clay while each participant was challenged to be molded by the Master Potter, Jesus Christ.

Ladies, please mark your calendar now for next year's Ladies' Days program, which is scheduled for March 26-27, 2004. The main speaker will be Joanie Grimm of FAME. Joanie is an experienced teacher and a popular speaker. You won't want to miss this special event.

Afterglow Reception Scheduled for NACC

KCC will host an Afterglow Reception on Wednesday, July 9, 2003 which will begin immediately following the evening service and end at 10:00 p.m. Please be watching for more information relating to the exact location of the reception.

This reception will provide the College's alumni and friends a unique opportunity to fellowship with one another, while enjoying the music of KCC's students, staff, and alumni.

Be sure to stop by and visit KCC personnel at booth #308.

Construction to Begin Soon on Two New Dormitories



▲ Front View

Side View ►

New Dorm Quick Facts

- Each dormitory will contain almost 21,000 square feet of living space. The facilities are designed so that four rooms share a common lounge area.
- Each room contains two beds and a bath.
- Each dormitory is a three-story structure.
- Each floor consists of eight rooms and houses 16 students.



Construction to Begin Soon on Two New Dormitories (continued)

Continued growth in attendance at the College has put a strain on the capacity of our campus housing. Due to the need for more dormitory space, the Board of Trustees approved the construction of two 48-bed dormitories. Construction is scheduled to begin during the summer of 2003 and the facilities will be available for the Fall 2004 semester.


Each dormitory will contain almost 21,000 square feet of living space. The facilities are designed so that four rooms share a common lounge area. Each room contains two beds and a bath. Each dormitory is a three-story structure. Each floor consists of eight rooms and houses 16 students.

The overall appearance was designed to complement existing campus buildings. The new student housing facilities will be located west of Neal Hall on the southwest corner of the campus.

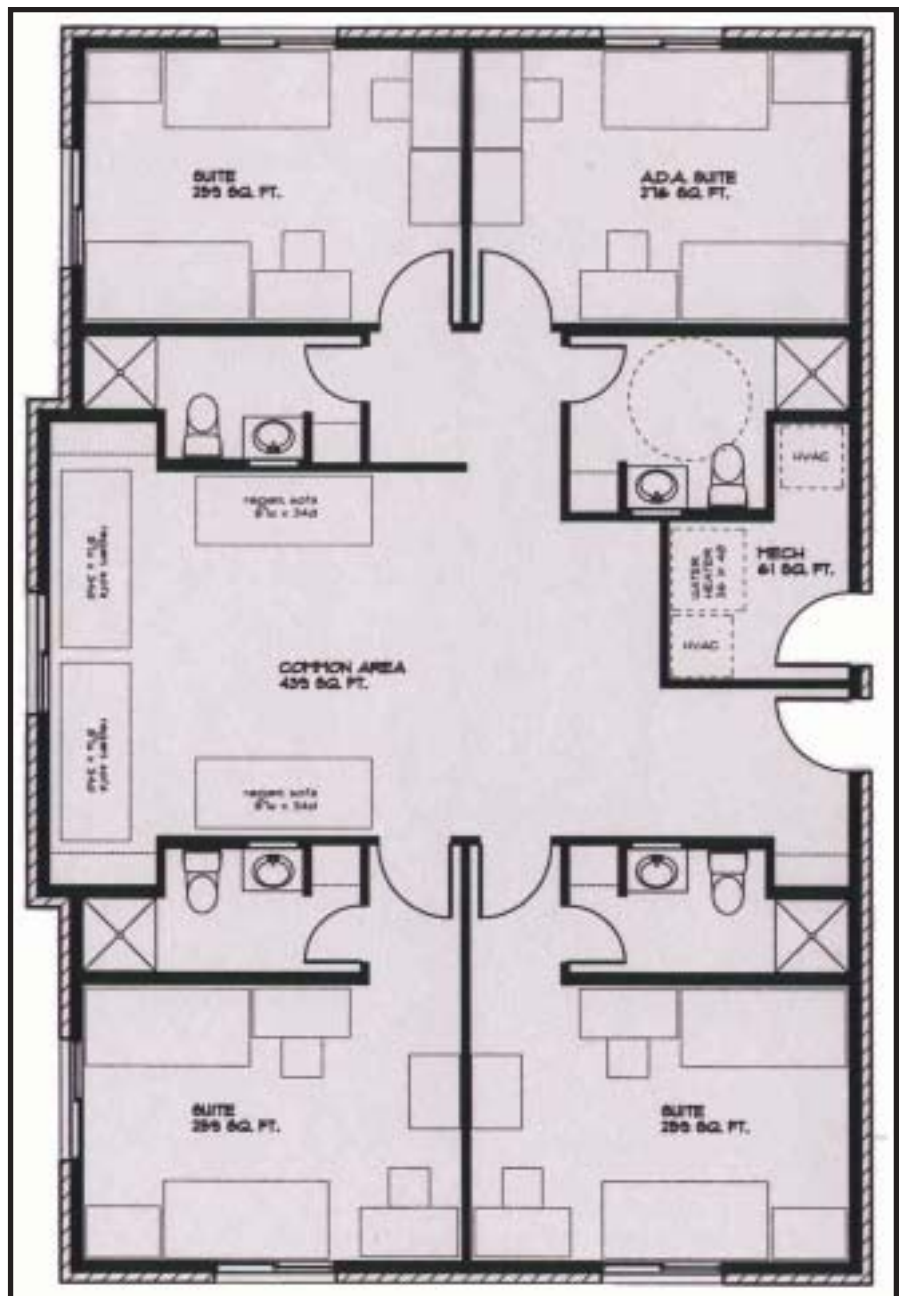
At Kentucky Christian College the Great Commission is inextricably linked to who we are and all that we do. It is the heart and soul of our mission, and the fuel that empowers our vision for the future. Carrying out the Commission requires faith — stretching beyond our limited abilities and engaging in works of ministry so immense that the help of Heaven is required. God's work requires God's resources.

The Great Commission is relevant to every person who enters the workplace, the boardroom, the classroom of a public school, or even a movie theater or sports arena. Any environment in our culture that fails to apply a biblical understanding to moral reasoning and decision making is an environment in need of Great Commissioners.

If KCC is passionate about anything, it is passionate about preparing leaders for tomorrow to fulfill the Great Commission. It consumes our thoughts by day and our dreams by night. It has shaped our view of the world and has energized our international presence. It is the reason we insist on quality in every Christian service experience, academic program, and campus expansion project.

Because God is calling us to continually advance the Great Commission, the construction of two dormitories will begin on our campus during the summer of 2003. These new student living facilities will provide KCC with additional tools to equip Great Commissioners for the Lord's service. 

▼ Floor Plan



Teacher Education Students Make Annual Trip to Mountain Mission School for Field Experience

In February 2003, Dr. Darrel Fyffe took twenty teacher education students to Mountain Mission School (MMS) in Grundy, Virginia. They went to teach, observe and interact with



the students at MMS as part of the teacher education Clinical Field Experience class. Teacher education students must have 150 clock hours of field experience prior to their student teaching.



While in Grundy, our students observed MMS teachers, and many had an opportunity to actually teach a lesson. One group of students helped by designing bulletin


boards. T. J. Lykins, a standout on the KCC Knights basketball team worked with the children in an after school program teaching them the fundamentals of basketball.



During their stay at MMS, our teacher education students led an all-school assembly. They shared music, skits, and testimonies.

This trip is always a highlight for our students. They


come back feeling like they received as much as they gave. In the past, some have even gone back to Grundy on their own to discuss potential future employment opportunities.

KCC is very grateful to Mountain Mission School. They partner with us to allow our students the opportunity to have high caliber practical, hands-on experience. 



Leadership is designed to strengthen and enhance the resources and skills that students have already developed for leadership in the church. Learners in this program have an opportunity to develop a special area of interest.

The **Master of Arts in New Testament** provides an advanced academic foundation in New Testament Studies. Students will be expected to gain proficiency in appropriate exegetical tools and languages, as well as a broad understanding of textual and theological issues.

KCC's degree offerings fit the busy lifestyle of today's church leaders and paraprofessionals. Every three-hour course is conveniently formatted into a one-week modular unit with pre-session and post-session assignments. Graduate students do not have to give up their current employment or disrupt family life to complete our degree programs. 

The Graduate School's class offerings are designed to assist Christian leaders develop advanced competencies in the ministry in order to fulfill the Great Commission. Three fully accredited Master's degree programs are offered.

The **Master of Applied Theology** provides students with the tools and resources to function effectively in congregational ministry.

The **Master of Arts in Christian**

Graduate classes scheduled through October:

June 16-20

Pauline Literature
Dr. Larry Chouinard
KCC Campus
3 Credit Hours

June 16-20

Christian Worship
KCC Campus
3 Credit Hours

August 4-8

Integration of Theology and Counseling
Dr. Leonard Knight
KCC Campus
3 Credit Hours

October 10-12

Ministry Seminar on Contagious Evangelism
Dr. Guthrie Veech
Lexington, KY
1 Credit Hour

October 20-24

Hebrews
Dr. James Girdwood
KCC Campus
3 Credit Hours

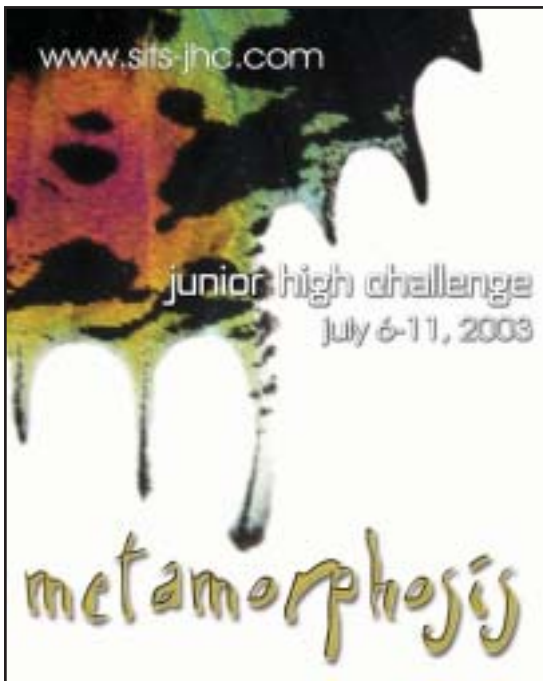
October 20-24

Introduction to Advanced Research and Writing
Dr. Leonard Knight
KCC Campus
3 Credit Hours

October 20-24

Ministry Seminar on Evangelism and Church Planting in a Post-Modern World
Dr. Guthrie Veech
KCC Campus
3 Credit Hours

For more information contact Marla Ruble at 877-841-6391 or by e-mail at gradstudies@email.kcc.edu.



Junior High Challenge Changes Format

2003...a new era of Junior High Challenge (JHC) begins. The KCC Special Events department and the JHC Advisory Council (planning committee) are excited to announce a new format for JHC starting this summer. This will be an amazing week designed specifically with Junior High students in mind.

This "discipleship conference" format (formerly service-based) will provide spiritual growth through focused workshops, amazing speakers, and more. This year's speakers include Jim Burgen of Southland Christian Church in Lexington, Kentucky, and Phil Chalmers, known for exposing the "dark side" of modern music and media.

Fun is also in store. Concerts include John Reuben, Maddogs and Englishmen, Lost and Found, Rick Alonzo, and worship by One 5 Oh.

Questions about this year's JHC or SITS? Please feel free to contact the KCC Special Events department at 606-474-3199 or specialevents@email.kcc.edu. Intense summer conferences are waiting! 🏰

Visit
www.SITS-JHC.com
For More Information



SITS Celebrates 20 Years



It's hard to believe, but 2003 marks the 20th anniversary of Summer In The Son. It has been an exciting 20 years, and this summer will be no exception. This year's SITS will welcome back some old faces and will greet some new ones.

"So, what's in store?" you ask....We're glad you did.

Speakers at SITS 2003 are Jim Burgen of Southland Christian Church in Lexington, Kentucky, and Dan Smith of New Life Christian Church in our Nation's Capitol. Other talent will include Aaron Pelsue, Sanctus Real, Lincoln Brewster, Tony Wolf, Bleach, Michael Joiner, and Mike Lewis, aka "the Jesus Painter." Other highlights include organized afternoon activities for those who would like something a little different to do. We're looking forward to a great Summer In The Son and hope that you are too. See you this summer. 🏰

Humanities Program and Student Life Department Present Four Dramas



A scene
from "God's
Favorite"

Under the direction of Dr. Fawn Knight, the KCC Humanities Program and Student Life Department presented four dramas on campus during the 2002-2003 academic year. The College's students and members of the Cincinnati Shakespeare Festival teamed-up to present the classic stories of **Beowulf: Doom of the Just** and **Macbeth**.

The Cricket on the Hearth, which was funded by a grant from The Andrew W. Mellon Foundation, was an adaptation of one of Charles Dickens' most endearing stories. The play was developed jointly by

faculty and students of Kentucky Christian College along with assistance from members of two other Appalachian college communities.

Laughter in the midst of crisis was the theme of the delightful comedy entitled **God's Favorite**. The KCC Student performance told the story of a prosperous New York tycoon who was afflicted on every side but refused to deny his faith in God.

The College truly appreciates the dedication and talent of the students and faculty who delighted the entire community with these excellent dramatic productions. 🏰

Profiles in Giving: Benefits of a Charitable Gift Annuity

Partnering with KCC in Educational Ministry

Vera Mushrush partners with Kentucky Christian College in educational ministry. By partnering with KCC, she is investing in the preparation of future generations of Great Commissioners who are being equipped to share the Good News of Jesus Christ with the nations of the world.

Like Vera, you may wish to give to the College through a Charitable Gift Annuity which offers a current tax deduction and income for life that is based on a fixed rate of return.

When compared to other similar savings plans, the rate of return on a Charitable Gift Annuity is, in general, considerably higher. The rate is based on the investor's age when the money is invested and will not fluctuate with market changes.

If you are discouraged by the downward trend in the

stock market or the low rates that are available through fixed-income investments, you may be interested in a safe investment* that generates a fixed income for your lifetime and

supports the education of future Great Commissioners.

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NATIONAL CHAMPIONS!




Lady Knights Claim Their 7th National Title

Athletic articles by Sherry L. Curtis, Ph.D.

Most people would not have given the Lady Knights much of a chance to return to the 2003 National Tournament, let alone win the tournament since they started the season without a single starter from last year's team. But those people did not know about the two most important attributes this team possessed. No, it wasn't height or speed that paved the way to the National Tournament in Joplin, MO; it was character and commitment.

One senior, two juniors, four sophomores, and three freshmen learned the meaning of both character and commitment this year. They finished the regular

season with 23 wins and nine losses. Post season regional and national wins rounded out the season with 28 wins and nine losses. Coach Ron Arnett attributes their success in the national tournament to their character. In a recent chapel service, the Lady Knights were recognized as National Champions. Coach Arnett said "This team won their three national tournament games by a total of 17 points and were behind at least once in all three games. It is their character that makes them winners in every sense of the word." Those who saw them play in the National Tournament also noted their character. The mayor of Joplin, Richard H. Russell

sent Coach Arnett a letter of congratulations complimenting him on his enthusiasm, dedication and leadership and asked Coach Arnett to share his thanks with the Lady Knights for their visit to the children's wing of St. John's Hospital. Mayor Russell's letter stated "the children, their families, and the staff of St. John's will always remember the Lady Knights' acts of kindness to the children." The 2003 Lady Knights, NCCAA Division II National Champions, will always be remembered for their character and commitment both on and off the court. 



On February 14, 2003 Coach Arnett won his 300th game as Head Coach of the Lady Knights.

Accomplishments

Hannah Herrold First Team All-Region
First Team All-American
All-Tournament Team
Jody Jester First Team All-Region
Second Team All-American
NCCAA Scholar Athlete

Leah Campbell First Team All-Region
Honorable Mention All-American
Jamie Perkins Honorable Mention All-Region
Ashley Broady All-Tournament Team
Ron Arnett Coach of the Year



In Coach Chad Leach's second year as head coach, the Knights won the Mideast Regional Championship. The team's last trip to the NCCAA Division II National Tournament was in 1999. Coach Leach had been to the National Tournament as a player on the 1990, 1991, and 1993 teams.

This was the first year Coach Leach made the trip as a coach and the first year any of the 12 players had competed in the National Tournament. Another KCC first was this year's schedule included two NCAA Division I opponents, Eastern Kentucky University and Morehead State University.

The Knights finished the season with a record of 23 wins and 16 losses. The Knights placed sixth in the National Tournament. They lost to Maranatha in their first game of the tournament and then defeated second seeded North Central. They lost to Baptist Bible of Pennsylvania in the final game of the Oklahoma City tournament.

Accomplishments

Darnell Chatman	First Team All-Region
T.J. Lykins	Second Team All-Region
Dustin Stakely	Honorable Mention All-Region

Lady Knights Volleyball

The Lady Knights Volleyball team completed its 2002 season with an overall record of 17 wins and nine losses and as the Mideast Region Runner-up. According to Coach Bruce Dixon, the team showed great improvement throughout the season. In fact, Coach Dixon stated that this team "displayed more improvement during the season than any other team I've ever coached."

Crystal Hart, the only senior on the team, was named First Team All-Region, NCCAA All-American Second Team, and a NCCAA Scholar Athlete. Kelly Mitchell, the only junior on the team, was also named First Team All-Region. Tara Snow was named Honorable Mention All-Region.

Prospects for the future are bright as a solid nucleus is scheduled to return.

Knights Soccer

The Knights Soccer team experienced a rebuilding year after the graduation of several key players from last year's regional championship team. The Knights finished the 2002 season with seven wins, 13 losses, and one tie.

Six of the Knights received regional honors: Darren Wendell and Ryan Morrow were named First Team All-Region; Sean McIntosh and Brian Bennett were named Second Team All-Region; and Jason Kennedy and Josh Gallagher were named Honorable Mention All-Region.

Coach Charlie Starr stated that he was very proud of the team because they maintained a positive spiritual attitude throughout a difficult season. He also stated that several key players will return next season.

Lady Knights Soccer

Coach Chad Leach reported that the Fall of 2002 marked the second season the women's soccer team competed as a varsity team. The Lady Knights faced mostly scholarship teams and finished with four wins and 11 losses. Six Lady Knights received Regional honors: Kristen Yancey, Chelsea Britton, and Brook Grover were named First Team All-Region. Ashley Sergent, Angie Patek, and Tabitha Weldy were named Second Team All-Region.

The Lady Knights lose only one senior, Courtney Allen, to graduation. A strong group of players are scheduled to return. Next year's schedule contains 22 games and includes a trip to multi-game trip Pennsylvania. Leslie Arnold will coach the Lady Knights in the upcoming 2003 season.

Knights and Lady Knights Cross Country

This year the Knights and Lady Knights Cross Country teams competed in nine meets, including the NCCAA National Meet. Matt Saffer, B. J. Dinsmore, Justin Reynolds, Brandon Hatfield, and Chris Deering led the Knights during the season.

The Lady Knights were led by Mary-Heather Brooks, Laura Willmore, Elizabeth Doss, and Maggie Warner.

Three members were named NCCAA Scholar Athletes: Elizabeth Doss, Maggie Warner, and Nic Skinner.

The Cross Country teams usually compete against much larger schools that sponsor scholarship programs. While the competition is tough, the regular season helps prepare the teams for the NCCAA national meet.

Coach Darrell Coates reported that the potential for the future is bright. Four of the top five runners on the men's team are freshman and the top women's runner is also a freshman. A highlight of next year's schedule finds the teams traveling to Pennsylvania to participate in a NCCAA Division II (non-scholarship) meet.

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2003 Homecoming Draws Huge Crowd



One of the highlights of the year is our Homecoming celebration. A capacity crowd filled the gym for an incredibly intense and exciting matchup between our KCC Knights and the Cincinnati Bible College Eagles.



Everywhere you looked there were alumni hugging, laughing, and sharing good times with one another.

Following the games, we gathered in the Waters Cafeteria for our annual stromboli and pizza reception.



As the pictures indicate, fellowship was the main ingredient to a wonderful evening.



The crowd ranged in age from the Class of 1955 to "future" alumni of the class of 2024.



Helen's Highlights

Helen Yankey
 Alumni Relations Officer



This year has definitely been the year for alumni receptions. We have pictures throughout this publication and also posted on our alumni website so you can see what we've been doing. I have really enjoyed seeing everyone at these events.

In honor of the 20th anniversary of our teacher education program we recognized 30 teacher education alumni during Homecom-

ing ceremonies on February 14. (Check out the picture below).

Our Alumni Banquet will also feature teacher education. Our theme is "Train Up A Child." The banquet is Friday, May 9, at 6:00 p.m.

This year, Commencement is on Saturday, May 10, at 10:00 a.m.

I look forward to the North American Christian Convention in Indianapolis, Indiana this summer during the week of July 8-11. We are planning our alumni afterglow reception for July 9, following the evening service.

We already have our soccer and volleyball alumni games scheduled for Saturday, August 30, 2003. Sign up online or call me to get registered.

As always, I look forward to seeing you.

1940's

Bill ('49) and Ginny **Sleasman**. Bill, in his retirement, has started his fifth year as the Interim Minister of the First Christian Church in Pearisburg, Virginia. 3442 Wolf Creek Rd., Narrows, VA 24124-2619. bsleasman@gva.net.

1950's

E. Paul ('55) and Lucille **Perry** began their 52nd year in the Ministry on January 5, 2003. They have ministered in Kentucky, Indiana and West Virginia. E. Paul has been the evangelist for over 100 meetings. They have two sons in the ministry. **Chuck Perry** ('69) and **Ernie Perry** ('79) of Lexington, KY. E. Paul and Lucille are in their fifth year with the Creelsboro Christian Church. 320 Meriwether Dr., Lawrenceburg, KY 40342. **Dr. David F. Pieratt** ('52), Retired January 1, 2003 as President of the College of the Scriptures, Louisville, KY after 50 years in the ministry. Thirty years of his ministry were spent in the academic field with Ozark Christian College, El Paso Christian College/School of

Missions, ARM Prison Ministry, and as President of the College of the Scriptures. He helped start two new churches. He serves on the Board of Mission Services and is an Area Representative for the Loft Mission to Spain. He and his wife, **Lanella (Jonas)** ('52) **Pieratt** have retired to Bristol, Virginia but will continue to teach extension classes and seminars for College of the Scriptures. 23512 Larwood Ln., Bristol, VA 24202.

1970's

Steve ('73) and **Janece (Holt)** ('73) **England** spent five months in Zimbabwe, Africa in 2002. They returned to Johannesburg, South Africa in January 2003 to oversee the mission work for Brion and Joyce Morris. Missionary Relief Sources (MRS) was started by the England's for the purpose of carrying on mission work in the absence of the resident missionary. P.O. Box 52, Staunton, IN 47881. vsengland1950@yahoo.com. **Steve Hill** ('77) is working with "Because of Christ" Ministries. This is a ministry of encouragement through preaching in areas such as interim, supply, and revival ministries in churches in Tennessee, North Carolina, and South Carolina. Steve also has plans to start his doctorate. His daughter, Jennifer, is a student at Johnson Bible College. #10 Swadley Pl., 807 Swadley Rd., Johnson City, TN 37601. stevehillminister1@hotmail.com. **Martha (Lusby) Jordan** ('75) has recently published a new cookbook entitled *Martha's Kentucky Cookin'-Easy Recipes for Busy Families*. Contact her at jjordan@email.kcc.edu for purchasing information. **Mary (Downey)** (attn: '72-'75) and Bob **Lirot** are the proud grandparents of Noah Gregory Peterson, born August 9, 2002. Noah was born to their daughter and son-in-law Elizabeth and



During Homecoming ceremonies, 30 teacher education alumni were recognized. Also pictured are former and present teacher education professors.

First Place • Men's 3 on 3



Eric Porter, Jesse Tall, Keith Tate

Second Place • Men's 3 on 3



Nate Hannum, Ben Hannum, Rick Cooper

First Place • Women's 3 on 3



Kathy (Bogan) Trisel, Tara Woolard, Karissa Evans

Second Place • Women's 3 on 3



Tabitha (Hannum) Hall, Holly (Fields) Hannum, Rebekah Hannum



Rick Cooper takes a well deserved rest after a well deserved win.



Former Knights Head Coach Dick Damron goes over the rules of the tournament before the action begins.



3-Point Shootout



John Fellerman and Tara Woolard



The Hannum sisters look over team pairings between games.



Ernie Perry sustains wrist injury during tournament.



There was plenty of action, intensity, laughter, and sore muscles!



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Ernie ('79 & '85) and **Pam (Waltz)** ('79) **Perry** have two daughters, Katelyn (16) and Kyleigh (11). Ernie is in his fourth year at Southland Christian Church where he serves as Minister of Small Groups and is on the Leadership Development Team. Pam teaches preschool at Lexington Christian Academy and sings on a Southland worship team. 1048 Wyndham Hills Dr., Lexington, KY 40514.

ernieperry@southlandchristian.org. **Michael Ray Smith** ('75) is the Founder and President of the International Christian Braille Mission, the largest producer of Christian Braille literature in the Restoration Movement. Mike and his wife, Barbara, are members of the Gateway Church of Christ in St. Albans, WV. 5208 MacCorkle Ave. S.W., Charleston, WV 25309.

Lee ('70) and **Vicki (Truitt)** (attn: '67-'70) **Snyder**. A project which has taken Lee 16 years to complete has been published by The Edwin Mellen Press. It is a three-volume set entitled, *The Book of Acts According to Alexander Campbell: An Historical and Rhetorical Commentary*. The book has been awarded the "Edwin Mellen Prize for Excellence in Scholarship." The three-volume set is dedicated to Donald A. Nash, Prof. Emeritus of Greek and New Testament at KCC. Lee is a professor at University of Nebraska at Kearney and Vicki is self-employed. 1314 14th Ave., Kearney, NE 68848.

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Marty (attn: '77-'78) and **Vickie (Keeling)** (attn: '84-'87) **Vance** have three children, Zachary (13), Madison (12), and Olivia (8). Marty works at the U.S. Grant Career Center and Vickie is a 6th grade Reading Teacher at Ripley Elementary. 711 E. Second St., Maysville, KY 41056. martyv@maysvilleky.net.

Greg Peterson. Mary's son, Dave, a full time Massage Therapist, is now also part-time Adjunct Faculty for Joliet Junior College, where Mary is employed. mlirot@jjc.edu.

James Owston ('77 & '78) is the Assistant Vice President of

Online Curriculum at Mountain State University. Jim has been granted candidacy status for a doctorate in Leadership Studies and Media from Marshall University. James Rosen, of Fox News, was the author of *Nixon and the Chiefs* in the April 2002

issue of *Atlantic Monthly*. He used Jim's electronically enhanced tape of Nixon's oval office conversation in this article. This information was incorrectly reported in the Summer 2002 issue of the *Insider's Report*. We are sorry

1980's

Joby ('89) and **Kim (Gillenwater)** (attn: '87-'89) **Anders** have two sons, Jacob (9) and Jonathan (7). Joby is the Minister of Involvement at the Miamitown Church of Christ. 2544 Ledgestone Dr., West Harrison, IN 47060. janders@miamitowncc.com.

Brent ('87) and **Lisa (Earnest)** (attn: '84-'89) **Baker** have two daughters, Breisa (9) and Hannah (5). Brent is the Senior Minister at Spencer Christian Church in Taylorsville, KY. This past October, Brent was in a serious accident and feels very blessed to be alive. 290 Autumn Dr., Taylorsville, KY 40071. brentandlisabaker@juno.com.

Jeff ('89) and **Michelle (Cluxton)** (attn: '87-'89) **Bliffen**. Michelle was recently promoted to the position of Human Resource Manager for Benefits at the University of Kentucky. Jeff is the Director at Richmond Cardinal House. 111 Daisy Dr., Richmond, KY 40475. mblif2@email.uky.edu.

Kelly ('86) and **Karen (O'Brien)** ('88) **Brandenburg** have one child, Stephanie (11). Kelly is the Camp Minister at Blue Grass Christian Camp in Lexington. 7463-B Athens-Boonesboro Rd., Lexington, KY 40509. k-kbrand@juno.com.

Michael ('83) and **Suzy (White)** ('83) **Cassara** will begin their seventh year of ministry with the Nesconset Christian Church on Long Island, NY in May of 2003, after an eleven-year ministry in Kettering, OH. They have two daughters, Michelle (18) and Amanda (14). Michelle is making plans to attend KCC, which would make her a third generation KCC student, after her grandfather, **Charles White** ('77) and her mom and dad ('83). Suzy is employed by Kohl's Department Store. 2917 Ocean Ave., Ronkonkoma, NY 11779. mjcnc@yahoo.com.

Richard Cherok ('85) received

a Ph.D. Degree in History from Kent State University in 2002. His major field of study has been U.S. Religious History. Rick is employed by CBC&S as a Professor of Church History. 2700 Glenway Ave., Cincinnati, OH 45204. rick.cherok@cincy bible.edu.

Bill ('88) and **Chris (Whitacre)** ('87) **Collins** announce the birth of their daughter, Gracie Mae, on July 15, 2002. She joins big sisters Misty and Kristy (13) and Jackie (11) that they adopted in 1993. Bill began his 10th year of Senior Ministry at Walton Christian Church in July of 2002. P.O. Box 388, Walton, IN 46994. bcollins@cqc.com.

Dawn (Brandt) ('87) and **David Cox** announce the birth of their son, Jacob Haskell, born on November 11, 2002. He joins sister, Anna (8) and brothers, Johnathan (6) and Noah (4). David has been the Associate Minister of Sullivan First Christian Church for the past 12

years. 425 W. Thompson St., Sullivan, IN 47882.

Roland (Chip) (attn: '85-'88) and **Rita (Gollihue)** ('87) **Denief** have one son, Evan (12). Chip ministers at the Sherman Church of Christ in Dry Ridge, KY. Rita is a Technology Integration Specialist for Grant County Schools. 310 Autumn Way, Crittenden, KY 41030. rdenief@fuse.net.

Dan ('85) and **Nancy (Becker)** ('85) **Foss** have two children, Tonya (12) and Ryan (10). Dan is employed by Tri-Rivers Educational Association and Nancy is a Pre-K Teacher at Wee Care Preschool. Nancy has been doing some freelance writing for educational and Christian Publishing companies. Her work can be found at danniellesplace.com. 390 Tidd Dr., Galion, OH 44833. dfoss@core.com.

Donald (attn: '88-'92) and **Angela (Nash)** ('92) **Gergely**. Don recently celebrated his 10th

year of Music Ministry with White River Christian Church in Noblesville, IN. The church just completed an addition to its facilities, including a 900-seat worship center. Angie has a wedding consulting business and home-schools their two children, Faith (8) and Alex (6). 1109 Albemarle Cir., Noblesville, IN 46060. dgergely@wrcc.org.

Theresa (Davis) ('86) and **Mark Glovak** have three children: John (13), Rachael (5), and Robert (3). Theresa is a Math Teacher at Rockcastle County Middle School. She completed Rank 1 in Educational Administration-School Principals in July 2002. 7357 Highway 328, Crab Orchard, KY 40419. marthdavis@aol.com.

Rob (attn: '87-'89) and **Lara (DeDario)** (attn: '90-'91) **Harris**. Rob is currently the Worship Minister at Franklin Christian Church in Franklin, TN. 1823 O'Reilly Cir., Spring Hill, TN 37174. rob@fctn.org.



Alumni returned to campus on a hot afternoon to challenge our men's soccer team. What a close game! The ladies had their own version of competition in the gym later that afternoon to challenge the Lady Knights Volleyball team.

Alumni Soccer & Volleyball



Michael ('89) and **Debbie (Stewart)** ('89) **Haubner** have two children, Andrea (8) and Katie (4). Michael is a Camp Manager at Blue Ridge Christian Camp, Roanoke County. He also works as a Firefighter/EMT. Debbie works at the camp and is a stay-at-home mom. mehaubner@juno.com.

Melissa (Camp) (attn: '87-'90) and Joel **Hering** announce the birth of their son, Seth Alexander, born on July 22, 2002. He joins big brothers Micah (5) and Caleb (3). Melissa has a home daycare and Joel is a restaurant owner. P.O. Box 212, Burton, OH 44021. mdhering@hotmail.com.

Jenny Hooper (attn: '84-'87) is the Preschool Minister at Beechwood Christian Church. 165 Meadowlark Ln., Columbus, OH 43214. jenny.hooper@beechwoodchristian.org.

Tina (Rifle) (attn: '88-'91) **Hosken** has one son, Matthew Jacob (11). She is a certified paralegal and is in college again, at Hocking College, going for a degree in Human Services and Juvenile Corrections. The *Christian Standard* recently published a story she wrote about the Middleport (OH) Church of Christ, where

she attends. 35589 Flatwoods Rd., Pomeroy, OH 45769. thosken@hocking.edu.

Cheryl Huebsch ('89) is currently employed as a Title One Reading Teacher in Hanover Comm. School System. 5509-W. 171st Ave., Lowell, IN 46356. BUZZ1357@msn.com.

Richard ('85) and Diana **Manns**. Richard was recently elected Vice-President of the Classroom Teacher's Association. He also serves on the bargaining and retirement committee. 241 Greenway Dr., Scottsburg, IN 47170. rmanns@scottsburg.com.

John (attn: '85-'89) and **Anita (Witt)** ('90) **Martin** have three children, Robert (14), Will (8), and T.J. (6). John and Anita both work at East Liverpool School. John teaches Anatomy, Jr. High Music Appreciation, and High School Choir. Anita teaches preschool classes. John has just finished his first year at Second Church of Christ. 1272 Pennsylvania Ave., East Liverpool, OH 43920. 9068martin@attbi.com.

Billy (att: '86-'87) and **Chelisa (Bailey)** ('94) **McCord** announce the birth of their son, Connor Lewis, on May 9, 2002. He joins brother, Trevor (6).

Billy is the IT Manager for Spirit of America Bank and Chelisa is enjoying being home with Trevor and Conner. 5810 Patrick Henry Dr., Milford, OH 45150. chelisa31@yahoo.com.

Randy ('81) and **Lisa (Johnson)** ('81) **Miller** announce the adoption of Dylan Matthew on October 25, 2002. He joins big brothers, Tyler (12) and Austin (10). Randy is the Youth Minister at Indianola Church of Christ and serves on the Board of the Tree of Life Christian Schools. He is also employed by Bank One. They are also involved with Christian Children's Home of Ohio. 3419 Walmar Dr., Columbus, OH 43224. Randy43224@aol.com.

Tom Napier ('81) received his Master of Arts in Counseling degree from Cincinnati Bible College and Seminary on May 18, 2002. Tom currently serves as the Family Preservation Specialist at Family Recovery Services in Hillsboro, OH. He also continues to supply preach. He and his family are active members at the Hillsboro Church of Christ. From the years of '97-'02, Tom taught history, science, health, and Bible at the Highland County Christian School while working on his Master's degree. 4590 St. Rt.

124, Lynchburg, OH 45142.

Tom ('84) and Sharon **O'Brien** announce the birth of their daughter, Chelsea, born on July 16, 2002. She joins Emily (5) and Andrew (3). Tom ministers with the Palmyra Church in Fredericktown, OH. 106 Salem Ave., Fredericktown, OH 40319. palcc@aol.com.

Jerry ('82) and **Lisa (New)** ('82) **Sanders** have three children, Joel (18), Jared (14), and Hannah (8). Jerry recently earned his Ph.D. at Indiana State, and is the Assistant Superintendent in the Martinsville School District. Lisa is a Librarian in one of the local schools. The Sanders' serve the Lord at Eastview Christian Church in Martinsville. 175 Goodnight Rd., Martinsville, IN 46151. jsanders@scican.net.

Derek ('86) and **Karlita (Mills)** ('86) **Stump** have two children, Andrew (14) and Hannah (10). Derek has resigned after eight years of ministry at Union Church of Christ in Hillsboro and has accepted the position of Administrative Assistant at Person to Person Ministries. Karlita continues to teach Kindergarten at Sardinia Elementary. 5958 S.R. 124, P.O. Box 395, Hillsboro, OH 45133. stump4him@bright.net.

Dan Wimpelberg (attn: '88-'90 & '94) is deployed with the 82nd airborne and is headed to "fight the war on global terrorism." He wants to assure everyone he is doing well. SPC WIMPELBERG, DANIEL A/2-3 19TH AFAR, 82ND ABN DIV APO AE 09368. danwimp@earthlink.net.

Edward ('89) and **Jennifer (Kennedy)** (attn: '86-'89)

Windhausen have three children, Christy (11), Robert (9), and Katie (8). Ed is a Machinist at Guardian Industries and Jennifer is a Medical Secretary. 49 Mynderse St. Apt. 3, Seneca Falls, NY 13148. jwindhau@rochester.rr.com.

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Scott ('98) and **Stephanie (Cornwell)** (attn: '95-'98)

Alumni 2003 CALENDAR

Alumni & Friends Reception North American Christian Convention July 9, 2003

Alumni & Friends Reception following evening session. Come by and visit us at booth #308 in Indianapolis, Indiana.

Soccer & Volleyball Games August 30, 2003

11:00 Alumni Men's Soccer vs. KCC Knights
1:00 Alumni Volleyball vs. KCC Volleyball
Register online or call for more information.

Alumni & Friends Reception National Missionary Convention November 21, 2003

Join us on Friday night following the evening service for a great reception in room 231/243 at the Four Points by Sheraton Hotel in Cincinnati.

Feast of Christmas December 5, 2003

Alumni & Friends Reception following Feast.

Register Online. For your convenience, many of the above events have online registration.

Alumni, Let Us Hear From You. We always want to know what you are doing and where God is using you. We will use this information in upcoming issues of *The Insider's Report*. To access these features, visit us at www.kcc.edu and click on the Alumni link.

Asbury have two children, Kyle (3) and Alexis (22 mos). Scott is the Youth Minister at Fall Creek Christian Church and Stephanie is working on her LPN degree. 81 Shamrock Cir., Apt. #1, Pendleton, IN 46064. s_asbury1@msn.com.

Bobby Cairell (attn: '96-'01) married Lori Beth Johnson on November 2, 2002 at Gardenside Christian Church. 2191A Winterberry, Lexington, KY 40504. bcairell@hotmail.com.

Rob ('98) and Michelle (McNabb) ('00) Campbell announce the birth of their daughter, Hannah Faith, born on January 28, 2003. Michelle is a Seventh Grade Teacher in Pitt Co. Schools and Rob works for Nacco.

Gary ('92) and Jenny (Bell) ('90) Clark have two children, Zachary (9) and Alyssa (6). Gary and Jenny are both working in Children's Ministries at New Lisbon Christian Church. Gary is also employed by Intat Precision, Inc. as a Process Operator.

1924 Outer Dr., New Castle, IN 47362. clarks_nc@netzero.net.

Kasha (Stegemiller) ('97) and Bryan Copeland announce the birth of their son, Samuel Hunter, on June 20, 2002. Kasha teaches Language Arts and Social Sciences for grades 6-8 in Ohio County. Bryan is the manager at his family's business. 506 Willow St., Rising Sun, IN 47040.

Scott ('96) and Amy (Kettler) ('96) Cordial announce the birth of their daughter, Gabriella "Gabby" Elise. Scott is a Marketing Specialist at Plastic Suppliers, Inc. and Amy is a Licensed Social Worker and Outreach Coordinator at Adoption by Gentle Care. 2081 Forestwind Dr., Grove City, OH 43123. ascordials@yahoo.com.

Chad ('97) and Amy (Barnard) ('98) Doerr adopted a baby girl, Emrie Elizabeth, on August 14, 2002. Chad is a Minister at Antioch Mills Christian Church and Amy works at the Kentucky Farm Bureau. 1670 Mark Haley Rd., Falmouth, KY 41040. the_doerrs@yahoo.com.

Scott (attn: '95-'97) and **Karen (Morris) ('99) Douglas** have

Men's & Women's Alumni Basketball

Early in the season, we had alumni basketball games with some recent alumni challenging the current KCC men's and women's basketball teams.







one daughter, Brianna Nichole (2). Scott completed his degree in Christian Ministries in May 2002 and is a Firefighter at Abilene Fire Department. Karen earned her Masters degree in Counseling Psychology at Abilene Christian University in May 2001 and is working as a Substitute Teacher. 318 N. LaSalle Dr., Abilene, TX 79603. bajanintexas@hotmail.com

David ('98) and Becky (Myers) ('96) Fishback announce the birth of their daughter, Brooke Alison, born on August 27, 2002. David is the Youth Minister at Calumet Street Christian Church. 146 E. Prairie, Centralia, IL 62801. dbfishback@hotmail.com.

Christina (McNabb) ('96) and Allen Hamon are proud to announce the birth of their daughter, Emily Grace, born on November 14, 2002. Allen is the Minister of Kinmundy Christian Church. P.O. Box 118, Kinmundy, IL 62854. christy@usafast.us

Tom ('95) and Laura (Johnston) ('94) Harrigan announce the birth of Megan Liane on February 19, 200. She joins brother Josh (3). 33916

Silver Pine Dr., Leesburg, FL 34788. tljharrigan@yahoo.com.

Homer ('97) and Erin (Goodlin) ('98) Holsted have recently moved into their first home and are announcing the birth of Claire Annamaria on March 23, 2003. 6253 Louisville St., Louisville, OH 44641. LCC1800@cannet.com.

Andrea (Boone) ('94) and Dave Jones announce the birth of their daughter, Reagan Joanne, born on May 21, 2002. She joins sisters Emily (5) and Eliza (3). Dave and Andrea are both working with the youth at Millwood Church of Christ. 16500 Wooster Rd., Mt. Vernon, OH 43050. jonesfamily@ecr.net.

Charles E. Johnson ('95) is a Police Officer with the Lexington Urban County Government. 868 Marblehead Dr., Lexington, KY 40509.

Jason (Polk) (attn: '93-'94) and Dera (Cone) ('98) Lindsay are residing in Frankfort, KY. Jason is the Minister at Antioch Church of Christ and Dera is a Certified Technical Trainer at Gateway in Lexington, KY. 115 Jeremy Dr., Frankfort, KY 40601.

drayleth@hotmail.com.

Lonnie ('94) and Tonia (Duncan) ('95) Marsh. Lonnie is the Supervisor/Manager at Office Max and Tonia is employed by Voice Stream Wireless. 5771 Oakleaf Dr., Milford, OH 45150. lonniemarsh@yahoo.com.

Bob Mitchell ('94) is beginning his third year on the faculty of the Tri-Valley Schools in Downs, Illinois. He directs the Concert Choir, Madrigal Singers, Jazz Choir, Middle School Chorus, teaches 5th and 6th grade general music and an 8th grade Humanities course. He also directs seven full-scale productions each year. 9379 N. 1750 East Rd., Bloomington, IL 61704. bsmithelljr@Tri-valley.k12.il.us.

Christopher ('99) and Amy (Nolen) (attn: '95-'99) Mulpas recently moved to Flora, IL where Chris is the Minister at the North Harter Christian Church. Chris is also pursuing his Master's degree at Lincoln Christian Seminary in Church History/Historical Theology. 2387 Palm Ln., Flora, IL 62839. chris-amy@mail.com.

Timothy Oller ('90) is currently

Feast of Christmas Reception

A feeling of excitement was in the air as KCC alumni gathered for a reception following our annual Feast of Christmas performance.



enrolled at the University of Findlay, working on a Master of Arts in Education. 9560 C.R. 128, Findlay, OH 45840. toller598@surfbest.net.

Tammy (Evans) ('92) and **Tom Olson** have two children, Tia Lenae (9) and Evan (13). They work with the teenagers at Farmers Christian Church in Morehead, KY. Tammy is a Business Service Representative at KY Utilities. 469 Spring St., Mt. Sterling, KY 40353. tolson8321@earthlink.net.

Karla (Rubino) (attn: '92-'94) and **Mark Ricker** were married on October 19, 2002. Mark is working at Berean Christian Store as a sales representative and Karla is doing private care for children and the elderly. 227 Marquerite Ave., Cuyahoga Falls, OH 44221.

karlarbn1810@yahoo.com.

Melissa Ruble ('99) is teaching English as a second language at Hilliard City Schools. 2707 Christine Blvd., Columbus, OH 43231. missajo3@hotmail.com.

Tyler ('92) and **Sara Sergent** were married in July 2001 and now reside in Elizabethton, TN. They attend Grandview Christian Church in Johnson City, TN. Tyler has completed degrees in Church History at Emmanuel School of Religion ('95), Medieval Studies at Western Michigan ('99), and Theology at St. John's University, MN ('02).

He taught Medieval History at Western Michigan and Latin at St. John's. Tyler is now a lecturer in Church History at Emmanuel School of Religion, Johnson City, TN. 708 First St., Elizabethton, TN 37643. sergentt@esr.edu.

Chris ('96) and **Kimberly Simpson** were married on September 7, 2002. They are currently involved at Southeast Christian Church and Vineyard Christian Church. Chris is employed by Two M Company as a Mobility Program Director and Internet Sales. 425 S. Hubbard Ln. #377, Louisville, KY 40207. simpthebrick@yahoo.com.

Allison (Hall) (attn: '90-'91) and **David Steineker** announce the birth of their daughter, Madelyn Hall. David and Allison were married in April 2000 and are both Teachers in the Jefferson County School System. 9909 Glenda Ct., Louisville, KY 40223. alliteach@cs.com.

Jessica (Tomaro) (attn: '95-'98) and **Timothy Stephan** were married on September 15, 2001. They recently moved from Buffalo, New York to Lexington. Jessica took two years leave of absence from Continental Airlines and is currently working as an Administrative Assistant at a pharmacy. Tim works at Crossroads Christian Church as Director of Student Ministry Programming. He also works with disabled high school students.

250 Carterbrook Ln., Lexington, KY 40511. tste1220@aol.com.

Kathy (Bogan) ('93) and **Gary Trisel** have one son, Seth (2). Kathy is a Medical Assistant at Clinton Memorial Hospital FHC. Kathy also coaches high school volleyball and basketball. 63 W. Washington St., Jamestown, OH 45335. Trisel826@cs.com.

Geoff (attn: '92) and **Jennifer Watkins** have one son, Tyler (4). They have relocated to Arizona, where Geoff is employed by Sears in Appliance Management. 16084 W. Madison St., Goodyear, AZ 85338. geowatkins@hotmail.com.

Kristen (Vaughn) ('99) and **David Wright** announce the birth of their daughter Allison Faye, on December 29, 2002. 934 6th St., Sibley, IA 51249. kwright@sibley-ocheyedan.k12.ia.us.

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Kristen (Marks) ('00) and **Brock Adkins**. Kristen is a K-5 Music Teacher at Henrico County Public Schools. 3902 Fairlake Pl., Richmond, VA 23294. bkadkins23@msn.com.

Daniel (attn: '00-'02) and **Ali (Jones)** ('02) **Bodager** were married on December 21, 2002. Ali is a Paralegal at Sawyer and Glancy PLLC and Daniel is a Student at UK and is interning at Southland Christian Church with the high school ministry. They both are small group leaders and plan to be sponsors on a mission trip to Ireland. 101 Wilton Ave., Lexington, KY 40508. anb@sawyerlglancy.com.

Ryan Cadwell ('02) is working at Lakewood Christian Church in Oklahoma. 1103 Fleming 15, McAlester, OK 74501. git2knowhim@hotmail.com.

Tyrel ('02) and **Molli (Meadows)** ('01) **Falgout** were married June 8, 2002, and are excited about the way God is using them. Molli is a fourth grade Teacher at Fair Grove Elementary and Tyrel sells digital office equipment. 5030-1E Samet Dr., High Point, NC 27265.

mollifalgout@yahoo.com.

Warren French ('02) is the Associate Minister at Christ's Church in San Luis Obispo. 2270 Meadow, San Luis Obispo, CA 93401. wffjr@hotmail.com.

Barry ('01) and **Dara (Robinson)** (attn: '98-'99) **Jackson** announce the birth of their daughter, Sophia Taylor, on September 1, 2002. She joins Noah (3) and Lucy (1). Barry is a Credit Analyst at Ford Motor Credit. 1007 B Carson Ct., Lebanon, OH 45036. brjackson2@hotmail.com.

Travis ('01) and **Emilie (Dunham)** ('02) **Jones**. Travis serves as Youth Minister at the Williamstown Christian Church in Williamstown, KY. 314 N. Main St., Williamstown, KY 41097. twjones@setel.com.

Michael ('01) and **Danielle Kyle**. Michael is the Youth Minister at North Madison Christian Church in Madison, IN and Danielle is a Medical Laboratory Technician at Columbus Regional Hospital in Columbus, IN. 472 Johnson Ct., Madison, IN 47250.

dryzike_kyle@hotmail.com. **Aletha Moore** ('02) left the Academic Office at KCC to pursue a career in Social Work. She is working in the Adoption and Foster Care System of Ohio. 872 W. Bigelow Ave., Apt. 11, Findlay, OH 45840.

leelee_9@hotmail.com. **Aubrey Ranson** ('01) is a second grade Teacher at Covenant School. 131 Sunny Dr., Barboursville, WV 25504. aubreyr4@hotmail.com.

Erich ('02) and **Suzanne Stauffer** were married on August 10, 2002. Erich is employed by Old National Bank. 613 Main St., Greencastle, IN 46135. blubukxcompany@aol.com

Chris ('02) and **Andrea Tanner**. Chris is a Computer Technician at SubContractor. P.O. Box 1512, Murray, KY 42071. tannerjr@yahoo.com.

Robin ('01) and **Lori (Underwood)** ('01) **Zimmerman**. Robin is the Minister to Students at the Mount Airy Church of Christ and

Lori works at Mountain Park Elementary School. 140 Cedar Knoll Dr., Mount Airy, NC 27030. robzim@rocketmail.com.

In Memoriam

Charles W. Ballard ('54) passed away on February 9, 2003 in Mingo Manor Nursing Home, Williamson, W. VA. He was a retired minister, serving 45 years in Kentucky, Ohio, Florida, Oklahoma and West Virginia, a World War II Navy Veteran, and a member of the Coal Run Church of Christ. He is survived by his wife, **Nellie (Walters)** ('52) **Ballard**; two sons, Charles Ballard of Ocala, Fla., and Brian Ballard of Pikeville; one daughter, Susan Phillips of Pikeville; and six grandchildren. 156 Winston Dr., Pikeville, KY 41501.

Dorothy (Williams) Beard (attn: '35-'37) died Tuesday December 10, 2002 at Plano, TX. She came from Charleston W.V. to Grayson, where she met and married

Morris Beard ('37) on August 22, 1935. They shared 67 years of life and ministry together. Dorothy is survived by husband, Morris, three sons, Bob, Phil, and Gary, five grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren. 1723 15th Pl., Plano, TX 75074.

Richard "Dick" Bishop ('71) passed away in March 2003. He is survived by his wife, Valerie and children Devin and Corey. Dick served as a Financial Consultant. 1619 Township Rd., Jeromesville, OH 44840.

Mary Elizabeth Bliffen ('55) of

West Liberty, KY passed away suddenly Sunday, December 1, 2002 at her home. She served in Africa as a missionary and a mid-wife for 13 years and worked as a nurse in Fort Pierce, FL, at the Cookson Hills Christian Children's Home in Kansas, OK, West Liberty Nursing Home and at EKCC in West Liberty for eight years until she retired. She was a member of the West Liberty Christian Church. In addition to her parents, Ralph and Aleta Bliffen, she was preceded in death by a sister, **Helen Marie (Bliffen) Stumbo** ('49) and a brother, **Steven Bliffen** ('71) former minister of West Liberty Christian Church. Surviving are four brothers, **Jack Bliffen** ('51) of Viera, FL; **Jerry Bliffen** ('59) of Jacksonville, FL; **John Bliffen** (attn: '60-'62) of Troy, OH and **Joe Bliffen** ('65) of Pickerington, OH, two sisters, **Betty (Bliffen) Thomas** ('52) of Martins Ferry, OH and **Peggy (Bliffen) Bauer** ('59) of Arcadia, FL, numerous nieces, nephews, and great nieces and nephews.

Richard William "Dick" Erickson ('58) died Tuesday, July 16, 2002 in FL. He was a counselor for HRS for the State of Florida and was a past church minister. He was a very active member of Winter Haven Christian Church. He was a graduate of Sangamon State University in Illinois, with a Master's Degree in Counseling. He was a Lifetime Member of Kentucky Christian College Alumni Association. He is survived by his wife, **June (Bergholtz) Erickson** ('57),



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Winter Haven, FL; his son, Donald and his two daughters, Lynne and Gayle; five grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. 1822 Pauline Dr. NW, Winter Haven, FL 33881.

Alma (McGinnis) Glore (attn: '21-'23) died February 28, 2003. She had very fond memories of the time she spent in the old block building on Hord and 2nd streets, where the first classroom building for our campus was located. She was a retired school teacher with over 50 years of service to Carter and Greenup County (KY) school systems. Alma was preceded in death by husbands Willard Montgomery and Corbett Glore. She is survived by three daughters and a son. Another son passed away in 1974 after a tragic car accident. Alma enjoyed 14 grandchildren, 15 great-grandchildren, and 11 great-great-grandchildren.

Chad R. Hernandez (attn: '01-'02) died March 5, 2003. He is survived by parents Vivian and

Jeff Matlack, and one brother, Brandon. 7 Diamondback Rd., Artesia, NM 88210.

Greg Roush ('81) died suddenly on August 26, 2002 of a massive heart attack. Greg worked for Konica Copiers as a technician for 15 years. Greg was active at the Hazelwood Christian Church. He had served as a youth sponsor, elder, and deacon. Greg was "Mr. behind the scenes", usually working with little or no recognition. Greg sang in the choir, ran sound for worship and weddings. Greg was the main teacher for the Door of Life Sunday School class. He is survived by his wife Janet, Hazelwood, IN, his parents Kenny and Vernal Roush, Flora, IL, and his sister **Kim (Roush) Ranson** ('77), who lives in Hazelwood where her husband **Steve Ranson** ('77) has been the Senior Minister of Hazelwood Christian Church for the last 23 years. 204 E. County Rd. 951 S., Clayton, IN 46118.

Cincinnati & Columbus Receptions



We had a great crowd at our reception during the KCC-CBC basketball game in Cincinnati, January 17. Then, in February, we held a reception at the Indianola Church of Christ in Columbus, OH. We had a great time with those who stayed after to visit and reminisce following a concert by Destiny.





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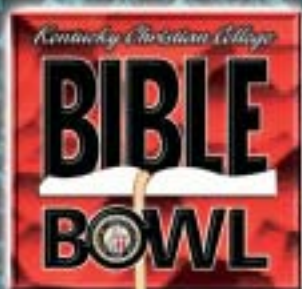
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