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Educating Servant-Leaders

There has been a lot of talk about “servant-leadership” over the years. Nearly every religious publication has carried articles on the theme and there are books by the score. While the last word has not been written on this theme, it is not the purpose of this column to add to the volume or critique what has been written by others, but to describe the practical relevancy of “servant-leadership” to the mission and purpose of Kentucky Christian College.

The idea of service and leadership are closely linked in the College’s mission statement. Clearly, our commitment is to “educate students for Christian leadership and service in the Church and in professions throughout the world.” The College’s trustees, administration, and faculty fully endorse and support this mission. Their commitment is evidenced in the way they devote themselves to their assigned responsibilities and the tasks of teaching and working with students.

While such personal commitment is admirable, the faithful implementation and fulfillment of assigned responsibilities alone rarely if ever makes a lasting impact. Recently, a faculty member forwarded for my review the results of student assessments of his classroom performance. The report was a clear indicator that the students benefited from the selected classes and that the instructor had performed his duties well.

I was pleased, and the faculty member was affirmed. However, the argument that his courses should be required by all students was still marginal. (Most faculty think that many of their courses should be required by all students.) At KCC it is required that all students complete a core curriculum of general education courses and thirty semester hours in Bible and theology – this in addition to their selected major.

The debate on what should constitute these required core hours has gone on for

decades and it will continue long after we are gone and others take our places. The academic community has never been short of debaters.

The fact of the matter is that students can not take all the courses that faculty would like to require and limits have to be imposed. Moreover, it is required that students exercise care in selecting courses and majors.

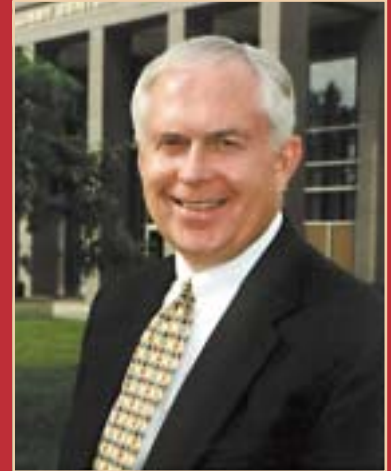
In the end however, it may not be any course or block of courses that transforms the way a student thinks or views his world. This is not to discount the importance of formal classroom instruction. There is a basic and essential content in every discipline which forms a foundation for understanding, critical thinking, research, and the generation of new knowledge.

The truth of the matter is this. It is not so much the experience in the classroom that transforms the students understanding of God, man, and the universe, as it is the experience a student has with other learners, and especially faculty mentors who treat students with respect, and who, in the spirit of collegiality take the time to develop nurturing relationships. This

can start in the classroom, but it never finds its fulfillment there.

Over the years, I have been amazed at what students remember most about their college experience. I have yet to have anyone reference a particular lecture, reading assignment, or term paper as the defining event. While such experiences are beneficial, their long-term impact runs silently and unconsciously in the background.

What is it that students remember most? And what, in the final analysis, are the experiences of greatest impact? It is all about relationships. It is their relationship with other students and faculty – beyond



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the classroom. A question may be raised in a class lecture, but it is rarely explored or integrated into a student’s worldview until it is thrown into open discussion over coffee or a shake at the Dairy Queen or a late night dorm room conversation.

The integration of faith and learning is a co-curricular event. In a recent discussion with KCC trustee, Ralph Lemmon, he recalled his student days (the mid-1960’s) and pick-up basketball games with Professor Donald A. Nash.

Nash would play ball with anyone and he was always serious about the game. With sweat dripping from his chin and his shirt tail out and tie askew, Nash would go from the asphalt court to the classroom. “We learned a lot about reacting to conflict with grace, the importance of nurturing relationships, and the commitment to giving your all.”

Lemmon recalled, “As we watched Nash challenge a questionable play or when he knocked us out of the way in a determined drive to the hoop, he was creating memories. These were not just any memories; we were actually ‘seeing’ important lessons on how we too should live and relate in keeping with biblical principle.”

Lemmon continued, “He was connecting with us in a way that could never happen in the classroom. Then, when we got to the classroom, we really wanted to hear what Nash had to say.”

Don Nash continues to live his life with passion. Though he stopped bouncing the

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Message from the Editor

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In this issue of *The Voice* we focus on the unique qualities of servant-leaders. At KCC, future servant-leaders are being equipped to serve and lead like Jesus.

Jesus provides us with the ultimate and perfect model of servant-leadership.* First, He challenged His disciples to focus their energy and effort on activities that furthered His mission of advancing God's Kingdom on earth. When Jesus said, "Come follow me, and I will make you fishers of men" (Matthew 4:19), He united His followers around a divine purpose.

Second, Jesus shared His preferred vision of the future with the church when He said, "Make disciples of all

nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you" (Matthew 28:19-20). Notice how Christ's call to be "fishers of men" supports the fulfillment of His vision for the church.


Christ's vision of making disciples of all nations is transformed into reality when the church actively spreads the Good News throughout the world. Kentucky Christian College is supporting the church in fulfilling its divine purpose by equipping young men and women to be Christ's ambassadors.

Each academic year, the College trains hundreds of servant-leaders to shine the Light of the Gospel throughout the world. In turn, the hundreds who go forth from KCC multiply their effectiveness for the Lord's Kingdom by touching hundreds of thousands of people with the life-changing message of Jesus!

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We pray that you enjoy this issue of *The Voice* and are encouraged to model Jesus' example of servant-leadership in your life. Thank you for supporting the educational ministry of KCC with your prayers, encouragement, and financial resources. 

** See Ken Blanchard and Phil Hodges' The Servant Leader: Transforming Your Heart, Head, Hands & Habits (2003, Countryman) for further insight on servant-leadership.*

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basketball a few years ago, he remains a model of a life well lived and the lessons he taught will survive long after he is gone. Because of his contribution as a true servant-leader, and as an educator respected and admired across the country, the Board of Trustees presented Donald A. Nash with The Lusby Award during Commencement ceremonies. The Lusby Award is KCC's highest honor (see related story on page 16).

Servant-leadership is the embodiment and expression of Truth lived out in our presence in such a way that we too desire to live like that. A servant-leader enables us to go places and do things we would not have considered or attempted had they not come along.

In faith, they see unrealized potential and have more confidence in us than we have in ourselves. They show us other ways to see the world, ways that make sense not because they told us so, but because they

enabled us to see that truth for ourselves in a living context.

Servant-leaders allow us to see their vulnerabilities. They are not always right, and don't have to be to gain our respect and admiration. In fact, we respect them more and admire them most when they admit their own mistakes. They regard themselves as fellow-learners and they turn learning into a celebratory event, thrilled to have captured from a student some new perspective on an age worn question.

This is what we are about at KCC. Educating servant-leaders is about much more than teaching particular courses. It is about mentoring and being an example. It is about supporting and encouraging. It is about self-discipline. It is about having fun as a community of faith learners. It is about extending ourselves beyond our job descriptions. 

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From Antioch to Alamar

The exploding house church movement in Cuba and what it means for Christian Churches in America.

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When the leaders of the Christian Church in Antioch separated Barnabas and Paul for the work of spreading the Gospel (Acts 13:1,2), they did so as a missionary church that consisted of many house churches scattered across the city. According to Acts 2:46 the early church met “from house to house”; a practice that would continue into the Third and Fourth Centuries.

The political and economic landscape in communist Cuba is not unlike the circumstances that gave rise to the house church movement in the First Century. While many Christians in the “free world” would regard the living conditions in Cuba as hard and unforgiving, God is using these First Century circumstances to grow His Church at an amazing rate.

Alamar is a sleepy coastal community located just a half-hour drive east of Havana. It has no central shopping district. The town of 20,000 was designed as a residential community to house a portion of Cuba’s labor force. Unemployment is now over 50% and most resi-



This house serves as a training center and meeting place for larger gatherings of the church



KCC Provost Dr. Jeff Metcalf leads a discussion with house church leaders in Alamar

dents are on the government’s monthly ration program. Rationed rice and beans usually run out by mid-month.

Its deteriorating asphalt streets are trafficked by vintage American made vehicles from the 1950’s. Residents live in small cottages and dingy high-rise tenement buildings not unlike those still common in cities of the former Soviet Union.

Despite the humble living conditions, there is a natural beauty that dominates the environment. Coconut palms and several species of flowering trees and shrubs fill the air with a sweet and inviting fragrance.

The apartment is cramped and illuminated by whatever light comes through the window and a single flickering florescent tube on the ceiling. Electric fans struggle to circulate the hot stifling

air. Flies and mosquitoes buzz busily about the room, hunting for something, searching for some lost morsel or unwary victim. In a futile gesture men wipe away streaming beads of sweat from their foreheads and women fan themselves with pieces of cardboard.

The church meets here. It is one of a dozen similar house churches in Alamar. Thirty or more people crowd into this 10x12 foot space every Sunday for worship and fellowship. Their songs are invigorating, spirited, and expressive. Prayers for the lost and the sick are intense with passion; their offerings are meager, but sacrificial (average family income is \$7-10 per month). Their devotion is without comparison; their zeal has no equal; their concern for the lost is genuine.

When members of the church visit in the home of an unsaved person it is a

community event. At first two or three may arrive to talk to someone about Jesus, but they are soon joined by several other believing neighbors who have also come to express their concern and offer support.

There may be as many as six or eight Christians who have come to encourage and pray for one person. This demonstration of care and concern is typically received positively and with affirming results.

I once attended an “evangelistic meal” as a special guest from America. These events, which are routine in Alamar, include 10 to 15 Christians; mostly couples. They also invite a family that is not in the church. Sometime during the meal, one of the leaders will offer his or her personal testimony as part of the conversation and others will join in with words of encouragement and spiritual support. Many people have come to know and eventually accept Christ through this “breaking of bread from house to house.”

The church in Alamar grows as each house church spawns several small groups that meet every Tuesday for prayer and Bible study. As a small group grows in number it eventually spins off into a house church with its own leaders. These leaders are typically a husband and wife who assume responsibility for the activities of the church which meets in their home. Education and training for these house church leaders is essential.

The greatest need of the Cuban church is adequate Christian education. This need is now critical and represents the greatest challenge facing Cuban Christians. Unless a solution is forthcoming, the church is at risk. The leadership base is now barely adequate to support the growth of the church. The Cuban church needs our help.

The Christian Church in Alamar (meaning the entire collection of house churches) is ministered to by Eduardo Otero and his wife Vivian. Eduardo provides oversight and training, which he describes as inadequate, for the leaders of the house churches. Vivian heads up the ministry to children and youth.

Eduardo is in his mid-thirties and a recent graduate of the Theological

Seminary of Mantanzas (Cuba). He holds a Master of Theology degree and is a strong advocate for biblical and theological education. Eduardo is currently enrolled in a doctoral program at the same institution.



Youth assemble in this unfinished auditorium for worship. The Cuban government shut down construction on the facility

While Eduardo is grateful for his education, he is frank in his observation that the theological education available in Cuba is much too ecumenical. Moreover, it is not sufficient to provide adequate and reliable biblical and theological education for developing and sustaining leadership in the Christian Churches.

Cuba has one of the highest literacy rates in the Western Hemisphere. If the leadership ministry of the church is to be successful, it must be well educated.

The church in Alamar has many university educated members. Nearly all of these people are now working at menial jobs. Alex, a trained Spanish-Russian translator has worked for the past seven years at a coffee shop. His wife, a university trained journalist, is unemployed. Together they lead a house church.

Many others with good undergraduate and graduate preparation have opted for

other positions to support their families. Several physicians drive taxis because they can make more money than working in state controlled medical positions for which they would be paid only \$40 per month.

Alamar is not the only Cuban city to experience a great spiritual awakening. The Gospel is being spread from Alamar to the surrounding towns and villages.

A house church has been planted in Havana and another small group in the city will soon become a house church. While this growth is exciting, Eduardo knows that it will be short lived unless leaders are trained and educated in a manner that will enable them to teach others.

The church growth movement in Cuba is evangelical and largely nonsectarian. This growth is actually promoted unwittingly by the Cuban government. By law, no new church buildings can be constructed (though old buildings can be refurbished with additions) and only those denominations that were officially recognized prior to the Revolution can legally exist.

Many of these house churches were started by people who, like Eduardo and

Vivian Otero, read themselves into Christianity.

Unlike most spiritual leaders, Eduardo sought out formal theological education. Currently, there are 13 small seminaries on the island. Only the Theological Seminary of Mantanzas welcomes students regardless of their theological perspective. The other 12 restrict enrollment to students from their own denomination. There is no seminary or educational institution to educate leaders and lay persons identified with the fellowship of independent Christian Churches.

Despite restrictions prohibiting the establishment of any new theological institutions, Kentucky Christian College has been working with Eduardo and the house church leaders in Alamar to lay plans for the creation of a formal training program for lay leaders. Because of the difficulty in obtaining student visas for entry into the U.S., the program will need to be conducted entirely in Cuba.

In June 2003, by authorization of the U.S. Treasury Department, four KCC representatives, including administrators and a member of the Board of Trustees, conducted a seven-day fact-finding trip to Cuba. The research team had four



Eduardo Otero, the enthusiastic leader of the house church movement in Alamar and greater Havana

primary objectives: 1) to research ways to assist church leaders in the creation and support of Christian higher education opportunities for Cuban students; 2) to assess the

availability and access to educational resources in Cuba;

3) to develop an understanding of the relevant laws and government policies related to the establishment and accreditation of higher education institutions in Cuba, and;



Distress for the present, but clinging to hope and praying for tomorrow

4) to determine the possibility of establishing a service-learning center for U.S. students and faculty.

We met with house church leaders and interviewed faculty and administrators at several Cuban institutions, including officials at the University of Havana. As we go to press, there are many unanswered questions.

While the opportunity to bring educational support to Cuban Christians is very promising, it will not be without significant challenges. Due to the political climate, progress will be slow at first, but there are initiatives that can be undertaken immediately. A leadership training program for house church leaders can be established and service-learning opportunities can be created for students and faculty from Christian colleges in the U.S.

Also being considered is a more ambitious initiative that would result in establishing an academic program for qualified Cuban nationals. Such a program would be offered completely on site, and would ideally involve faculty from several Christian colleges in the U.S.

The collaborating faculty would teach short-term courses that would fit into their current teaching schedules. Funding for this initiative would be provided partially by the participating institutions, with matching grants from

the International Alliance of Christian Colleges and Universities, Inc.

Our vision is that Cuba will someday have one strong Christian higher education institution affiliated with the independent Christian Churches. With many Christian Church congregations and several of our Christian colleges collaborating together, we may be able to avoid the proliferation of educational institutions that has characterized Christian higher education in the Stone-Campbell Movement in America.

We have learned a hard lesson and we dare not repeat that mistake in other countries. The proliferation of colleges in our fellowship has produced about three dozen small and often struggling institutions. This regrettable strategy has challenged our resources, minimized our effectiveness, and weakened our influence within the larger intellectual community. We must not nail the Cuban church to that cross.

Some may say that Cuban students should just come to America to study. That argument is flawed on a number of different levels. First, it is almost impossible for Cuban students to obtain a U.S. visa. Many of those who desire Christian education are adults with family responsibilities and cannot leave their spouses and children. In addition, most Cubans live at a level of poverty that would make document fees and travel to the U.S. impossible.

Second, if a Cuban student were to work his way through the expensive maze of obtaining all the necessary documentation to come to the U.S., he would not likely want to return to Cuba – thus defeating the very purpose for which he came to study.

Third, the best environment in which to learn how to grow the church and minister to the needs of a particular people is the environment in which those people live. Coming to America would place the Cuban student in an irrelevant and inappropriate learning environment if the intention is to minister and serve in their own country.

Fourth, it is far more expensive to educate a Cuban in the U.S. than it is to create an educational opportunity for him in his own country. If he studies in the U.S., his entire educational experience will have to be financially subsidized by American sponsors. It is far more cost effective to send U.S. faculty to Cuba. For the cost of educating just one Cuban national for one year in the U.S. (about \$15,000), we could send nearly a dozen faculty to teach scores of Cuban students.

Finally, though the Christian Churches in Cuba need assistance and support in starting their own Christian higher education institution, they also want ownership. In other words, they want to assume the responsibility for leading and sustaining their own institution. Eduardo




Many things in Cuba need restoration and renewal. We can help!

Otero is currently enrolled in a doctoral program in theology and others are willing to prepare themselves to be education leaders. This desire for autonomy is exciting and is an approach that can only be applauded by Christian Churches in America.

The next step is collaboration. In the next few months we will be working with the International Alliance of Christian Colleges and Universities, Inc. to identify other Christian Church colleges, faculty and congregations that will be willing to become involved in

Cuba. Already we are indebted to Southeast Christian Church in Louisville, KY for setting the pace and providing important early support and encouragement for this faith venture.

If you or your congregation would like more information on how to get involved in this new and exciting mission opportunity, please contact the Office of the President, Kentucky Christian College, 100 Academic Parkway, Grayson, Kentucky 41143-2205; call (606) 474-3246; e-mail: pres@kcc.edu. 


KCC Concert Choir Traveling to Cuba: Publicly Presenting Gospel Message

President Keeran and Dr. Mark Deakins, Chair of the Department of Music, have announced that KCC's Concert Choir has been invited by the Cuban Ministry of Culture to perform Havana, Cuba from April 21 to April 27, 2004. This is the first time that a Christian college, or any non-Catholic faith-based organization, has been invited to participate in an event sponsored by the Cuban government since Fidel Castro took office on January 1, 1959.

For more than five years, many on our campus have been praying for Cuba

and an opportunity to share the message of Jesus in this communist country. God is answering our prayers and KCC is being provided with special opportunities to spread the Light of the Gospel throughout the island nation.

In addition to the Concert Choir's invitation, during June of 2003, a group of KCC administrators and trustees visited Cuba and were privileged to work with God's people who are members of the rapidly growing house church movement. Moreover, the KCC group was able to share a leadership-training program with several church leaders who serve in the Havana area.

The Concert Choir has a well-earned reputation for excellence among the finest choral associations in America, and it has earned this reputation without compromising its commitment to the message of the Gospel. When the Choir performs in Cuba this spring, it will not alter the Gospel message of the music, but it will alter the language in which it is sung. Already the Choir is preparing to sing many of its selections in Spanish. Please pray for the Concert Choir as they prepare to travel to Cuba to serve as ambassadors for Jesus Christ. 

KCC Uniquely Prepares Servant-Leaders to Influence Every Area of Society for Christ

Kentucky Christian College exists to support the church in fulfilling its divine mission of declaring the sovereignty of Jesus Christ to the nations of the earth. KCC does this by educating servant-leaders who are committed to serving first – and then leading as a way of enhancing and expanding their service to others in every area of society. In this article, several recent servant-leader graduates reflect on the unique training they received at KCC and how their education has equipped them “for works of service, so the Body of Christ may be built up” (Ephesians 4:12). Every graduate’s academic program at KCC includes a major in Bible.



I really felt called to come to KCC. I had been accepted and made plans to attend a large state university, but my plans changed after I visited the KCC campus. I wanted to have a biblically based education for my major in Psychology, so I chose KCC.

I have been called to serve others in the field of Psychology. I am continuing with my education in Clinical Psychology at Fuller Theological Seminary, so I can be better equipped to help others. I feel that I am well prepared to be an ambassador for the Lord in this field.

Chapel played an enormous role in my spiritual development at KCC. I found this to be especially true my freshman year since the whole college experience was new to me. My favorite thing about Chapel is the fact that the entire campus comes together as one body to praise the One God. There were times when I would just sit and listen to those around me and thank God for this body of believers who were reaching out for Him. Chapel was an encouragement for me through my four years at KCC.



I chose to attend KCC because I wanted to pursue my education in a Christian environment. I wanted to attend a college where Christ was honored and people recognized the value of placing Christ first in their lives.

While at KCC, I pursued and earned a Teacher Education degree. I believe that Christian educators can make life-changing impacts in the lives of their students. I have a quote that I repeat to myself often: “People don’t care how much you know, until they know how much you care.” To be effective in ministry, you have to care about people! It is my goal as a Christian educator to care about each individual that I have the privilege to work with and influence.

KCC has so many wonderful examples of Christian leaders! While at KCC, Jesus’ teaching found in Matthew 20:26-28 became very important to me. Jesus said, “Whoever wants to become great among

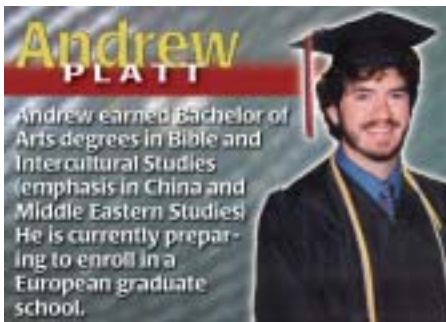
you must be your servant, and whoever wants to be first must be your slave – just as the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give His life as a ransom for many.” So many people affiliated with KCC demonstrate this willingness to help out others no matter what the cost!



I choose to attend KCC because of the values it represents. To me, the College represents integrity, intelligence, Christian character, and preparedness. My family members had preceded me at KCC and they are faithfully serving the Lord today. I wanted to follow their example.

I found the training that I received at the College to be an invaluable asset. The musical education and insights that I gained while attending KCC are among the best available. My experiences with the Concert Choir and Destiny also reinforced the importance of Christian character and service. Moreover, in my Bible and Ministry courses I learned practical skills that have helped me provide leadership for the congregation I serve.

During my educational experience at KCC, I learned that there is often no tangible reward for doing the right thing. Instead, I learned that the true reward is found in serving others and watching Jesus change lives. I am blessed when I am merely a conduit; a catalyst for God to be praised. Thanks to the Music Department and its faculty and staff for helping me understand the true priorities of ministry and service.



When I first visited KCC and talked with Dr. Pickens in the spring of 1999, I was convinced that the Intercultural Studies program was a perfect fit for me. Currently, I am not sure of all the details relating to where God is calling me. I cannot say that I am going to be working with any specific people group or within any particular nation.

I do know, however, in a broader sense, that I have been called to proclaim the sovereignty of Jesus Christ to the nations of the earth. In order to continue my preparation for my calling, I will soon pursue graduate school in Europe. I hope that furthering my education in an intercultural environment will enhance my effectiveness for the Lord and help me to utilize the gifts He has given me to the fullest.

KCC has prepared me by teaching me what it is to be a global learner. Through classes with Dr. Pickens and the Council of Christian Colleges and Universities programs that I attended, I have learned that the world is my classroom and that learning merely commences with Commencement.

KCC has shown me how to serve and how to lead. It has taught me that the best learning is often done scrubbing floors, visiting saints in a nursing home, or passing out candy to kids. It has

shown me how leading sometimes means backing down, and serving often means stepping up.



When I first visited KCC what really stood out to me was the friendly family atmosphere of the campus. At bigger universities I had walked away from campus tours feeling like I was going to spend four years as a number in a system. At KCC, I had the feeling that I was going to be a real person with my professors, which was something that I found out later to be so very true.

Currently the Lord is calling me to live and work in Los Angeles in the film industry. What this opportunity will ultimately lead to, I do not know, but I feel confident that I am where God wants me, doing what He would have me to do.

Through KCC I was given the opportunity to attend the Los Angeles Film Studies Center, which has been the nexus of my new Los Angeles family and a major support to me in my move to California. Also, my time at KCC was integral in helping me to formulate and defend my faith.

I have already been asked about my different "lifestyle" by many of my co-workers in the film industry. Unlike many other Christians they encounter they appreciate that my faith isn't just something I go through the motions with, but rather it is something that I thoroughly understand and enjoy sharing. I thank KCC for helping to prepare me to answer for my faith to people in a city that is desperately searching for something more.

Servant leadership sits at the core of the entertainment industry. For every famous Hollywood director, there are thousands of production assistants who do everything from controlling traffic to cleaning restrooms. Because of my faith, I can see

the bigger picture and I serve more willingly regardless of how odd or menial the demands. My willingness to serve has led to numerous opportunities that have opened up for me, but more importantly has earned me the friendship and respect of my employers and peers.



I was drawn to KCC by its emphasis on Biblical teaching along with other academic disciplines. I knew it was a place that would help me grow spiritually as well as intellectually, and the more intimate family-like campus environment was a great deal more appealing than a large university. At KCC, I knew I would be more than just a number or statistic and, by the time I reached campus my freshman year, I was certain God had led me to this school.

I believe God has called me to serve in the legal field through some form of public service. Our nation is in great need of lawyers and lawmakers who will stand for truth and justice in this current tide of moral relativism. Whether God leads me into politics, the courtroom, or the corporate world, I hope to serve Him by promoting ethics and fighting for justice. By choosing a career in public service, I know I will be placed in countless positions to share Christ's love and be an example to those I come in contact with.

At KCC, I have not only been prepared academically to face the challenges of law school, but I have also gained a solid background in Biblical knowledge and skills for ministry. Kentucky Christian College has given me knowledge to defend the faith I profess and I can enter my career field confidently, certain of what I believe to be true. In law, we constantly challenge the concept of what justice truly means, and, because of my faith, I can rely on God's word to provide the source for what is right and what is wrong.

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Chapel services provided an amazing and unique opportunity to worship God with 600 other college students. To hear the voices of my classmates and my friends united in praise to our Lord twice a week was an experience that I will miss greatly after leaving KCC. Worship in Chapel was a time of rejuvenation that drew me closer to God throughout my four years at KCC.



After a time of walking away from God in my younger years, I experienced some difficult times in my life and because of those difficulties I turned back to God. As my relationship with the Lord was renewed and deepened, I felt God's call on my life to be involved in the preaching ministry. My younger sister, Elizabeth, was a student at KCC and through her influence and a great deal of prayer, I decided to enroll at KCC during the Fall 1999 semester.

I believe that God has called me to be a preacher and teacher of His Word. I want to help others come to a saving knowledge of Jesus Christ as Lord and to see broken and hurting lives put back together through the power of Jesus Christ. This is my heart's desire. I am thankful that my professors at KCC taught me how to study the Bible and to

deliver God's Word in a fresh, powerful, and relevant way. I was strengthened from the fellowship that I had with my Christian brothers and sisters who were also preparing for the ministry.



I attended KCC because I wanted to be a youth minister. I believe that God is calling me to love others in the same way He loves me. I think that I can go anywhere and do anything, but in order to do God's will for my life, I must love others.

My spiritual gift is serving others, and the best way for me to demonstrate my love for others is to serve them. I am showing God's love to my community in Las Vegas by loving them. Several of my friends have asked me about Christ and I have been able to share my faith with them. I am thankful for the many strong friendships that I have with unbelievers. I believe that this form of relational witnessing is powerful and transformational!


Kentucky Christian College prepared me for ministry by helping me learn why I believe what I believe. KCC prepared me to give an answer to my friends when they ask about my faith. I have learned that people really

don't care about what you believe until they truly believe that you care!



For me, attending Kentucky Christian College was a "Jonah experience." Since my freshman year in High School, I felt a call to attend KCC. However, when it came time to make the commitment, I chose another school. Immediately, like Jonah, I realized that regardless of my own plans, God had something greater in store for me. After a miserable semester at another school, I applied and was accepted at KCC. Since that time, God has proven over and over that His ways are better ways, and His plans are greater plans.

While at Kentucky Christian College, God confirmed His calling for my life – I am to serve Him as an elementary school teacher. The Teacher Education program at KCC taught me to follow the servant-leader example of the Master-Teacher, Jesus Christ.

I feel there is a tremendous need for Christian educators in the public school system. Christ called us to be the "light of the world." I want to serve Him by being an example of unconditional Christian love to those people who are not always the most lovable. 



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Jack W. Strother Honored as KCC's First Honorary Alumnus

Mr. Jack W. Strother, a Grayson bank executive and former KCC trustee, has been named Kentucky Christian College's first Honorary Alumnus. The College's Board of Trustees bestowed this honor upon Mr. Strother because of his distinguished professional achievements and his generous and faithful support of the College.

Throughout the years, Mr. Strother, has supported the College with his prayers, encouragement, and resources. The Strother family has honored the memory of Mr. Strother's father, Wick H. Strother, by establishing an endowed scholarship fund to assist students from the local area in obtaining a degree from KCC. Scholarships awarded throughout the years have made a significant difference in the lives of the students who have received much needed assistance from this special fund.

A graduate of the University of Kentucky, Mr. Strother has served as a leader in the Grayson community for more than 70 years. During his career at Commercial Bank of Grayson, he was a member of the Board of Directors for 68 years, Chair of the Board for 47 years, and President and Chief Executive Officer of the bank for 26 years. During his tenure, the bank grew from less than \$1 million in assets to more than \$150 million.

In addition to being a leader in his community, Mr. Strother faithfully served the First Church of Christ in Grayson as Chairman of the Board for 22 years. He also supported his country by receiving a Navy commission during World War II.


Mr. Strother and his wife Edith, have been married for 62 years. Their lives have been characterized by acts of service. Together, they continue to faithfully serve their community, church, country, and honorary alma mater, Kentucky Christian College. 

Mary E. Ober Foundation Partners with Salvation Army to Send KCC Choir Recordings to Military Personnel



Leslie Arnold and Music Department Chair Dr. Mark Deakins load CD's for shipment to military personnel

The Mary E. Ober Foundation has partnered with the Indiana Division of the Salvation Army to send 1,000 KCC Concert Choir Christmas recordings to military personnel in Iraq. The recordings will be included in a "Christmas Bag" that will contain non-perishable food items, a drink receptacle and powdered Gatorade, and a stuffed bear that is dressed in a camouflaged hat and jacket, and miscellaneous items to let the troops know people care.

Mary Ann Wallace, daughter of Mary E. Ober and member of the Foundation's Board, said, "I think it's a wonderful gift to give, especially at Christmastime. The KCC Concert Choir's music is so uplifting and my prayer is that Christ will be glorified. I am hoping that the message in the music will actually influence the lives of several thousand as the CD's are played. Perhaps the music will be shared with others who may have spiritual needs." 






Dr. Gail Wise (Dean, School of Nursing), Lucy Nowill, "Doc" Nowill, and Dr. Keith P. Keeran in the Skills Lab of the School of Nursing

"Doc" and Lucy Nowill Strengthen Nursing Education Through Generous Gift

The College is grateful to "Doc" and Lucy Nowill for strengthening the College's Program of Nursing through their generous \$20,000.00 gift.

The Nowill's gift is being used to support the growth in the program's clinical instructional area. In Nursing, clinical instruction provides students with practical experience in acute-care hospitals and community-based health agencies. Instructors work with students in classroom settings, as well as on a one-to-one basis in clinical environments.

KCC intentionally requires our students to participate in more clinical instructional hours than similar programs to ensure that they are prepared to properly apply nursing concepts and skills in complex health care settings.


KCC expresses its deepest appreciation to "Doc" and Lucy Nowill as they partner with the College in equipping servant-leader nurses who are committed to serving first – and then leading as a way of expanding and enhancing their service to others. 

Mary E. Ober Foundation Generously Supports School of Nursing

The College is thankful to announce the receipt of a \$20,000.00 grant from the Mary E. Ober Foundation.

The grant is being used to support the School of Nursing's efforts to receive professional accreditation from the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE), which ensures the quality and integrity of baccalaureate and graduate Nursing programs. Moreover, the grant will be used to acquire educational resources that support the academic training and preparation of the College's Nursing students.


The School of Nursing is growing rapidly. In just its second year of operation, more than 70 of the College's students are declaring Nursing as their academic major.

KCC expresses its deepest gratitude to the Mary E. Ober Foundation as they generously partner with us in advancing the education of servant-leader nurses who are being uniquely equipped to minister to patients' spiritual and emotional needs, as well as to facilitate physical healing. 

James Graham Brown Foundation Supports Young Library Renovation


KCC wishes to express appreciation to the James Graham Brown Foundation for supporting renovation efforts in the Young Library with a \$170,000.00 grant award.

The funds will be used to install new carpet, furniture, lights, and ceiling tiles in the Library. In addition, the grant provides for the development of a new electronic classroom, which will include 22 network accessible computers.

The College is deeply grateful to the James Graham Brown Foundation for investing in this important project. 

KCC Mourns Death of Freshman Student Brenda Dill



During the fall semester, the College mourned the death of one of its students, Brenda M. Dill. Brenda was tragically killed in an automobile accident near her home in Kokomo, Indiana. KCC honors the memory of Brenda, a beloved Christian wife and mother, and we continue to pray for her family. Her husband, Kristopher, and infant daughter, Arianne, continue to reside in Grayson. Kristopher is preparing for service as a middle grades teacher. 

Gifts from March 25-November 24, 2003

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Invest in future
generations of
servant-leaders
through the
educational
ministry of KCC.




By partnering with Kentucky Christian College, you are investing in the preparation of future generations of servant-leaders who are being equipped to share the Good News of Jesus Christ with the nations of the world.

You may 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.

The rate of return on Charitable Gift Annuities is often higher than one would receive from other similar savings plans. The rate is based on the investor's age when the money is invested and will not fluctuate with market changes.

If you are tired of the roller coaster ride of the stock market, you may be interested in a safe investment* that generates a fixed income for your lifetime and supports the education of future leaders who are preparing "for works of service, so that the Body of Christ may be built up" (Ephesians 4:12).

For more information on giving to Kentucky Christian College, contact John Dundon by telephone at 1-800-522-3181 or by e-mail at jld@email.kcc.edu.

* The assets of Kentucky Christian College secure annuities. 

Dr. & Mrs. Young Honored: Preaching Scholarship Established

KCC's third President, Dr. L. Palmer Young, and his wife and partner in ministry, Elva, have been honored by Southern Acres Christian Church and other central Kentucky churches for their more than 62 years of service to the Lord and His Kingdom.

Dr. Young continues to serve his alma mater, Kentucky Christian College, as Chancellor and serves on the staff of Southern Acres Christian Church as Minister of Evangelism and Visitation. He also continues to be active in preaching and leading evangelistic campaigns.

Dr. and Mrs. Young shared in four pastorates, including: Old Orchard Church of Christ, Ashland, Kentucky; First Christian Church, Kingsport, Tennessee; South Louisville Christian Church, Louisville, Kentucky; and the Gardenside Christian Church, Lexington, Kentucky.

Moreover, Dr. Young has served with distinction in several leadership capacities, including Trustee of Atlanta Christian College, Kentucky Christian College, and Milligan College; member of the Advisory Board of Emmanuel School of Religion; Trustee of the Christian's Hour Broadcast and Christian Church Homes of Kentucky; President of the Southern Christian Convention; and President of the East Tennessee Christian Convention. In addition, Dr. Young served as President of the North American Christian Convention in 1967.

Dr. Young was appointed President of Kentucky Christian College in August 1977 and served in that capacity until August 1987. During his 10 year presidency, the College was awarded initial accreditation from the Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools. Moreover, KCC's academic programs expanded to include degree offerings in Psychology, Social Work, and Teacher Education.

In addition, an eight-module continuing education program that included more than 250 hours of classroom instruction was implemented to aid ministers who were serving local congregations. This important training opportunity enhanced the effectiveness of more than 500 ministers and



Palmer & Elva Young


encouraged each participant to "grow in grace and knowledge" while serving the Lord.

The College's campus also experienced significant development during Dr. Young's presidency. Three major buildings were constructed during his tenure. These include Nash Chapel (1978), Young Library (1981), and Waters Hall (1984).

Dr. Young's dedication to Christian higher education is eloquently presented in a 1985 article he wrote for *The Voice* in which he said, "It is my conviction that a Christian college...founded on and bound by the Word of God, has an obligation to be

distinct and uniquely different from the academic world in which it serves." The characteristics that distinguished KCC back in 1985 continue to be unwaveringly embraced by the College today. Every student's academic program includes at least 30 semester hours of Bible/Theology and every class at KCC is taught by Christians who are dedicated to our Lord and are faithful to the Word of Truth.

Dr. & Mrs. Young are excellent examples of Christian commitment as they have dedicated their lives to serving the Lord in the fields that are "ripe for harvest." It is fitting that Southern Acres Christian Church, along with several individuals and churches throughout central Kentucky, has chosen to honor the Young's for their dedicated service by establishing the *Palmer & Elva Young Scholarship Fund*. The scholarship will be awarded to young men who are majoring in Christian Ministry – Preaching, with a preference to those who possess strong communication skills.

Kentucky Christian College is excited to join Wally Rendel and others in encouraging churches and individuals to contribute to this endowed scholarship fund that has been established in honor of Dr. & Mrs. Young. While honoring their years of service, gifts to this special fund will glorify the Lord and help equip future generations of Christian leaders to spread the Light of the Gospel throughout society. 

"It has been my privilege to work side by side with Palmer and Elva Young over the past 15 years. When Palmer concluded his presidency at Kentucky Christian College the Young's moved to Lexington and Palmer joined our staff as Minister of Evangelism. That was a great day for central Kentucky, our church, and Barbara and Wally Rendel.

In my years of ministry I have never met a couple more devoted to the cause of Christ and His work through the local church and the Christian college. Palmer loves winning lost souls, preaching the Gospel, planting churches, and helping young men and women receive a Christian education.

What a joy for Southern Acres and the churches in central Kentucky to participate in launching the Palmer and Elva Young

Scholarship Fund in honor of two of God's most choice servants. The scholarship money will be used to provide financial assistance to deserving young men who desire a Christian education and are focused on ministry in the local church. Through this fund the Young's 'legacy of faith' will live on for years and years to come.

I would like to invite and encourage churches and individuals to help 'grow' this fund with love gifts; thus, enabling an ever increasing number of scholarships to be granted."

Wally Rendel, Minister
Southern Acres
Christian Church
Lexington, KY



Dr. Donald Nash Receives KCC's Highest Honor, The Lusby Award

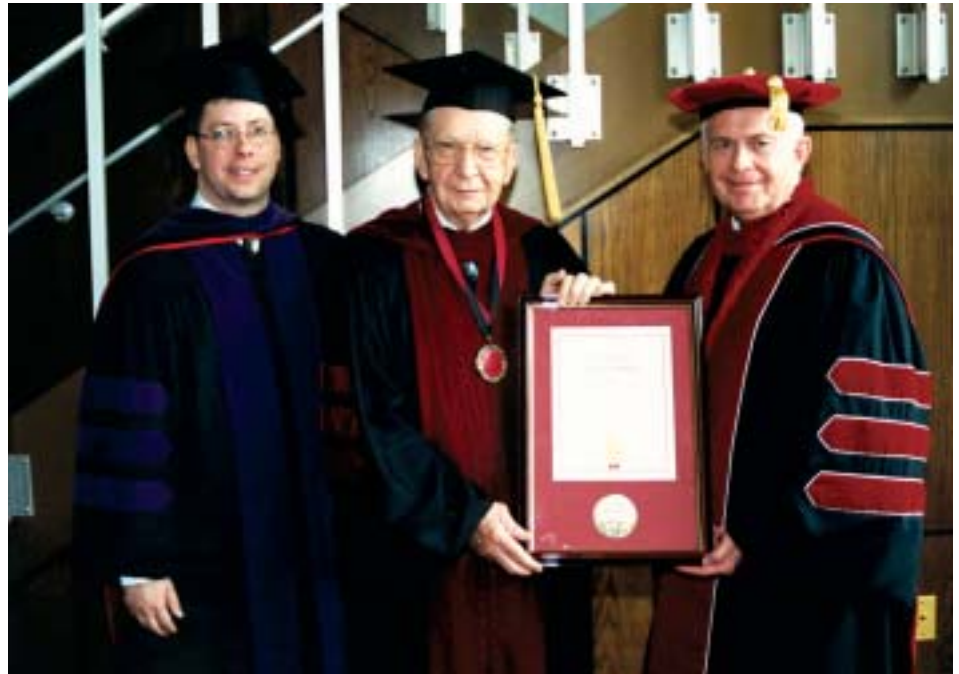
Dr. Donald A. Nash, retired Professor of Greek and New Testament, was presented the College's highest honor, the Lusby Award, during 2003 Commencement ceremonies. The award is named in honor of the College's founding President J.W. Lusby, and his son, President J. Lowell Lusby, who served for 40 years.

Dr. Nash was recognized for his lifelong service to the church and Christian higher education. He entered Kentucky Christian College, then Christian Normal Institute, in 1937 and graduated with an A.B. in 1941. He continued his education at Butler University School of Religion where he earned his Master of Divinity Degree.

In 1970 he was named as an Outstanding American Educator and in 1978 received an Honorary Doctorate of Divinity degree from his alma mater in recognition of his faithful contribution to the teaching and preaching ministries of the church.

Dr. Nash has held full-time ministries at West Main Street Church of Christ in Salem, Virginia; Central Christian Church in Waukegan, Illinois; Beattyville Christian Church in Beattyville, Kentucky; and Westwood Christian Church in Ashland, Kentucky.

He has spoken literally thousands of times. In doing so, he has led more than 300 revival meetings, has been the leader



Dr. Nash poses with Board Chair, Dr. Patrick Shannon and President Keith P. Keeran

of numerous Faith Promise rallies, and has spoken at area-wide gatherings of Christian men and college-sponsored gatherings such as Cincinnati Bible Seminary's Conference on Evangelism.

Dr. Nash served three four-year terms on the Continuation Committee of the North American Christian Convention and was a speaker and Bible lecturer eight times. He was also active in the Southern Christian Convention where he was on the Continuation Committee and Executive Committee, Program Chairman, and speaker or Bible teacher on nine occasions.


Dr. Nash received the Delta Epsilon Chi award from the Accrediting Association of Bible Colleges and the Biblical Scholarship Alumni Award from KCC. He has also delivered papers on the Greek language to the University of Kentucky Foreign Language Conference.

He has literally extended his classroom across the world, leading tours and teaching through the lands of the Bible. His passion for the Great Commission has taken him to Austria, Germany, Hawaii, Mexico, and Zimbabwe.

His major scholarly and academic monographs include: *A Primary Grammar of the Greek New Testament* (which has also been translated into Japanese),

A Practical Parallel Concordance; New Testament Word Studies; A Literal and Consistent New Testament Version (of which, the book of Acts has been translated into Mandarin Chinese); *Characters of Calvary*; and *Problem Passages Probed*. Other literary contributions made by Dr. Nash include more than 150 articles for *Christian Standard*, *Lookout*, and the *Restoration Herald*; 24 Bible School lesson quarterlies for Standard Publishing; evangelistic tracts entitled *The Position of the Christian Churches* and *Why the Churches of Christ are not a Denomination*; and a booklet on *Situation Ethics*.

Donald married his CNI classmate, Mary Elizabeth Burchett. Dr. and Mrs. Nash have three sons: David Allen, Francis Marion, and Stephen Keith.

President Keeran said, "The Lusby Award is conferred by the College's Board of Trustees on those rare and outstanding individuals whose Christian and personal influence has had a broad and profound impact on the church and the development of Christian leaders. It is our privilege to honor Dr. Nash's service for the Lord's Kingdom. His ministry has been characterized by moral integrity, courage, vision, persistence, and passion. Dr. Nash has encouraged and inspired thousands of others in the service of our Lord, Jesus Christ." 



New Faculty Positions Announced



Abigail L. Beck, BSN, RN, has been appointed as a Clinical Instructor in the School of Nursing. Abby previously worked as a Cardiac Intervention Unit nurse in area hospitals. She is currently pursuing a Master of Science in Nursing degree at the University of Phoenix.



Carol E. Brickey, BSN, RN, serves the College as a Clinical Instructor in the School of Nursing. She is working on her Master of Science in Nursing degree at Marshall University. Before coming to KCC,

Carol worked as a RN in area hospitals.



Kyle D. Brown, Ph.D., has been appointed an Associate Professor in the Music Department. Dr. Brown holds a doctorate in Music from the University of Oregon and is coming to KCC from the Music faculty at the University of Evansville.



Norman L. Brunelle, Jr., DWS, serves KCC as Instructor in the Department of Music, as well as Director of Outreach. He holds a doctorate in Worship Studies and is providing leadership for the Bachelor of Science in Contemporary Worship degree.



Rick J. Chromey joined the Sack School of Bible and Ministry as an Assistant Professor. He holds a master's degree in Religious Education from Cincinnati Bible Seminary. He is the author of four books and scores of articles on youth and children's ministry.



Dennis L. Durst, Ph.D., has been appointed Associate Professor in the Sack School of Bible and Ministry. His doctorate in Historical Theology is from St. Louis University with specialization in the history of American religion and theology.



Bethany D. Dyer, BSN, RN, serves the College's School of Nursing as a Clinical Instructor. Bethany previously worked as a Labor and Delivery Unit nurse in area hospitals. She is currently pursuing a Master of Science in Nursing degree at the University of Phoenix.



Nikole A. Hicks, MSN, RNC, joined the School of Nursing as an Assistant Professor. She holds a Master of Science in Nursing degree from the University of Phoenix and comes to KCC from a position on the nursing faculty at Morningside College.



Ruth G. Huffman, RN, has been appointed Skills Lab Coordinator for the School of Nursing. Before coming to KCC, Ruth worked as the Skills Lab Coordinator at Morehead State University.




HeeKap Lee, Ph.D., joined the Keeran School of Education as an Associate Professor. Dr. Lee holds a doctorate in Instructional Systems Technology from Indiana University. He is a Korean national who speaks several languages.



Perry L. Stepp, Ph.D., has been appointed Associate Professor in the Sack School of Bible and Ministry. Dr. Stepp holds a doctorate in New Testament Studies from Baylor University where he has also served as a member of the faculty through the Spring 2003 semester.




Wendy L. West joined the Department of Intercultural Studies as an Instructor. Wendy holds a master's degree in Intercultural Studies and Teaching English as a Second Language from the Wheaton College Graduate School. 

Feast of Christmas Marks 10th Anniversary of Dr. Deakins' Leadership



Five performances of the annual Feast of Christmas celebration were conducted on the KCC campus from December 3-6, 2003. A record crowd of more than 2,100 people thrilled at the Christmas spectacular entitled *A Christmas to Remember*.

This year was the 10th Anniversary of the Feast of Christmas under the direction of Dr. Mark Deakins. This special program featured KCC's outstanding choirs along with several KCC alumni who returned to perform memorable scenes from Christmases past.

KCC wishes to express its gratitude and appreciation to King's Daughters Medical Center for sponsoring this special Christmas celebration. A heartfelt thanks is also extended to Brian Deakins, president of Spun Metals, for providing beautiful Christmas ornaments for our guests in commemoration of Dr. Deakins' 10th Anniversary of leadership. 

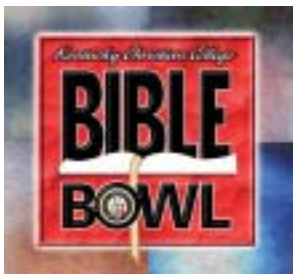
KCC's Bible Bowl Ministry Continues to Expand

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.

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

The First Christian Church of Malvern, Ohio won the Senior Division Championship and the Mt. Pleasant Christian Church, located in Greenwood, Indiana, won the Junior Division. The Double Elimination winner was Franklin Christian Church, from Franklin, Tennessee. 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 First Christian Church of Kernersville, North Carolina in the Senior Division and the Mt. View Church of Christ of Winchester, Virginia won the Junior Division.



The inaugural Beginner Bowl Tournament was won by Indian Creek Christian Church of Cynthiana, Kentucky. Eighteen teams, which were comprised of third, fourth, and fifth graders, competed in this special event. The tournament was the first opportunity for Beginner Bowlers to participate in broad regional competition anywhere in the nation. We look forward to rapid growth in Beginner Bowl events.

Sandra Deakins, Vice President of Enrollment Management at KCC, and Bret Talley, provide leadership for the tournament. Mr. Talley, a KCC graduate, serves as the National Bible Bowl Director and has voluntarily served as KCC's Bible Bowl Tournament Coordinator for 16 years.

Through Bible Bowl competition, students of the Word get to know the Bible and Jesus Christ better! The Senior/Junior High Bible Bowl Tournament scheduled for February 13-15, 2004 on the KCC campus is already filled to capacity with a waiting list. 🏆



Kentucky Christian College's ever-expanding music ministry presented the Modern Music Conference on campus this fall. The conference, which was organized by KCC's Special Events Director, Matt Gingerich, targeted all individuals interested in contemporary/modern Christian music.

More than 50 participants were taught skills that will enhance their musical ministries and careers. Seminars were led by Bob Herdman, KCC alumnus, former Audio Adrenaline member, and President of Flicker Records; Brent Milligan, V.P./A & R representative at Forefront Records; and Keith Shackelford, owner of Common Rock Entertainment.

KCC's music program continues to focus on providing opportunities for Christian musicians from varying backgrounds and styles to broaden and improve their skills to the glory of God. 🏆

Summer In The Son and Junior High Challenge Minister to Thousands

Summer In The Son

During the summer months, KCC offered three weeks of intense worship and learning opportunities for senior high youth and their sponsors. The Summer In The Son (SITS) program gives high school students the opportunity to leave their world behind and follow the Son.



The theme of this year's program was "Al-tar-ed." Participants were challenged to present themselves "as living sacrifices" (Romans 12:1) to God while taking off their old self and putting on the new, Jesus Christ.

More than 1,650 people attended SITS. More than 475 decisions were made for Christ during the three-week session, including 92 baptisms.

Jr. High Challenge

The theme of the Jr. High Challenge was "Metamorphosis." The 600 teens who participated in this exciting week were challenged "not to conform any longer to



the pattern of this world, but be transformed" (Romans 12:2) by Jesus Christ.

More than 200 decisions for Christ, including 44 baptisms, were made during this life-changing week.

KCC's summer youth programming has influenced literally tens of thousands of teens for Jesus Christ during its twenty years of existence. 🏆



186 new servant-leaders joined our campus community for the 2003-2004 school year

Arts and Science Majors Reach Out to Prisoners and Their Children

Kentucky Christian College students are using their academic majors for Christian ministry in a prison ministry called "Book Mark." In a pilot project this fall, ten inmates at Eastern Kentucky Correctional Complex (West Liberty, Kentucky) enrolled in an eight-week course on reading and children's books.

The project helps fathers and grandfathers play a key part in family life outside the prison by helping their children learn to read. After reading and discussing more than 50 children's books, inmates select one book for each child; practice reading that book effectively; and then are professionally videotaped and photographed reading the book.


Publicity materials for the prison, ordering, and completing the Book Mark shipments were all handled by KCC students Darnelle Gedeon, Kourtney Klendworth, Krystal



Klendworth, Matt Kozlowski, Rebecca Ray, and Travis Wilson. Each child receives a book bag, personalized by the students, which contains one hardback book, a video of his/her father reading that book, and a professional photograph of the inmate.


Dr. Fawn Knight, a Professor of English at KCC, and Mrs. Debbie Metcalf, a KCC alum of 1983 and professional photographer, are co-founders of this program. Dr. Knight comments, "The children of inmates are lonely for their fathers and ashamed at the same time. With Book Mark, a child gets a brand new book he or she can "read" over and over with their fathers. The men actually select and pay for the book themselves. Both fathers and children feel proud of a 'real' gift from Dad."

Another special touch is the professional photographs provided by Mrs. Metcalf. "Prisoners' families normally received only Polaroid snapshots of their loved one. Debbie's work gives children a real treasure."

"I think children's books are good medicine for broken hearts of all ages," says Dr. Knight. 



Social Work Program Accreditation Reaffirmed


KCC's Social Work program, one of only two private college programs in Kentucky to offer professionally accredited degrees, was recently reaffirmed by the Council on Social Work Education. This accreditation makes it possible for graduates of the program to take licensure exams in any state and to apply for advanced standing in graduate programs in Social Work. 

Arts & Sciences, Student Life Present Fine Arts Programs

Under the direction of Dr. Fawn Knight, three unique fine arts presentations came to campus this fall. A professional two-man show, *The World is My Parish: The Life and Times of John Wesley*, written by Rex Stephenson, told the story of this great eighteenth century evangelist. This one-act drama challenged the thoughts of those in attendance as Wesley's efforts to preach the gospel to the poor were portrayed.

The Cincinnati Shakespeare Festival's Young Artists Troupe brought the power of Greek drama to life by presenting two of the famous playwright Sophocles' most recognizable works in a back-to-back, specially-adapted, 120-minute performance. The classic tales of *Oedipus Rex* and *Antigone* portrayed family struggles that were caused by a king who committed a serious crime. The king's actions forced his heartbroken daughter to choose between her family or her country. The show concluded with a question and answer session that allowed the students to talk with the actors and gain new insight into the play.

In cooperation with the Montgomery County Council for the Arts, the *Kentucky Women Photographers 2003 Traveling Exhibit* visited KCC's campus. The exhibit featured works by photographers from all over the state – Berea, Hyden, Lexington, Louisville, Morehead, Murray, Paducah, Stanton, and more – a total of 56 photographers. The display included a variety of works from nature to portraits and abstracts to architecture.

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



Concert Choir Performs for 5th Time at Carnegie Hall


The Kentucky Christian College Concert Choir and Chorale have a well earned reputation for excellence among the finest choral association in America, and have earned this reputation without compromising their commitment to the message of the Gospel. They recently were privileged to perform at Carnegie Hall in New York City. While there, they presented the Gospel message in song.

Dr. Mark Deakins, Professor of Music and Chair of the Music Department, led the Choir in Vivaldi's *Gloria*. This was Dr. Deakins' fourth opportunity to serve as guest conductor at Carnegie Hall. Following the KCC solo performance, they joined other outstanding choirs to perform Poulenc's *Gloria*, under the direction of the world-famous English composer, John Rutter.

Following the performance, choir

members, along with the more than 100 family and friends who accompanied them on the trip, visited "Ground Zero," the former location of the World Trade Center. There, they engaged in worship by praying, singing songs of praise, and writing prayers on the memorial wall. It was a very meaningful and worshipful experience. Many people who were in the area visiting the site were also invited to join the choir and friends in worship as well.

This was the experience of a lifetime for many of the choir's members. More importantly, it was a wonderful opportunity to present the message of Jesus Christ to many people who may never have heard it before.

The choirs have been invited to perform a sixth time at Carnegie Hall in the Spring of 2005. 

Dorm Construction Begins; Fall '04 Occupancy Planned



Construction has begun on a pair of three-story dormitories on the southwest corner of the campus. Plans are to occupy these dorms beginning in the fall of 2004.


Ladies' Days Tradition of Excellence Continues

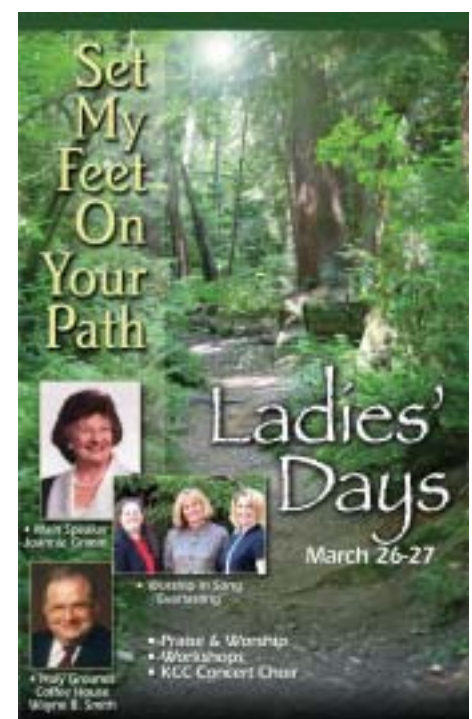
by Carol Scott

Kentucky Christian College's Ladies' Days has a thirty-year tradition of excellence in programming for Christian women. Each year we feature a series of workshops that tackle issues of concern in the Christian community, but we don't stop there! The 2004 program will feature non-stop spiritual refreshment, fellowship, and enrichment.

Friday evening your spirit will be lifted and refreshed with our soul-cleansing time of worship and praise followed by the Holy Grounds Coffee House with Kentucky's "spiritual humorist," Wayne B. Smith.

Then, join us on Saturday for a full day of workshops, a lunchtime performance by nationally known KCC Concert Choir, and our afternoon worship time. Your heart will be lifted by the music of praise led by musical trio "Everlasting" and Joanie Grimm will continue the Ladies' Days tradition as she shares words of wit and wisdom. Your soul will be refreshed by the Word and your heart will be renewed with fellowship, fun, and laughter.

Set your feet on His path at Ladies' Days 2004. You'll never be the same! 



Insider's Report

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NACC Booth and Reception Draw Record Crowds

Alumni of all ages visited our booth during the North American Christian Convention in Indianapolis. Our Alumni and Friends Reception was a huge success with a standing room only crowd.



National Missionary Convention Alumni & Friends Reception



KCC Alumni always enjoy getting together, whether on campus or at an off campus reception. A capacity crowd gathered in Cincinnati on November 21 for the inaugural National Missionary Convention reception. It was interesting to watch alumni of various generations congregating in small groups to catch up on the latest as well as reminisce about the past. Folk from as far away as Dallas, Texas and the Dominican Republic were in attendance.

Helen's Highlights

Helen Yankey
Alumni Relations Officer



I really thought it would be difficult to top the reception we had last year at the NACC in Columbus, but I believe we did. There were at least 700-800 alumni and friends in the ballroom in Indianapolis this year. The fellowship was tremendous and I wish I could have talked to all of you. There just wasn't enough time.

It was a busy yet joyous summer. Our oldest son Tim, graduated from KCC in May and was married on August 9,

to Katie Giese, daughter of Brian and Sylvia (Lusby) Giese. The Lord has definitely blessed our family by allowing Katie to come into our lives.

Our first-ever reception at the National Missionary Convention was a great success. The room was filled with alumni and friends sharing old times.

We have several upcoming events planned for you:

- Alumni and Friends Reception at CBC
- Homecoming
- 3 on 3 Tournament
(Complete information about these events in the calendar on page 25)

Remember to keep us informed of address and e-mail changes. If you are not receiving my monthly e-mail updates, send your e-mail address to me. (hyankey@email.kcc.edu) Keep checking the web for an updated calendar of events.

Alumni Soccer Game 2003



Alumni Volleyball Game 2003



Alumni Basketball Games 2003



1960's

Joe ('69) and **Dianna Ellison**. Joe is employed at First Bank of Charleston as Chairman, President and CEO. He is Chairman-Elect of the WV Bankers Association. Joe is working in the Charleston area to establish a new Community Bank. They attend Lindsie Christian Church. 1119 Oakbridge Dr., Hurricane, WV 25526. jellison@fbofc.com.

Kenneth ('63) and **Marie (Milbert)** ('63) **Hill** have three children, Dave, Tim and Jon. Kenneth is the Minister at Hamlet Church of Christ. Marie is the Payroll Administrator at Marley Engineered Products. 435 Lackey St., Hamlet, NC 28345. marie.hill@marleymep.spx.com. **Dale** ('64) and **Brenda (Hall)** ('64) **Kendle** have two children,

D. Andrew and Elizabeth. Dale is a Director at Duoloyi Ministries, Inc. and Brenda works at Lifetouch, NSS. 4031 E. Freedom Cir., Ooltewah, TN 37363. dale_kendle@comcast.net.

Larry ('67) and **Ruth Smith** have four children, Shannon, Mindy, Kimberly and Don. Larry is the Associate Minister at Pleasant Hill Christian Church. Ruth is a Nurse. 202 Bob White Rd., Henrico, NC 27842. lnrsmith@3rddoor.com.

1970's

Wayne ('78) and **Karen (Lear)** (attn: '77- '78) **Boring** have three children, Jeff, Stephen and Mindi. In March Wayne observed the 25th anniversary of his ordination. He has ministered with the Fayette City Church for over 19 years. In May, he and Karen celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary. P.O. Box 635, Fayette City, PA 15438.

1980's

Troy (attn: '85-'86) and **Karen Brown** have two children, Bailee Lynn (9) and Peyton Grace (6). Troy is a Time Study Engineer at A.T. Massey. Karen is a Teacher. P.O. Box 713, Grundy, VA 24614. troyt92@hotmail.com.

Robert ('86) and **Lise' Crouch** have two children, Douglass and Teri. Robert is employed by Wayne Twp. Fire Dept. as a Captain/Haz-Mat Coordinator. Lise' is the Town Council President. Bob was appointed to Indiana Task Force One as a Weapons of Mass Destruction Specialist. He received the "Chiefs Award" for a response effort conducted for decontamination of a U.S. Postal Maintenance Facility; "Community Service" award for efforts put forth as volunteer Medical Officer for a Central Indiana youth organization. P.O. Box 33, Lizton, IN 46149.

robertcrouch@waynecire.org.
Pam (Allen) (attn: '87-'88) and **Toby Douglass** have three children, McKenna (7), Rylee (3) and Liadan (1). Pam is a Branch Services Specialist at Community America Credit Union. Toby is a School Bus Driver. 835 Pinewood St., Gardner, KS 66030. pdouglass@cacu.com.

Steve and Lisa (Waldridge) ('89) **Hardin**. Lisa is a stay-at-home Mom and a Consultant with BeautiControl Cosmetics. Steve is the Executive Director of the Evansville Campus Indiana Business College. They have two children, Victoria Elizabeth (3) and Jacqueline Danielle (1). 3636 Cobblefield Dr., Evansville, IN 47711. lisaghardin@msn.com.

Jonathan Hill ('89) is employed at Panal Pina as an Export Customer Representative. 120 14th Pl. Apt. 20, Atlanta, GA 30309. jonathan.hill@panalpina.com.

David ('87) and **Julia (Rash)** ('89) **Hopkins** have three children, JD (12), Jenna (7), and Macy (3). David is Senior Minister at Trenton Christian Church. 4571 Trenton Oxford Rd., Hamilton, OH 45011. dhopkins@infinet.com.

Misty (Bates) (attn: '84-'85) and **David Janusik** have four children, Bayleigh (10), Graham (8), Mason (6) and Nataleigh (5). Misty is employed at the State Library of Ohio. 214 Main St., Caldwell, OH 43724. mistymom4@msn.com.

Rhonda (Dinsmore) ('88) and **Randy McQueary** were married in August 1992. They recently adopted Brandon (6) and Jasmine (3). They are in the process of adopting Ashley (9). Rhonda received her Masters of Social Work degree in 1999. She works part time as a Deaf Case Manager at Bluegrass MH/MR Board. Randy is employed at Artistic Wood. 212 Southbrook Dr., Nicholasville, KY 40356. rmcque8152@aol.com.

Jon ('88) and **Kimberly (Oliver)** ('86) **Sullivan** dedicated a new church plant during July in Xenia, OH. They have two children, Kendra (15) and Kelsey (15). Jon is the Pastor at New Hope Christian Church and Kimberly is Director of Worship. 641 Buckskin Trl., Xenia, OH 45385.

jonsullivan@ameritech.net.
David "CoCo" (attn: '82-'83) and **Kimberly (Roberts)** (attn: '83-'84) **Waldridge**. David is employed at the University of Kentucky Medical Center. Kimberly is a Registered Nurse. 420 Gentry Ln., Salvisa, KY 40372. djwaldo@uky.edu.

Steve ('81) and **Linda (Farthing)** ('81) **Whitmer** have three children, Todd, Jennifer and Kelly. Linda completed her Ph.D. and is a Professor of Inter-Cultural Studies. Steve is a Professor of Missions and Inter-Cultural Studies; they are both employed by Hope International University. 304 Molokai Dr., Placentia, CA 92870. lfwhitmer@hiu.edu.

1990's

Eric ('97) and **Shannon** ('97) **Abbott** have adopted Nathan Edward (1). 223 Bundy St., Ironwood, MI 49938. ecabbott@hotmail.com.

Healey Apted ('97) is employed at Christian Academy of

Distinguished Alumni & Knights Award Recipients



(L-R) **Ronald Richardson**, Preaching (Accepted by daughter Patricia); **Joey Robinson**, Teaching; **Jamie Coates**, Music; **David Ellis**, Business; **John Mark** and **Leanna Pemberton**, Missions; **Charles** and **Penny Faust**, Knights Award. Not pictured: **Dale Adams**, Church Leadership; **Jeff Hugus**, Church Growth; **Lewis "Lee" Snyder**, Restoration Scholarship; **Mark Walters**, Chaplaincy.

Louisville as a 5th Grade Lead Teacher. She sings in the church choir and works seasonally at the Louisville Zoo. 7202 Applegate Ln., Louisville, KY 40228. h_apted@yahoo.com.

Lisa (Whetstone) ('90) and **Daniel Bealert** have three children, Alaina (15), Adam (11), and Jessica (7). Lisa is a Financial/Admin. Specialist at Pregnancy Resource Center of Clark County. Daniel is an Accountant at Bosca Accessories in Leather. 2825 Deer Run Rd., Springfield, OH 45504. annietone1@msn.com.

Michael (attn: '94-'97) and **Michelle (Bedford)** (attn: '97-'00) **Box** are actively involved in student ministry at Southwest Church in Springboro, OH. 8485 White Cedar Dr. Apt. 801, Miamisburg, OH 45342.

mikebox@southwestchurch.org; michellebox@southwestchurch.org.
Greg (93-98) and **Carrie (Gusky)** ('97) **Brodnik** announce the birth of their first child Alexandra Sophia on February 25. Greg is employed as

Bank Manager at Bank of America. Carrie is a 6th grade English Teacher at Irving Independent School District. 3208 Woodbrook Ct., Irving, TX 75061. aletheia_@hotmail.com.

Patrick Campbell (attn: '89-'92) completed his residency in Foot & Ankle Reconstructive Surgery in June. He began private practice in July with the Agape Group in Medina and Wadsworth, OH. 2329 Wilbur Rd., Medina, OH 44256. pacdpm@adelphia.net.

Brian ('99) and **Denise (Wells)** ('99) **Ciofani**. Denise is self-employed as a piano teacher/accompanist and leads children's worship at church. Brian is a Financial Analyst for Oakwood Homes in Greensboro, NC. 145 Brookgreen Ct., Kernersville, NC 27284. musicdenise@yahoo.com.

Douglas Hathaway ('95) has one son, Kyle (5). He is employed by WorldStrides as an Educational Travel Specialist. 633-A South Wayne Ave., Waynesboro, VA 22980. yawaod@excite.com.
B.J. ('94) and **Jodi (Williams)** ('97) **Hunt** have three boys,

Alumni Banquet & Reception Highlights



Classes reminisce in the Student Life Center following the Banquet



Alice Morgan was honored with a special presentation during the Banquet



A large crowd gathered for our annual Alumni Banquet. Teacher Education graduates were honored to celebrate the 20th anniversary of the Teacher Education program. The classes of '43 and '53 were honored as well.

Bradley (5), Andrew (3) and Tyler (1). Jodi is in her 9th year of teaching Kindergarten. B.J. is a Fire/Life Safety Educator and Chaplain for the City of Concord Dept. of Fire/Life Safety. 5051 Daffodil Ln., Concord, NC 28025. Bhunt2@carolina.rr.com.

Darrel ('95) and Holly Land. Darrel is the Preaching Minister at Christian Church of Jasper, which he and his wife helped plant three years ago. 1315 Kundek St. Jasper, IN 47546. ccjasper@yahoo.com.

Wendy (Hoffmeyer) (attn: '89-'92 & '93-'94) and Michael **Lyons** have one daughter, Karli (11). Wendy is a Homemaker. Michael works at Indiana Paging Network. 505 Rahkewood Dr., Indianapolis, IN 46217. Lyonsmbox@aol.com.

Matt ('97) and Amy (Doutt) ('97) Maiberger announce the birth of their daughter Zoe Reyah

on December 3, 2002. She joins Gabriel Nathan (4). Matt is entering his 7th year of Ministry at Brighton Christian Church. Amy is a stay-at-home Mom and a Piano Teacher. 4459 Wynnwood Dr., Howell, MI 48843. maiberger@msn.com; mattmaiberger@brightonchristian.org.

Annette (Johnson) ('98) and Robert Millard announce the birth of their daughter Sharon Elizabeth on September 13, 2001. In February 2002, they moved into a log home they built themselves. 6244 Rt. 6, Pierpont, OH 44082. sharon913@alltel.net.

Corey Mortimer ('99) is the Senior Pastor at Havasu Christian Church. 341 Mulberry Ave., Lake Havasu City, AZ 86403. firstjohn513@hotmail.com.

Shon ('91) and Darla (Conkey) ('91) Myers. Shon was elected Director of F&M Bancorp and it's subsidiary, Farmers & Merchants Bank, on March 12. He is the Executive Vice President and Corporate Secretary. Darla is a Teacher at West Carrollton Schools. 355 Crockett Dr., Springboro, OH 45066. shonmyers@earthlink.net.

Mark ('96) and Shelley (Harrold) ('96) Notter announce the birth of their daughter Sophia Grace on December 9, 2002. She joins Hope Alyse (2). Shelley is a stay-at-home Mom and a Pampered Chef Consultant. Mark is in his third year as Middle School Pastor at Kingsway Christian Church. 8930 Ridgepoint Ct., Indianapolis, IN 46234. mnott@juno.com.

Jamie Preece (attn: '93) is a Sergeant in the US Army. He just returned from Iraq and is seeking a new career field. He has one daughter, Elizabeth Kay (2). 7740 F 70th Tank Bn Rd, Ft Knox, KY 40121. hvytruck1@yahoo.com.

Shane and Michelle (Metz) ('98) Preston announce the birth of Emma Grace on December 11, 2002. Shane and Michelle are both currently employed at Partners in Community.

Trent ('93) and Melinda (Switzer) ('94) Ross have four children, Joshua (9), Brittany (8), Caleb (5) and Trey (3). Trent has joined Central Indiana Youth for Christ as the Campus Life Coordinator serving two high schools in Boone County. Melinda works in the Business Office at Bill Estes Chevrolet and was awarded the Elliot Estes Award of Excellence. P.O. Box 245, Advance, IN 46102. trent@ptworship.com.

Diana Sharp ('94) received her Masters Degree in Social Work. She is currently employed at the VA Medical Center in Dayton, OH as a Social Worker. 103 Candlewood Ct., Germantown, OH 45327. dhope2345@aol.com.

Bradley ('98) and Jennifer Thompson. Bradley is a Mortgage Loan Closer at Eli Lilly Federal Credit Union. Jennifer works in accounting. 4910 Church St., Amo, IN 46103. bradleythompson@rocketmail.com.

Thomas "Mitch" ('90) and Michele (Promisson) ('90)

Todd have two children, Hunter (10) and Hannah (8). Mitch is the Worship Pastor at Rolling Hills Christian Church. 3704 Mariposa Springs Dr., El Dorado Hills, CA 95762.

TMitchellT@sbcglobal.net; shellrt@sbcglobal.net.

Majorie Treap (attn: '91-'92) is employed by Tendercare Manor as a CENA. 6134 Payne, Dearborn, MI 48126. mtreap@comcast.net.

Chris ('94) and Judy (Watt) ('93) VanCuren announce the birth of their first child, Michael Christopher on May 6. Chris teaches Middle School Choir and is completing his Masters degree in Administration. Judy is a stay-at-home Mom. 1507 Oakwood Ave., Akron, OH 44301. cdjfvancuren@yahoo.com.

Mark ('96) and Linette (Richardson) ('98) Verbeck have one daughter, Cameron Jordan (2). Mark is employed as

an Associate Minister at Paradise Valley Christian Church. Mark completed his second Masters Degree in May for Educational Administration. Linette completed a Masters Degree in Educational Administration in May. 17625 N. 7th St. #1130, Phoenix, AZ 85022. theverbecks@yahoo.com.

James and Christy (Teegarden) ('95) **Watkins** announce the birth of their son Daniel James on April 21. He joins Nathanael Jacob (3). James is a Minister at Houston Christian Church in Freetown, IN and works for UPS in Logistics. Christy is Senior Teller at Centra Credit Union. 4348 W. St. Rd. 58, Freetown, IN 47235. cwatkins@centra.org.

Casey ('93) and **Sarah (Ford)** ('95) **Whitaker** announce the birth of Kristen Reese, born February 18. Casey is the Senior Minister at Jamestown Church of Christ and Sarah is the Retirement Account Specialist at Union Central Life Insurance.

Jeff Wise ('93) is the Student Minister to Jr. High Students at the East 91st St. Christian Church. 6049 E. 91st St., Indianapolis, IN 46250. JeffW@East91st.org.

2000's

Ryan ('02) and Amanda **Cadwell**. Ryan is working with Impact Ministries International and will be doing campus ministry in Boulder, CO. 441 Saddle Hill Ct., Indianapolis, IN 46234. git2knowhim@hotmail.com.

Ben ('00) and **Holly (Fields)** ('00) **Hannum**. Ben is Minister of Jones Chapel Christian Church. 6012 W. 800 S., Jonesboro, IN 46938. benhannum@hotmail.com.

Thomas Hibberd ('00) is employed by Junggye Wonderland Language Institute as an ESL Teacher. 3010 Auburn Rd., Huntington, WV 25704. tommiehibberd@yahoo.com.

Barry ('01) and **Dara (Robinson)** (attn: '98) **Jackson** have three children, Noah (3), Lucy (2) and Sophia (1). Barry is a Supervisor at Ford Motor Credit. 706 Forest Park Dr., Newburgh, IN 47630. bjacks39@ford.com.

Tyler ('01) and **Arianne (Oyer)** ('01) **Johnson**. Arianne teaches Music at Lexington Christian Academy. Tyler is a Youth Minister.

Tara (Kendrick) ('00) and Curtis **Marsh** were married on April 19. 532 E. Pike St. Apt 3, Cynthiana, KY 41031. scarletto419@yahoo.com.

Aubrey (Ranson) ('01) and Chad **Morris** were married on March 15. Chad is a Supply Sergeant with the US Army and has one son, Chad Jr. (8). Aubrey is teaching at Covenant School. They attend Gateway Church of Christ in St. Albans, WV. 2 Willarose Dr., Hurricane, WV 25526. aubreyr4@hotmail.com.

Zac ('02) and Kim **Parsons**. Zac is the Youth Minister at Kenwood Church of Christ and was ordained to the ministry in May. Kim is a Dental Hygienist. 33150 S. Manor Dr. Apt. 607, Farmington, MI 48336. zacparsons@kenwood-church.org.

Angela Ruble ('02) is a Fourth/Fifth Grade Teacher at Highland County Christian School. 9456 Careytown Rd., Hillsboro, OH 45133. aruble@yahoo.com.

Jason ('03) and **Michelle (Christner)** ('01) **Toller** have one daughter Abigail Rena (1). Jason is a Youth Minister at Delta Church of Christ. 3258-A Circle Dr., Delta, OH 43515. dccjason@yahoo.com.

Heath ('00) and **Heather (Sharp)** ('99) **West**. Heath and Heather are

Third Grade Teachers at Jennie Dean Elementary School. They attend Fauquier Christian Church and have found many serving opportunities. 6163 Newton Ln., Bealeton, VA 22712. heath_w_west@hotmail.com.

Karen Woods ('00) is the Children's Minister at Memorial Church of Christ. 29528 Bobrich, Livonia, MI 48152. karenwoods@minister.com.

In Memoriam

Ora Davis ('46) passed away on March 19, following an extended illness. He served rural churches in Central Indiana; was a Math Teacher and Middle School Counselor in Johnson County, Indiana. He was preceded in death by his wife **Virginia (Creamer)**

('46) **Davis**. He later married **Fayette (Hall)** (attn: '44-'47) **Storm Davis**. Together they served two interim periods on the faculty of Kentucky Christian College and Manhattan Christian College, Kansas. He is survived by his wife, Fayette; sons, Richard and Mark Davis, Randy Storm and daughter Pamela Storm-Artis. 5236 Peacock Dr., Holiday, FL 34690.

Gary Hamm (attn: '70-'71) passed away on June 27. He was the Minister at Hilltop Christian Church in Ewing, KY. He is survived by his wife, Jean, and daughters **Jennifer (Hamm)**

Hipply ('00) of Kernersville, NC, and Rebecca (Hamm) Morrow of Irving, KY, and sons Jason Hamm of Seymour, IN and Matthew Hamm of Wallingford, KY. Rt. 1 Box 169, Wallingford, KY 41093.

Lenore (Harris) Hughes ('43) passed away on August 25, 2003. She was a writer most of her life having her first story published at age 12. She taught Journalism at Austin High School for 20 years. She was preceded in death by her husband, Delbert Hughes. She is survived by her sisters Neldene Gray and **Ardis Ann (Harris)** (Attn: '43-'45) **Whalen**.

Patricia (Rollyson) Marcum (attn: '58-61) died, October 1, 2003. She is survived by her husband **Art** ('62) who is Sr.

Alumni CALENDAR

Alumni & Friends Reception @CBC January 23, 2004

Our annual reception will be held between the women's and men's games in room 105.

Homecoming February 6, 2004

Don't miss our reception in the Waters Cafeteria following the men's game.

Alumni Basketball Tournament* February 7, 2004

This year's tournament will again include both men's and women's games beginning at 10:00 a.m.

Alumni Banquet May 7, 2004 • 6:00 p.m.

Commencement May 8, 2004 • 10:00 a.m.

Alumni Games* August 28, 2004

Alumni men vs. KCC Knights soccer team at 11:00 a.m. Alumni women vs. KCC Lady Knights soccer team following men's game. Alumni women will compete with the Lady Knights volleyball team. Time to be announced.

**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.*

Minister at Sciotoville Christian Church . P.O. Box 4027, Scioto Station, Sciotoville, OH 45662.

John C. Pemberton ('49) passed away in June. He is survived by his wife **Marjorie** (attn: '46-'56) and children **Sherman** ('68), **Pam (Pemberton) Markey** (attn: '65-'67), **John Mark** ('76) and **Bob** ('82). He also is survived by several grandchildren and great-grandchildren. In 1956, John and Marge began the Mashoko/Hippo Valley Christian Mission in Africa. The work was three-fold – education, medicine and evangelism. The mission work continues there today with sons John Mark and Bob and their families. 212 College Hill, Grayson, KY 41143.

James H. Simpson ('57) passed away in April. He is survived by his wife, Frankie; son, **Doug Simpson** ('74); and daughter, **Jane Porter** (attn: '71-'72). 349 Taylorsville Rd., Bloomfield, KY 40008.

Robert Levi "Bob" Wilmoth ('54) passed away in May. He is survived by his wife Annette, and three children, Theresa, Robert and James. 302 Jeffrey Ln, Texarkana, TX 75501.



Row 1 (Left to Right): Ashley Sergent, daughter of Keith and Jennifer Sergent, granddaughter of John and Henrietta Sergent; **Tessa Pemberton**, daughter of Robert and Nancy (Sweithelm) Pemberton, granddaughter of John and Marjorie (Richmond) Pemberton; **Beth Wilkinson**, daughter of Mark Wilkinson; **Heather Rose**, daughter of Tammy (Barrell) Rose, granddaughter of Larry and Anne (Parke) Barrell; **Julie Bennett**, daughter of David and Kathy (McIlwain) Bennett, granddaughter of Betty McIlwain; **Amy Girtton**, daughter of Michael and Kathy (Whitacre) Girtton, granddaughter of Fred and Marge Whitacre; **Ashley Callahan**, daughter of David and Marsha (Bradshaw) Callahan, granddaughter of Richard Callahan; **Erin Hartson**, daughter of Al and Donna (Schmidt) Hartson. **Row 2 (Left to Right): Becca Bender**, daughter of Thomas Bender; **Candace Hart**, daughter of Robin and Paula (Blackford) Hart; **Hannah Wickline**, daughter of Bob Wickline and Penny (Frost) McGinnis; **Brian Haas**, son of Phil and Bev (Hancock) Haas; **Heidi Kunkle**, daughter of Pete and Kathy (Bogie) Kunkle; **Jeremiah Stivers**, son of Ed and Phyllis (Jache) Stivers; **Emily**

Cluff, daughter of Dan Cluff and Julie (Ott) James, granddaughter of Stanley Ott and Joe Cluff; **Charlotte Crowe**, granddaughter of Leo and Peggy (Stamper) Crowe; **Row 3 (Left to Right): Kelly Cruse**, daughter of Ellen (Krauss) Cruse; **Josh Yankey**, son of Terry and Helen (Eads) Yankey; **John Harvey**, son of Jim and Patty (Robinson) Harvey; **Jessica Love**, daughter of John and Sybil (Steiner) Love; **Megan Russell**, daughter of Tim and Amy (Pifer) Russell, granddaughter of Lester and Ruth (Stone) Pifer; **Rebecca Oliver**, daughter of Michael Oliver. **Row 4 (Left to Right): Stephen Boring**, son of Wayne and Karen (Lear) Boring; **Tilma Togarepi**, son of Zebedee Togarepi; **Brian Girtton**, son of Michael and Kathy (Whitacre) Girtton, grandson of Fred and Marge Whitacre; **Amos Critchfield**, son of Brenda Ann (Darnell) Critchfield; **Timothy Crowe**, grandson of Leo and Peggy (Stamper) Crowe; **Erin Whitacre**, daughter of Ron and Diane (Johnson) Whitacre, granddaughter of Fred and Marge Whitacre. **Not pictured: Sara Jerles**, daughter of Steve Jerles and Holly (Bryson) Miller. **Carey Bullock**, daughter of Jeff and Pam (Vincent) Bullock.

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First Name _____ Middle _____ Last _____

Maiden Name _____ SSN _____

Marital Status: ☐ Single ☐ Married ☐ Divorced ☐ Widowed

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Employer/Place of Business _____ Position _____

Graduation year _____ or year(s) attended KCC _____

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Children (List name and ages) _____

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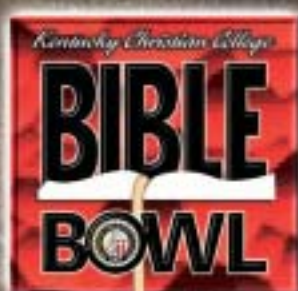
March 26-27

**Alumni
Banquet**

May 7

GRADUATION

May 8



February 13-15
June 10-12



June 20-25
June 27-July 2
July 4-9



July 11-16



March 1-5, 2004
The Minister as Pastoral Care Leader
Dr. Leonard Knight
KCC Campus

March 8-12, 2004
Passion Narratives
Dr. Jim Girdwood
KCC Campus

March 8-12, 2004
Advanced Homiletics
Dr. Guthrie Veech
SECC Campus

May 10-14, 2004
Effective Evangelism in the Local Congregation
Dr. Guthrie Veech
SECC Campus

May 12-16, 2004
Ministry Seminar on Perspectives in the Church
Dr. Guthrie Veech
SECC Campus

June 14-18, 2004
Resurrection Narratives
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