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A Year To REMEMBER



A Year To Remember

BY JOHN MAURICE, PRESIDENT

WE OFFER MANY UPDATES SINCE our last *Messenger*, in fact it is hard to contain all that has happened at MACU in these historic few months. This was definitely a year we will remember. We enter this season with hope and faith that God makes all things new.

The old television show Hee Haw used to have a song that went something like this:

*“Gloom, despair, and agony on me
Deep, dark depression, excessive misery
If it weren’t for bad luck, I’d
have no luck at all
Gloom, despair, and agony on me.”*

This year, at times has caused me to recall that song and to bust out singing. In March we had to send all of our students home due to the Covid-19 pandemic. Our annual Rally and Homecoming were cancelled, our President’s Gala was cancelled, on campus recruiting events were cancelled, churches and schools were closed and we were unable to send recruiters out to recruit new students, graduation exercises for the class of 2020 were postponed and we ended up doing a drive-up diploma presentation. We made a choice to have students return to campus in August and resume in class learning. The first Saturday of September hit us with another unexpected blow – the collapse of Heritage Hall. While devastating since we lost all of our classroom and cafeteria facilities, we praised God that our classrooms were empty on that Saturday morning because we would have seen students severely injured or killed. Our hope is not in wood, hay, or stubble – our hope is in the one foundation of Jesus Christ (I Cor. 3:10-11).

The first week of October brought us our first case of Covid-19 as one of our staff members tested positive. Since that time, twenty-three students tested positive for the virus and sixty students/staff/faculty members were quarantined. We continue to

pray for protection and health.

From covid, collapses and saying goodbye to dear friends, 2020 has been a difficult year for MACU, but we move forward in hope and anticipation of what our great God is preparing for us. When we don’t know the answers to many questions, we rely on the truth that God wants us to know His word and he is with us through all. We have not stopped teaching the Bible or preparing extraordinary Christian leaders to serve the church in vocational and voluntary ministry. The highlight of our year was graduating a class of excellent leaders who faced adversity and rose above it. We can’t wait for you to meet them in this issue. I echo the words of the Apostle Paul who wrote “We are hard pressed on every side, but not crushed; perplexed, but not in despair; persecuted, but not abandoned; struck down, but not destroyed” (2 Cor. 4:8-9).

Throughout every circumstance we have worked diligently to give God the glory and praise He is due. Our students have seen hope and faith in these times of chaos and uncertainty which we pray will be a template for them when life gets hard and messy. Our faculty and staff have shown exceptional leadership and adaptability through virtual learning. Our neighbors, churches and businesses have provided meals, food, and

donations – reminding us that people really do care and respond to assist in difficult times. Now more than ever, we want to point the next generation to Christ. We have released a digital tool for young adults called the Explore Life journal to help them navigate their place in this chaotic world.

Martin Luther King, Jr. once said “The ultimate measure of a man is not where he stands in moments of comfort and convenience, but where he stands at times of challenge and controversy.” Mid-Atlantic stands strong because our faith is in Jesus Christ. Stand with us – and let’s see what God is going to do!



John W. Maurice
John W. Maurice
President



New Staff Members Join MACU

JUSTIN LILLARD IS THE NEW Library Director at MACU. He comes to MACU after having served nine years at Harding University as a reference librarian. Justin has earned graduate degrees from Abilene Christian University in Ministry, Lipscomb University in Biblical Studies, and his library and information sciences degree is from Valdosta State University. Justin is married and has three children in their teenage years.



Justin Lillard – Library Director



Ritchie Walker – Instructional Technology Director



Chris Gibb and Randy Blake – Maintenance

Class of 2020

THE GRADUATING CLASS OF 2020 experienced many surprises with the Covid-19 Crisis. Their senior year was cut short when we closed the campus on March 13, 2020. This class was used to things looking “different” and the August 8, 2020 Diploma Ceremony did not disappoint. Unable to hold a regular commencement ceremony due to social distancing standards, students were individually escorted in Ford Mustangs to receive their diploma on the front porch of Wilkinson Hall, as family, faculty and

friends celebrated from a safe distance! This is the next generation of Christian leaders in ministry and abroad. We are proud of their tenacity and perseverance! Our prayers and support are with you as you transition into a new phase of life! Congrats!

Also, please take a moment to listen or read the graduation speeches of our student leaders. You can find them on website www.macuniversity.edu/news/graduation-speeches-2020



2020 GRADUATES



Talethia Alexander
SUS • BS
Counseling/Psychology
Biblical Studies
Family Studies



Alyssa Anderson
SUS • BS
Business Administration
SUMMA CUM LAUDE



Sarah Becker
SUS • BS
Elementary Education
Biblical Studies



Tara Bird
SUS • BS
Counseling/Psychology
Biblical Studies
Family Studies
MAGNA CUM LAUDE



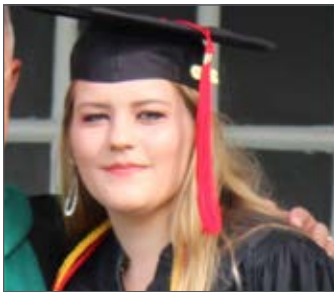
Mallary Brogden
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Elementary Education
Biblical Studies



Joy Corbett
SUS • BA
Applied Linguistics
Biblical Studies
SUMMA CUM LAUDE



Colin Cunningham
SUS • BS
Business Administration
Biblical Studies
Sport Management



Lydia Frye
SUS • BS
Business Administration
Biblical Exposition
Organizational Leadership
CUM LAUDE



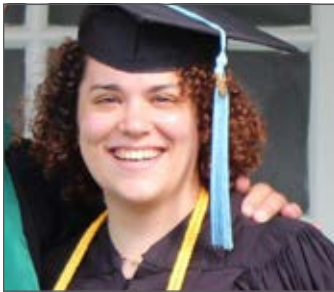
Amber Goodyear
SUS • BS
Youth & Family Ministry
Biblical Exposition
Counseling
Family Life



Gabrielle Howlett
BS
Biology
Biblical Studies
SUMMA CUM LAUDE



Ryan Kelley
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Biblical Exposition
Nonprofit Administration
MAGNA CUM LAUDE



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Biblical Studies
CUM LAUDE



Cody Marks
SUS • BS
Elementary Education
Biblical Studies



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Biblical Studies
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Biology
Biblical Studies



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Counseling/Psychology
Biblical Studies
Family Studies
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Michael Reaves
SUS • BS
Counseling/Psychology
Biblical Studies
Family Studies



Sierra Riddle
SUS • BS
Biology
Biblical Studies



Marcus Simmons
SUS • BS
Business Administration
Biblical Studies
Organizational Leadership



Alexander Stanley
SUS • BS
Elementary Education
Biblical Studies
MAGNA CUM LAUDE



Chris Stowe
SUS • BS
Youth & Family Ministry
Biblical Exposition
Family Life Education



Kirstien Ward
SUS • BS
Counseling/Psychology
Biblical Studies & Family Studies



Brealle White
SUS • BS
Youth & Family Ministry
Biblical Exposition
Family Life Education
SUMMA CUM LAUDE



Serenah Willison
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Counseling/Psychology
Biblical Studies
Family Life Education
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Neva Adams
SUS
Professional Christian
Ministries Certificate

John Bonk
SB • B • AA
Biblical Studies
HONORS

Brandon Cabacar
SUS • BS
Elementary Education
Biblical Studies
CUM LAUDE

Tandra Canty
SPS • BS
Family Studies
Biblical Studies

Sandra Carter
SPS • BS
Business Administration
Biblical Studies
CUM LAUDE

Cameron Childers
SPS • BS
Christian Ministry
Biblical Studies

Elizabeth Cisero
SUS • AA
Biblical Studies

Buck Hanks
SUS • AA
Biblical Studies

Tanner Leggett
SUS
Professional Christian
Ministries Certificate

Grace Minter
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Elementary Education
Biblical Studies
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Ministries Certificate

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Biblical Exposition

Tammy Rhea
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Elementary Education
Biblical Studies
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Youth & Family Ministry
Biblical Exposition

Russell Stevens
SUS • BS
Cross-Cultural Ministry
Biblical Exposition

Takata Wilson
SUS • BS
Biology
Biblical Studies



Heritage Hall Roof Collapses

ON SEPTEMBER 5, 2020 AT approximately 11:15am our school suffered a major structural collapse of Heritage Hall, our main classroom and cafeteria building. The collapse is in connection with construction and maintenance work on the roof at that time. The student body, staff and faculty were 100% safe and accounted for. We praise God for his protection of our MACU family.

During this time of great uncertainty, we are comforted, encouraged, and humbled by the outpouring of generosity and support from you. We are also thankful for the expertly coordinated response from the Elizabeth City/Pasquotank County Fire Department, Chesapeake Fire Department and Virginia Beach Fire Department for providing excellent response. As many of you know, Heritage was the epicenter of our campus as our main classroom building, cafeteria, mail room, registrar and counseling center. The collapse displaced all classes to alternative areas on our campus or temporary use of the College of the Albemarle campus. Our cafeteria is temporarily moved to the lobby of PAP Hall.

When complications seem to be endless and morale is low, we draw strength from the Kingdom of God. Our problems seem smaller when we think of the eternal kingdom we belong to and the requests we hear from persecuted brothers and sisters around the world. Your encouragement and support remind us that we have a job to do: building the next generation of Christian leaders. And

they are getting an unintended education in resilience and perseverance!

A few updates to keep in prayer: We have weekly discussions with our insurance providers in the Heritage collapse situation. Currently, the provider feels we can do a partial rebuild of the second story of Heritage. A rebuilding timeline instead of all new construction would be great. However, the months of weather damage that may have affected other parts of the building is concerning. We continue working with third party engineers to confirm viability of a partial rebuild versus demolition.

We have selected our builder as Church Development Services and intend to build a separate building for cafeteria or classrooms (depending on cost) immediately as our “loss of operation plan”. This building would be located where “Old Presley” was located and will serve us while we continue discussions for the Heritage Hall rebuild.

As we gather more information from insurance and builders we will be planning a capital campaign to rebuild our campus. Project total is expected to be approximately \$4 million dollars. We are planning for an intended campaign goal of \$1.5 million to fill gaps of insurance reimbursement.

Thank you for praying. Thank you for giving. Thank you for standing with us. We stand together, knowing “our light and momentary troubles are achieving for us an eternal glory that far outweighs them all” (2 Cor. 4:17).



COVID-19 Updates



WE OPENED THE CAMPUS ON August 10 for the 2020-2021 fall semester. Wearing masks, remaining distanced and constant sanitizing have become a normal part of life. We made extra accommodations during the summer months to allow for more space by repurposing the press building into the Roanoke Press, where coffee time, homework and activities can be held. Donations of time and lumber brought new outdoor spaces and picnic areas.

On September 28, 2020 we had our first Covid-19 outbreak. With 23 students and staff as covid positive, we quarantined over 60 students and staff to ensure contact was reduced. Our students and staff moved to online classes even if they remained on campus. We are grateful the outbreak was held to a smaller number and continue to pray for health and protection for all. Thank you to the students, churches, volunteers and staff that stepped in to care for others in their time of need. Thank you especially to our MACU housekeeping staff who have gone above and beyond!





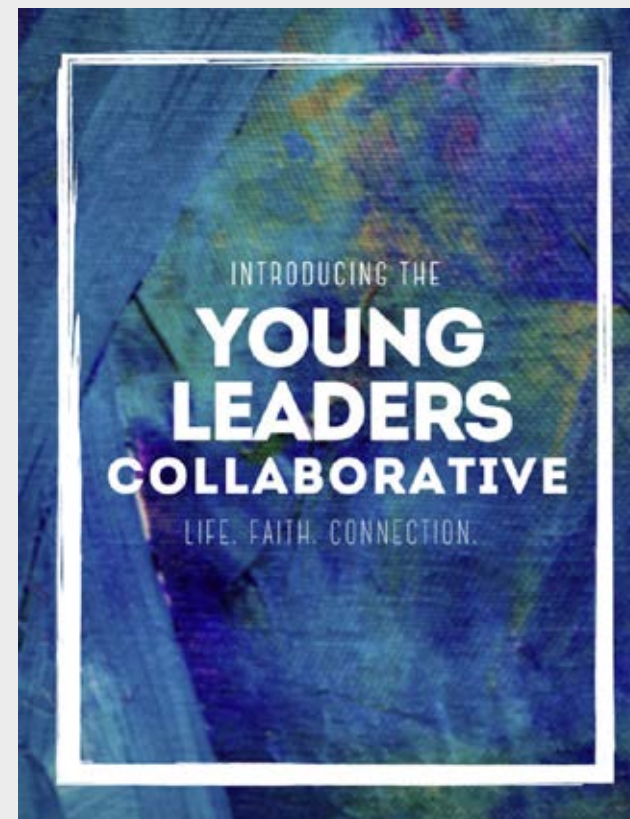
August 10 welcomed a new class of audacious world changers. They thought the Covid turmoil was behind them, but these new students withstood a building collapse, Covid outbreak and shortened semester with Covid restrictions. What can't they handle?

Front row: Justice Norton, Christian Pollard, Justin Hamilton, Markus Dahn, Lanie Reed, Alexis Robinson, Quishawn Wilson, Chaz Wilkins, Khalid Harper, Dusty Barr, Gunnar Clark

2nd Row: Liam Miller, Seth Moore, Matthew Springman, Hannah Ferebee, Starlyn Swain, Lydia Wagner, Bobby Wilson, Tim Aydlott, Antuan Sharpe, Zion Boston

3rd Row: Tanner McKeel, Austin Scott, Ben Brown, Brandon Barrier, Dylan Hardison, Alexis Starks, Morgan Brock, Tyasia Brown, Kimberly Sawyer, Austin Dorman, Drew Henri

Back Row: Alden Lassiter, Keegan Hair, Marcus Starnes, Noelito Benitez, Mae Delk, Hannah Moore, Paige McRitchie, Jessi Pelszynski, Kayla Kent, Savannah White, Sarah Woolard, Justin Berger



IN SUMMER OF 2020 MACU launched the Young Leaders Collaborative. The YLC is a new experience for students and alumni to grow connection. We want to build on the strength of experience, mentor events and degree specific support. There is no age limit to join the collaborative! We are looking to grow young leaders who want to engage culture for Christ.

We are a part of the next wave of Christian leaders who are passionate about creating a better world

We believe that experiencing God changes things.

We want to break stereotypes, challenge the status quo and spur our generation to know God more—and change the world while we're at it. We want to engage our generation in a deeper conversation about faith.

We believe leaders never stop learning.

An excellent education will equip us to boldly innovate and create new paths in ministry, business, missions, biology, education and mental health.

We want to live the way Jesus did: through relationship and love. Encountering community means inviting others in or stepping out to connect and form deep and lasting relationships that support our community and our work for the rest of our life

We boldly engage culture with truth and grace and believe the Gospel is where healing begins, always!

To join the email list and get connected go to www.macuniversity.edu/engage-culture/young-leaders-collaborative/



God Knows Both Light and Darkness

LEE M. FIELDS, PH.D. | CHAIRMAN OF THE DEPARTMENT OF BIBLICAL STUDIES | PROFESSOR OF BIBLE

*I form the light and create darkness,
I bring prosperity and create disaster;
I, the Lord, do all these things.
(Isaiah 45:7, NIV)*

MY DAD USED TO SAY to me, “Son, there are two kinds of people in the world ...”; then he would complete the thought with some pair of opposites. (Incidentally, his most common pairing was “givers” and “takers.”) This pairing of opposites, called a “merism” by scholars, is common in the Bible. A merism uses two polar opposites to name those two items and everything in between.

Isaiah used the merism of light and darkness in six verses, one of which is Isaiah 45:7. In each of the pairings, the meanings are metaphorical: light is a positive concept and darkness a negative one.

Isaiah 45:1–7 is the first part of a poem that works as a play: (1) the Lord is the speaker. (2) He speaks to Cyrus, the Persian king, who 150 years later would allow the Jews to return the Promised Land. (3) Israel is present and witnessing the interaction. We may outline it this way: Setting (v. 1), Prediction to Cyrus as the Instrument of the Lord (vv. 2–3), The Absolute Uniqueness of the Lord to Predict Such Things (vv. 4–7).

The Lord reveals this prophecy to Israel, who had struggled with idolatry for centuries, so that they will know that there is no other God (v. 6). Verse 7 is an emphatic statement about who the Lord is in three lines. The first line uses the metaphors of light and darkness: as Creator, he forms them. The second line clarifies that the Lord is speaking about more than physical light and darkness; he is speaking of light as prosperity and darkness as disaster. Finally, he says, “I, the Lord, do all these things.”

Before the outbreak of the virus this year, the US economy was arguably the greatest in the history of the world. The stock market was setting record highs. Unemployment was very low with minority unemployment at all-time record lows. Consumer confidence was high. The number of people in the workforce was high and increasing. Wages were rising. Inflation was low. Fewer people needed welfare and other subsidies. This was the “light” of prosperity. We thanked God for that.

Despite differences in opinions of medical

experts and politicians about how best to proceed, the unprecedented action of massive lockdowns took place in March. The consequence of the lockdown was precipitous. Besides the deaths of thousands due to the virus, millions lost their incomes, savings, and livelihoods. To top this off, lawless riots, sometimes supported by government leaders, ravaged public and private property in numerous cities across the country. This was the darkness of disaster. We pray to God for relief.

This passage taught the Israel of Isaiah’s day that bad times were in the future, but the Lord was in it. It taught the returning Jews 150 years after this prophecy that times may be tough, but there is a light, and the Lord is in it. Isaiah 45 still teaches us that human history is full of good times and bad. Jesus said, “I have told you these things, so that in me you may have peace. In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world” (John 16:33). The Lord is still in it!



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Thanks For Asking

THIS HAS BEEN A TRANSFORMATIVE year for MACU. With this has come more conversations with the people we care about most, our alumni, our former staff, our students, supporters, and churches. We have had some encouraging words and some hard questions. I would always rather answer questions than misunderstand each other... so thanks for asking!

Q IS MACU A LIBERAL ARTS UNIVERSITY OR A BIBLE COLLEGE?

A Hmmm, no and yes? We require a minimum of 18 hours of Biblical Study courses (an academic "minor") which is not in alignment with a Liberal Arts philosophy (typically the liberal arts college focuses upon a breadth of courses in fields such as religion, philosophy, literature, math, science, psychology and sociology). Most of our graduates receive a double major (i.e. Business Administration and Biblical Studies; Youth and Family Ministry and Biblical Studies, etc.). A "major" requires 30 semester hours of study. In addition, every course taught at MACU is taught from a Biblical worldview. We have expanded our degree options so we can have biblically trained professionals serving in a wide variety of vocations. Our goal is to build the future of the Church (big C). We want ministers everywhere. Our heartbeat and history stand with training ministry leaders, but honestly, we have some work to do as a culture and as a church to "call forth" more ministry professionals. Very few young leaders were applying for those focuses, so we expanded. Our motto is "Set for the defense of the gospel" - and we believe that every Christian, in every vocation, is a minister of Christ. Barna Research reported that over 90% of highschoolers have never met a missionary and never thought about ministry as a profession We think we can change that. The next generation is extremely passionate about their faith and career, we build both.

Q IS MACU TOO FOCUSED ON SPORTS?

A In all honesty, we did what every small college in America perceived as a best practice around 2012, in response to the American obsession with youth sports. We built more opportunities to play sports and go to college. This helped enrollment in all small colleges. However, we realized in 2018 that this is not a sustainable solution for education or ministry and made an organizational shift to refocus our enrollment efforts. Watching the tragic closing of our sister school Cincinnati Christian University, strengthened our resolve. Our scholarships are structured towards ministry and academics rather than athletics. We love sports! We love the way sports unites our student body with a positive focus and helps forge teamwork and strength of character. Mustang nation is strong, but our mission comes first!

Q IS MACU A PART OF THE "RESTORATION MOVEMENT" ANYMORE?

A We truly believe that there are competent amazing Church leaders we can learn from outside of the Restoration Movement. We also believe that the principles and heritage of the Restoration Movement are what we are founded on and relate closest to in a Biblical context. To be clear, 9 out of 13 full time teaching faculty are from the Restoration Movement and every ministry and Bible faculty member must be from the Restoration Movement. Every member of the Board of Trustees must be from a Restoration Church. Every employee must sign our statement



Beth Cross, Director of Institutional Advancement

of faith (which is the same one we have used since 1948). We accept students from a variety of Christian backgrounds because they want to come to MACU for a Biblical education. To graduate from MACU every student must take and pass the course "The History of the Restoration Movement." Our supporters, camps, events, and connected churches are overwhelmingly from the Restoration Movement. We think that is important. We have also built strong and diverse relationships with faith builders in our community as we engage the culture around us as Jesus did. We are proud of our heritage and are committed to simple New Testament Christianity.

Q WHY ARE YOUNG PEOPLE MORE INTERESTED IN WORLD JUSTICE ISSUES THAN JESUS?

A As young leaders, we believe justice starts with Jesus. Let's talk. Please contact Beth at beth.cross@macuniversity.edu.

Patricia Griffin Sept. 19, 1940 – Oct. 23, 2020



TRISH GRIFFIN LOVED AND SERVED the Lord in all areas of her life. We were especially blessed that she spent many years serving all of us at Mid-Atlantic Christian University. As the wife of longtime professor, Bill Griffin, who became the second president of the school in 1986, she supported him in all of his endeavors, traveling with him to appointments, hosting campus guests, welcoming students and alumni into their home, representing the school in many settings as the president's wife.

As the director of the library for 41 years (1963-2004), she oversaw its growth from 9,100 volumes to nearly 33,000 items by 2004, including the growing collection of electrmedia. Her achievements include designing the current library, assisted by reference librarian Nancy Vossmeier; orchestrating the library's relocation to



that new facility, the retrospective digital conversion of the card catalog; a flawless review by an accreditation team; recognition from her fellow librarians; and excellent service to her library patrons.

As a teacher, she taught her students with knowledge and experience, passion, organization, and expectations. She demonstrated for her students what she was teaching them to do by the quality of her teaching both in the classroom and in the church and by assisting those who wished to

establish libraries for their congregations.

As a mentor, she served the campus women, both single and married, with various Bible studies, social gatherings, ministry sessions, fellowship meals, and craft groups. She was the faculty sponsor of Roanoke Wives, fostering spiritual growth and fellowship and sharing practical knowledge in homemaking skills.

Trish Griffin lived every moment as a "teachable moment." We are all better for having known and loved her.

As we celebrate the life of Ms. Trish we would love to add your stories and memories of her or her work in our Spring 2021 *Messenger*!
Please send your photos or memories to advancement@macuniversity.edu

New Ministries, Service

Evelyn McCrickard Cronin ex’00 is the front office receptionist for Hanover County (VA) Schools, working at Lee Davis High School.

Daniel Voris ’06 has been called to Gospel Light Church of Christ, Jamesville, NC, as lead pastor.

Billy Dyer ’07 is now serving as the Connections Minister at LifePointe Christian Church in Toano, VA.

Spenser Haskett ’09 is leading worship for Coastal Community Church in Yorktown, VA.

Abby Santoro ’18 is using her degree in Youth and Family as the new director of Tiny Tots Learning Center in Grandy, NC.

Jackson Cooper ’19 is now full-time youth & young adults director at First Presbyterian Church Norfolk, VA.

Micaiah Gilkes ’19 is a Registered Behavior Technician at Butterfly Effects in Moyock, NC, where she works with children on the autism spectrum. She is also working as a private tutor in Camden, NC.

Josh Phillips ’19 is working as an admissions counselor at Mid-Atlantic Christian University.

Sarah Becker ’20 is teaching 5th grade for Chesterfield County, VA Public Schools.

Brandon Cabacar ’20 is teaching 3rd grade at Pocosin Innovative Charter in Creswell, NC, and serving part-time at Philippi Church of Christ as their News Media Secretary.

Sympathy

is expressed to families and friends of:

James Baynor ’78 - April 24

Susan Outlaw ’16 - July 13
Former staff member

Jared Purdee - July 19
Son of Willie ex’92 and Angie ex’91 Purdee

Graham Barnes ’59 - August 9

Rick Hannon - August 20
Trustee

George Lindle - September 20
Former administrator

Phil Laughlin ’76 - October 4

Cody Marks ’20 is serving as pastor at Bethany UMC Church, Belvidere, NC

Grace Minter ’20 is now the Braille Education Teacher at the Governor Morehead School in Raleigh, NC.

Symphony Mullins ’20 is the social studies/religious studies teacher for Pre-K through 5th grade at G.O.H. Jubilee Christian Academy.

Chris Stowe ’20 has been called to Poplar Chapel Church of Christ, Jamesville, NC, to serve as their youth minister. He is also working at Mid-Atlantic Christian University as the athletic administrative assistant.

Senior **Ian Coburn**, is now working at VRtual - Nexgen Gaming Arcade which has locations in Toms River, NJ and Lanoka Harbor, NJ.

Brealle Davis ’20 is working as Resident Hall Director at Milligan University while attending Emanuel Christian Seminary at Milligan.

Zac Davis ’19 is working as an Admissions Recruiter at Milligan University.

Births

Josh ’13 and Amy **Bondy**: Talia Joan, Sept. 17

Josh and **Emilie Cooper ’12** Trueblood: Dorothy Ray (Dottie), Sept. 18

Other News

Cpl. Vernon Siders, Jr. ex’91 is retiring after 20 years of police service.

Eddie Lowen ’85 celebrated his 20th anniversary of being the lead minister at West Side Christian Church in Springfield, IL.

Jim ’79 and Belinda Cooper ’76 retired from their 18-year ministry with the Gospel Light Church of Christ in Jamesville, NC. Jim served as the lead minister.

Walter Schwitzerlett ’72 retired after 32 years of faithful service preaching at Horsepen Church of Christ, Horespen, VA. Walter believes he is not truly retiring because his work for the Lord is not yet done.

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CALENDAR

Please know we are hoping for the best in 2021 but realize our calendar may be impacted by the Covid-19 pandemic

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- January 8, 2021 Campus opens to new students
- January 10, 2021 Spring Semester 2021 Begins
- February 3, 2021 Free Online Estate Planning Seminar (wills and trusts)
- March 19, 20 Gospel Rally 2021

MUSTANG NATION will post schedules as they are available.



Continue to Pray with us

- For us to make decisions from Godly wisdom and strength
- For our campus to be restored and insurance and building processes to go smoothly
- For our campus culture to be restored amidst collapse and covid restrictions
- For students and graduates of 2021 to be strengthened and prepared
- For staff and faculty strength
- For the impact of so many alumni ministries
- For ministers and frontline staff and their families