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Mid-Atlant christian university

Dr. Robert Reese and Ezekiel Fish '90



I love missions.

Cross-cultural studies are a vital part of the educational opportunities at Mid-Atlantic. Whether your major is Cross-Cultural Ministry or one of twenty other degrees, you still have the opportunity to expand your education with cross-cultural studies.

You can expand your cross-cultural opportunities with our sister schools overseas. Recently I was in India signing our sister school relationship agreement with Central India Biblical Academy (CIBA). Josh Howard is the director of this fine school, which has active campuses in Damoh and Darjeeling and plans for a new campus in New Delhi. Among the many things accomplished on this trip was the signing of the sister school agreement in Damoh and preaching for the second graduation (a class of 16 students) in Darjeeling. This is a part of the ministry of Central India Christian Mission, under the direction of Dr. Ajai Lall '83. As a part of our sister school agreement, Mid-Atlantic students have the possibility for an internship in India with CIBA. We will also exchange professors from time to time.

Sandra Perkins (Mid-Atlantic Foundation Director), Pete Kunkle (MACU Trustee and Senior Minister of First Christian Church Ministries – Kernersville and High Point), Jennifer Guyer, Mark Stroud (both members of First Christian), and Gene Andrews (MACU Internship Director and minister at First Church of Christ, Washington) – all from North Carolina – participated in this important trip. On this trip, we represented both you (Mid-Atlantic Christian University) and HASTEN (Health and Salvation to Every Nation).

At the May 2011 graduation we signed our second sister school relationship with Asia Christian Leadership Training Center, a ministry of Good News Mission. Ezekiel Fish '90 is founder and director of this mission. We are very excited about this new opportunity for faculty, staff, students, and friends of the college. Your study and service abroad opportunities just start with CIBA and ACLTC. We have alumni serving in 18 different countries, not counting the multiple connections through our Cross-Cultural Department.

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From the Office of the President

You can expand your cross-cultural opportunities with overseas internships. Emilie Cooper will be returning to Bosnia this summer. Kaylin Sass will be in Tanzania with Pioneer Bible Translators. Rachel Foxx will be working with international students who are living on the Outer Banks this summer, leading events, offering English tutoring, and helping with their various adjustments through the organization Pathways International.

Even if you do not study abroad, you can expand your cross-cultural opportunities with your friendship with fellow students. Spend some time with Josh and Jenny Núñez. This brother and sister come to us from Mexico. Their friendship and commitment to Christ will be an encouragement to you. You might even learn a word or two in Spanish. How about the language of Hindi? Nishant Walter from India has left his mark on our campus and family. Nishant is our first graduate under our sister school agreements. We love our international students.

So, Mid-Atlantic loves missions. With the legacy of Roanoke Bible College and Eastern Christian College, Mid-Atlantic has maintained a strong heritage and commitment to missions. If you are serious about cross-cultural studies, Mid-Atlantic is your school.

Thank you for your faithful prayers and financial support. Your gifts help to send God's love around the globe. I love missions.

Serving Those Who Serve,

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D. Clay Perkins, Ph.D. President



Out of the Classroom, Into the World 2011 Interns

Experience is a great teacher. Mid-Atlantic students, as well as several faculty and staff, will be shifting their educational environment from the classroom to various real life settings. Many of those mentioned are enrolled in programs of study that require an internship, but not all. Their service may last for several weeks up to a year. The list is not exhaustive.

Among those going on short-term trips this summer are **Dr. Robbie Phillips**, **President's Secretary Melissa Lewis '71**, and **Financial Aid Administrator Lisa Pipkin '84**, who are on a team serving in Mexico for a week building homes and teaching. **Dr. Robert Reese** will be serving in Zimbabwe again with a team from a California church during July.

Six men in the preaching program are serving internships: Eric Allen with Belvidere-Ryland Church of Christ, Tyner, NC; Brian Barr with First Church of Christ, Washington, NC; Bobby Cohoon with Roanoke Acres Church of Christ, Manteo, NC; Ray Luyk with Cabin Swamp Church of Christ, Columbia, NC; James Packe with West Park Church of Christ, Portsmouth, VA; and Chris Williams with St. Clair's Church of Christ, Bath, NC.

Three in the cross-cultural program were mentioned earlier (page 2): **Emilie Cooper** will be in Bosnia. **Rachel Foxx** will be working with Pathways International in Kill Devil Hills, NC, assisting international students living on the Outer Banks. **Kaylin Sass** will be in Tanzania for ten weeks with Pioneer Bible Translators, learning the "ins and outs of the ministry of Bible translation, literacy, and scripture impact."

Leadership major **Rod Sershen** is serving an internship with the American Diabetes Association in Chesapeake, VA.

Seven in the Family Studies program are in internships. Five are in youth ministry: **Ethan Coltrain** at Beaver Dam Church of Christ, Washington, NC; **Ryan Dent** at Kempsville Church of Christ, Virginia Beach, VA; **Jamie Fulford** at Gold Point Church of Christ, Robersonville, NC; **Kevin Skiffington** at New Life Christian Church, Centreville, VA; and **Luke Swain** at Philippi Church of Christ, Creswell, NC. Two others in Family Studies are **Taylor Everette** serving at Mid-Atlantic (campus ministry internship) and **Chasity White**, serving with Albemarle Teen Challenge.

Two others serving internships are **David Broyles** at Christ's Church, Winterville, NC (worship ministry), and **Ryan Nosay** in Hawaii. For the first half of her internship, Ryan will be helping Lihue Baptist Church (on Kauai) with a summer program for children. The second half, she will work with Waianae Baptist Church, helping with the youth, music, and homeless ministries.



2011 INTERNS

Front row: Ethan Coltrain, Ray Luyk, Brian Barr. **Second row:** Kevin Skiffington, Rachel Foxx, Emilie Cooper, Kaylin Sass. **Back row:** James Packe, Luke Swain, Chasity White, Jamie Fulford, Ryan Dent, Bobby Cohoon. **Not pictured:** Eric Allen, Taylor Everette, Rod Sershen, Chris Williams.

A Sampling of MACU Students in Service

Corbin Kuhn is Youth Minister at Son Rise Church of Christ, Kill Devil Hills, NC. "I will be working with **Jason Woolard** to reach the community through teen students."

Rebecca Goosman is Children's Director at Powells Point Christian Church, Harbinger, NC. "I will be helping with VBS and various church activities. I have loved working with the children. It is helping me build up my techniques as a future teacher. I love it!"

Brandon Lewis is Youth Minister at Pleasant Grove Church of Christ, Fairfield, NC. He is "helping to reach out to community youth and build a growing youth ministry."

Jared Wice will be working at Camp Cale, Hertford, NC, as a senior staff member for the summer, helping to oversee programs, activities, and cabins and also leading worship.







Clockwise from top left: Brandon Lewis, Corbin Kuhn, Rebecca Goosman, Jared Wice.

Reese Named 'Teacher of the Year'

Congratulations to Mid-Atlantic's Teacher of the Year, Dr. Robert Reese. Dr. Reese joined our faculty in 2008. He holds a Ph.D. in Missions from Mid-America Baptist Theological Seminary and master's degrees in both mathematics and missiology. He and his wife, Mari-Etta, spent 21 years in Zimbabwe as missionaries. His book Roots and Remedies of the Dependency Syndrome in World Missions is helping to shape current best practices in cross-cultural missiology.



His students had many good comments about him, including: "Your willingness to assist students and make students feel at ease is appreciated and noteworthy."

"I must say he is one of the best teachers that I have had the pleasure of knowing at MACU."

"He is an incredible teacher. He is very approachable and does not mind a bit of laughter within the classroom."

"Once you are his student, he never forgets who you are. He shares his heart and experiences."

"He remembers what we have going on in our lives and checks in periodically to see how things are going."

"His ever present (and honest) smile... He is humble and lighthearted and can even kick some booty at soccer."

His peers said:

"I treasure his humble spirit and individual concern for the students and staff of MACU."

"His passion is igniting a flame among our student body for cross-cultural ministry."

"Dr. Reese makes us a better school."

Academic Accolades

Congratulations to . . .

Dr. Robbie Phillips, who successfully defended his doctoral dissertation – Seeing the Big Picture: A Study of Walk Thru The Bible's Old Testament Seminar's Impact on the Spiritual Health of Participants – on May 6, earning a Doctor of Ministry degree from Asbury Theological Seminary in Wilmore, KY. His degree concentration was in preaching, leadership, and spiritual formation.

Dr. Kevin Larsen, for a recently published article, "It Really Is All about Jesus: A Defense of Christology as the Foundation of the Second Gospel" in Leven: A Journal of Christian Ministry, 19 (2011) 10-14.

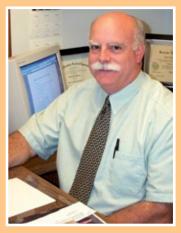
Dr. Robert Reese, for his article in the Jan. 30, 2011, edition of *The Christian Standard*, pp. 14-15, "Must We Earn the Right to Share the Gospel?"



Dr. Leon Reed Adams, adjunct in Sociology, instructor recently honored by the North Carolina Criminal Justice Association for his contribution to the profession of criminal justice in the state of North Carolina. He received the association's 2011 Perry Powell Outstanding Criminal Justice Professional Award, Dr. Adams holds a Ph.D. in Sociology and Criminology from Florida State University and is a Certified Professional Sociological Practitioner - American College of Certified Forensic Counselors.

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Farewell To L. Frank Dodson

L. Frank Dodson '78, Library Director for the past seven years, has resigned to move to Raleigh, NC. Mr. Dodson and his wife, **Debbie '11**, have both accepted jobs in the greater Raleigh area. Mr. Dodson will be serving as Statewide Director of Campus Christian Fellowship. Not only is the work that Mr. Dodson has been able to accomplish in the library greatly appreciated, but also his servant leadership. He led several teams of students and others on relief trips to help victims of Hurricane Katrina and the needy in other areas. Anytime a campus-wide call for help went out, he was sure to answer. He also served in leadership roles in his local congregation and in the Association of Christian Librarians. We pray for God's continued blessings upon him and Debbie as they embark on a new venture.



The Department of Biblical Studies, Dr. Lee M. Fields, Chair

From time to time the Bible/theology faculty at MACU receives questions from people. Some questions we anticipate, and some we have researched. **Ronnie Woolard**, Professor of Bible, shares a teaching on following one's conscience.

Follow Your Conscience by Professor Ronnie J. Woolard

Walt Disney's Jiminy Cricket counseled Pinocchio: "Always let your conscience be your guide." The teachings of Scripture would modify that advice. Your conscience cannot be a fully reliable guide until it has been properly guided by God's Word.

The word "conscience" is found 32 times in the New Testament, and 21 of those times it is used by the Apostle Paul. For example, as Paul appeared before the Jewish ruling council in Jerusalem, he testified, "I have fulfilled my duty to God in all good conscience to this day" (Acts 23:1). Later, Paul declared a similar allegiance to his conscience before the Roman governor Felix (Acts 24:16).

Governor Felix would have understood Paul's appeal to his conscience because this concept was also known among the Gentiles. One pagan writer of that day described it like this: "In my heart is an arrowhead with sharp edges. If I do wrong, it turns and it cuts me. If I do wrong too much, I wear out the edges and it doesn't hurt quite so much."

Paul identified this inner knowledge of right and wrong among all mankind as a law "written on their hearts" (Romans 2:14-15). The German philosopher Immanuel Kant acknowledged, "Two things fill the mind with ever-increasing wonder and awe -- the starry heavens above me and the moral law within me."

Paul could draw upon this inborn sense of right and wrong available to all mankind. But he had an even more reliable standard by which to distinguish right from wrong. He was able to maintain a "good conscience" through his devotion to the teachings of God's Word, first as a faithful follower of Judaism and then as a disciple of Jesus.

When your conscience is educated by the Word of God, then it can successfully fulfill God's two-fold purpose for implanting this moral law upon our hearts:

- 1. Discourage evil behavior
- 2. Encourage good behavior

As a nation, we recently observed Presidents Day in honor of two of our greatest leaders, George Washington and Abraham Lincoln. One of the reasons these two men are so revered is because their consciences were so strongly influenced by the Word of God. Lincoln expressed it well when he wrote:

"I desire to so conduct the affairs of this administration that if at the end, when I come to lay down the reins of power, I have lost every other friend on earth, I shall have at least one friend left, and that friend shall be down inside of me."

Your conscience cannot be a fully reliable guide until it has been properly guided by God's Word.

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We're All 'Fore' Preaching

Thanks to Jarvisburg Church of Christ, Jarvisburg, NC, for hosting the Twelfth Annual PMAC Golf Tournament Apr. 7 to raise money for the Preaching Ministry program at Mid-Atlantic. Twenty golfers representing seven churches from Virginia and North Carolina gathered at the Carolina Club in Grandy, NC. First place went to the Bob Campbell team from Christ's Church in Greenville, NC; they won a twonight stay at the Hilton Garden Inn at Kitty Hawk, NC, and a gift certificate from Coinjock Marina Restaurant. The Miles Ladendurg team from Kill Devil Hills, NC, took second place, winning a half day offshore fishing trip provided by George Ingram of Jarvisburg Church of Christ, and a gift certificate from Coinjock Marina Restaurant.

The tournament raised nearly \$900 for the preaching program. PMAC (Preaching Ministry Advisory Committee) uses these monies to fund the Welcome Back Dinner in August, when the preaching students return to campus, to assist them in attending seminars, and to purchase books for each graduate in the preaching program.

Special thanks to Carl Davis and George Hoffman of Jarvisburg, who chaired the tournament and provided meals, respectively. **Tim Turner '83** will again sponsor the "Preacher Boy Classic," to be held at Cotton Valley Golf Club in August. See www.macuniversity.edu for details.

Class of 2011

Class of 2011 Reminded that 'Truth Wins'; Given Ten Pieces of Advice

Baccalaureate speaker **Arron Chambers** emphasized to graduates the life-saving importance of telling a lost and dying world the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth. The next morning, May 14, class members received ten pieces of advice from commencement speaker **George Powell '77**, advice that will help them to live effectively for the Lord. Chambers, an author and lead minister of Journey Christian Church in Greeley, CO, has spoken at numerous campus events. Powell has been in ministry since his graduation and is the founding and lead minister of Abundant Life Church in Happy Valley, OR. The church, which he and his wife, **Ann (Lipscombe '74)** planted in 1989, has a combined average attendance of 2,500 on three campuses.

Graduates **Kristi Pipkin Cartwright** and **Tiffanie Brickhouse**, both graduating summa cum laude, delivered the salutatory and valedictory addresses, respectively. Twenty-six graduates comprise the Class of 2011 (including the four whose degrees were conferred in August and January and one awarded posthumously), raising the total of graduates to 1,168.

Honors and recognitions bestowed that day included those named to Delta Epsilon Chi Honor Society: 2011 graduate **Greg Webb** and 1973 alumnus **G. Clint Andrews '73**, minister of Crossroads Christian Church in Hales Chapel, TN.

Recognition for five years of service included **Ivy I. Brothers**, deaf studies instructor; **Dr. Kendall S. Greene**, Vice President for Enrollment Services and Professor of Family Studies; and **Richard J. Lindsley**, **Jr.**, housekeeping and maintenance technician. **Susanne Edwards**, a volunteer in the library, was recognized for 10 years of service.

Juniors **Kaylin M. Sass** and **Jimmie Taylor Everette** earned the rank of first marshal and second marshal, respectively.

All MACU four-year graduates hold majors in Biblical Exposition or Biblical Studies; additional majors and minors are listed under their names. Honors are marked for four-year graduates: summa cum laude**, magna cum laude*.

From Left: Nishant Walter, first MACU graduate from a sister school, Central India Biblical Academy; Dr. Robert Reese, Associate Professor of Cross-Cultural Ministry; Ezekiel Fish, founder and director of Good News Mission and second sister school, Asia Christian Leadership Training Center; Dr. Clay Perkins, President.

Second Sister School Agreement Signed; First Graduate from a Sister School

For the second consecutive year, a sister school agreement was signed at commencement. Ezekiel Fish '90 and President Clay Perkins signed the agreement between Mid-Atlantic and Asia Christian Leadership Training Center (Chiang Mai, Thailand), an educational ministry of Good News Mission, a work that Brother Fish founded and leads. The agreement will ensure mutual ministry between the schools as they encourage an exchange of students, teachers, and resources.

Fish and Nishant Walter of Bhopal, India, were guests of honor at a reception following graduation. Nishant is a 2011 graduate of MACU's first sister school, Central India Biblical Academy. He earned a Bachelor of Theology degree from Mid-Atlantic and is returning to India to work alongside Dr. Ajai Lall in various ministries of Central India Christian mission.

WE NEED YOU!

In fact, we cannot do it without you! It is only through ministry partners like you that MACU is able to impact the world by transforming ordinary people into extraordinary Christian leaders. We are running behind budget for our projected gift income for the year.

Would you consider making an extra special gift before our fiscal year ends on June 30th? We need to raise at least another \$50,000 above anticipated income. **We need you!**

Please use the attached envelope and mail your gift today. Whether it is \$50, \$500, or \$5000, it will be a tremendous help to us finishing the year with a positive financial outcome. Thank you again for your partnership with Mid-Atlantic in our Lord's kingdom work!



In April Dr. Ajai Lall and President Perkins signed the sister school agreement between Central India Biblical Academy and Mid-Atlantic in India.

Additional Graduates

Graduates of the Class of 2011 whose degrees were

conferred previously



Kelli S. Alexander BS/Christian Education Elizabeth City, NC



Amanda L. Brandon BS/Youth & Family Ministry, Counseling, CFLE Kernersville, NC



Tiffanie A. Brickhouse* BS/Elementary Education Creswell, NC



BA/Youth & Family Ministry, CFLE Scottsburg, IN



Andrew A.D. Bromm Joseph W. Cartwright BS/Youth & Family Ministry Elizabeth City, NC



August 2010



Kristina M. Cartwright** BS/Leadership & Administration Elizabeth City, NC



Debra C. Dodson* **BS/Biblical Exposition** Elizabeth City, NC



Phillip E. Jones BS/Preaching Ministry Elizabeth City, NC



Robert M. Lewis* **BS/Preaching Ministry** Poplar Branch, NC



Joshua A. Núñez BA/Cross-Cultural Ministry



Bachelor of Theology Shippensburg, PA



BS/Leadership & Adminstration, **Family Studies** Yale, VA



Melissa N. Stephenson

January 2011

Stephen M. Powell Assoc/Biblical Studies

Annie O. C. Barr

Perry W. Beasley, Jr. Assoc/Early Childhood

Elizabeth D. Vahey BA/Applied Linguistics, Counseling



BS/Counseling & Psychology, Worship & Music Bridgewater, VA



Asheton L. Rivenbark BS/Elementary Education Edenton, NC



Joshua D. Rose BS/Youth & Family Ministry, Counseling & Preaching Washington, NC



Justin B. Rose

BS/Leadership &

Administration,

Counseling

Columbia, NC

Gregory M. Webb* BS/Youth & Family Ministry, CFLE Jamesville, NC



Congratulations to two of the "non-traditional" students, Rod Sershen and Mac Britt.



Andrea A. Strawderman BS/Counseling & Cross-**Cultural Ministry** Wilson, NC



Michael T. Twine

BS/Counseling &

Psychology,

Worship & Music

Jonathan E. Schipper McArthur Britt, Sr. Assoc/Bible Posthumously Assoc/Bible Hobbsville, NC Havelock, NC



Nishant R. Walter

Bachelor of Theology

Bhopal, India

Rod M. Sershen Assoc/Bible Elizabeth City, NC



Displayed at commencement are the flags of the 18 nations served by MACU graduates.



Way To Go!

Spring 2011 Dean's List

The Dean's List is comprised of full-time students (12 or more credit hours) whose semester GPA is 3.500 or above. Students achieving a 4.000 are indicated with an asterisk (*).

Joshua S. Bondy*
Amanda L. Brandon
Andrew A. Bromm
Kristina M. Cartwright
Jacqueline A. Cohoon-Kight
Jeffrey L. Elliott
Jimmie T. Everette
Jordan A. Everette
Douglas E. Francis
Kathryn L. Hackett
Krystal M. Harrower
Jared M. Hedges
Chloe E. Lackey
Brandon L. Lewis

Robert M. Lewis
Danika J. Morales
Jacob R. Okerlund
Mary E. Peale
Justin B. Rose
Ashley E. Ross
Jenna M. Ross
David L. Scott
Rod M. Sershen
Jacob T. Smith
Gregory M. Webb
Chasity M. White
Sarah J. White*

Honors Chapel Award Recipients

The following people were recognized at Honors Chapel on Wednesday, May 4, 2011:

Association of Christian Librarians Research Award Gregory M. Webb

Athletics Award

Joseph W. Cartwright

Community Award Jay LaNunziata

Cross-Cultural Ministry Award

Joshua Núñez

Discipleship Group Leaders

Amanda Brandon, Purity D-Group Kevin Skiffington, Bible Study D-Group

Leadership and Administration AwardJustin B. Rose

Stone-Campbell Journal Promising Scholar Award (Biblical Studies)

Andrew A. Bromm

Student Life Committee for Exceptional Leadership:

President Aimee LaFever, Bryan Cooper, Charleston Dupree, Jared Hedges, Jay LaNunziata, Craig Layfield, Shannon Luyk, Matt Proffitt, Stephanie Stanley, Jared Wice

Studies in Biblical Languages Award

Craig D. Layfield, MACU-Zondervan Hebrew Award Eric L. Allen, MACU-Zondervan Greek Award

Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges

Annie O. Barr, Tiffanie A. Brickhouse, Andrea A. Strawderman, Gregory M. Webb

Youth & Family Ministry Gregory M. Webb

Right: Cap toss after the ceremony

Far right: Valedictorian Tiffanie Brickhouse and Salutatorian Kristi Cartwright

Congratulations!

Congratulations to **Emilie Cooper** and **Ethan Coltrain** (below left), who will serve as Student Body Vice-President and President, respectively, for the 2011-2012 school year.

Greg Webb (below right) and **Clint Andrews '73** (not pictured) were named to Delta Epsilon Chi, the honor society of the ABHE.





A family affair: Niece Andrea Strawderman graduates, Uncle Frank Dodson '78 (Library Director) resigns, and wife Debbie Dodson also graduates, earning her BS degree after entering with Frank as a freshman



in 1974 and a career in nursing. Andrea's sister, mother, and cousin are also MACU graduates.



Happy graduates from front left: Mike Twine, Drew Bromm, Nishant Walter, and Joe Cartwright.





Intensify Your Knowledge

Early Fall Intensives in August

The following courses are being offered as intensives during the week preceding fall semester, Aug. 15-19. Course descriptions are available in the university catalog at www.macuniversity.edu. To register for these courses, contact Enrollment Services at 252.334.2028 or 866.996.MACU. Two instructors are new this year, Dr. Larry Chouinard and Dr. Bill Searcy.

Cross-Cultural Communication (CC387)

Dr. Bill Searcy – 3 credits (Aug. 15-19)

Dr. Searcy has a D.Min. in Missions from Harding University Graduate School of Religion. He has served for eighteen years as a counselor/educator/missionary in Kenya, East Africa. He currently resides in Rocky Mount, NC.

Leadership Development (LE 401)

Dave McCants - 3 credits (Aug. 15-19)

Gospel of Matthew (NT 452)

Dr. Larry Chouinard – 3 credits (Aug. 15-19)

Dr. Chouinard has a Ph.D. in New Testament from Fuller Theological Seminary. He has taught undergraduate and graduate courses for Fuller Theological Seminary, Kentucky Christian University, Gonzaga University, and Cincinnati Christian University. He currently resides in Post Falls, ID.

Introduction to Church Growth (PM 371)

Dr. Gene Andrews – 2 credits (Aug. 15-17)

Outreach Strategies (PM 377)

Dr. Gene Andrews – 1 credit (Aug. 18, 19)

Basic Musicianship (WM 054)

Amanda Avery – 1, 2, or 3 credits (TBS)

What Is Worship? (WM 251)

Sam Loveall – 3 credits (Aug. 15-19)

Dates & Events

2011 MACU Events

	Tuesday Tour
July 19	Tuesday Tour
	Fall Intensives
Aug. 16	Tuesday Tour
Aug. 19-21	New Student Orientation
Aug. 22	Classes Begin
Aug. 23	Convocation
	Sunday Night Live
Sept. 9-10	Bikers Rally
Sept. 20	Tuesday Tour
	Mid-Atlantic Day
Oct. 10-14	Fall Break
Oct. 16	Sunday Night Live
Oct. 18	Tuesday Tour
Oct. 21	Trustees Meeting
Nov. 15	Tuesday Tour
Nov. 23-25	Thanksgiving Break
Dec. 12-16	Final Exams

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including Dr. Perkins. You can also become a fan of MACU.

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Sports Roundup

Congratulations to **Questen Ragin** (right), member of the MACU
Mustangs. He was chosen as a second
team "All American" in the SBCAA
National Tournament.

The university wishes well to **Richard Kelly**, who recently resigned as Athletic Director. During his two years on staff, he worked on building the basketball team's roster and schedule, and on offering intramural sports. We are grateful for his sacrificial labor and especially his personal touch with his players.



Darrell Hairston has been hired as the new Athletic Director. He will be overseeing the entire athletic program including men's basketball, women's volleyball, intramural sports, and open gym activities.

Mr. Hairston was born in Lexington, NC, and is a Mid-Atlantic graduate. He is currently working on his master's degree at Virginia Union University in the Samuel DeWitt Proctor School of Theology. While at MACU for undergraduate school, he met his wife, Caprice, who is a trustee for the university.



They have a daughter, Destiny. The Hairstons ministered in Kentucky before returning to Elizabeth City to begin the Rehoboth Victory Christian Church in 2002.

Prior to 2009 Mr. Hairston served as the Assistant Basketball Coach for MACU for four years and Head Coach for two years. He also led the team to its first championship basketball season.

Neal Alligood '98 will return as basketball coach. He served as Athletic Director and Head Men's and Women's Basketball coach from 1998 to 2001. **Paul Pipkin** has been named coach for the Lady Mustangs volleyball team. Since 2004, he served as the Assistant Volleyball Coach for MACU for two years and Head Coach for three years, during which the team captured five straight conference championships.



New Ministries and Service

G.C. Richards '63 is preaching at Eunice Chapel, Scranton, NC.

Chris Cuthbertson '97 is now serving First Christian Church of Emporia, VA, as preaching minister.

Dewayne Woolard '97 recently began serving Mt. Pleasant Christian Church in Greenville, NC, as the Associate Minister, Youth.

Sarah Lynn Lewis Grubb ex'97 is the Worship Minister at Discovery Church, Simi Valley, CA.

David VanBuskirk '03 has been called to help plant a campus ministry at Old Dominion University, Norfolk, VA.

Abby Williams Paul '04 is now Coordinator of Academic Advising Services at University of Central Florida.

Robert Spruill '07 is the new Outreach Director for National Bible Bowl.

Weddings

Paul Smilie and Kerri Dandurand '06, Jan. 15 Drew Bromm '11 and Amanda Brandon '11, May 14 Senior Luke Swain and Tiffanie Brickhouse '11, May 21 Seniors Dave Broyles and Katie Cooper, May 22 Kasey Nosay and Beth Fields '09, May 28

New Family Members

Hassie ex'14 and **Danuta Everett ex'14 Allen**: Alicia Danyelle, Jan. 21

Brian '99 and Cassie **McCracken**: Kian Cole, Jan. 26 Steven and **Kristen Marsh ex'04 Willmarth**: Hollister Hyde, Jan. 28

E.L. '02 and Christie Jones: Aaron David, Feb. 9
Jeff ex'14 and Amy Hosman ex'12 Bonner: Reagan Olivia,

Nathan '01 and Jennifer Lewis: Ella Jane, Feb. 23

Allen ex'06 and Angela Dip '06 Kemp: Ayla Hensley, Mar. 14 Chris '10 and Mary Jo Cecil '08 Gallihugh: Liam Nathaniel,

Tyler '08 and Torie Jones'06 Brooks: Benjamin Michael, Apr 25 Gary ex'99 and Krisjan Phelps, Jr.: Noah Alexander, Apr. 28 Eric '07 and Bree Hugus '07 Pruitt: Pryor Berkley, May 6

Obituaries & Notes of Sympathy

Sympathy is expressed to **John Ward '80** on the passing of his wife, **Linda ex'82**, who passed away on Nov. 10 after an eight-year battle with cancer.

And to **John Sweitzer '77** in the death of his wife, **Lillian ex'77**, Dec. 18.

Dorothy Hill '86 passed away Dec. 22, 2010, at her home. Born in Kentucky, she attended Mid-Atlantic, earning an associate degree. Dorothy was a member of Broadmoor Church of Christ, Chesapeake, VA. She enjoyed playing the piano at church, gardening, and taking care of her beloved animals. The university family sends sympathy to her husband, Rodney T. Hill '87; their four sons; and other family members.

Valerie Tenney Thornton '96 passed away Mar. 8. She was a special education teacher and a member of Reedswood Christian Church, Gloucester, VA, where her husband, Chris '96, serves as youth minister. Besides Chris, she is survived by her parents, David and Peppie Tenney; a sister, Michelle Tenney ex'99; and other family. The family asks that any memorial donations be made to Mid-Atlantic or to Camp Rudolph in Yale, VA.

Hilda Sadler Watson One of the university's early supporters, Hilda Sadler Watson of Hobucken, NC, died Mar. 22, at Grantsbrook Nursing and Rehabilitation Center. She is survived by her husband of 69 years, Roy Watson. Mrs. Watson was a faithful member of Lowland Church of Christ, Lowland, NC. She was a graduate of Hobucken High and was active in community activities, projects, and clubs. She showed interest in others and their welfare. She partnered with Roy in their R.E. Mayo Seafood Co., and was his helpmate during his 27 years of blindness. She drove him everywhere he needed to go without complaining. Hilda was devoted to every member of Roy's family, and treated each of their children as if they were her own. The university's Watson-Griffith Memorial Library is named in honor of the Watsons.

Sympathy is expressed to **Kim Powell Fletcher ex'85** in passing of her husband, Bryan Fletcher, April 7.

Other News & Notes

Evonne Morris '05 has completed a Master's Degree in Counseling Studies at Capella University and is now working on a Ph.D. in General Human Services at Capella. She is also ministering at Faith Deliverance Chapel in Murfreesboro, NC.

Brian '06 and Hannah **Paris** have raised the needed support and are beginning their mission work in Papua New Guinea.

Thomas Hamilton ex'07 was ordained at his home church, South Mills Church of Christ, South Mills, NC, Mar. 27. He continues to serve as youth minister at Old Ford Church of Christ in Washington, NC.

Joe Burton '10 was accepted into Liberty University's graduate program.

Elizabeth Vahey '11 has been accepted into the MA program at the Graduate Institute of Applied Linguistics and has begun studies. She is also raising support for her field work.

President and Mrs. Perkins, along with a team of students, visited the Protestant Chapel of the Naval Station Norfolk (Virginia), where **Commander John Maurice '78** serves, to preach and lead worship.

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Ben and Peggy Allen (Honor)

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Summer Teams Coming to a camp near you

Students and admissions counselors will be serving in camps near you and in nearby congregations. Please make yourself known to them this summer. The dates represent the week during which each event occurs.

June 5-10

Faith Christian Camp (high school), Anneville, KY

June 12-17

Round Lake Christian Camp (high school), Lakeville, OH CIY Move, Milligan College, TN

June 19-25

Oak Hill Christian Camp (high school), Mechanicsville, VA

June 20-24

Sylvan Hills Christian Service Camp (high school), Howard, PACIY Move, Milligan College, TN

June 26-July 1

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July 3-8

Camp Rudolph (high school), Yale, VA North Florida Christian Camp (high school), Keystone Heights, FL Park Springs Christian Camp (high school), Providence, NC

July 17-22

Solid Foundations Camp (middle/high school), Camp Rudolph, Yale, VA

July 24-29

Indian Lake Christian Service Camp (middle school), Darlington, MD Tri-State Christian Camp (high school), Strasburg, VA Maritime Ministries VBS, on campus at MACU

July 31 - Aug 6

Camp Epachiseca (Eastern PA Christian Service Camp, high school), Stillwater, PA

Mountain View (high school), Dansville, NY

Aug 8-14

Expressions of Worship (high school), Camp Rudolph, Yale, VA



SUMMER TEAM

Seated: Landon Elliott (and Baxter). Seated: Amanda Bromm, Katie Webb, Katie Hackett. Standing: Daniel Cooke, David Curry, Drew Bromm, Judson Simpson, Jenna Ross.

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