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'Training Extraordinary Leaders for the Kingdom' Sets Tone for 59th Year



You don't have to be around President Perkins long to hear that he is thrilled to be a part of Roanoke's ministry of "training extraordinary leaders for the Kingdom." He has used this phrase to identify the exciting work going on all around us, not just here on campus, but around the country and the entire world. In 1948 the college's motto, "A New Testament school set for the defense of the Gospel," was adopted to state clearly that Roanoke would cling to the Word of God, declaring it as we train preachers and other workers, and defending it whenever forces and factions try to detract from it or dilute it. It still stands as our motto.

The college's mission statement is to "educate men and women for career and volunteer Christian service." The pictures of service on pages one and two show that we are accomplishing that mission.



FAR LEFT: Junior Lee Modlin teaches a VBS class at Smithfield (VA) Christian Church, where he serves as youth minister. **Left:** Students Mary Ann Godley, Lina Prayanti, and Jessica Joyner, along with Library Director Frank Dodson and Dr. Gene Andrews, help build new homes for hurricane victims. **Bottom left:** Junior Tyler Brooks (summer youth ministry in-



tern) is pictured with two of the youth in his group at Stoneybrook, Wilson, NC, and with his fiance Torie Jones. **Below:** Youth attending East Coast Encounter in July create and man activities for youth from a local girls' club.



Welcome to the Class of 2010



NEW STUDENTS PRESENT FOR THE PRESIDENT'S SUPPER the opening night of orientation, Aug. 17. **Front:** Whitney Jones, Hope Dennis, Racheal Leach, Casey Doty, Kim Clarke, Kim Clark, Tiff Adams, Sarah Hayes. **Second Row:** Michael Twine, Joey Cecil, Allie Cecil, Nicole Anderson, Steve Levie, Ashley Boone, Lina Prayanti, Kimmi Cooper, Nachele Jones. **Third Row:** Ryan Puterbaugh, Jonathan Duffer, Tommy Leopard, Nate Scott, Joe Cartwright, Mark Edwards, Brandon Craig, William Hoag, Phillip Jones. **Back:** Kevin Hennessey, Chris Gallihugh, Josh Curry, Eric Abshier, Judson Simpson, Aaron Humphrey, Chad Lopez, Aaron Lewis, Kurt Juergens.



Above: New students Tiff Adams, Sarah Hayes, and Nate Scott share refreshments at the get-acquainted party. **Far left:** Stuart Paul '06 baptizes Anna Price, a member of his youth group, at East Coast Encounter (ECE). **Left:** Sam Loveall portrays Isaiah at one of the interactive worship services at ECE. The event hosted over 100 youth and sponsors, who were able to witness five baptisms among those attending.



Fullers: One Hundred Years of Love, Ministry

When you combine the 50 years of marriage of Frank '56 and Betty ex'59 Fuller, Sr., with their 50 years of ministry with Oak Grove Christian Church in Chatham, VA, you get 100 years of remarkable service to God, family, and community. Family and friends honored them for that accomplishment (1956-2006) on August 5 with two get-togethers and then during the morning worship service on August 6, a lunch afterward, and a program. The program included singing by "The Fuller Boys"--their five sons, two of whom attended RBC (Frank, Jr. '79 and Richard '80). Among the Timothys participating in the various programs were this month's Preacher of the Month, Bedford Motley '61, and Jimmy Bennett '66, longtime minister at Avalon, Virginia Beach, VA. Many more (preachers and others) testified to the life and work of this couple, work which included Frank's 39 years in the public school system. They even used the occasion to bless the college, this time with offerings of nearly \$4,000 given to the building fund or the Fuller Scholarship.

*Day of Prayer and Fasting
Wednesday, September 27*

We invite you to join us in special prayer for the college as we thank God for her past and seek His guidance and blessing on her future. (See article below.)

**Come to Inaugural Festivities;
Join in Prayer and Fasting**

As the inauguration of the college's third president approaches, those on campus look forward to the special activities that will mark this historical event in the life of Roanoke Bible College.

In addition to the ceremony itself (Chesson Gymnasium) and the reception, we seek the prayers and even the fasting of the saints on behalf of Dr. Perkins and of the entire college family on September 27. We ask you to fast one or more meals and to go before God on our behalf.

On September 28 at 7:30 p.m. is a Celebration Service, "Grateful for the Past . . . Excited for the Future." Professor Ronnie Woolard will speak at the service, which will be held in the Davenport Chapel.

NEWS IN BRIEF . . .

□ Wedding bells rang for Jeff Cronin and Evelyn McCrickard ex'00, May 20; Sophomore Ben Purser and Carrie Blanchard '05, June 23; Junior Cyrus Bagheri and Miranda Rosson, July 28; John Herndon '82 and Stephanie Chandler, July 29; Junior Thomas Hamilton and Senior Suzanne Starkey, Aug. 5; Junior Corey Jones and Senior Nicole Cantelupe, Aug. 5; Kyle Hayden '05 and Kendal Lean '06, Aug. 12; Will Chancellor ex'05 and Emily Ross ex'05, Aug. 19.

□ Changes of ministry include Paul Woolard '93 to Castle, Cumming, GA, associate minister; Shawn Williams '95 to Liberty, Mechanicsville, VA, senior minister; Chris Woolard '04 to Christ's Church, Greenville, NC, youth minister; Brad Davis '06 to Liberty Christian School, Mechanicsville, VA, teacher; Angela Dip '06 to Piedmont Christian School, Bumpass, VA, teacher.

□ Sympathy is extended to the family of Carl Maynard ex'77, who died July 11; to House-keeping Director Lori Caswell and family on the death of her father on Aug. 8; and to David "Mickey" Derrow '71 and family on the death of his wife, Mary ex'70, on Aug. 18.

□ **Alumni Spotlight:** First-year teacher Sheila Jones Hommemma '84 was named Teacher of the Year for Oakland Elementary School (Virginia). Third- through fifth-graders walked 7,766 miles in the first year of a walking program she began. *Congratulations!*



*The Roanoke Bible College
Board of Trustees
invites you to
The Inauguration of
D. Clay Perkins
Third President of
Roanoke Bible College
Friday, the 29th of September*

Reception immediately following

Although the R.S.V.P. date has passed, we continue to extend the invitation. Please call 252.334.2044 or send your response card immediately to the Inauguration Committee.



OASIS... 'faces'
Help your teens register (postmarked by Sept. 26) now to attend the second Oasis weekend, Oct. 6-8.
Speaker--James Hauser
High School Minister at Southeast, Lexington, KY
Worship by Jason Woolard & New Creation
Plus water rides, Ultimate Frisbee, Roanoke Idol competition, and MORE!
FMI - Steve Jackson, 252.334.2091 or sfj@roanokebible.edu

RESIDENT ASSISTANTS, 2006-2007.

Front: Bree Hugus, Laura Gross, Krystal Strawderman. **Back:** Cole Willig, Eric Pruitt, Spenser Haskett, Shaun Cooper.



Creative Class-Taking

Roanoke courses are available in a variety of formats. This semester one section of Personal Evangelism is offered off site. Taught by Chris McCarthy, it will meet primarily in the evening one hour north of RBC at Northampton Church of Christ, in Hampton, VA.

Students commuting from the Tidewater area, as well as on-campus students looking for service-learning opportunities in an urban environment, were invited to enroll.

If your geographic area would like to host an off-site course, contact President Clay Perkins at 252.334.2006 or dcp@roanokebible.edu.

In addition, several evening classes are offered on campus and several are available on-line through a Christian college consortium.

To work out the details of how you can pursue a Christian college education, contact Admissions at 800.RBC.8980, admissions@roanokebible.edu, or visit www.roanokebible.edu.

Tribute Gifts

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Edna Marrow

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Bedford Motley, Jr. '61

(KJV). He loves to preach because he has "a deep love and concern for all people and [prays] for all to be Christians and reach their reward in Heaven." He and the former Glenda Johnson have one daughter.

Motley 'Preacher of the Month'

Bedford Motley graduated from RBC in 1961, and was ordained at his home congregation, Oak Grove Christian Church, Chatham, VA, the same year. He held student ministries at Hamlet, NC, and Bethany in Whitakers, NC. Most of his years of preaching have been spent in Tennessee (Elk Mills, Butler; New Hope, Rogersville; Big Springs, Elizabethton; and Upper Shell in Roan Mountain since 2000), except for 14 years with the Morgan Ford church in Ridgeway, VA. Brother Motley continued his education at Milligan College and has been active in ministerial associations and civic groups. One of his favorite texts is found in Revelation 2:10, "Be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life"

Spirited Admissions Team

With RBC on their backs and in their hearts, the Admissions team invites you to call on them to help you or your young people find their path to Christian service. They stand ready to assist you. Contact them at 800.RBC.8980 or admissions@roanokebible.edu. **Clockwise from top left:** Andrea Stamper, Director of Admissions and Financial Aid; Steve Jackson, Events and Outreach Teams; Julie Fields, Admissions Administrator; E. L. Jones, Admissions Counselor; Lisa Pipkin, Financial Aid Administrator; Jason Woolard, Admissions Counselor. **(Not pictured:** Mark Beard, Admissions Counselor to the Northeast).



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