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1 Timothy 3:5

Preserving the Family of God

Once thought by some to be little more than glorified babysitters, youth ministers are now widely received as vital members of a church staff. Those who would focus on the younger members of the congregation may wear such titles as children's director, family life minister, or associate minister in youth and education. In the past 10 years, 59 graduates have completed a minor in youth ministry, which has now expanded to a major in Youth and Family Ministry. Meet a few RBC students past and present serving or preparing to serve in this specialized area of ministry:

Brandon S. Craig '97

Youth Minister

Belmont Christian Church, Christiansburg, VA

I've served as the youth minister at Belmont Christian Church since 1997. On any given week, I may teach a fourth- and fifth-grade Sunday school class, lead children's church, speak to a group of students at a local Christian school, staff the church nursery, lead Sunday night youth group, take teenagers to work at the local rescue mission, and spend time ministering to kids whose family has just been torn apart. I love youth ministry and the challenges and rewards it brings. Beyond that, I feel I'm truly being used by God in His niche for me and using my gifts to advance His kingdom.

Roanoke Bible College is the place where this love for youth ministry was kindled and where I was taught the foundational truths, first of God's word, and then of ministry. I am indebted to RBC for the training she gave me and the support she continues to give to me today.

Phillip Murdock '97

Minister of Family Life

LifePointe Christian Church, Toano, VA

I once heard a preacher of a large church reduce youth ministry to this statement: "anyone can order pizza for teenagers." Truth be told, I have ordered a lot of pizza since I entered into youth ministry in 1994. I have also had the opportunity to do so much more. I have seen teenagers immerse their friends in a river in the middle of the night after hours of talking. I have seen children open their hearts and piggy banks to orphans in third world countries they have never met. I have sat and prayed with sick children as life slipped away from them. I have wept with children whose parents just told them they

were getting divorced. I have watched teens weep as they heard change hit the offering plate as they watched homeless men give what they had in an inner city church in Atlanta. I have had the honor of doing weddings for "kids" who met in my youth group. I have seen high school



Dr. Ken Greene

*Vice President for Student Life
Advisor, Youth and
Family Ministry Major*

I began my first youth ministry over twenty years ago. I was a freshman in Bible college, and at the time there was one two-hour class in my four-year degree that prepared me for that ministry. I felt that I was gaining the biblical knowledge that I needed, but I had many questions regarding students, their families, and how to administer a program. I came face to face with students and families in crisis and had few resources. I saw a number of friends working hard and often burning out in ministry.

This experience enabled me to recognize the need for training that would prepare men and women for ministry with children, students, and their families. RBC has focused on strengthening the instruction that she offers her students who feel called to work with young people and their families. One of Roanoke's new majors is a degree in Youth and Family Ministry; it allows students to focus on children's ministry, student ministry, campus ministry, and ministry to adults.

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Preaching Ministry News



RODNEY G. BURKE '86
September



E. JAY HARDISON '95
October



PETER J. ISENBERG '87
November

Preachers of the Month

Rod Burke '86 and his wife, Brenda, moved to Elizabeth City for him to enroll at a time when numerous deaf were students at RBC. He graduated in 1986 and that same year was ordained by Boulevard Church of Christ (now King's Way Church of Christ) in Nitro, WV. While a student, Rod served with Elizabeth City Church of Christ as a supply preacher to the deaf. He has ministered with churches in West Virginia, Oklahoma, and now Ohio, where he has been with Christ's Church of the Deaf, in Cincinnati since 2001. He earned an MSL from Louisville Bible College and has been active in conventions for the deaf. Rod loves to preach, and said, in part, "It's the least that I can do for Jesus who died to save my soul forever and ever. I cannot think of a better reason than that." He and Brenda have two children and one grandchild.

Jay Hardison '95 entered RBC out of high school determined to preach. He was ordained in 1992 by the Plymouth Church of Christ, Plymouth, NC; married his college sweetheart, Libby Gurganus ex'96, in 1993; and held a student ministry with Saints Delight Church of Christ in Roper, NC. Since 1995 he has preached in Robersonville, NC (1995-2001), Kokomo, IN (2001-2007), and Jamesville, NC where he has served Maple Grove Christian Church since 2007. He cites Colossians 1:15-20 as a favorite text and a quote from C. S. Lewis's *The Weight of Glory* as a favorite quote, where Lewis compares humans to "... an ignorant child who wants to go on making mud pies in a slum because he cannot imagine what is meant by the offer of a holiday at the sea. We are far too easily pleased." He and Libby have two daughters.

Pete Isenberg '87 and Ann Brisson ex'89 married after he graduated from Roanoke (BA, 1987). He continued his education, earning an M.Div. in New Testament from Lincoln Christian Seminary. While in seminary, he preached for the church in Isabel, IL. In 1994 Pete became Associate Minister of Youth and Education for New Hope Christian Church in Roanoke, VA, and was ordained there in 1999. After nearly ten years of fruitful ministry there, in 2003 when the senior minister retired, Pete was called to be the preaching minister for New Hope. His favorite text is found in Ephesians 5: 1, 2, "Be imitators of God, therefore, as dearly loved children and live a life of love, just as Christ loved us and gave Himself up for us as a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God" (NIV). Pete and Ann have three children.



'Nontraditional' Title Still Fits

Since he stepped onto campus, Howard Guidry '08 was a model nontraditional student. He was older than the typical student (enrolled after retiring at age 57). He commuted (drove 200 miles round trip several times a week for four and a half years). He was focused and determined (won several honors, including class valedictorian).



His focus on serving God and walking through open doors has continued beyond earning his degree. He recently emailed Dr. Gene Andrews, advisor for the Preaching Ministry program, to give an update on his ministry:

I am currently ministering at two small rural churches. I am also involved as a volunteer at Caledonia Correctional Institute and with Bill Glass Prison Ministries. I have attempted to start a literacy program at the prison . . . Carol [his wife] and I recently attended a workshop on teaching English as a second language. We are going to attempt to begin free English lessons at [church] as an outreach to the Hispanic community in our area. Demographics show this group to be the fastest growing ethnic group around us, and I am pleased that the church seems to support this idea. Please pray for us in this.

President Perkins often says, "Send us men, and we will send you preachers." How true! Send us men like Howard! Send us men like Rod and Jay and Pete named above! Send us men like those featured among the youth ministers and those named on page 6. We stand ready to train preachers and other ministers who will help to win the lost and to impact the culture for Christ.

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The Youth and Family Ministry major has used the National Council on Family Relations' guidelines for training family life educators as a framework to develop the curriculum. The concept is that students will gain insight to work with the family throughout the life cycle from birth to death and will also have an area of specialization for their ministry focus.

In this issue of *The Messenger*, two 1997 graduates, two 2007 graduates, and two current students share their experiences.

--Dr. Greene



Bree (Hugus) '07 and Eric '07 Pruitt
Children's Director, Student Minister
Concord Christian Church, Concord, NC

...Preserving the Family of God

Murdock (*continued*) students forgo large scholarships to major universities to pursue ministry. I have also had pie thrown in my face by six-year-olds, and I have played in the leaves we have raked for others.

Youth ministry is truly life changing. Not only has it allowed me a seat to view all that God is doing, it has also formed me, matured me, and made me a better minister. As I begin to move into other areas of ministry, I often find myself calling on the many lessons I learned and skills I honed while in youth ministry. Many of those were first shaped while at RBC in the classroom and during weekend ministries. I thank God for the youth ministers who impacted my life, and I thank God for those He continues to call to order pizza . . . and do so much more.



Carrie Schwartz
Junior, Youth and Family Ministry Major

My home church, Scuppernon Church of Christ in Creswell, NC, is the place where I

decided to be a children's minister. The Youth and Family major has allowed me to grow in my walk with Christ as well as grow in the knowledge of children and the Bible. The class Parenting Models has taught me how children learn at various ages and how I can communicate with their parents. I truly feel that God has given me the gift of planting seeds in the little ones He has beautifully created, and I am so glad He did.

Bree and Eric are serving at Concord Christian Church in Concord, NC, and said they "couldn't be happier anywhere else!"

Bree: My job each week is to coordinate the pre-k and elementary age ministries in which we are averaging 150 kids. These kids are the best in the world! Coming out of college my expectation of children's ministry was to lead kids to Christ by teaching weekly and spending much of my time with them. I've come to learn that my role as the Children's Director is somewhat different: there is a lot of administrative work. A key element of my job is communicating with 130 parents and volunteers.

One way RBC helped prepare me for this ministry was by providing numerous leadership opportunities during my four years, giving me good insight into working with people. The youth ministry classes that I took . . . were also helpful because they gave good foundational truths about ministry. The thing that helped the most was my summer internship experience at Greenford Christian Church.

Eric: My job is awesome! I have the opportunity to minister to approximately seventy middle and high school students. With the help of my adult coaches, I lead these teens in spiritual growth through great Encounter nights, meaningful service projects and mission trips, relational small groups, and fun activities.

Student ministry is a little different from what I expected because there is less "hang out" time and more "preparation" time. But it's still great. RBC helped prepare me for this ministry in numerous ways. One way is through the classes I took--Introduction to Counseling, Hermeneutics, Science and the Bible, and Introduction to Youth Ministry, to name a few. These classes gave me the biblical knowledge I needed to write and teach lessons.

Taking advantage of different leadership opportunities also prepared me because I was able to gain experience in building relationships with people.

Finally, the part-time youth ministry at Son Rise Church of Christ was a necessary tool in my preparation for ministry.

Josh Rose

Senior, Youth and Family Ministry Major



I am a senior at Roanoke Bible College pursuing a major in Youth and Family ministry as well as a minor in counseling and a minor in preaching. I came to RBC in the spring of 2006 having served as the youth minister of a local congregation in Gum Neck, NC, for nearly two years, and where I continue to serve, thanks to God and the training I've received here. My classes have prepared me in so many ways to grow personally and to apply God's Word in practical ministry. My education has helped me to become not only a better youth and family minister, but also a better husband, father, and servant of others. Thank

you, Roanoke Bible College, and all those who support her, for seeking to educate and train Christian servants for much needed Christian service in this world.



Spring Semester, Jan. 12; Intensives Announced

Contact Admissions now to begin classes at RBC next semester, which runs Jan. 12-May 8. Those wishing to enroll in intensive courses Jan. 5-9 have these options, all taught by visiting professors:

US Government and Society, taught by Dr. Robin Underhill, 3 credits

Pastoral Epistles, taught by Loren Deckard, 2 credits

Worship Software and Technology, taught by Phil Slocum, 2 credits

To enroll call 800.RBC.8980 (334.2028, local), or apply online at www.roanokebible.edu.



A Fishy Tale

Fifteen teams fished in the first annual Open Bass Tournament, Sept. 27, raising almost \$1,300 for the college. First place went to Keith Munday and Tim McMan with 12.59 lbs.; second, Chris Kessler and son, 11.92 lbs.; and third, Michael and Scott Cumberledge, 11.74 lbs. Big fish went to Keith and Leonard Meads.

Special thanks to the Outdoor Ministries team of Elizabeth City Church of Christ for organizing and running the tournament. Watch for the date of next year's event.

61st Gospel Rally, Mar. 19, 20, Features Wilson, Alligood, and Missions Speaker

Calling alumni, friends of the college, and all who enjoy great preaching and worship singing! The 61st annual Gospel Rally and Homecoming on Mar. 19 and 20 promises to be a spiritual feast. **Don Wilson** (right) will speak for both evening sessions. Don is the founding minister of Christ's Church of the Valley in Peoria, AZ.



DON WILSON



NEAL ALLIGOOD

It has grown from meeting in a rented movie theater in 1982 to a 100-acre campus with over 9,000 in attendance each weekend in four services. Christ's Church of the Valley has assisted in starting 11 new congregations.

Neal Alligood '98 (above, right) is the alumni speaker Friday morning. Following graduation he worked at RBC in sports (athletic director, coach) and youth ministry. In July 2001 he became campus minister at NC State University in Raleigh, NC, with Campus Christian Fellowship. In June of 2008 Neal accepted a position with Christ's Church at Cobb in Atlanta, GA, where he will be working as associate minister and church planter in residence for two years in order to train to be a church planter.

The **missions speaker** has broad experience in church-planting and organizational development applying a God-given passion and vision to enabling the church to reach the lost. Believing that the Gospel of Jesus Christ is relevant for all people in all cultures at all times, he is involved in training international teams to reach the least reached and underserved people in the Muslim world.

Having been a main speaker at the NACC and years at the National Missionary Convention, he will communicate God's Word with passion and power. Due to the highly sensitive areas in which he works in the Muslim world, we cannot name him or mention other specifics here.

Rally details and publicity materials will be posted at www.roanokebible.edu, including motels, alumni lunch reservations, etc. For more information, contact Bill Griffin, Assistant to the President, at wag@roanokebible.edu or 252.334.2001. Alumni without internet access should also contact him for rally literature.

Name Change Coming

The trustees of Roanoke Bible College voted to proceed with changing the name of the college. Names that fit the college's mission are still being considered, and the date for effecting the change has not been announced. If you wish to discuss this exciting development, please contact President Perkins at dcp@roanokebible.edu or 252.334.2004.

08-09 Team, Schedule Announced

- Dec. 5 **Trinity Baptist College, Jacksonville, FL; HOME, tbd**
- Dec. 6 **Trinity Baptist College, Jacksonville, FL; HOME, tbd**
- Jan. 13 NC Wesleyan, Rocky Mount, NC; Away, 7:30 pm
- Jan. 17 Washington Bible College, Lanham, MD; Away, 3 pm
- Jan. 23 Christendom College, Front Royal, VA; HOME, 8 pm**
- Jan. 24 Patrick Henry College, Purcellville, VA; Away, 12
- Jan. 26 Voorhees College, Denmark, SC; HOME, 7:30 pm***
- Jan. 29 St. Andrews Presbyterian College, Laurinburg, NC; Away, 7 pm
- Feb. 7 Washington Bible College, Lanham, MD; HOME, 2 pm**
- Feb. 13, 14 S&CAC Tournament, HOME, tbd**
- Feb. 19 Voorhees College, Denmark, SC; Away, tbd*
- Feb. 21 Patrick Henry College, Purcellville, VA; HOME, 4 pm**
- Feb. 26-28 Tournament, Chicago; Away, tbd
- Mar. 19 Alumni, HOME, 1 pm**

*Time subject to change

For more information, contact Nicole Jones, Student Life Assistant, 252.334.2073 or ngj@roanokebible.edu.



2008-2009 ROANOKE FLAMES. Standing: Kendall Rankins, Terrance Britton, Charles Clark, Adam Swain, Coach Darrell Hairston. **Kneeling:** Charles Gregory, Carlos Clemons, Robert Daugherty.

GREETINGS FROM THE PRESIDENT

D. Clay Perkins, Ph.D.



Family matters! Recently my father went home to be with the Lord, and I was reminded of the importance of family. Now this picture of my dad and my four brothers on a hunting trip is more important than ever. No, I do not remember if the hunt was successful, but I do remember what is really important. The picture reminds me of a great day that I spent with family. Family matters.

Ministry matters! As one of the members of the leadership team at RBC, I must remember what is really important. At RBC it is critical that we never leave our heartbeat of educating ministers. Yes, I know

that the doctrine of "the priesthood of all believers" clarifies that we are all ministers. That is why RBC educates servants who will minister to others no matter how they earn their living. I celebrate that fact.

But one of RBC's roles in the Kingdom is to *educate those who will earn their living from the preaching and teaching of God's word*: preachers, youth ministers, missionaries, worship ministers, etc. That is what RBC does best, and that is what she will continue to do!

Recently we looked at male graduates from 2003 to 2008. There were 101. We found that 80% are in paid ministry. Wow! RBC can be trusted to educate ministers. We are one of the schools that continue to faithfully educate the next generation of ministers.

Some will say, "But you are not doing it fast enough." I agree. We have more churches asking for ministers than we can serve. Therefore, I also say, "Send us men, and we will send you preachers!" It is important for every church to foster an environment that encourages men to consider ministry!

Allow me to ask some bold questions: How many "Timothys" has the church you attend **sent out**? How many men from the church you attend are currently **enrolled** in a Bible college or Christian university studying for ministry? Do you **support** a college or university that educates ministers? Do you regularly **ask** the Lord of the Harvest for workers? Do you **pray** for more and more preachers?

Thank you for your trust in RBC to educate the next generation of ministers. **Ministry matters!**

Serving those who serve,

Clay

D. Clay Perkins, Ph.D.
President

Welcome, Class of 2012



Class of 2012—New students attending orientation banquet, August 2008. *Ground:* Frankie Bowers, Duane Harris, Ryan Dent, Austin Evans, Katie Cooper. *Seated:* Ashley Pintado, Lauren Trevino, Kristie Markham, Nicole Camden, Kay Wilson, Emilie Cooper, Anna Pierce, Asheton Rivenbark, Betty Nelson, Katie Andersen. *Third row:* Kaylin Sass, Kim Parks, Spring Guill, Ashley Rust, Kristi Pipkin, Jessica Respass, Jade Langrall, Rebecca Hail, Brittany Phillips, Bre Matchem, Lisa Moen, Mary Peale. *Fourth row:* Adam Swain, Matt Lebel, Craig Layfield, Mark Hatchel, Aaron Everett, Ray Luyk, James Packe, Taylor Everette, Riley Smith, Philip Taylor, Bradford Linton. *Back row:* Kevin Skiffington, Quan Morris, Rod Sershen, Jacob Okerlund, Dave Broyles, Ethan Coltrain, Christopher Williams, David Scott, Jamie Fulford.



EVENTS! EVENTS!

Jan. 5-9	Intensive classes
Jan. 10, 11	New student orientation
Jan. 12	Classes begin, 5 pm
Jan. 16, 17	Timothy Retreat
Jan. 18	Sunday Night Live, 6-8 pm
Jan. 20	RBC Foundation meeting
Jan. 27	2010 Gospel Rally Committee
Feb. 3	SFA-Graduate Dinner
Mar. 2-6	Spring Break
Mar. 19, 20	Gospel Rally
Mar. 29	Sunday Night Live, 6-8 pm
Apr. 7-14	Master's Twelve tour
Apr. 13, 14	Easter Break
Apr. 17-19	Oasis II (gr. 9-12) STRANGERS Blake Bergstrom, Speaker MercyRising, Worship Leaders
Apr. 24	Junior-Senior Banquet
May 3	Master's Twelve, 6:30 pm Davenport Chapel
May 4-8	Final exams
May 8	Trustees meeting
May 8	Baccalaureate, 7:30 pm
May 9	Commencement, 10 am

The Master's Twelve

(Local Programs)

Wednesday, Feb. 25

Elizabeth City Church of Christ
Elizabeth City, NC

Wednesday, Mar. 11

East Tenth Street Church of Christ
Roanoke Rapids, NC

Wednesday, Mar. 25

Colonial Heights Church of Christ
Norfolk, VA

Tuesday, Mar. 31

Beaver Dam Church of Christ
Washington, NC

Sunday, May 3

Davenport Chapel, RBC
Elizabeth City, NC

Langley to Lead Trustees

At their October meeting, members of the Board of Trustees elected new officers. Assuming their new roles on Jan. 1, 2009, are Gene M. Langley, Chair; Wyatt H. Colclasure II, Vice Chair; Denise M. Moulden, Secretary; and M. Lusetta Slagle, Assistant Secretary. Officers serve two-year terms.



MARK BEARD



STEVE JACKSON

ALUMination...

Shining the light on alumni

New ways to serve

Don Manis '83 is serving with First Health Hospice & Palliative Care in Pinehurst, NC, as a chaplain.
Doug '84 and Dianne Johnson ex'85 Carter are helping to lead a new church plant, Life Point Ministries, in Chesapeake, VA. The first service is planned for Jan. 4, 2009. Contact Doug at 757.333.1830 or dougcarter@lifepoint-online.com
Davon Huss '93 has accepted a call to preach for Monterey Church of Christ in Monterey, LA.
Jason Thornton '99 has been called to serve Seaford Church of Christ, Seaford, VA.
Richard Hamilton '02 is with Castle Hills Christian Church in San Antonio, TX, ministering to youth and young adults.
Scott Cumberledge '07 is ministering to the youth at Stafford County Christian Church, Stafford, VA.
Dan Dodson '08 has been called to serve Crossroads Christian Church in Largo, FL, as student minister.
Danielle Hortelano '08 is serving as director of youth at Mt. Olivet United Methodist Church in Manteo, NC.
Lee '08 and Robin '09 Modlin are in Pearlinton, MS, where Lee is leading a church plant in partnership with IDES.
Senior Joey Balsamo is serving a student ministry internship with New Venture Christian Church, Richmond, VA.

Weddings

Tim Winberg '05 and Karen Hammonds,
July 13

New family members

Mick '00 and Theresa Buchanan —
Jackson C., Aug. 1
Neph '98 and Sheryll Angoluan —
Caleb Matthew, Aug. 30
Steven and Kristen Marsh ex'03 Willmarth —
Estella Hazel, Sept. 15
Greg '02 and Katie Davenport '01
Coverdale — Claire Marie, Oct. 13

Admissions Counselor Jason '06 and Teri Piner '04 Woolard — Ariel Mason, Oct. 27

Other news 'n' notes

View RBC videos at www.godtube.com and www.youtube.com; type Roanoke Bible College in the search button.
Doug Keffer '77, Ph.D., recently celebrated his fifteenth anniversary at New Beginnings Counseling Services in Roanoke, VA.
Cherry Avenue Christian Church in Charlottesville, VA, recently thanked Christi Cutler Martin '91 for her nine years as Children's Ministry Coordinator. Having completed her master's degree in education, she will be teaching full-time.
Oasis I, Sept. 26-28, hosted 165 from 18 churches in 3 states.
Twelve teams raised \$3,100 for the college in a softball tournament in September that didn't happen. In spite of the rain cancellation, the teams donated their entrance fees, making the event successful anyway. We are grateful for their generosity and team spirit.

Albert Eugene Perry '71

Deceased October 26, 2008

Gene Perry, 76, of Lawrenceburg, KY, died Oct. 26 at the Hospice Care Center in Lexington. He was a retired employee of IBM, having served 30 years, and a saw-mill owner and operator. A member of the Corinth Christian Church, he served as elder, deacon, and Sunday school teacher; he was also a director at Camp Calvary Christian Assembly. Gene served in the U.S. Army during the Korean Conflict and was a 1971 graduate of Roanoke. Sincere sympathy is expressed to Margaret '71, his wife of 54 years, and daughter Carlola Perry Foster '85 and her family.

Thanks, Steve! Other Personnel Changes Announced

On Jan. 1, 2009, Steve Jackson '86 will conclude nearly ten years on staff with the college and become Worship and Arts Director at First Christian Church in Titusville, FL. As "Papa Steve," he befriended and helped to mature resident men. As yearbook advisor, he made sure the memories for each year were preserved in both print and electronic media. As a director of plays and musical ensembles, he provided countless hours of education, praise, and entertainment. He will be sorely missed. Our prayers and thanks go with him.

Mark Beard, admissions counselor specializing in the Northeast, recently concluded three years of excellent foundational work for the college to begin service as Family Pastor with the Christian Church in Cogan Station, PA.

Professor Renee Lease '76 is now serving as Service-Learning Director, replacing Debbie Dodson ex'78, who has returned to nursing full time. We are grateful for their willingness to lead students in this important area of their education. Thanks also to Joey Cecil Gallihugh '08, Stephanie Stanley, and Teri Woolard '04, who have worked in the Academic Affairs office. Welcome to the new administrative assistants there, Charlotte Damron (for the Vice President) and Charlea Cormode '02 (for the Registrar).

Tribute Gifts

To the RBC Foundation:

Gene and Alice Andrews, Annie Askew, Lori Caswell, Herb and Gene Crase, Mike and Nancy Duffer, Mike Harden, Debbie Harry, Leslie Harvey, Bonnie and Sandy Johnson, George and Phyllis Lindle, Chris and Crystal McCarthy, Claudette Alford Wicker, Will and Nancy Vossmeier, Kim Waterfield, Ronnie Woolard, Lisa Zink (Honor)

Bill Claus, Elwin and Dorothy Hogan, Ethel Sauder (Memory)

by M/M Richard J. Lindsley

Dr. Lee M. Fields (Honor)

by M/M Mark Beard, George BonDurant, M/M John Coup, M/M David Cox, M/M Donald Cox, M/M Earl Dague, M/M Frank Dodson, Julie Fields, Margie Fields, M/M William Griffin, M/M Lawrence Hamman, M/M Jay Keeling, M/M Jeff Knauss, Kevin Larsen, M/M Jay Garrett Lewis, M/M Weston McArtor, M/M Daniel McLinn, M/M Robert Ourada, M/M Jonathan Poyner, M/M Vincent Schoenecker, Carol Vasina, M/M Mark Werbin, Lamplighter Class of White Oak Christian Church (Cincinnati, OH), M/M Keith Wood

C. M. Kitchens (Memory)

by Atlanta (GA) Toulouse SC Committee, S. Elizabeth BonDurant, M/M William Callahan, Betty Davis, Elizabeth Etoll, M/M Douglas Lorch, M/M Roy Martin, Sally Monsour, Grace Presley

Michael D. Lease (Memory)

Timothy R. Lease (Memory)

by M/M C. Wayne Murphy

Emmett P. Murphy (Honor)

by Richard and Joy Griffin, Steve and Debbie Hudgins, John and Ira Murphy

Robert L. Perkins, Sr. (Memory)

by D/M A. Eugene Andrews, Jean W. Bennett, George BonDurant, S. Elizabeth BonDurant, D/M William Bravard, M/M Albert Clark, M/M David Cuthbertson,

First Citizens Bank (Elizabeth City), M/M Denis Fritz, M/M William Griffin, Hasten International (Winston-Salem, NC), M/M Stephen Jones, M/M Kurtis Kight, M/M Garrett Lewis, M/M Richard Lindsley, M/M Emmett Murphy, M/M Curt Nordhielm, D/M D. Clay Perkins, Rehoboth Victory Christian Church (Elizabeth City), Mildred M. Sechrest, M/M W. Keith Tankard, M/M W. Keith Wood, M/M Robert Yanka

J.T. and Addie Maye Segroves (Memory)

by Jerelyn S. Anderson, M/M Sherrill J. Fritts

Rod Burke, Jay Hardison, Pete Isenberg (Honor)

by D/M D. Clay Perkins

To the Library:

Wade Newton (Memory)

Marion Steiner (Memory)

by M/M Denis Fritz

Leroy E. Waters, Sr. (Memory)

by M/M Leroy Waters

To the General Fund:

Steven R. Barmes (Memory)

by Ellen Potter Barmes

Joyce W. Burruss (Memory)

by M/M Ron Brennecke

Lucille D. Griffin (Memory)

by Rosalie Bridgman

Allen Herndon (Memory)

by Corinne P. Herndon

Laura Brabble Krantz (Memory)

by M/M David A. Jones
M/M W. Keith Wood

Georgie Lane Adkins (Memory)

by M/M Larry Owen

Thomas Leggett (Memory)

by M/M C. Bruce Fraser

Kenneth and Mildred Little (Memory)

Danny Whitehurst (Memory)

Harvey Whitehurst (Memory)

by Edith L. Whitehurst

Kenneth A. Schultz (Memory)

by Ann S. Robinson
M/M Terry W. Schultz

Kenneth C. Swain (Memory)

by M/M Steven B. Swain

Merritt Watson, Sr. (Honor)

by Jane Brown

Lawrence O. Weaver (Memory)

by JoEllyn F. Weaver

Matching Gifts

Abbott Laboratories Fund

for Jean Womble Bennett
Ronald Johnston

Eaton Corporation

for Charlene Veazey

Norfolk Southern Foundation

for Donna Fisher

State Farm Companies Foundation

for Dawn C. Elliott

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for Ray Wagner

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for Robert N. Lineweaver

Wachovia Bank & Trust Co.

for Darrell Katovsich
Danette McCracken

DID YOU KNOW?

In 2008 and 2009 taxpayers age 70 1/2 and older can give up to \$100,000 a year from their IRA's directly to charities like Roanoke Bible College TAX FREE! Please consult your financial advisor. For more information, contact Keith Wood, Vice President for Development, 252.334.2034 or wkw@roanokebible.edu.

Conserving, Sharing 'Natural' Resources

Who wants to waste hard earned money, especially in today's economic climate? Did you know that the average family could find an additional \$16,000 to pass on to their heirs or to a Christian ministry through the material shared in an Estate Planning Seminar from Roanoke Bible College?

Every Christian has a responsibility to be the very best steward possible with what God has blessed us in our lifetime. In Psalm 13:6, David is rejoicing and singing to the Lord "because He has dealt bountifully with me." I am convinced that the Lord has dealt bountifully with each of us as well.

RBC's Estate Planning Seminar is based on good Christian stewardship. You will find that this seminar can mean blessings to your local church also. Through this great program millions of dollars are earmarked for kingdom work for many of our churches. Why not plan on hosting a seminar at your church in the coming year? Contact Emmett Murphy for more details at 757.872.7357 or epm@roanokebible.edu.

Congratulations!



2008-2009 WALLACE-EAKES SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS. Front: Josh Nunez, Elizabeth Vahey, Mrs. Doris Eakes, Mary Peale, Brittany Phillips. **Back:** Taylor Everette, Greg Webb, Cody Brinkley, Danny Tanner, Drew Bromm, Chris Gallihugh.



On the road for RBC!



NEW CREATION 2008: Rebecca Nelson, Ethan Coltrain, and Asheton Rivenbark.

STUDENT REPS: Clockwise from bottom: Kay Wilson, Frankie Bowers, Katie Cooper, Jessica Howery. These four will travel to various conventions, college fairs, etc., to represent RBC and encourage prospective students.



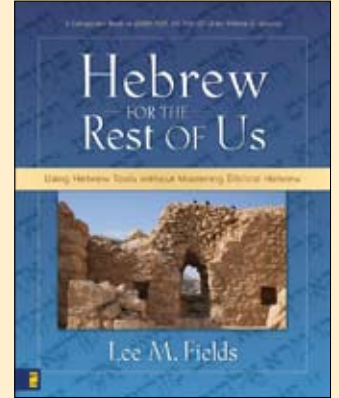
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Fields Authors Book; Now Available



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