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Back to School

Education Includes Sharing Love in All Walks of Life

School of Professional Studies Now in Session

At the Cutting Edge of Biblical Language Instruction

Education Majors Begin Partnerships

Mid-Atlantic CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITY



From the President

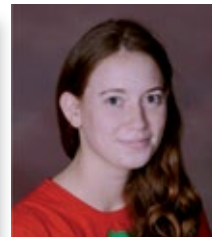
We are celebrating 65 years of serving others with the love of Christ! We thank you for your partnership. We are empowered by your prayers. We are enabled by your giving. With your strong support, we will continue to love, for this is the message we have heard from the beginning.

Serving Those Who Serve,

Clay

D. Clay Perkins, Ph.D.
President

L-R: Marcus Wilson,
Rebecca Hail,
Chloe Lackey,
Jay LaNunziata,
Brittany Meinsen



Loving One Another

As we start the 2012-2013 academic year, Mid-Atlantic's faculty, staff, and students are reminded that life is all about this crazy, radical, revolutionary, unconditional, stubborn thing called Biblical love. Biblical love is really understood only by Christians. This type of love is a game-changer in every way.

At Mid-Atlantic you will find very high moral standards and very challenging academics, all based on a Christian worldview, which is based on God's Word. The result is some amazing students, alumni, and graduates who have a new lifestyle of showing Biblical love. That's why you'll find our students doing some extraordinary things, often when no one is watching.

Consider **Marcus Wilson's** tweet: "The dude was just lying down on the sidewalk, asleep. I gave him \$10 to go eat. I had to do it." That's love. The phrase "I had to do it" made me smile. Then there's our student **Rebecca Hail**. She told me that she almost did not get a job this summer because she was a student at Mid-Atlantic Christian University, and the owner did not want any "Christians" working there. But she was persistent and received the job. I asked her, "Were you the best summer worker they ever had?" Her answer was amazing: "Of course! I was determined to be the best summer employee they ever had." She left her employer with a different impression about Christians. That's love.

Chloe Lackey, an Elementary Education major, was in Vietnam teaching English this summer. Students **Jay LaNunziata** and **Brittany Meinsen** worked in an orphanage in Chile this past summer, showing love and teaching a song we all know – "Jesus Loves Me" – in Spanish. Another student, **D. J. Waltz**, was also in Chile, ministering, via skateboarding, to outcast children living in the streets. That's love.

I am so proud of our students as they live out Biblical love, demonstrating that it is alive and well today. Whether our students are nearby or overseas, it is normal to find them serving others!

*This is the message you have heard
from the beginning: We should love
one another. ~ 1 John 3:11*

Help.

It is my duty as President to speak the truth in love. I am confident that God's people will respond. Giving to Mid-Atlantic was down significantly last academic year. Primarily the cause was the lack of large gifts, but not exclusively. Also last year we had multiple nonrecurring financial write-offs beyond our control. The result will be one of the worst financial audits Mid-Atlantic has suffered in years. Be assured, Mid-Atlantic stretches every gift dollar as far as it can go. We have cut back to the bare bones. We have downsized the number of employees. We had our staff take pay cuts this summer. We have been, and remain, wise stewards of all God has blessed us with through good people like you. The reality is Mid-Atlantic cannot survive multiple financial years like last year. That is speaking the truth in love.

I believe in Christian higher education. Christian higher education is the hope of the world. I believe in God's people. We need everyone to strongly support the school in 2012-2013 in prayers and in giving! This is the time to stand behind a Christian university we all love. This is not a time to worry about using the right fundraising words. By nature I am a preacher. I believe that giving and praying for Mid-Atlantic are spiritual issues. I am praying not for gifts to fund this school, but for gifts that can be credited to your account as righteousness as you excel in the grace of giving.

So thank you in advance for your help. If you have questions, please let me know. Together we can allow this school to grow on a firm base of prayer and financial stability.

Cover photo courtesy www.coryfurlough.com. Jared Hedges, a senior from Fort Collins, Colorado, is majoring in Biblical Studies and Counseling & Psychology with a minor in Flight Education & Military Science.

Back to School! 65th Year in Full Swing



New students attended the annual orientation banquet. **Front Row:** Mia Amos, Judith Pritchett, Lacreasha Young, Conise Green, Morgan Nayadley, Emily Whitten, Ashley Bell, Emily Bennett, Paige Colditz, Rebeka Woodard, Amy Isler, Dalina Wiley. **Second Row:** Chris Howard, Sam Tyree, Brandon Davis, Elizabeth Sanchez, Jessica Shellman, Miami Burkey, Ezekiel Harris, Rita Maclin, Dustin McCrea, Ryleigh Russ-O'Shea, Keara Lyons, Haley Downs, Susan Outlaw. **Back Row:** Nick Smith, Caleb Reynolds, Joey Craft, Jake Willis, Davontae Timpson. Back: Josh Schmitz, Drew Johnson, Evan Tanner, Demetrius Stokley, Mikel Harvey, Angus Spencer.

School of Professional Studies Offers Option Next Session Begins October 15

Back to school – it's not just for kids anymore. Adults are returning to school in growing numbers. And they need options – options to improve their employment opportunities, retool themselves, or prepare themselves for areas they feel called to enter. MACU has developed the School of Professional Studies to meet these types of needs for Adult Learners.

The current programs allow adults to pursue, online or in seat, an Associate of Arts, Bachelor of Science in Christian Ministries and Biblical Studies, Bachelor of Science in Family Studies with a minor in Biblical Studies, or a Bachelor of Science in Entrepreneurial Leadership with a minor in Biblical Studies. The four-year degree builds on an Associate's degree or accumulated courses and/or work credit. Plans are in place to offer the four-year degree entirely online in the future.

Vice President for Student Services Ken Greene, Ed.D., stated, "It is crucial to offer adults the opportunity to pursue their educational goals and career calling in a manner that enables them to continue to meet the needs of their family, current work obligations, and life circumstances. MACU's School of Professional Studies allows these opportunities in the context that the individual is living in." MACU's Enrollment team assists with the enrollment process, and there is also a reduced tuition offered for adult learners.

Many of them have been away from school for a significant number of years and have the very same anxieties and fears as traditional students. It is fair to expect that these adults are apprehensive about managing homework and class time on top of their already full lives. Contact Dan Smith at 252.334.2058 for more information. The next block of classes begins October 15.

Don't Miss These Events Enrollment Events

Please send your teens and youth staff to these Enrollment-sponsored events:

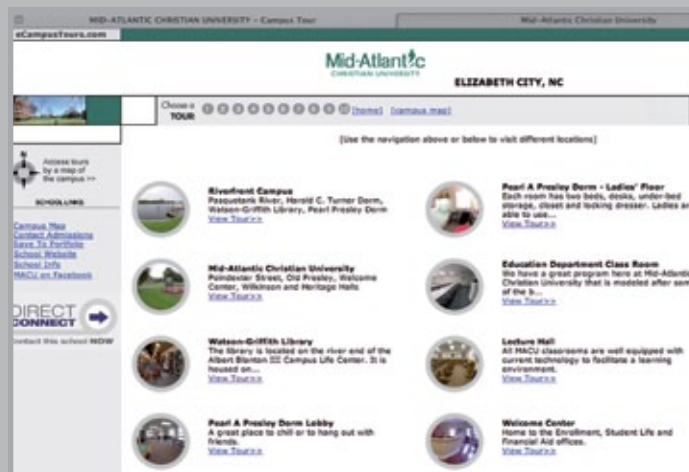
SNL (Sunday Night Live) – Oct. 14, Jan. 20

College Preview Weekend
featuring The City Harmonic – Nov. 9, 10

MLK Day of Service – Jan. 21

Virtual Tours Launched

Visit the MACU home page to take our new 360° Virtual Campus Tour. This feature enables prospective students to view campus exteriors and interiors in high definition photography.





Thinking Biblically

Calm Amid the Storm

Dr. Robert Reese

Your people will be my people and
your God will be my God.

Ruth 1:16b

Hurricane Isaac is churning its way through Louisiana and Arkansas as I write this. Hurricanes are massive storms, leaving lots of destruction in their path and creating lots of misery for people. But each hurricane also has an eye right in the middle that is an area of complete calm. After you have been battered for some hours, calm comes when the eye passes over you, then the storm hits you again.

That is much like the setting of the Book of Ruth. This short book is an example of calm amid the storm that characterized the days of the judges. While the days of the judges were chaotic, with everyone doing as he pleased and often paying no attention to God, the Book of Ruth shows there were still godly people in Israel.

Ruth was a widow from Moab who had just arrived in Bethlehem with her Israelite mother-in-law, Naomi. Both

widows were hungry, but things would improve for them in Bethlehem. As Ruth tried to find food, she could easily have been harassed by Israelites, since she was a foreigner. But she ended up in the field of Boaz, a godly man, who honored and protected her.

Eventually Boaz took her to be his wife as he was a kinsman-redeemer related to her late husband. This family became ancestors of the Lord Jesus. All this blessing occurred during dark days in Israel, but the Book of Ruth is full of peace and love, even for strangers who get included in God's family. Ruth found calm in the midst of a storm.

Today is full of turmoil – financial disaster, family breakdown, violent politics, droughts and floods, mass murders, and epidemics. Can our families, churches, and even communities provide a place of calm in the midst of storms so people can find God, just as Ruth did in Bethlehem in the home of Boaz? May our homes, churches, and communities be islands of godliness in the storms of life so lost people can find a home with God and His people.

Forget Success!! Published



Roger Brady, General USAF (ret) and adjunct MACU professor, has published another book: *Forget Success!! How Principled Leaders Use Character, Communication and Caring to Get There, Anyway*. It is available as an ebook on Amazon, or in paperback from the author at roger@rogerabradylc.com.

From the book description on Amazon:

"Forget Success!! is a book about principled leadership for those who have been chosen for leadership positions or aspire to be leaders. Roger Brady, a recently retired U.S. Air Force General, shares his 41 years of experience in leading many diverse organizations. This book will help leaders avoid the pitfalls of self-absorption that have derailed the efforts of so many leaders and left the mission and their organizations in ruin. The author focuses on the importance of character, particularly courage, as a foundational attribute of effective, principled leaders. He then shows how communication and caring can yield the success that often eludes those who focus on it. This is a candid discussion you will not often hear from senior leaders. Roger Brady tells stories of both success and failure from his own experience and compels readers to consider their own foundations as they assume responsibilities of leadership."

Phillips Returns to Pulpit Full-Time



Dr. Robbie Phillips has resigned as MACU's Associate Professor of Preaching, accepting a preaching position with Hill-n-Dale Christian Church in Lexington, Kentucky. He served Mid-Atlantic two years as professor and program advisor. We wish him and his family well as he returns to his first ministry passion – proclaiming God's Word on a weekly basis.

Impact
Transform
Lead

Academic Advancement Congratulations

MACU on the Cutting Edge of Biblical Language Instruction

Dr. Lee Fields spent ten days on the campus of Fresno Pacific University as a facilitator of a Greek Fluency Workshop (*facilitators and participants pictured below*). The workshop was organized by Dr. Brian Schultz of the biblical studies faculty of Fresno Pacific University and enlisted the help of the Biblical Language Center (BLC). The BLC, based in Jerusalem, was founded by Dr. Randall Buth, the lead facilitator of the Workshop.

uninspired and Greek Bibles unused. In the "communicative approach" to language study, students learn to think in Greek. They know Greek better, rather than merely knowing about Greek. Furthermore, learners have a lot more fun learning. Rather than sitting in desks, students move from floor to ceiling acting, manipulating, and discussing things in Greek.



Facilitators and participants – which included professors, missionaries, students, and preachers – came from the United States and around the world. As the name implies, the goal of the conference was to help participants grow in fluency in Koine Greek, the Greek in which the New Testament was composed. Each day was spent with participants acting and reacting to things spoken in Greek and listening and speaking in Greek. At the end of the conference participants were invited to write and tell their own stories in Greek. Though such concentrated work was exhausting, it was fun, especially as participants were able to see their reading and comprehension skills dramatically improve. Toward the end of the conference one participant commented that he sat down and read a couple of pages in his Greek New Testament with speed and comprehension he had never before enjoyed.

To be able to read and study the Greek New Testament better is why participants came to learn to speak in Greek. In traditional teaching, students memorize vocabulary lists, paradigms, and rules, leaving many students of Greek

For the last five years at MACU, Dr. Fields has been teaching both Koine Greek and Biblical Hebrew using these methods. He said, "I used to do a pretty good job of teaching the languages in the traditional way. But I had reached a kind of ceiling, where it was difficult to make much advancement. But now the lid is off. I know I can keep getting better. And so can our students." Whereas about ten percent of people function well under traditional methods, communicative methods follow the natural ways humans learn language so that anyone can learn Greek. Dr. Fields is happy to be part of this cutting edge movement.



Power Cuts, Potholes, and Praise

Excerpts from a report: July 2012 trip to Zimbabwe
by Robert Reese

Returning to Zimbabwe for the eleventh time since my family moved away in 2002 was strangely different this time. It wasn't the frequent power cuts, which have been an almost daily occurrence the past several years, or the potholed streets, which were somewhat better this year. It wasn't the fact that I was travelling alone as I usually only have a team of Americans with me every other year now.

Last year and this year it has finally been dawning on me that we don't actually live in Zimbabwe anymore; in fact Zimbabwe is starting to feel just a little foreign to me. Starting last year, the Zimbabwean immigration authority impressed that feeling on me, as I had to pay for a visitor's visa for the first time in my life.

The city of Bulawayo where we lived for over twenty years has also changed: the phasing out of the local currency, a decidedly rundown city, trash everywhere, and an air of chaos about the city center where pedestrians, cyclists, and vehicles compete for space on the crowded streets.

But, of course, we still have many friends, mostly Christians, who live in the chaos. Despite the difficulties, or perhaps because of them, African faith has a fresh vitality to it as well as an ancient flavor of early Christianity.

The main purpose of my trips to Zimbabwe each year is to conduct a week-long Bible school for rural church leaders in their own languages, the only such training they get all year. During the school, we had intensive lessons on Church History, Church Planting, Doctrines of God and Christ, Leadership Qualities, and an in-depth study of Philippians, using both local and foreign teachers.



Those who completed four years of attending the Bible school for rural church leaders in Zimbabwe receive their certificates.

Following the school, more rural leaders came into town for a business meeting most of the day on a Saturday, and the week wound up with a "Big Sunday" celebration. Here the emphasis was all on praise. No matter how difficult life is, there is always room to be thankful.

Africans have a way of triumphing over difficulties through their faith, and that is so uplifting to witness. Despite the deterioration of the city and country, I can't wait to return next year to join them in doing what is still left undone there for the cause of Jesus.

Wood Now 'CCNL'



W. Keith Wood, Vice President for Development, recently achieved his Credentialed Christian Nonprofit Leader (CCNL) credentials from Christian Leadership Alliance (CLA) and Azusa Pacific University.

CLA is a national association based in San Clemente, CA, that represents more than 9,000 individuals from 4,500 Christian nonprofit organizations nationwide.

The mission of CLA is to exhort, equip and empower Christian leaders to think biblically and lead effectively as faithful stewards in the service of Jesus Christ. Azusa is a Christian university located 26 miles northeast of Los Angeles and is a leader in the Council for Christian Colleges & Universities.

CLA and Azusa have joined forces to create the new Credentialed Christian Nonprofit Leader (CCNL) program. The CCNL program promotes biblical principles and professional standards in Christian ministry leadership.

Elementary Education Update



The recently approved Elementary Education major is moving forward, with the first five slated to graduate in spring 2013. But before that happens, these students will complete the fall semester in the "partnership" setting and then student teach in the spring semester.

Partnership is a rigorous semester. Students work in public schools under the direction of mentor teachers.

Concurrently, the students take classes at MACU that will enhance the experience in the public schools. For most school districts in the area this type of field experience is new.

Dr. Barbara Williams, program advisor and associate professor, said, "We will be working in 'partnership' to ensure that our teacher candidates receive the best experiences and that the schools get valuable help. The combination of on-campus classes teamed with that of being mentored in the public school classrooms cannot be matched in its benefits to our teacher candidates."

At the end of this academic year the five seniors will take the Praxis II, a test required by most states in order to get a license to teach. There will be "jam sessions" to support students with the intent to build confidence about taking the test. Students will also have an opportunity to do mock interviews with principals, another confidence-builder that should help the teacher candidates get jobs.

"Please join us in praying for our seniors, specifically that this year will be filled with wonderful learning experiences and that those tests will be no match for them," Dr. Williams asks. "Also, pray for all our other students and for this program of study. We need more Christians in public schools, those with a heart to serve the students they teach."

Sawyer Honored for 42 Years of Service



Colleagues, friends, and family paid tribute to **Joan Sawyer** on August 3 at a retirement banquet honoring her 42 years of service to Mid-Atlantic as registrar. Guests heard many words of praise and thanks for a job well done in her lifetime of service.

Mid-Atlantic's second president, Bill Griffin, spoke of her compassion in her work with students and in her ministries with her local church. Enrollment Counselor Garrett Lewis spoke of her service in

the area of admissions as she assisted in enrolling students. Professor Ronnie Woolard reminded the audience of the many "hats" she had worn through the years. He and a former professor, Wendy Guthrie, presented two gifts: a collection of letters and notes sent by alumni and supporters, and a framed collage of pictures of Joan in her role as registrar over the decades.

Dr. Kevin Larsen spoke of her dedication to the tasks at hand, which were relentless and demanding. He presented her a gift from numerous friends and colleagues to be used for travel or projects of her choosing. Gene Langley, Chairman of the Board of Trustees, gave thanks and recognition from the board.

In closing remarks, President Perkins quoted graduates who mentioned Miss Sawyer's "helpfulness, sweet heart, and genuine spirit" and that she "is a part of the core that has molded so many Christian workers." He concluded, "Thank you for your passion for details, your passion for service, your passion for ministry. I have enjoyed my time serving beside you. A university is not run by the president. A university is run by people like you. People who wear many hats."

Joan is a native of Hyde County, NC, having grown up in the Pleasant Grove Church of Christ in Engelhard. She was the first of three daughters of Roscoe and Louise Sawyer to graduate from Mid-Atlantic (pictured right).



Rhoda Marsh '78, Joan '69, Sharon Thornton '71

Following graduation she worked in New York and took classes from Milligan College. Joan returned to her alma mater in 1970, working as registrar, yearbook advisor, and a dormitory director. During her years on staff she attended numerous workshops (both in-service and off site) and completed additional studies at Abilene Christian University, College of the Albemarle, and Liberty University.

Miss Sawyer's service extended to the community and around the world. She has interpreted for the deaf in various settings, sung in numerous groups and performances, and served on her church's benevolence committee. She served 19 years as secretary of the Board of Advisors of Central India Christian Mission (1983-2002). She also taught photography and for years took campus pictures, including East Campus scenes from the top of the Continental Grain Elevator, which stood by the Pasquotank River beside North Campus.

Although retired, Miss Sawyer is still on campus often as she helps to train her successor, Yolanda Teske, who was introduced in the last issue of The Messenger.

MACU Nationally Ranked

You know that college can do a lot for you, but what is your college doing for others?

In a list ranking about 350 U.S. undergraduate schools, Mid-Atlantic was ranked 52 among baccalaureate schools giving back, schools that are worth the investment people make in it. The Washington Monthly recently published its College Guide and Rankings. According to its website, www.washingtonmonthly.com, it considers the following (various excerpts from website):

Are they educating low-income students, or just catering to the affluent? Are they improving the quality of their teaching, or ducking accountability for it? Are they trying to become more productive—and if so, why is average tuition rising faster than health care costs? Every year we lavish billions of tax dollars and other public benefits on institutions of higher learning. This guide asks: Are we getting the most for our money?

The Washington Monthly rankings are based on three factors. The first is social mobility, which gives colleges credit for enrolling many low-income students and helping them earn degrees. The second recognizes research production, particularly at schools whose undergraduates go on to earn PhDs. Third, we value a commitment to service. The more expensive college becomes, the more students are encouraged to see higher education as a mere return on investment. The students in our best colleges are taught by example and design to look beyond themselves and give back.

And because the cost of higher education has become so crucial, we have added a new factor to our college rankings this year. The social mobility measure that rewards colleges with better-than-expected graduation rates has been improved to account for college prices. Colleges that are both effective and inexpensive get the highest marks.

President Clay Perkins said, "We are happy to see that other organizations are now seeing what we have known for a long time – that Mid-Atlantic Christian University is a premiere, private, faith-based institution of higher education. Mid-Atlantic has a rich tradition of serving others in the community and around the world for 65 years," he continued. "Her professors and staff model such service for the students. In addition, the school has always been a place for first generation and low-income college students to achieve their dream of a college education."

Teams Shaping Up, Schedules Full

Basketball players, men and women, have hit campus, the court, and the community full force. While the rosters are not finalized, potential team members are applying themselves in the classroom and out, taking advantage of extra study opportunities made available to them, as well as to all students. They have started workouts in the gym and have already begun "Mustangs on Mission," serving students and teachers alike at nearby Sheep Harney Elementary School.

Be sure to cheer on the Mustangs at a game near you, or come to campus to root for the home team. See the schedules below

Men's Basketball Schedule

2012

10/19	Pep Rally - Intro of Team	8:00 PM	HOME
11/1	Florida Christian College	7:00 PM	Kissimmee, FL
11/2	Trinity Baptist College	4:00 PM	Jacksonville, FL

MACU Showcase Event

11/8	Germanna CC v Vance Granville	6:00 PM	HOME
11/8	MACU v Appalachian BC	8:00 PM	HOME
11/9	Germanna CC v App. BC	6:00 PM	TBD
11/9	MACU v Vance Granville CC	8:00 PM	TBD
11/10	App. BC v Vance Granville CC	1:00 PM	HOME
11/10	MACU v Germanna CC	3:00 PM	HOME

11/15	NC Wesleyan	7:30 PM	Rocky Mount, NC
11/17	Pitt Community College	7:00 PM	Winterville, NC
11/19	Elizabeth City State University	7:00 PM	ECSU, Eliz. City, NC
11/28	The Apprentice School	6:00 PM	Newport News, VA
12/1	NC Wesleyan	4:00 PM	HOME
12/3	Pitt Community College	7:00 PM	HOME
12/7	Washington Bible College	7:00 PM	Lanham, MD
12/8	Davis College	3:00 PM	Johnson City, NY
12/14	Vance Granville CC	7:00 PM	Henderson, NC

Christmas Break

2013

1/12	Johnson & Wales University	4:00 PM	HOME
1/15	Piedmont International Univ.	7:00 PM	Winston-Salem, NC
1/19	Patrick Henry College	2:00 PM	HOME
1/25	Germanna Community College	7:30 PM	Fredericksburg, VA
1/26	Christendom College	2:00 PM	Front Royal, VA
1/29	The Apprentice School	7:00 PM	HOME
2/2	Washington Bible College	4:00 PM	HOME
2/4	Piedmont International Univ.	4:00 PM	HOME
2/8	Davis College	7:00 PM	HOME
2/9	Christendom College	3:00 PM	HOME
2/12	William Peace University	7:30 PM	Raleigh, NC
2/15	Johnson & Wales Univ	7:30 PM	Charlotte, NC
2/16	Patrick Henry College	5:30 PM	Purcellville, VA

Postseason Play

2/22	SCAC Tournament - TBD	TBD	Johnson City, NY
2/23	SCAC Tournament - TBD	TBD	Johnson City, NY
2/28	Bible College NIT - TBD	TBD	Bradley, WV-ABC
3/1	Bible College NIT - TBD	TBD	Bradley, WV-ABC
3/2	Bible College NIT - TBD	TBD	Bradley, WV-ABC

Upgrades In and Around Chesson Gym



"Mustangs" appears under the boards, and the floor shines with its new finish. Existing spaces were rearranged and a few walls knocked down or put up to allow for locker rooms, a new storage area, and repositioned concession area.

A special thanks is due the McCarty family for finding a creative way to Back the Herd. Ryan McCarty, son of Barry '75 and Pat '76, donated money toward having the floor refinished with new logos and paint job for the upcoming season. In return the Mustangs included a floor decal dedicated to the memory of Ryan's grandfather, George Boyd Powell. This two-year agreement fills a need in the sports program while honoring a man with longtime connections to Mid-Atlantic.



Lady Mustangs - Basketball Schedule

2012

10/19	Pep Rally - Intro of Team	8:00 PM	Chesson Gym - MACU
11/1	Trinity Baptist College	6:00 PM	Jacksonville, FL
11/2	Trinity Baptist College	2:00 PM	Jacksonville, FL
11/10	Cape Fear Comm. College	2:00 PM	Wilmington, NC
11/14	Elizabeth City State Univ.	7:00 PM	ECSU, Eliz. City, NC
11/15	Piedmont International Univ.	6:00 PM	Winston-Salem, NC
11/19	Trinity Washington Univ.	7:00 PM	Washington DC
11/27	Greensboro College	5:30 PM	Greensboro, NC
11/28	Bennett College	6:00 PM	Greensboro, NC
12/1	Washington Adventist Univ.	6:30 PM	HOME
12/7	Patrick Henry College	7:00 PM	Purcellville, VA
12/8	Davis College	1:00 PM	Johnson City, NY
12/15	Greensboro College	2:00 PM	HOME

Christmas Break

2013

1/15	Bennett College	6:00 PM	HOME
1/18	Tidewater Tech	7:00 PM	HOME
1/19	Christendom College	3:00 PM	Front Royal, VA
1/25	Tidewater Tech	7:00 PM	HOME
1/26	Washington Adventist Univ.	6:30 PM	Tacoma Park, MD
2/2	Patrick Henry College	2:00 PM	HOME
2/4	Piedmont International Univ.	2:00 PM	HOME
2/8	Davis College	5:00 PM	HOME
2/9	Christendom College	1:00 PM	HOME
2/15	Appalachian BC Tourney	5:30 PM	Bradley, WV
2/16	Appalachian BC Tourney	TBD	Bradley, WV

Postseason Play

2/22	SCAC Tournament - TBD	TBD	Johnson City, NY
2/23	SCAC Tournament - TBD	TBD	Johnson City, NY

Go Mustangs!

New Ministries and Service

Don Phelps '71 is now preaching for Saint's Delight Church of Christ, Roper, NC.

Allen Quain '75 has recently become Minister of Christian Education at Cornerstone Community Church, Ocoee, FL. He continues in his role as manager with Creation House/Charisma Media in Lake Mary, FL.

Ric Walford '77 is preaching for Laurinburg Christian Church in Laurinburg, NC.

Jon Langley '87 is now ministering with Gum Neck Church of Christ, Columbia, NC.

Michael Jackson ex'88 has been called to serve Unionville Christian Church in Unionville, VA.

Phil Sutton '95 is ministering with Berea Church of Christ in Hertford, NC.

Bobby Wallace'00 has been called as Associate Minister by Plymouth Church of Christ, Plymouth, NC.

Daniel Davenport '02 has been called to preach for Community Christian Church, Richlands, NC.

E.J. Wyant '03 is serving Craigsville Elementary School, Craigsville, VA, as physical education teacher.

Chris '04 and **Lindsey Lamm ex'05 Woolard** are leading a church planting effort, "The Wilmington Project," in Wilmington, NC. **Athletic Director Neal Alligood '98** is the Stadia representative serving as Management Team Chair of the project for two years.

Tim Cyphers '05 is the new Family Life Minister for Norway Avenue Church of Christ in Huntington, WV.

Danny Quidgeon '05 has been called by Lifespring Christian Church in Akron, OH, to be Associate Minister of Youth and Worship.

Les Croff '05 is serving Greensboro Christian Church, Greensboro, NC, as senior minister. His wife, **Katie '06**, has accepted an opportunity with New College Institute, Martinsville, VA, as the Coordinator of Experiential Learning.

Liz Kretzer '07 is now Director of Food Services at Lake Aurora Christian Camp and Retreat Center, Lake Wales, FL.

Kurt Juergens '09 is now Youth Minister for Cornerstone Community Church in San Clemente, CA.

Alina Burton '10 is teaching elementary school art and computer at Emmanuel Christian School in Manassas, VA.

Josh Rose '11 has enlisted in the Army, entering as a Specialist and training to be a Cryptologic Linguist.

Senior **Ryan Dent** is serving First Christian Church in Roanoke Rapids, NC, as Youth Minister.

Junior **Aaron Stokes** is serving Eastern Pines Church of Christ in Greenville, NC, as Children's Minister.

Obituaries & Notes of Sympathy

Rodney Thomas Hill '87, 74, passed away on November 30, 2011 in Portsmouth, VA. He was the husband of the late Dorothy Mayes Hill '86. Mr. Hill retired from the U.S. Navy as a Chief Petty Officer after 26 years of service and later graduated from Mid-Atlantic. Rodney was a member of Broadmoor Church of Christ, Chesapeake, VA.

Milton Lee Mitchell of Bel Air, MD, passed away February 26, 2012. He was a former Business Manager at Eastern Christian College. A veteran of the U.S. Army, he served in the Korean War and then moved to Bel Air in 1958 and worked at the Hub Department Store for 25 years. He was a business manager at Eastern Christian College for several years and then returned to retail to management. He was a founding member and servant of Creswell Christian Church in Bel Air for over 50 years.

Robert "Bob" Stewart ECC'69 died May 22 in Ohio. He is survived by his wife, **Judy ECCex'69**, who lives in Batavia, OH.

Monty Hardison ex'63 of Washington, NC, died June 5.

R. Cecil Davis '59, 80, of Chatham, VA, died August 7, after having served the Lord for 54 years. Brother Davis graduated from Mid-Atlantic and served numerous churches, including Oakland Christian Church in Kenbridge, VA, for many years and most recently at Mountain View Church of Christ in Penhook, VA. Brother Davis served his country during the Korean War in the U. S. Army. Sympathy is expressed to his wife, Melva Fuller Davis ex'61 of Chatham, and the entire family.

Frank Johnson '61 passed away September 3. He was born June 2, 1936, in Clinton, OH. A graduate of Mid-Atlantic, Frank was an ordained minister and a former employee of the Siberling Rubber Co. He loved to deer hunt, grow a garden, cut down trees and split wood. He is survived by his wife of 37 years, Jerry, three daughters (including Allie Harper ex'84), and three siblings (including brother Robert '58).

Ordinations

Chris Williams '12 was ordained at Plymouth Church of Christ, Plymouth, NC, Aug. 19, by elders of both Plymouth and Saint Clair's Church of Christ, Bath, NC.

Weddings

Andy Cox ex'90 and Cheryl Van Der Have, June 16
Ed Ward, Jr., and **Karen Cutler '91**, June 30
David Kleinman and **Sarah Danielsen ex'08**, July 6
Justin Rose '12 and Junior **Ashley Ross**, July 20
Brandon Merrill and **Rachel Thayer ex'09**, Aug. 4
James Davenport '01 and Jody Elliott, Aug. 10
Greg Fry and **Krystal Strawderman '09**, Sept. 1
Steve Simmons '12 and Andrea Blundon, Sept. 8
Anthony Rhoades and **Jennifer Horner '05**, Sept. 22

Family News

New Family Members

Glenn '07 and Heather '07 Layfield: Stella Elaine, June 7
Adam ex'06 and Laura Gross '08 McManus: Mali Anna, June 14
Jason and **Emily Lynn '06 Ford:** Micah Joel, July 4
Frank '06 and Gloria Johnson: Jeremy Declan, July 5
Travis and **Melissa Goodall Proffitt '00:** Adley Roe, July 14
Campus Minister Chris '12 and Stephanie '12 Stanley: Tabitha Marie, July 18
Chris '05 and Sarah Brandow: James David, July 28
Rod '12 and Nicole Sershen: Aubrey Clare, Aug. 3
Brian '05 and Meg Smith: Eleanor Claire, Aug. 3
Jeff and **Evelyn McCrickard ex'00 Cronin:** Joseph Stone, Aug. 9
Mark ex'05 and Laura Goldfarb: Lucy Abigail, Aug. 18
Kyle '05 and Kendal Lean '06 Hayden: Landry Jaymes, Aug. 30
Tim '05 and Ashley Cyphers: Levi James, Sept. 4

Other News & Notes

Karen Rountree Lawson '95 graduated on May 5 from Regent University with a Master of Education (M.Ed.) degree in Education Leadership. She begins her Doctorate of Education Leadership studies in January 2013.

Robin Modlin '08 graduated from Liberty University May 12 with a B.S. in Criminal Justice.

Leslie Harvey '08 graduated from Regent University with an MA in Divinity (from the school of Divinity) and an MA in Organizational Leadership (MOL, from the school of Global Leadership and Entrepreneurship) May 5. The next day she left with a group from Regent for Rwanda to implement a major project. She is currently serving The Mount Church (Mt. Lebanon Baptist Church, Elizabeth City Campus) as Youth Director.

Sharie Miller Norman '02 graduated from University of Phoenix July 28 with a Masters in Business Administration. She plans to pursue a doctoral degree in Health Administration.

Diana Murphy retired from Mountain Christian School in June, completing 20 years of teaching there and a total of 25 years of teaching. Diana attended ECC in 1962-64 and completed a degree from Milligan College.

Amy Abbott Cain ex'99 graduated from Gardner-Webb University with a Masters in School Administration.

MACU Alumni gathered at the North American Christian Convention in Orlando, FL, for an ice cream social. Alumni, their families, and friends met for a brief presentation by President Perkins and enjoyed catching up with old friends from their college days. The convention was held at the World Center Marriott Resort July 10-13.

Calling Legacy RBC alumni and friends! More than 1,000 pictures from the school's early years are posted online at <http://tinyurl.com/earlyRBC1> for your viewing pleasure. These pictures are slides President BonDurant took during 1949-1962 and include the early years of Camp Roanoke (1953-1962).

ECC Alumni Reunion

Alumni of Eastern Christian College met in Bel Air, MD, for a memorable fellowship on May 5. Emmett Murphy led the meeting that included stories from several ECC alumni about their days at the college, worship in song, and a message from President Perkins. Jonita Shoaff presented a slideshow of the school's history. Thomas Joseph spoke about his days at ECC and reminded the group to help him match his gift to the J. T. and Addie Maye Segroves Scholarship Fund. Liz Mentzer and the Murphy families did a great job planning and arranging the group meeting at the Creswell Christian Church, which is located near the site of the Eastern Christian College campus in Bel Air.

Dates & Events

2012-13 MACU Events

Oct. 14Sunday Night Live, 5-7 pm
Oct. 16Tuesday Tour
Oct. 18Foundation Banquet
Oct. 18Foundation Directors Meeting
Oct. 18, 19Trustees Meeting
Nov. 9The City Harmonic Concert
Nov. 9, 10College Preview Weekend
Nov. 15Tuesday Tour
Nov. 21-21Thanksgiving Break
Dec. 10-14Final Exams
Dec. 18Tuesday Tour
Jan. 7-11Early Spring Intensives
Jan. 12, 13New Student Orientation
Jan. 14Classes begin at 5 pm
Jan. 20Sunday Night Live, 5-7 pm
Jan. 21MLK Day of Service
Feb. 25-Mar. 1Midterm Break
Mar. 14, 15MACU Rally

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MACU Alumni Cruise

The MACU Alumni and Friends 2012 Cruise to Alaska was a wonderful trip held June 15-22. The beauty of the inside passageway of Alaska provided scenes of mountains, waterfalls, whales, fjords, eagles, seals and snow. The group worship service was held on Sunday in a room overlooking the water. A highlight of the trip was a train ride in Skagway, Alaska, in which the entire group participated. Past President Bill Griffin and Trish enjoyed their first cruise with this great group of MACU friends.



Mid-Atlantic Foundation Highlights the Langley Scholastic Fund



Gene and Dot Langley started the Langley Scholastic Fund in 2010. The award will help students from West Park Church of Christ where the Langleys attend. Gene states,

"As a church leader, I have always been able to call upon MACU for guidance and help, and have always received both. Our first minister came to us from MACU. I was introduced to the school by my father, Jacob H. Langley, who, as far back as 1948, supported Roanoke Bible College. Like my father, I am a supporter of MACU. One day my support will end, as did my father's support. Looking to find a way that my support would never cease, I chose to establish a foundation fund in memory of my father. This is a simple way to "keep on giving" even after death. Only God knows what the future holds. Some young person will say "Thank you" some day and will never know who I am. I like the thoughts of that."

Would you or your church like to start a new scholarship fund in the Foundation to help the needs of the Kingdom in supplying workers for the harvest? A permanent fund could provide a student scholarship every year at MACU. For more information please contact Director Sandra Perkins at sandra.perkins@macuniversity.edu or by phone 252-334-2003.

Foundation donors will be visiting the MACU campus on October 18 to attend a banquet with student scholarship recipients. This event brings donors face-to-face with the students who receive the scholarship awards.

Mid-Atlantic Society

298 members

Goal: 500 members

Become a member by giving only \$3 a day (\$1,000 a year)

Contact Jenny Rowland,
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To the General Fund

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by Becky Clary Jones

Burl Brinn, Jr. (Memory)

by Gordon Food Services

Jeannette Carter (Memory)

by Roy W. Carter

Gerald Dye (Memory)

by Gladys Dye

Bill and Trish Griffin (Honor)

by M/M Sam Stone

Allen Herndon (Memory)

by Corinne Herndon

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by M/M Joe Collins

Bud Larsen (Memory)

by Tina Larsen

Thomas Leggett (Memory)

by M/M Bruce Fraser

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Church, Littleton, NC

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Carolyn Allen (Memory)

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Seniors By the Sea

Thanks to the many who helped with the 2012 Seniors by the Sea. Over 200 attended the event to hear David Beamer. The silent auction raised over \$1,000 for the Mid-Atlantic Foundation. Mark your calendars now for:

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June 4, 2013

Tom and Kay Moll, Speakers

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