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Formerly Roanoke Bible College & Eastern Christian College

Frank '76 and Myra Owen '76 Reynolds – serving Manchester Christian Church in Manchester, NH, since 1980 – came home in 2006 for their 30th college reunion.

Mid-Atlantic CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITY

GIVEN IN TESTIMONY OF
MILTON G. ALLGOOD



From the Office of the President

I am asking you today to consider leaving a legacy gift to Mid-Atlantic. Join Sandra and me with planned giving. Please remember Mid-Atlantic in your estate planning (will or trust). Together we can build family on trust. Together we can leave a legacy through Biblical higher education. Together we can impact the world by transforming ordinary people into extraordinary Christian leaders.

Serving Those Who Serve,

Clay

D. Clay Perkins, Ph.D.
President

"Family, Trust, and Legacy"

For over 62 years Mid-Atlantic Christian University has been building family on trust. We are Biblical higher education at its best. We now have alumni serving in 45 states and 13 different countries. Mid-Atlantic is leaving a legacy through her education of men and women for career and volunteer Christian service. Mid-Atlantic is an undergraduate university that impacts the world by transforming ordinary people into extraordinary Christian leaders.

At Mid-Atlantic our family relationship is built on trust based on the Word of God. From the Bible we find many stories of trust, generosity, and legacy building. One example is King David, who left a planned gift for the temple that God did not allow him to build. His son Solomon would build the temple. David accumulated immense quantities of exotic wood, precious stone, and gold. The temple that was eventually built and a part of King David's legacy was one of such splendor that the world had never seen the like and will never see again (1 Chronicles 22, 28, 29:14-16).

Those reading this will likely never know such wealth as King David had; our estate gift will be small in comparison. As a preacher, however, may I remind you that "Little is much in the hand of God"? Do you remember the fish and the loaf? Will you give a planned gift to continue the legacy of Mid-Atlantic? If your estate gift is large or small, you can leave a legacy that matters.

We educate ministers, especially preachers, and other disciplines to influence the world for Christ. Our graduates teach at major universities; they are police officers, school teachers, doctors, counselors, lawyers, factory workers, etc., all allowing their light to shine for the Savior. Our graduates are preachers, missionaries, youth and family ministers, worship leaders, and more ... serving directly in the local churches around the globe.

Mid-Atlantic partners directly with Financial Planning Ministry so that you can leave a legacy through planned giving. You are able to do this with no direct out-of-pocket cost. Most people can do this with a "Revocable Living Trust." This type of trust has been in our legal system since the 1700's. If you would like more information about the value of the Revocable Living Trust, please go to www.FPM.org and/or contact Emmett Murphy, MACU's Assistant Vice President for Development, at 1.757.872.7357 or emmett.murphy@macuniversity.edu.

For more information about Financial Planning Ministry (FPM), please request a copy of one or both the following brochures from Jenny Rowland at jenny.rowland@macuniversity.edu or 252.334.2008. The MACU brochure highlights several of our students and programs of study. The FPM brochure explains estate planning.



Mid-Atlantic is leaving a legacy through her education of men and women for career and volunteer Christian service.

President BonDurant Named to Order of the Long Leaf Pine



One of the roles of the Office of the President is to seek to identify and give honor where honor is due. As the scripture says: "... if respect, then respect; if honor, then honor" (Romans 13:7). The Office of the President at Mid-Atlantic Christian University, in conjunction with the Office of the Governor of the State of North Carolina under Governor Beverly Perdue's leadership, is pleased to announce that Founding President George W. BonDurant was recently presented the highest civilian honor awarded by the State of North Carolina - The Order of the Long Leaf Pine.

Representative Bill Owens (NC House, District 1) - who grew up across the street from the college - presented the award Dec. 2 at the conclusion of a chapel service about joyful, lifelong Christian service.

The Order of the Long Leaf Pine is awarded to citizens who have performed public service in the State for a minimum of 30 years. President BonDurant was cited for establishing a university that has educated more than 3,200 students (who now serve in 45 states and 13 countries), founding a camp for young people, teaching, and ministering to churches and prison inmates.

Please join the Mid-Atlantic family in congratulating President BonDurant and in thanking him for his years of service. You may write him at the university address, 715 N. Poindexter St., Elizabeth City, NC 27909.

Historical Sketch

Churches of Christ in Eastern North Carolina in 1948 were so short of ministers that most had preaching only one or two Sundays a month. It was not unusual for one minister to serve four or even six churches, preaching for each church once per month, whether on Sunday morning, afternoon, or evening, or on Saturday night. In fact, in over 100 of these churches, only one had preaching every Sunday. A sizable proportion of the preachers, although dedicated, had no Bible college preparation. Few lived on the fields they served. North Carolina needed preachers.

To answer this need, Roanoke Bible College was conceived during early 1948. Leading this effort was George W. BonDurant. ... Read the rest of the article at www.macuniversity.edu.

Introducing the Enrollment Management Team

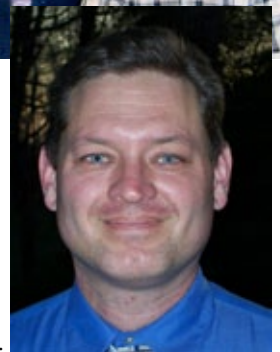
The Admissions and Student Life departments at Mid-Atlantic Christian University have undergone a restructuring process and become the Enrollment Management Department. This change was enacted to better serve students and the institution. These two departments are combining efforts to meet students' needs from the moment they inquire about MACU until they graduate from the university.

Nicole Jones serves as Student Life Director and Campus Minister for Women. Chris Stanley is Campus Minister for Men and Adult Learners. Wendy Guthrie, CAGS, is the Residence Hall Director, and Richard Kelly is Athletic Director and coach. The Admissions staff is composed of Julie Fields, Enrollment Services Specialist, and three admissions counselors serving various geographic areas and demographics - Garrett Lewis, Jason Woolard, and Corey Jones. Ken Greene, Ed.D., directs the department and ministers as the Vice President for Enrollment Management.

To receive enrollment information, inquire about campus events, or schedule MACU Ambassadors (student teams), contact Julie Fields at julie.fields@macuniversity.edu or 1.866.996.MACU (334.2028, local).



Student Life (front): Richard Kelly, Wendy Guthrie, Nicole Jones, Chris Stanley.
Admissions (back): Garrett Lewis, Jason Woolard, Corey Jones, Julie Fields.



Ken Greene, Ed.D.

The mission of Enrollment Management is to foster academic, spiritual, and social development using a comprehensive array of educational experiences and services to enable students to graduate and meet their academic and spiritual goals. Through collaboration, we cultivate and promote responsibility, accountability and Christian character in our students. MACU mentors and empowers students to develop to their highest potential to become extraordinary Christian leaders in their communities.

Preachers of the Month

August – Emmett P. Murphy

Emmett Murphy studied at Eastern Christian College and Ozark Christian College in the sixties. During those years he married Dolores Radov and was ordained at Pole Green Church of Christ, Mechanicsville, VA. Emmett preached for 40 years, serving churches in Pennsylvania (Big Run Church of Christ, Sweet Valley Church of Christ), New York (Central Islip Church of Christ [15 years], South Shore Church of Christ), and Virginia (Olivet Christian Church [12 years]). He continues ministering through preaching and speaking appointments as MACU's Assistant Vice President for Development assisting folks with their planned giving. His favorite text is Isaiah 40:31, "Yet those who wait for the Lord will gain strength, they will mount up with wings like eagles, they will run and not get tired, they will walk and not become weary" (NASB). He and Dolores have three children (two of whom are alumni: Debbie Hudgins ex'90 and John '92) and six grandchildren.



October – Wayne Murphy, ECC '83

Wayne Murphy was ordained to the ministry in 1967 by Chapel Church of Christ in Montpelier, VA, then later completed degrees from Eastern Christian College (BA), Kentucky Christian University (MM), and Cincinnati Christian University (MA). During his years at Eastern, he preached for Enon Christian Church (Mineral, VA) and First Church of Christ (Valley Bend, WV), and afterward ministered with churches in Maryland and Pennsylvania (Ringgold, Grover, Boulevard, and Levittown). Of preaching, Wayne said, "Being a preacher of the Gospel is the highest calling in life. Even though I now serve full-time in a mission organization, I look forward to the opportunities for preaching. The preaching of the Gospel may be 'foolishness' to some, but it still changes lives!" He cites as his favorite text Galatians 6:9: "Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up" (NIV). He and the former Diana Lease have two children and six grandchildren.



September – Joe Wilson, ECC '87

Joe Wilson continued his education after earning his BA from Eastern Christian College (Cincinnati Christian University, MA, 1989; MRE, 1993). He was ordained by Joppatowne Christian Church, Joppa, MD, in 1987. He preached for Martinsburg Church of Christ, Martinsburg, WV (1989-1991), and since 1991 for Fork Christian Church, Kingsville, MD. Joe loves being a preacher of the Gospel of Christ because "There's nothing more wonderful in life than to feel that you are doing what God made you to do. . . . There is a unique thrill to feel that you are partnering with God in a real way to advance His Kingdom." His favorite text is "For God did not give us a spirit of timidity, but a spirit of power, of love and of self-discipline" (2 Timothy 1:7, NIV). He and his wife, Bonnie, have three children.



November – Ray Murphy, ECC

Ray Murphy attended Eastern Christian College and was ordained by Chapel Church of Christ, Montpelier, VA. He preached for Lincoln Park Church of Christ, Mechanicsville, VA, while attending ECC, and afterward for Tomahawk Christian Church, Hedgesville, WV (27.5 years) and Botetourt Church of Christ, Fincastle, VA (5 years). Ray loves being a preacher because he enjoys "working with people and leading them to a fuller knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ." His favorite text is Romans 12:1-2: "Therefore, I urge you, brothers, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as living sacrifices, holy and pleasing to God – this is your spiritual act of worship. Do not conform any longer to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. . . ." (NIV). He and the former Nelda Winstead have three children and three grandchildren.



Three Brothers, Three Ministries, One Lord

The Murphy brothers – Ray, Wayne, and Emmett – have spent their lives in ministry. Each began his ministry in the local church and over the years has broadened his ministry to include work with Central India Christian Mission, Polish Christian Ministries, and MACU. They presented a workshop with the above title at the Eastern Christian Convention in Hershey, PA, in November.

Emmett, who is in his fifth year at MACU as Assistant Vice President for Development, has spent 40 years in the located (pulpit) ministry, 22 of them in New York with the Orchard Group (formerly "Go Ye" Chapel Mission). He preaches and presents the work of MACU in numerous churches and teaches estate planning seminars. Through these seminars, he has seen Christians set aside more than eight million dollars for various churches and faith-based ministries.



Thirty Travel to Missionary Convention

By Robert Reese, Ph.D., Associate Professor of Cross-Cultural Ministry

On Wednesday evening, November 18, 30 MACU students began an all-night drive to Peoria, IL, for the annual National Missionary Convention. From the beginning, students organized and promoted the trip. Clearly mission fervor is burning on the MACU campus, and not only among those who major in Cross-Cultural Ministry. Students with various study interests want to know what is going on in the world so they can get involved in leading the world to Christ and in making the world a better place. What better place to find out how to do that than the National Missionary Convention?

We met several alumni who are now heading to foreign mission fields, such as Johnny and Helen Scott and Shaun and Mary Ann Cooper. They were excellent mentors for our students who are following in their footsteps. Also Steph Sauflley and Tara Woolard counseled students who are interested in going on mission trips with Team Expansion. Elizabeth Vahey, now studying at the Graduate Institute of Applied Linguistics in Dallas, joined us, as did recent graduate Kimmi Cooper Ashwell and her husband, Jon. Special mention goes to Krystal Strawderman, who volunteered to help drive the group to Peoria and to West Park Church of Christ, Portsmouth, VA, for the use of the church bus.

The NMC draws several thousand people annually, mostly young people, both to find out about missions and to promote hundreds of current projects going on around the world. Six hundred booths allow mission organizations to talk about what they are doing and what their needs are, while workshops allow missionaries to talk about methods and principles that help present Christ in a hurting world. It is the ultimate in networking for the cause of Christ worldwide. Keynote speakers inspire all who come to deeper commitment and sacrifice, with scores going forward to declare for the first time their desire to become long-term cross-cultural workers for the Lord, including two MACU students. It was a great experience for all of us.

Do you wish you could have gone? Mark your calendars for next year's convention, to be held in Lexington, KY, Nov. 18-21, 2010.

Prayer Points from Missionary Alumni

Perhaps you would like to pray for some of our graduates who are serving as missionaries. The following requests were gleaned from recent newsletters.

From Shaun '07 and Mary Ann Godley '07 Cooper Pioneer Bible Translators

Praise God for the productive **recruitment trips**.

Pray for more **financial support** in 2010 as our budget for the coming year has increased considerably due to varying factors.

Pray for **Christ to draw to Himself** those who do not know and have a saving relationship with Him.

From Karen Richardson '87 Poitiers, France

Pray for wisdom, unity, communication and transparency among the **church leaders**. Pray for us to always keep God's Word as the foundation for all we do.

Thank God for the gifts given so far towards the **preacher fund**. Pray for God to work through His people to continue giving.

Pray for **Romuald** as he prepares himself to become the minister of our church. Pray for him to be able to find work.

Pray for **Xavier and his family**. He has become more open to the gospel recently. His wife Louisa is pregnant and has had problems with the pregnancy.

Praise God for all of the **blessings of 2009**.

From John Blackburn '88 and Family Verona, Italy

Pray for our teammate, **Brandi - as well as for the Eatons** - that God would bring them to full support quickly.

Emotions and stress levels from moving. Moving is always a stressful time. It doesn't matter if it's across town, or across the world.

Pray for the **neighbors in and around the apartment** buildings where we will be living that their hearts would be open and that God would lead us in word and deed through the Holy Spirit.

Mid-Atlantic Christian University

62nd *Gospel Rally* and **Homecoming**

Albert Blanton III Campus Life Center
March 18 & 19, 2010

- **Preaching, singing, praying, fellowship!**

Sessions: Thursday, 7:20 p.m. and
Friday, 9:30 a.m., 3:00 p.m., 7:20 p.m.

- **Honoring the Classes of '50, '60, '70, '80, '90, & '00**

And recognizing those who
began college with them

- **Sessions for Children**

Includes the Big Event at the YMCA for K-12;
bring \$5, towel, bathing suit, gym clothes

- **Alumni Lunch and Meeting**

- **Interpretation for the Deaf**

- **Estate Planning Seminar**

March 19, 4:15 p.m.

Pre Rally

- **Alumni-Mustangs Basketball Game**

March 18, 1:00 p.m., Chesson Gymnasium

Post Rally

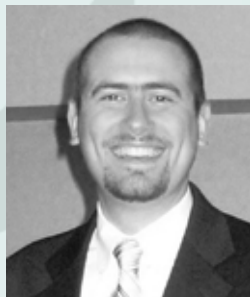
- **MACU Foundation Breakfast**

March 20, 9:00 a.m.

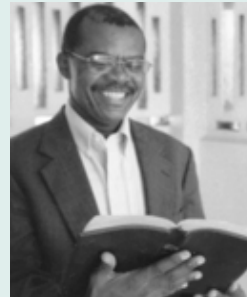
For information, contact Jenny Rowland:
252.334.2008 or jenny.rowland@macuniversity.edu



Arron Chambers



Frank Dicken



Leon D'Orleans



Tony Krantz

Speakers

Arron Chambers

Greeley, CO

Thursday, Friday Evenings

Arron Chambers, author of *Running on Empty: Life Lessons to Refuel Your Life* (Life Journey, 2005), *Scripture to Live By* (Adams Media, 2007), and *Remember Who You Are!* (Standard Publishing, July 2007), *Yendo Con El Tanque Vacío* (Spanish Translation of *Running on Empty*--Zondervan, November 2007), *Go!* (Standard Publishing, July 2009), and *Eats With Sinners* (Standard, November 2009) is the Lead Minister of Journey Christian Church in Greeley, CO.

He is also an adjunct professor at Florida Christian College; contributing editor and blogger for *The Christian Standard*; President and Founder of Tri Life, Inc.; a triathlete; an inspirational speaker who speaks to thousands of people each year; husband of a lovely wife; and the father of four beautiful kids.

Arron holds a Master of Arts in Church History/Theology (Abilene Christian University, 2000); Bachelor of Theology (Florida Christian College, 1993); and Bachelor of Arts (Major in Preaching, Minor in Counseling) (FCC, 1992). For more information visit www.aronchambers.com.

Frank Dicken

Bel Air, MD

Alumni Speaker, LCU-EC

Frank Dicken is the preaching minister of Creswell Christian Church in Bel Air, MD. He and his wife of nine years, Jill, have been ministering there since 2004. Frank is a graduate of Lincoln Christian University - East Coast (B.A. Preaching), Lincoln Christian Seminary (M.Div. New Testament) and is currently enrolled in the Certificate of Advanced Studies program at St. Mary's Seminary and University in Baltimore, MD.

He has served as an adjunct faculty member of Lincoln Christian University - East Coast and Mid-Atlantic Christian University. He loves reading, the Washington Redskins, the Baltimore Orioles, and his dog, Stinky.

Leon D'Orleans

Haiti Outreach Missions

Missions Speaker

Leon D'Orleans, trained at Cincinnati Christian University, is the senior pastor of the Christian Churches of Cite Soleil, Blanchard, Ibo Beach, and Repatriote. He is field director for Haiti Outreach Missions in Haiti. The mission is sharing the Gospel with the people of Cite Soleil, Haiti, and nearby areas through evangelism, education, medical treatment, and nutrition. He is married to Jacky.

Worship Leader

Tony Krantz '83

Music Leader

Washington, NC

Tony began writing songs at age 5 and has written over a hundred Christian songs and four musicals. In college he played piano and sang with the Stephensons, Son's Up, Exhortations, and Choral Club.

His songs have been recorded by Son's Up, Tony Wolf, Little Eva, and others. Each summer he directs a group of about 35 teens at MAD (Music and Drama) Camp, culminating in a tour to churches on the east coast performing one of his musicals. The group is sponsored by Roanoke Christian Camp. In addition to his ministry – he is in his twentieth year at Beaver Dam Church of Christ, Washington, NC – he stays busy with revivals, concerts, leading worship, and retreats. He has also served churches in Jacksonville, FL; Dagsboro, DE; and Pinetown, NC.

In college he met and married the former Laura Brabble ex '81. They had two children, Katrina and Tony. Laura died in 1993. He is now married to the former Jo Ann Lee of Washington and has one grandson.

Lodging

If you plan to stay overnight at Gospel Rally:

Limited housing will be available on campus in Turner Hall. For details and prices, visit www.macuniversity.edu or contact Cheryl Lindsley at 252.334.2000 Monday through Friday between 8 a.m. and 3 p.m.

Hotels

Fairfield Inn & Suites

252-333-1003, www.marriott.com/orfec
888-236-2427

Holiday Inn Express

252-338-8900, www.ichotels.com
800-HOLIDAY (465-4329)

Hampton Inn (ask for MACU rates)

252-333-1800, www.hamptoninn.com
800-Hampton (426-7866)

Quality Inn

252-338-3951, www.qualityinn.com/hotel-elizabeth_city-north_carolina-NC377, 800-4CHOICE (424-6423)

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Culpepper Inn

252-335-9235, www.culpepperinn.com

ElizabethCity Bed & Breakfast

877-435-8922, www.elizabethcitybb.com

The Grice-Fearing House

252-333-1792, www.gricefearinghouse.com

The Pond House

888-335-9834, www.thepondhouseinn.com

DUES REMINDER FROM ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

Annual dues for the Alumni Association are due each year at the spring business meeting. Therefore, to remain current--or to become an active member--please pay your dues on or before March 19 (date of the meeting). The cost per year is \$15.00 for single alumnus or \$25.00 for a married alumni couple. Lifetime dues may be paid at the rate of \$200.00 single, \$300 married couple.

To pay now, send the following information with your check payable to the Alumni Association, and mail to **Jim Cooper, 2214 Meadowglenn Dr., Greenville, NC 27858**. If you have any questions, please call Jim at 252.758.7505 or e-mail BigUnCooper@aol.com.

Include Name, Class Year and Amount Paid for: one person, one year; married couple, one year; one person, lifetime; married couple, lifetime

Meet Our Students



Nishant Walter's Story

"I will never be snatched away from God"

From my birth I was given to God to serve Him as the firstborn child in my family. My father is a preacher in the country of India. As a part of a preacher's family I used to work in the church day and night.

I have seen many hard times in the church. Experiencing these difficulties started to damage my belief in Jesus to a point where I stopped believing that there was a God. But Jesus said in John "I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; no one can snatch them out of my hand." The supposed owner of this world tried to hammer me down. But when I was about to perish, Jesus held me in His arms and shook my soul and my brain so hard that I came to realize that no one can take my eternal life, and I will never perish.

Nishant is enrolled at MACU this year. Read more of his story at www.macuniversity.edu.

Way To Go!

Congratulations to those named to the **Dean's List** this term. The Dean's List is comprised of full-time students (12 or more credit hours) whose semester GPA is 3.500 or above.

Eric L. Allen
Tiffanie A. Brickhouse*
Bryan E. Cooper
Olivia Crehan
Jeffrey L. Elliott
Stephanie L. Gray
Betty A. Harvey
Jared M. Hedges
Jessica M. Hennessey*
Aimee C. LaFever
Craig D. Layfield*
Kyle Layfield*
Robert M. Lewis*
Christopher D. Matchem
Richard J. Meister
Danika J. Morales
Ryanne K. Nosay
Jacob R. Okerlund
Mary E. Peale
Kaylin M. Sass
Jacob T. Smith
J. Chris Stanley
Andrea A. Strawderman
Gregory M. Webb

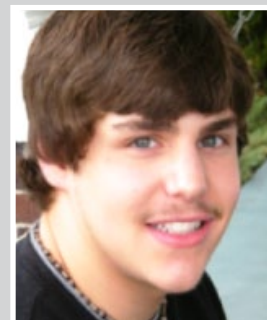
*Indicates 4.000 term gpa

Flying South for the Winter ... and the Spring

Many people fly south during the winter months because of the warmer weather. But a number of people also head south for college. Meet two of those students and learn why they headed south to MACU. To learn more about MACU, visit www.macuniversity.edu or call us at 1-866-996-6228.

Kyle Layfield

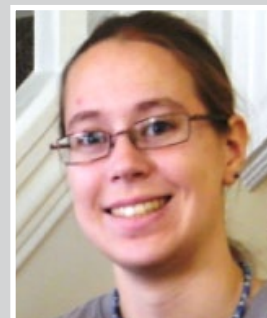
Scio, New York



I have wanted to work with youth my whole life. When I was young, I would go on youth group events . . . events that were fun because they built community and fellowship. But more than that, they had an impact on my life. Thus, when I began thinking of a career and how I could best invest my life to impact the lives of kids, it was easy to decide on youth ministry. The difficult decision was deciding which college to attend. There are a lot of outstanding Christian colleges to choose from, but I eventually decided on MACU. After visiting and meeting the faculty and staff, I knew this was where I would receive a great education and could get involved in a family-like community that is full of love and encouragement. **The major in Youth and Family Ministry is exceptional, and the additional option the program offers to become a certified Family Life Educator is a big plus.** This university has a mission to make me, Kyle Layfield, into an extraordinary Christian leader so I can achieve my goal of reaching young souls for the Kingdom of Christ.

Kim Clarke

Seaford, Delaware



So here I am . . . a student at MACU . . . I'm thrilled to be a part of this university! The faculty are scholars who take a personal interest in the students because they want to see us succeed. And the environment is so friendly. I'm already into my junior year, enrolled in the Applied Linguistics program. Applied Linguistics will enable me to use the scientific study of language to address a language-related real life problem: millions of people in the world are without a Bible in their own language. My passion is to be a Bible translator and to bring our hope in Christ to a people group that doesn't have the Word. That's a far cry from what I thought I would invest my life in. In middle school I was into adventure and saw flying to the moon as being cool. I thought about being a doctor. **But being a missionary won out, because I couldn't think of a better way to use my talents than to do something that would impact people's lives for eternity.** If your passion in life is to serve God, let me encourage you to check out all that MACU has to offer.

Impact
Transform
Lead

Mustangs Ride Onto Campus

Mid-Atlantic-Christian University's athletic teams sport a new mascot – Mustangs. The new mascot ties the teams to the wild horses of the northern barrier islands of the Outer Banks. These horses are descendants of the Spanish Mustangs brought to America in the 1500's. The final selection of "Mustangs" is the result of various student and alumni surveys and research. This team mascot follows "Preachers" (1948 - mid '80s) and "Flames."

Student Tim Premo referred to the "horsepower" of the new name and team. Another, Rod Sershen, stated, "The new mascot offers a modern look and title for the teams."

MACU has excelled in women's volleyball and men's basketball in recent years. The women's volleyball team was the Shenandoah and Chesapeake Conference champions for five consecutive years. The men's basketball team won the conference title last year.

For additional information regarding Mid-Atlantic Christian University, her new mascot, or athletic schedules, contact Dr. Ken Greene, Vice President for Enrollment Management, or visit www.macuniversity.edu.

Professors, Students Attend ACSI Conference

Six from MACU attended the annual ACSI (Association of Christian Schools International) Conference in Raleigh Nov. 11-13. MACU is a member of ACSI, and the trip was sponsored by the education program. Attending (below) were Tiffanie Brickhouse, elementary education licensure program; Alina Burton, elementary education licensure program; Asheton Rivenbark, elementary education licensure program; Wendy Guthrie, Education Advisor; Sara Biggs, elementary education non-licensure program; and Renee Lease, Early Childhood Advisor.



Dates & Events

2010 MACU Events

Mar. 1-5	Spring break
Mar. 14	Sunday Night Live, 5-7 pm
Mar. 16	Tuesday Tour
Mar. 18, 19	Gospel Rally-Homecoming
Mar. 19	Alumni Association Lunch, Meeting
Mar. 26, 27	Bible Bowl Tournament
Apr. 5, 6	Easter Break
Apr. 9-11	Oasis II
Apr. 13	Alumni/Graduate Orientation
Apr. 21, 23, 25	Spring Production
May 3	River Day
May 3-7	Final Exams
May 7	Trustees Meeting
May 7	Baccalaureate, 7:00 pm
May 8	Commencement, 10:00 am
May 10-14	Summer Intensives
May 11	Tuesday Tour
TBA	FREE Retreat
June 1	Seniors by the Sea Retreat
June 6	Sunday Night Live, 5-7 pm

Oasis

April 9-11

For teens 9th - 12th grades

Speaker - James Davis

Music - Fourmiles

\$55 registration due by March 15

Details at www.macuniversity.edu

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Hear chapel podcasts on the MACU website: [Student Life/Spiritual Life/Podcast](#). Please share with your friends.

Ministries and Service

Paul Bowles '72 is preaching for Nevis Church of Christ, Park Rapids, MN.

Lee Ashley '84 is serving a newly established congregation, Living Hope, in Collinsville, VA.

Tom and **Ginny Bodamer '85 Greek** recently became forwarding agents for the **John Blackburn '88** family, missionaries to Italy. John, Ann, and their four children moved to Verona, Italy in early January.

Mac McClintock '99 was called to minister at Union Christian Church in Madison Heights, VA.

D. J. Maxey '04 is ministering with Eastern Pines Church of Christ, Greenville, NC.

Tim Cyphers '05 is serving Sabina Church of Christ, Sabina, OH as youth minister.

Nick Hokkanen '05 is teaching in Newport News, VA, and attending the City Life Church. He and his wife, Stephanie, have a daughter, Carys, who is 14 months old.

Duane Cosby ex'06 recently began serving as children's ministry director for Northampton Church of Christ, Hampton, VA.

Kristyn Kinney '06 serves Great Bridge Church of Christ, Chesapeake, VA, as youth/children's minister.

Daniel Voris '06 recently became associate minister at Community Christian Church in Williamston, NC.

James Scheffler '03 is now youth minister for West Belhaven Church of Christ, Belhaven, NC.

Weddings

Tim Cyphers '05 and Ashley Diane Dunn, Sept. 5
Matt Fehl and **Beth McIver Tucker '87**, Sept. 26
Dexter Gibbs and **Crystal Sawyer '87**, Oct. 17
Kyle McGinnis ex'08 and **Annie Askew '08**, Oct. 24
Will Crocker '00 and Sasha Nicole Davila, Oct. 31
Jon Ashwell ex'10 and **Kimmi Cooper '10**, Oct. 31
Bob White and **Housekeeping Supervisor Lori Caswell**, Dec. 5
George Weyforth and **Denise Taafe Ross (ECC 80's)**, Dec. 13

New Family Members

Scott '05 and **Samantha Eller ex'09 Montgomery**: Elizabeth Kelly, Aug. 27

In October Bruno and **Amy Morris ex'00 Koumedjra** welcomed a son into their family, 13-month-old Aaron, who had been abandoned and malnourished. They live and serve in Togo, West Africa.

Jonathan Phillips '02 and wife Sarah: Samantha Marie, Oct. 12

Travis and **Melissa Goodall '00 Proffitt**: Saylor Jane, Oct. 14

Aaron '99 and **Laura Cutler '98 Saufley**: Layla Joy, Oct. 26

Eric '01 and **Kelly Moulden '01 Woolard** welcomed early arrivals Luke Ericson and Macey Lynn on Nov. 5 but on Nov. 7 lost Luke. At press time Macey remains in the hospital but continues to make good progress toward coming home.

Chris '03 and **Fran Gibson '01 Minton**: Kate Christine, Nov. 9

Graham Phillips '02 and wife Brandi: Arie Rebecca, Nov. 20

Eric '07 and **Bree Hugus '07 Pruitt**: Paily Brenna, Dec. 5

Patrick '04 and **Ashley Murray ex'09 Harrison**: Kal-El Patrick, Dec. 21

Jeff '08 and **Krysia Ervin '09 Davis**: Sadie McKenzie Davis, Dec. 22

Bobby ex'06 and **Jenny Cease '05 Gross**: Hannah Noelle, Dec. 29

Other News & Notes

Enrollment Services Specialist Julie Fields recently earned her MS in Education with a focus in Higher Education Enrollment Management from Capella University.

About 190 from 20 churches attended the Great Communion service on campus Oct. 4.

Dr. Bob Smith and **Dr. Lee Fields** made academic presentations at the Evangelical Theological Society's annual meeting in New Orleans in November.

David Presley '84 serves in a part-time capacity with the Tennessee State Guard. In August he was promoted to Lieutenant Colonel.

Horace Sanford "Sandy" Johnson, Jr. '07

April 22, 1941 – October 19, 2009

Sandy Johnson of Cross Junction, VA, died Oct. 19, 2009, after a long and courageous battle with cancer. His wife, Bonnie, and family members were at his side. Sandy was born in Georgia, was a high school track star, and attended three universities before earning a preaching certificate from MACU in 2007 and being ordained. He was a charter member of New Life Christian Church and founding pastor of Community Christian Church in Cross Junction.

Before entering MACU, Sandy worked as a courier for the CIA, an insurance agent, a car salesman, and manager of sales. He was a volunteer with many organizations, but was especially involved with the work of the Optimist Club, where he was awarded "Outstanding Optimist."

Sandy is survived by his wife, eight children, and ten grandchildren.

Robert Kidwell

May 12, 1930 – October 21, 2009

Robert Kidwell, 79, of Felton, DE, died, Oct. 21, 2009, with his family at his side. He was an alumnus and a trustee of Eastern Christian College. Born May 12, 1930, he was the son of the late Irvin and Ethel Kidwell and grew up in Ohio.

Brother Kidwell entered Bible college during the first year of his marriage to the former Carol Ann Blackmore, and was a minister of the gospel for the next 59 years. During that time, he served churches in Texas, Indiana, Ohio, and Delaware. At the time of his death, he was evangelist for Capitol City Church of Christ, Dover, DE.

He was founder of Delmarva Christian Service Camp, and enjoyed woodworking, hunting, and golf.

Mr. Kidwell is survived by his wife, three sons and their wives, 14 grandchildren, and 15 great-grandchildren.

To the General Fund

Ben Allen (Honor)
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by Thomas Woodward

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by Jimmie Slagle

Robert Tooley (Memory)
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by Ruth Wood

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For the past school year (2008-2009), residents of North Carolina who are students at MACU received a total of \$82,557 in CPEI grant money (Grants for Students Attending Certain Private Education Institutions).

This grant, referred to as "state grant money," has paid nearly \$400,000 to MACU students during its first six years of being awarded.

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Wallace-Eakes Scholarships

Congratulations to those receiving the Wallace-Eakes Scholarships for the 2009-2010 school year.

Front: Mary Peale, Maddie Harris, Mrs. Doris Eakes, Rebecca Hail. **Back:** Chris Gallihugh, Taylor Everette, Greg Webb, Drew Bromm, Josh Nunez, Huguens Mercier. **Not pictured:** Elizabeth Vahey.



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October 9-16, 2010

Rooms still available! Reserve yours now!

Please bring your friends and family along and join President and Mrs. Perkins on a 7-day Eastern Caribbean cruise on the Norwegian Cruise Line Epic. We set sail from Miami Saturday, October 9, on this beautiful new ship. Sunday we will have a worship service aboard the ship led by Assistant Vice President for Development Emmett Murphy. You can dine whenever you want with whomever you want. MACU group events will occur on ship while at sea. You can schedule shore excursions of your choice.

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