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#### FROM ALASKA TO AFRICA •







LBC'S COMMUNICATION MAJOR



A Reflection on Dr. Peter W. Teague

With great rejoicing in the faithfulness of God, we announced the re-opening of our Teague Learning Commons (TLC) on Sunday, March 30.

My heart overflows as I reflect on our 85-day journey since the early morning hours of January 4 when water flooded four levels of this building, leaving a path of destruction in its wake. To think that we would occupy this beautiful facility again in just 12 weeks is nothing short of amazing given the extent of the damage.

Words failed to describe my emotions on that frigid January morning as I stood in our once-pristine building, watching helplessly as water cascaded from the ceiling above me onto library holdings, furniture, and computers. A fourth floor pipe had burst at 12:06 AM, generating extensive water flow downward through all levels.

This was not the first time I presided over a disaster of such magnitude. When I was superintendent of the Christian School of York, our high school burned to the ground on the morning of July 20, 1990. For seven hours, I watched in horror as over 100 firefighters from seven counties fought an out-of-control blaze. By dawn's early light, it was apparent our 14-year-old facility was reduced to rubble, along with all its contents. My emotions teetered between a sovereign God in total control and overwhelming defeat.

Early the next morning, I received a call from a stranger. He said, "Sir, I envy you. You are about to receive the blessing of God in your life and on the Christian School of York that you will not be able to comprehend." He went on to tell of a similar experience in his own life and ministry. I put the phone down, dropped to my knees, and asked God to demonstrate Himself faithful to us, as he had to my caller.



The reopening of the TLC makes the center of the front page news in Lancaster's local paper on April 8.

What followed was nothing short of a miracle. Scores of people combined their efforts to successfully accomplish a rebuilding project that seemed impossible. Five months later, our students moved into a completely rebuilt school.

An institution reveals her soul after a crisis. At Lancaster Bible College, we rely on a God who is infinite in His wisdom, perfect in His love, and complete in His sovereignty.

God does not have to explain Himself; we simply rely on His promises. Our college theme for this year is **BE**, taken from the Beatitudes in Matthew 5. In this passage of Scripture, Jesus promises us happiness not through the conveniences and pleasures of this life but rather through willingly resting in the will of God and endeavoring to profit all men in the midst of adversity.

We often forget or perhaps ignore the difficult circumstances Jesus describes in these eight qualities of blessed people. There is a cost of being children of God. We must resist the urge to think that our lives must make sense. After all, the Beatitudes, in which Jesus gives us the keys to happiness, do not make sense from our limited perspective until they are lived out authentically and experienced radically.

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These individuals were among those who worked tirelessly in a 24 hour period to transport all the technology and furnishings from the temporary library site back into the TLC. Pictured are Michaela Dearborn, Ryan Dearborn, Dr. Philip Dearborn (VP for Academic Affairs), Vince Johnson (VP for Technology), Chris VanBuskirk (Online Director) and Dr. Peter Teague.

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In the midst of crisis, the community of Lancaster Bible College resolved to focus on being and living who we are in Christ. I was moved deeply as I observed our faculty, staff, and students respond to adversity this semester with patience, flexibility, and thankful hearts. Just as my anonymous caller encouraged me over two decades ago, in the midst of disaster we have indeed experienced the blessing of God in our lives. Today we rejoice once more at being able to occupy the Teague Learning Commons as we serve our students.

If you have opportunity, I invite you to visit the TLC and join us in thanking the LORD "for His steadfast love, for His wondrous works" at Lancaster Bible

Please keep in touch!

Peter W. Deagne PETER W. TEAGUE, EdD

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Every few years LBC employees participate in an anonymous survey developed by the Best Christian Workplace Institute. Across the globe, hundreds of Christian organizations participate

in this survey, grouped into categories such as Christian schools, churches, missionaries, colleges, universities and seminaries, to name a few. The survey results help LBC measure many aspects of employee satisfaction and engagement.

Lancaster Bible College was certified as a 2014 Best Christian Workplace and was further recognized for achieving the highest score ever in the Bible college category.







Certification as a Best Christian Workplace reflects a faculty and staff who are committed to the mission of Lancaster Bible College and fully engaged in serving our students. We are intentional about analyzing the results of the survey, building on our strengths, identifying areas of improvement, and developing action plans to create and maintain a flourishing culture that is Christ-centered and committed

At the annual meeting of the Association for Biblical Higher Education, Dr. Al and Kathy Lopus (to the right of Teague), of the Best Christian Workplaces Institute, formally presented this award to President Teague, Vice President Gary Bredfeldt, and Vice President Philip Dearborn.





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friends, and donors with news from the institution, articles that connect our readers with our community, and features on relevant Christian thought.

#### MISSION STATEMENT

Lancaster Bible College exists to educate Christian students to think and live a biblical worldview and to proclaim Christ by serving Him in the Church

Lancaster Bible College will be a premier learning community that intentionally develops the head, heart, and hands of servant ministry leaders for

#### **ACCREDITATION**

The college is accredited by the Middle States sion on Higher Education (MSCHE) and the Association for Biblical Higher Education Commission on Accreditation (ABHE). Elementary Education, Health & Physical Education, Music Education, and MEd graduates are eligible for Education (PDE). Graduates of all undergraduate education programs receive private school certification through the Association of Christian Schools International (ACSI).

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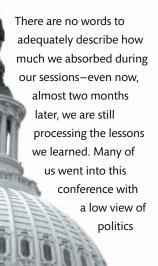
Marketing and Echo Production Manager Karen Perago, BS '85

A Renewed Respect and Appreciation for Politics

College students and professor Daniel Spanjer boarded 2 school vans and journeyed to Washington D.C. for the National Association of Evangelicals Student Leadership Conference. Little could we imagine the conversation that would be sparked during our time in the nation's capital. Over the course of 5 days we heard from 28 speakers, who are working both inside and outside the government to bring an evangelical worldview into the political sphere. Among those we were privileged to dialogue with were Representative Paul Ryan, Justice Antonin Scalia, and Special Assistant to the President Melissa Rogers. Our speakers touched on topics from poverty to the marriage debate, from religious freedom to immigration, even from international affairs to criminal justice.

On January 27, 2014, 21 Lancaster Bible

Our sessions met in places such as the Supreme Court, the Heritage Foundation, the Senate Office Buildings, and the White House.



and the influence that the evangelical community can have in this arena, and I was skeptical about how much the evangelical community should engage in the political sphere. However, I think I can speak for the group when I say that each of us came away from the conference with a renewed respect and appreciation for politics and the influence that the Christian community can have in this sphere. Speaking from personal experience, it can be easy to ignore what is going on in the political world while being a fulltime student, but this trip has changed my perspective. I have come to realize just how important it is for Christians to be attentive to what is going on in the political sphere. If we are called to be salt and light, then who is to say our paths should stop at the bottom of Capitol Hill?

As a future history and civics teacher, this trip has given me a new goal in my future classroom. Just as I learned the importance of using my privilege as a United States citizen to further the work of God's kingdom, so I also want to impart those

same values to my students. A fellow classmate, Johanna Baublitz '14, said this of her experience as a social work student on this trip: "The greatest part of the trip was that the speakers (specifically Jim Wallis, president of Sojourners) renewed my passion for helping the 'least of these.' This trip reminded me why I serve and how important it is to remember that loving the least of these is loving Christ Himself." In addition, Robert Kumher '15 is now considering pursuing a law degree as a result of what he learned on this trip. Our thanks go out to the NAE for organizing this conference and to our illustrious speakers for imparting much wisdom to college students. Our deepest gratitude goes to Professor Daniel Spanjer for investing so much of his own time and wisdom into us on this trip; without him, these lessons would have never been learned.

**KELLIE WRIGHT '15** Middle Level Education



The time spent in Washington D.C. will leave an indelible mark on us, whether it was talking with PA Senator Robert Casey, Jr. in his office or having our photo taken at the Capital dome. Pictured left to right are Ryan Diehl '14, Samuel Marquard '14 and Rodney Carter, Jr. '15.

# DOUBLE the Blessing!

LBC employees were twice blessed this past Christmas when the college gave them two hams with the intention that they keep one for their families and give the other away. It was an opportunity to be a blessing to family, friends, or others in difficult circumstances.

- A single mom was blown away when LBC employees in her neighborhood brought the ham to her door after she had just written a Christmas wish list-with ham being the main course.
- One ham was placed in a box with other groceries and left on a grandmother's porch.
- One employee added vegetables and bread to make a complete meal for his son's teammate, who was spending Christmas with his single
- Toys, gifts, and food-including one of these hams-were taken to a mother's coworker who recently lost her home in a fire.

Many other hams were donated to grateful rescue missions, local ministries, and other families in need, blessing both those who received and those who gave, for "God loves a cheerful giver" (2 Corinthians 9:7).



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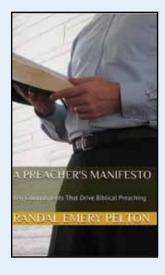
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#### **FACULTY PUBLISHES E-BOOK**

Dr. Randal Pelton, adjunct professor, published a mini e-book entitled A Preacher's Manifesto: Ten Commitments that Drive Biblical Preaching. These ten commitments will guide pastors in creating their preaching calendar, help steer their sermon preparation, and remind them of the vital place preaching occupies in the local church.



# **Student Leadership Opportunities**

The next time you walk into your local bookstore, take a look at the area marked for leadership development. In most places, what would have occupied a couple of shelves on the bottom of a bookcase 10 years ago has grown into an entire row of shelves promising to make anyone a leader. Leadership is hot, and the desire to lead isn't lost on this generation of Christian young people. It is very much in the minds of students at LBC. In fact, leadership is in LBC's DNA as you read the vision statement to "develop the head, heart, and hands of servant ministry leaders for global impact." You'll notice in that statement the motivation to lead is different than you'll find in many leadership books. We believe that in God's economy and through the example of Jesus Christ, service and leadership go hand-in-hand. After all, our Savior was the one who traded a crown for a cross, who washed His disciples' feet, and spent time with "the least of these." Our goal at LBC has been to develop leaders who will take this attitude of leading with the humility to serve others.

In fall 2013 we launched a first-year student leadership group called *LeadNow*. This effort begins developing servant leaders at LBC the minute they set foot on campus. The group of 40 first-year students meets once

a month in a discussion format centered on the foundation of leading. The time we spend together is heavy in application, often with the encouragement to "use what you learned as soon as you leave." In addition, these students form smaller groups led by eight hand-picked upperclassmen. As they invest in first-year students, we are also investing in them. Group leaders gave up part of their winter break to attend the Cross Conference in Louisville, KY, focused on unreached peoples of the world and leadership training. Three students responded to an invitation to begin a conversation with their church about a possible call on their life to serve Christ by going to the nations.

On January 20, 2014, our nation remembered Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. and the impact his servant leadership and vision for equal rights had on our nation. Day classes were cancelled, and we paused from the regular schedule at LBC. Rather than simply take the day off, more than 120 students voluntarily served 20 local organizations. In addition, over 50 students volunteered at their church or another organization where they were already serving. Students painted, cleaned, raked, shoveled, and even constructed a giant fish for a local kids ministry.

The opportunities to impact this generation of servant leaders at LBC far exceed what can be reduced to words. Each opportunity, whether through programming, in the classroom, or one-on-one mentoring, is a reminder to our students that leadership, examined through the lens of the gospel, should compel us to roll up our sleeves, get messy, take the basin and the towel, and serve those we lead.

SCOTT BOYER '05 Director of Student Success



The student team that attended Cross Conference enjoyed a visit to the Colonel Sanders museum while in Kentucky.

# LBC'S COMMUNICATION MAJOR

# God Is Still Moving

It was the typical chaotic fury of a delivery room. Nurses in scrubs and Crocs were busy checking vitals, organizing sterilized equipment, and calling the doctor to keep him apprised of our progress. The tiny plexiglass crib had already been wheeled into the corner of the room and was waiting to receive my daughter who, if the increase in commotion was any indication, would be arriving at any moment. Family and friends had gathered in the waiting room, nervously awaiting news that it was all over while trying to reassure my two-year-old son that this was normal. He clutched the elephant rattle that he had picked out for his little sister and jumped from lap to lap.

Michael Freeman shares with his

class some tips on using Twitter as

a business communication tool.

In the midst of the commotion, my cell phone buzzed in my pocket. I'm not sure if it was exhaustion or force of habit that caused me to answer it in that moment, but I was completely disconnected from the conversation that was happening on the other end. I smiled, said thank you, and hung up the phone. With a family, a house, and a daughter on the way any minute, I discovered I would not be asked back to teach at my former college. The details were blurry, but somehow the state had overpaid that college three million dollars and they wanted it back-immediately. As the most recently hired communication professor, I was first in a wave of employees that was being let go to make up the difference.

One last push, the cut of a cord, a healthy cry, and Rebekah was wrapped in a pinkstriped blanket in my wife's arms. We were all emotionally and physically drained. The exhaustion of a difficult delivery, the overwhelming joy of this new life, and the plastered smile on my face as family members flooded the room, provided a welcome distraction from the fear growing in the back of my mind. My sense of security was shattered. My pride had taken a lethal

hit. I hadn't done anything wrong. Thi should have been a joyous day. How could God have let this happen?

What seemed to be an end was really the beginning of God's story. It was late July, so every college that was hiring faculty for the fall had already filled their positions, but I sent out scores of resumes anyway. With each closed door, my search widened. In an offhand comment, my wife mentioned that she would be willing to move if I found a job. Finally the search window widened large enough to include Lancaster Bible College.

At the time, there was no communication department at LBC. In fact, at that time, students were discouraged from going to the movies-not the best sign for a communication professor. But they were hiring someone to help develop their online education program. Having taught online for a number of years and pursuing my doctorate in online curriculum and instruction, God's new plan was starting to come into focus. I was excited to be on the ground floor of a new initiative at LBC. God had opened this door for me to provide for

**Professor Adrienne Garvey** demonstrates the features of the broadcast quality video cameras.

my family, but I also knew that coming to LBC meant sacrificing my passion for media, film, and communication. So, I packed away all my textbooks, my collection of antique cameras, and my DVD library, and I trusted God with the future.

Again, that could have been the end of the story, but God was still moving. Shortly after arriving, I was pulled into the office of Marcia Piepgrass (at that time an English professor) and had a great conversation about her vision of a communication major at LBC. It was an encouraging conversation, but I thought nothing would ever come of it. The very next year, LBC hired Dr. Mark Menga to run its adult program. Mark's previous position? Chair of the undergraduate communication major at Regent University. God was still moving. The year after that, Ms. Jessica Weleski was named chair of the Arts and Sciences department. Her master's thesis? Developing the curriculum for a Communication major at a Bible college.

God was definitely still moving. God was assembling a core team of faculty with a passion for media, film, and writing, and with hearts that desired to see Christian professionals enter these fields.

Mass media is the one place where regardless of class, creed, or religion, we all look to get information about the rest of the world. These media gatekeepers define the public agenda by deciding what stories are told and which ones will be left on the cutting room floor. They set the tone for cultural values, morals, and taboos. Sadly, our experiences had revealed that many newsrooms, studios, and marketing firms charged with these roles were, if not outwardly hostile to Christians, at least apathetic or misinformed about the Christian worldview. We saw it as our job to train Christians firmly rooted in the Bible to excel professionally in these careers. They would be our embedded missionaries into the increasingly secularized world of mass media.

Great adjuncts were also drawn by the vision of this program: Adrienne Garvey, a

producer from WGAL-TV; Jeanette Windle, an award-winning Christian novelist; Earl Ridgell, illustrator and creative director; and the list continues to grow. Through God's moving, and with the blessing of the LBC Board of Trustees, the Communication major was launched.

Today, we are three years into the program with over 30 students having Communication as their major. Our first Communication



graduate, Eric Lizotte '13, is a production technician with LCBC church. This past December, our second graduate, Emily Barto '13, was named a co-valedictorian. The third issue of Charge magazine, the Communication department's studentrun fine arts magazine, was published this spring. The Reese Foundation approved two large grants to fund video equipment and other technology to start an online radio station at LBC. Best of all, Communication students are using their passion and gifts to work all over campus, our community, and the world. From **Lauren Thompson** '16 working in LBC's marketing department to Whitney Longacre '15 interning in marketing at Dayspring Christian Academy; from Lauren D'Antonio '14 writing for the Wilkes-Barre Penguins to Caleb Mayer '15 traveling with the Hanshin Tigers in Japan; from **Keri Graybill '14** travel blogging through Spain to Kyle Brennen '15 documenting our professors in Israel; from Kelsie Cain '15 interning as a social media writer for Joni and Friends in greater Philadelphia to Kelsey Snavely '16 working as the social media specialist for the Spanish American Civic Association, we are extremely proud to see our students being used by God to fulfill His plan by magnifying their talents and using their Communication training to impact our communities in tangible ways.

Looking back, it's easy now to see the pieces that God assembled and the prayers that He answered to bring this program into being. God rewarded our patience with a





program that He built and the students He provided. I am thrilled to have a front row seat to see how He will continue to use and develop these students. Of one thing I am sure: God has been faithful in establishing this Communication major, and He is still

MICHAEL FREEMAN Director, Communication Major

One of the purposes of LBC's Journey Teams is "to provide cross-cultural ministry experience and training for LBC students, alumni, and high school students." This year, teams from LBC will be going to five continents and eight countries around the world.

EUrope. During spring break, a team went to Macedonia to help a churchplanting effort build an outdoor classroom for a school. This will be used to build relationships within the community as English classes are taught there. On July 16-August 17, the Germany team, led by Betty Pompell '12 and Andrew Keenan '14 will be working with Neues Leben (New Life) Ministries at an ESL camp for high school students.

USA. PE and education professors, Dr. Bob Dodson, Tom Randolph, and Amanda Dowhen took a team of PE/education students to minister among the students and families on the Navajo Reservation in the Southwest of the country. Evangelism and visits to several area schools were an integral part of this May 11-24 trip.

ASId. In the Philippines, staff members Christina McLaughlin '13 and Scott Boyer '05 returned to the same area where they served last year from May 18-June 13 to help with typhoon clean-up and village assistance. On July 17-August 5, another team will teach English in Japan, working at a camp and helping in the continuing tsunami restoration efforts. Bob McMichael '93, Naomi Rhoads '97, and Scott Harrison will be leading the team.

Africa. In Zimbabwe, a team will travel June 26-July 11 to reach out to public high schools and orphanages in and around Harare. Leading this team is Dr. and Mrs. Freeman Chakara. LBC's first ever adult learner Journey Team will travel to Nigeria June 22-July 5 working with the Ministry of Mercy, which operates two orphanages. The team will be led by Corporation member George Hege '79 and staff member Sherri Colton.



Kate Webster '16 and Alicia Smith '16 painting in Macedonia.

South America. Members of the soccer team along with staff leaders Dr. George Nichols and Tom Ardt travel to Brazil from July 25-August 5. While there the team will partner with Word of Life Recife (Brazil) to play soccer and share testimonies on and off the field.

# **Social Work Program Earns Candidacy Status**

In February, the Social Work program received "candidacy status" through the Council of Social Work Education (CSWE), the nationally-recognized accrediting entity for social work educational programs. We are prayerfully trusting God for full accreditation of the Social Work program in February 2016. As part of the three-year process of accreditation, continued efforts will be dedicated to the growth of the Social Work program to include marketing, developing an advisory board, strengthening student outcomes, and developing quality partnerships with local organizations to assist with field internships for the students. Concentrated attention will specifically focus on the measurement of the core skills and competencies that all social workers need to develop.

**Finding Solutions** 

Students and guests are the number one focus at LBC | Capital,

and the Solution Center is LBC's newest answer to the growing

need for a central point of contact. Answers to questions

regarding class registration, financial aid, billing, and general

inquiries are now attainable simply by contacting the Solution

Center. Led by student support supervisor June Hollinger (right) and student support specialists Rosie Lammey (left) and Tamara

Brummel '02 (middle), the Solution Center was established

in November 2013 with the goal of being a "one stop" center

focused on helping students navigate through administrative

of the Solution Center, June brings valuable experience from

academic departments as well as the Business Office. Rosie

procedures in a friendly and professional manner. As supervisor

Social work students are engaged in the entire learning process, developing a sense of community in their Social Work Student Club to plan events and to work alongside one another. Social work is based on the premise of the worth and dignity of relationships, looking beyond the present to the next steps. As we prepare students to love, show compassion, and care for others, we join the Church in being the redemptive presence in the midst of human suffering. Please join us in continuing to make a difference in the world, and pray for LBC as we continue to faithfully serve God in pursuing full accreditation of the Social Work program.

serves our students well with her exceptional customer service skills, having worked with non-profit organizations and in higher education. Tamara, an LBC alumnus, brings years of excellent customer service and financial experience to the team. With the same goal in mind, they are now working hard to give students and guests the best possible service at LBC | Capital by assisting them in finding answers to their questions. Ultimately, their vision is to show the love of Christ by helping to meet the needs of students. To contact the Solution Center for your business office, financial aid, or registration questions, please call 717.560.8254 or email solutions@lbc.edu.

Macedonia journey team in front of the finished

outdoor classroom.

Jacob Buckwalter '14

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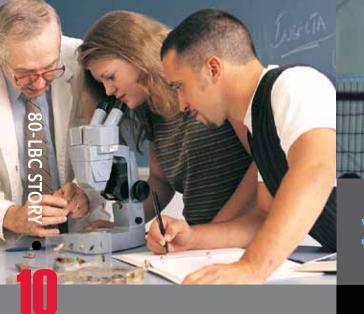
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and Bradley Wilcox '16







During these years chapel was held Monday through Friday in the gym. Dr. Peterson nicknamed it the Gymauditorium since it functioned as both a gym and auditorium.

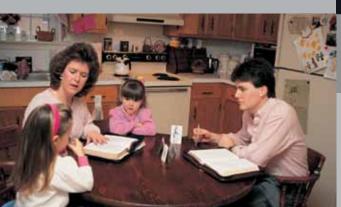


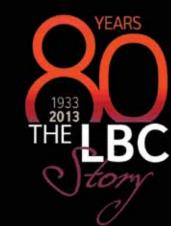
Volleyball was added as a collegiate sport in 1986.

In the mid-80s the college made the decision By 1986, Dr. Jim DeVries had been hired to fill that role. Jim has spent his years at LBC consistently investing in the lives of his students and tirelessly encouraging a passion for an ordered and creative God.



Students could be found studying and doing research in the library without the assistance of internet, laptop computers or smart phones.







Dr. Gil Peterson served as LBC's fourth president during the 80s & 90s. He continued on as chancellor until 2005.

During the 80s and early 90s, as the numbers of married students increased, housing was made available so married students could live on campus with their families.

# The Trends, Technology, and Times that Shaped LBC

adonna. MTV. Designer jeans. These are the icons of 80s culture fueled by an image-conscious generation of status seekers. Binge buying and easy credit reigned. Minivans, camcorders, video games, aerobics, and talk shows became part of our lives.

A study by UCLA and American Council on Education indicated college freshmen in 1980 were more interested in status, power, and money than at any time during the previous 15 years. Not surprisingly, their most popular choice of college major was business management.

Against this backdrop of increasing affluence and indulgence, Lancaster Bible College urged students to live counter to the culture, advocating a biblical worldview, emphasizing service and sacrifice. Dr. Gilbert A. Peterson, president from 1979-99, often referred to LBC as a "boot camp for God." This emphasis was manifest in the Christian service hours required of every student every semester, involving the student body in nearly 100 churches and 80 community organizations.

The year
1981 yielded
Lancaster's first
martyr on a
mission field,
when Chet
Bitterman (right)
was taken from
a small medical
facility in rural
Colombia and

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executed by a militant guerilla group just weeks later. Even as the college family grieved for Chet's widow, Brenda '75, they were inspired by his example. Missions was always a part of LBC's heritage. Years later in 1989 when the Berlin Wall came down, signaling a gradual opening of countries closed for years, students rejoiced at opportunities to share the gospel in formerly Communist countries. Missionary leader Ron Blue, international evangelist Sammy Tippit, and a host of others encouraged students at our annual missions conferences to reach the world for Christ.

At the start of the 80s, a Gallup poll reported that 40% of respondents expressed confidence in the church or organized religion but by the 90s it dropped to 33%.

LBC was educating students not only to live counter to culture, but also to proclaim Christ within a society that increasingly viewed religion as irrelevant. To that end, the efforts of the newly inaugurated President were focused on establishing the credibility of biblical higher education through accreditation, obtained in 1982; and prudent financial management, eliminating a heavy debt of \$2.5 million and starting an endowment that topped \$6 million by the end of his presidency.

Well versed in leadership and management, President Peterson leveraged cultural trends of the 80s and 90s into ministry opportunities. He capitalized on the resurgence of small businesses, rising to 17 million nationally in 1980 (Blackford) by teaming with recognized business leaders like Phil Clemens of the Clemens Family Corporation to offer specialized seminars at LBC. Family business owners learned biblical leadership principles, sound stewardship practices, conflict resolution, and communication skills.

According to church historian Mark Noll, the 80s saw an evangelical population that was younger and better educated than the previous generation. They expected their pastors to be well versed and skilled in areas beyond their seminary training. LBC began offering quarterly Pastoral Enrichment Seminars covering theology, counseling, finances, church leadership, and other niches, drawing heavily on faculty expertise augmented by current authors and speakers. A Center for Church Leadership was founded to serve as a resource for churches in the Northeast Corridor. Evening Institute enrichment classes attracted sometimes up to 1000 adults from local churches, drawn by the sheer pleasure of learning.

Throughout the 80s personal computers become more prevalent both in the workplace and at home, gradually replacing typewriters in the offices of LBC. As technology became exponentially more sophisticated, it intersected with the massive explosion of megachurches, which leapt from 150 in 1980 to 350 by 1990 (Crosby). Spurred by the conception of the World Wide Web in 1992, technology aided the growth of megachurches, skillfully incorporating different forms of media in services, simulcasting messages at other sites, and video connecting with sister churches on other continents.

Dr. Dale Mort was hired to lead and develop the Plus20 program, now known as Accelerated Undergraduate Degree, helping students over 24 years of age with some college credits to complete their bachelor's degree.



LBC was one the first Bible colleges to grasp the potential in higher education powered by technology, and positioned itself for this future with non-traditional programs that would adapt well to other methods of delivery like distance education and later online education. The adult degree completion program was launched in 1993 and one year later the graduate school was birthed. The college continued to grow with enrollment peaking at 868 in the late 90s.

A master strategist, Dr. Peterson's presidency was characterized by futuristic thinking. At one time he likened himself to King David, who acquired the land and materials for the temple, enabling his son and successor, King Solomon, to erect a magnificent structure for the glory of God. Without knowing what God had in store for the LBC of the future, Dr. Peterson strategically accumulated resources. Under his leadership the college purchased additional acreage, more than doubling the size of the campus, expanded library holdings to have the largest and most complete collection of resource materials among Bible colleges, strengthened academic programs, and solidified its financial base.

In 1999, after 20 years as President, Dr. Peterson conveyed the amulet of presidential leadership to Dr. Peter W. Teague, our sixth and current president.

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START FINISH **Enrollment** 395 868 **Fulltime Faculty** 19 (2 with doctorates) 39 (21 with doctorates) 28 Undergraduate **Academic Programs** 4 Undergraduate 4 Graduate **Academic Degrees** 6 AABC AABC **Accreditations** and Certifications **MSCHE Candidate MSCHE** PDE **ACSI** Library Holdings 144,462 volumes 27,300 volumes **Operating Budget** \$1,728,002 \$8,324,157 Scholarshare Fund Goal \$1,200,000 \$325,000 \$6+ million **College Endowment** none \$1,985,634 \$11,686,106 **Net Worth** Information Technology Campus-wide none computer network; Internet access; website **Campus Buildings** 13 17

The Presidential Tenure of Dr. Gilbert A. Peterson

As computer technology emerged, LBC installed its first computer lab and launched a computer studies program under the leadership of Dr. Harold Kime.



### **Chargers Heat Up During Winter Season**

Even the snow and cold could not stop the Lancaster Bible basketball teams during the 2013-14 season, as both teams enjoyed some of the finer seasons in their histories. The men's basketball team finished 22-9 and earned a third place finish at the NCCAA National Tournament in Circleville, Ohio, while the women's basketball team finished 23-7 and took fifth place at the NCCAA National Tournament in Joplin, Missouri.

In addition to their success in the NCCAA, both teams also won their respective North Eastern Athletic Conference regular season championships and advanced to the NEAC final in the playoffs.

The men's 22 wins are the most in the program's 41 years, eclipsing the previous mark of 19 set by the 2000-01 squad. Junior Albert Suniga was named NEAC Player of the Year and an NCCAA Division II First Team All-American. Sophomore CJ Dunston joined Suniga as an NCCAA Division II All-

American First Team selection and was also named to the NEAC First Team. Dunston led the Chargers with 15.3 points and 8.5 rebounds per game, and his 474 points this season were the most since Drew Karschner '08, scored 613 during the 2005-06 season.

In its first game in the NCCAA tournament, LBC defeated Grace University (Nebraska) 79-68 but lost a heartbreaker to Arlington Baptist in the national semifinals. The Chargers trailed by as many as 18 in the second half before mounting a huge comeback to cut the deficit to one but could not get over the hump and lost by five, 70-65. Rather than sulk about the loss, the Chargers returned the next day to defeat Grace Bible (Michigan) 94-72 to secure third place, the best finish in program history.

On the women's side, the Chargers won the NEAC regular season championship for the second straight season as they went a perfect 16-0 in NEAC play and won 15



straight games from January 17 to March 1. The 15 straight victories break the program record of 10 set by last season's team. Sophomore Aubrey Folger '08 had one of the best individual seasons in program history as she scored 532 points and grabbed 343 rebounds. Her 532 points are the most in a single season in program history, and her 17.7 points per game are the most since Kathryn (Colwell) Thompson '96 averaged 19.8 during the 1995-96 season.

Over the past two seasons, the LBC women's basketball team has won 47 times compared to just 12 losses. In Joplin, the Chargers lost their opening game to Arlington Baptist, 86-82, but rebounded to win their final two games over North Central University (Minnesota) and Ohio Christian.

Congratulations to both teams on a terrific

Clockwise from top: The Charger men's team proudly display their hard earned NCCAA East Region banner.

LBC was privileged to have the NEAC commissioner present during this year's basketball championship Director Pete Beers, President Peter W. Teague, NEAC ner Candice Poiss Murray, and NEAC Coaches of the Year Marshall Tague and Doug Helsel.

The lady Chargers embrace each other as they celebrate earning the NEAC South Division Regular Season Champions trophy









since 2003, and two who serve in remote areas where technology allows them to continue their education and immediately apply what they are learning.



# Amanda Hunt (07)

teaches kindergarten in Mountain Village, Alaska, a remote community of about 900 Yupik Eskimo people. Her first trip to Alaska was in 2004 as part of a summer team teaching Vacation Bible School. Amanda returned to LBC for her undergraduate studies, but her heart remained in Alaska. This year will mark her tenth year of community involvement in Alaska—sometimes as a visitor, sometimes as a resident.

Amanda enrolled in the Consulting Resource Teacher (CRT) program in the summer of 2013. There is little professional support for teachers where she lives, so this program allows her to assist other educators in meeting the needs of their students. Part of Amanda's coursework was to build a website that connected educators of Alaska who serve in remote areas, such as Mountain Village. Using technology, she was able to offer support and direction to her fellow educators, who have so few resources. She developed a Facebook page, Amanda: Alaska Teacher Connect.

The kindergarteners in Amanda's classroom enter school with a 10 to 15,000 word deficit in oral English, so her efforts to bring these children up to level is a significant task. She says, "Despite all that, these are babies that God loves. And somehow His love needs to shine through me." The CRT program—utilizing LBC's online education delivery system and Skype—offers Amanda the skills and information she needs to make a difference in the lives of these students.



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On the other side of the world,

Shirley Eurner

is serving full time with Operation
Mobilization at the Teacher Training
Centre (TTC) in Kabwe, Zambia. Shirley
began her studies in the Consulting
Resource Teacher program in 2010 while
teaching in Lancaster County as a high
school learning support teacher. She
spent each school year teaching and
studying, and when summer arrived,
Shirley would travel to wherever God

wanted to use her. During those years, her heart was drawn to Africa. In 2012, she had the opportunity to be involved in teacher training in Zambia. Zambians spend a number of months at the TTC in Kabwe, followed by a practicum in their village schools. Shirley was there for onsite instruction and professional development. In her blog, Shirley wrote about her plans for professional development for the

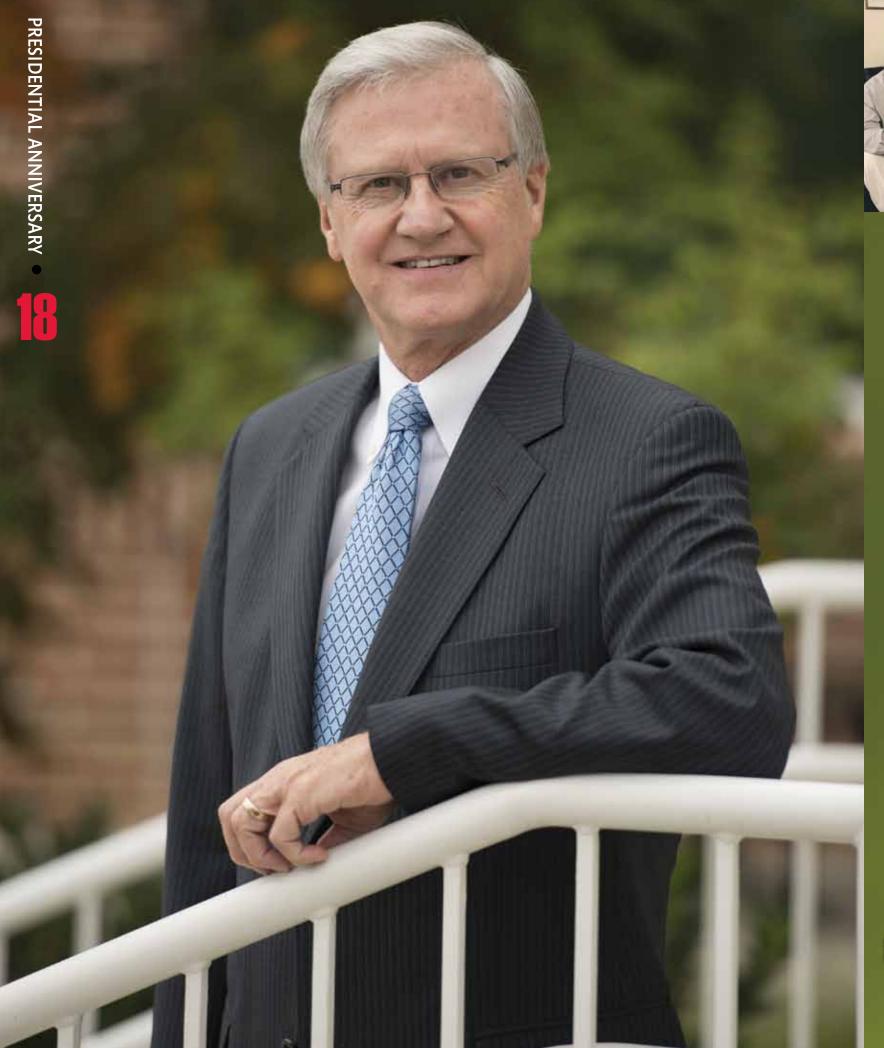
I was quite excited while preparing. I had my projector along for teacher presentations, my laptop, photocopied handouts, and some reference books for good measure! Typically here, schools run from 7:30 AM until about 1 PM, so I was looking forward to observing in the classes, then spending three to four hours in the afternoon to do workshops with the teachers.

Commence lesson number one... TeA - This Is Africa. That means anything you think you can reasonably expect, don't. It is almost always different than what you expect. For a school almost always different than what you expect. For a school covering reception (kindergarten) through grade six there were only two teachers. That means that each teacher was teaching one or two grades in the morning and then also one or two grades or two grades in the afternoon. Therefore afternoon workshops were not possible in the afternoon. Therefore afternoon workshops were not possible so we moved to evening workshops. Still, there are obstacles to overcome. Teachers have to make time to cook on the open fire to overcome. Teachers have to make time to cook on the open fire to prepare a meal for the three orphan boys who stay there, clean prepare a meal for the three orphan boys who stay there, clean the from the meal, accommodate for spontaneous parent visits in the evening, and still prepare lessons for teaching the next in the evening, and still prepare lessons for teaching the next

No problem, we will adjust. What can I do to help? I can cook a meal on an open fire. They probably thought I was crazy starting to make dinner preparations at 2 th since their schedule typically doesn't allow them to eat until after 8 th, but I went ahead anyway. Get the fire started, boil the water, but I went ahead anyway. Get the fire started, boil the water, cook the rice. Keep the fire going, fry the chicken. Cut up the fresh, delicious, amazingly scrumptious mangos and make a sauce for the chicken. Fut it on the fire. It is now 4:30 th sauce for the chicken that it on the fire of go.

Shirley is completing her MEd through the use of the online education delivery and Skype. It has given her the resources she needs to challenge the teachers in Zambia to think biblically and teach their students in a way that will reach the heart and the mind.

Teachers in the 21st century need to have broad knowledge and skills to meet the diverse needs of diverse students. The Consulting Resource Teacher program offers these professionals opportunities to specialize that training as a Reading Specialist, an Instructional Coach, or as an English as a Second Language Specialist. The faculty has extensive experiences in these areas and are prepared to challenge teachers to think biblically and teach skillfully wherever God leads them around the world.









# LBC'S PRESIDENT

# CELEBRATING 15 YEARS

# A Reflection on Dr. Peter W. Teague

BY DR. RALPH E. ENLOW, JR. President, Association for Biblical Higher Education

I confess that I am not a particularly sentimental person. My wife can attest that I am definitely not a hoarder. I have lost count of the cherished and deeply meaningful cards and notes I have received from many dear friends and family on occasions of illness or discouragement, or marking achievement milestones. Some may regard this as callous and ungrateful, but the truth is I don't keep boxes full of those cards and notes. Let's just say that I prefer to store these kindnesses in my heart rather than in my desk or closet.

I know precisely, however, where I keep the hand-written cards and notes I have received from Peter Teague over the years.

I keep them because of my regard for their source, their sincerity, and their substance. I venture that not a few readers of this article have received similar notes of personal encouragement from LBC's leader over the 15 years of his tenure. My initial acquaintance with Dr. Teague came when I witnessed his inauguration as Lancaster Bible College president in 1999. Colleagues clearly rejoiced that he had been tapped as LBC's next leader. Their esteem for him struck me as manifestly genuine and effusive. I have often seen such enthusiasm at the beginning of a leader's tenure, but rarely have I observed it so evidently sustained and strengthened over a15-year tenure.

I have come to know Peter more fully as a friend and colleague since I assumed interim leadership of the Association for Biblical Higher Education (ABHE) in 2006. Peter was one of the key board "conspirators" that, notwithstanding my insistence that I was not interested in taking on the role permanently, persuaded me to think and write about the future of ABHE—and subsequently persuaded me to embark upon the challenge of transforming the value proposition of our 60 year old association from a near-exclusive focus upon accreditation to primary focus upon service and resource partnership with our members and catalytic vision for our century-old movement. The inception of Peter's 2-year stint as ABHE board chair coincided with my acceptance of the call to lead ABHE.

As ABHE board chair, Dr. Teague's boldness and resolute faith prevented us from cowering and shrinking during the

Great Recession. He convincingly urged despite these formidable circumstantial headwinds that we stay the course and set our sails for success. I judge him to be a fearless leader not because he is never afraid but because his faith consistently supplants his fears. During those first two years of close collaboration and on numerous occasions in the years since, I have called upon him for spiritual insight, peer coaching, strategic reflection, and situational counsel. He has proven an eager and invaluable collaborator in ABHE growth strategy, resource development, leadership development, and other initiatives.

How, then, might I summarize Peter Teague's leadership strengths? I regard him to be a leader of high conviction, high connectivity, and high capacity.

Peter's extraordinarily energizing conviction is rooted in a deep well of daily personal fellowship with his Lord. The first time I visited his home, I could not help but notice a well-thumbed Bible, hymnal, and prayer journal sitting beside a well-worn chair he occupied morning by morning. On several occasions, I have heard Peter humbly testify to peers of his commitment earnestly and daily to seek His Savior's face beyond and before seeking His favor. I am convinced that this daily pattern is what sustains the intensity of his conviction and the consistency of his intentions. Unlike that of many successful executives, his intensity and consistency are not symptoms of neurotic compulsion, but rather a sign of divine urgency born of consecrated stewardship. He intently resists the way of temptation and refuses the way of compromise. He consistently cultivates godly fear and calls upon the grace required to do the right thing even when it is costly.

Peter Teague is, secondly, a leader of high connectivity. Although an introvert who is energized by solitude more than socializing, he engages colleagues and constituents eagerly and tirelessly. His grace-marks of gratitude and generosity allow him to sustain a hospitable spirit. Because he knows that human resources outweigh the value of financial resources, he persistently harnesses professional talent and pools spiritual capital. He successfully solicits ministry and financial partners because he steadfastly refuses to settle for exploitive transactional relationships. Although he is a formidable leader, he is never overpowering or intimidating. He listens before he speaks. He speaks with conviction but never with churlishness. He is inclined to be serious but ever lighthearted and ready with a laugh, as genuine in levity as in lament.

Finally, Peter Teague is a leader of high capacity. LBC's record of progress and

achievement over15 years under his leadership may prove to be one of the most remarkable periods of advance not only for LBC but also for any institution in our entire movement. His pathway is paved with milestones of exceptionalism in every sphere: institutional governance, human resources, operational efficiency, fiscal strength, academic excellence, programmatic expansion, enrollment, facilities, student services, expansion of instructional localities and modalities, collaboration, diversity, and more. He insists upon high standards. He often quotes his mentor Dr. Roy Lowrie: "Christian shabby is still shabby." Yet his commitment to high standards is charitable, lacking the sting of a critical and condescending spirit. He maintains an ethic of generosity rather than scarcity. He has been lavish in his readiness to link me to LBC friends and resources for the

benefit of ABHE. As if it has not been enough to lead LBC to unprecedented heights over the past 15 years, he has also invested his leadership in the service of other causes, such as Jessica and Friends Community, ABHE, and numerous other local, regional, and national education and ministry endeavors.

Peter W. Teague has proven over 15 years as Lancaster Bible College President to be leader of high conviction, high connectivity, and high capacity. He is certainly an accomplished higher education executive, but he is an endearing leader—an enduring leader—because he regularly exercises the grace of godly encouragement. Some leaders are feared, some tolerated, many respected, but few are beloved. Peter Teague belongs among the few.

1999-2000

2000-01

LBC receives

\$1 million gift.

2001-02



The new Good Shepherd Chapel and expanded Olewine Dining Commons are dedicated.

2002-03



Launch of "President's Perspective" college magazine. Peterson Hall is dedicated.

2003-04

2004-05

2005-06

2006-07



**Ambassador Foundation** established in LBC's 70th year, and after 10 years manages assets of approximately \$30 million.

2011-12



LBC purchases a 40.7 acre farm adjacent to campus for future expansion and begins \$16.7 million capital campaign.



Online **Education** initiative and Worship & **Performing** Arts programs launched.

2013-14

Successful 10-year accreditation review by Middle States **Commission on Higher Education (MSCHE)** and Association for Biblical Higher Education (ABHE).

2007-08

wide vision audit.

Newly inaugurated, President

Teague conducts a college-

2008-09

75th anniversary observed

amidst economic downturn.

LBC holds Parents Economic

Summit to address students' financial challenges.

2009-10

**Board of Trustees** approves revised mission statement and 5-year Transformationa Vision Leading to a Preferred

Future.



LBC is authorized to offer a PhD in Leadership degree and achieves NCAA Division III membership.

2010-11



Agreement with the Center for Urban Theological Studies (CUTS) in Philadelphia to establish CUTS as an LBC site.

2012-13

Teague Learning Commons opens in August. In January 2013 LBC acquires the graduate programs and teaches out the students of WBC/CBS in Lanham, MD.



In its 80th

anniversary year, LBC opens the Trust Performing Arts
Center in downtown Lancaster.

Agreement is reached with Memphis Center for Urban Theological Studies to become an LBC



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# THE WAY UP IS DOWN

John 13:4: "Jesus got up from supper, laid aside His garments, and, after getting a towel, He girded himself."

#### **Chrysler Abandons** Its Top Floor

60 Minutes ran a segment back in March 2012 called "Resurrecting Chrysler," featuring an extensive interview with the company's new CEO, Sergio Marchionne. In 2009, the company was bankrupt. 60 Minutes host Steve Kroft said it best: "They were headed to the junkyard crusher." Prior to Marchionne's leadership, Chrysler was marked by "a stifling bureaucracy," characterized by "an incredibly hierarchical organization that all pointed to the top." "It was run by a 'chairman's office.""

One of the first things Marchionne did was to literally close the top floor. The 60 Minutes camera crews shot some footage of it. It was a ghost town. No one works up there anymore. When Kroft asked him why he closed the floor, Marchionne quickly responded, "Because nothing happens up there." Is there something-anything-that Christians can learn from this "Motor City" miracle? I think so. In fact, it illustrates for us the

same type of leadership paradigm shift that has to take place today if we hope to honor the Lord Jesus and further the work of the gospel globally.

#### The First Fight

During Jesus' ministry in Galilee, the disciples asked Him, "Who is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven?" (Matthew 18:1). There was more to their question. Luke and Mark both tell us that the disciples had been fighting about which of them was the greatest

(Luke 9:46; Mark 9:34). Jesus answered them with an illustration. He called a child over to His side and said to them, "Whoever receives this child in My name receives Me. And whoever receives Me receives Him who sent Me; for the one who is least among all of you, this is the one who is great" (Luke 9:48). Jesus' disciples-then and now-are really quick to catch on, right? Now that Jesus has taught them this, they can get on with the ministry at hand. They can concentrate on learning other things about the kingdom, right? Well, wait just a minute.

#### The Second Fight

Jesus and the disciples came to Jericho, and another fight arose. When James, John, and their mother asked Jesus for two seats of honor in His kingdom (Matt. 20:20-28; Mark 10:35-45), the other ten apostles became angry. They did not appreciate this backdoor, conniving attempt to secure positions of greatness in Jesus' kingdom (Matt. 20:24; Mark 10:41). Obviously, Jesus' first illustration about the child and the kingdom did not kill their selfish aspirations to hear Jesus identify one of them as the greatest. Telling them to be the "least" must not have clicked. This time Jesus responds by calling a huddle and denouncing the top-down leadership styles that were as common in the first century as they are today. He said, "You know that those people who are recognized as rulers of the nations exert their power and control over them. It simply can't be this way among you. But whoever desires to be great among you has to be your servant" (Mark 10:42-43).

Matthew's account has one more very important piece: "Whoever desires to be first among you must be your slave" (Matt. 20:27). The last time they fought about greatness, Jesus gave them the illustration of a child. This time He gives them His own example. Explaining what it looks like to be that type of servant-slave, Jesus says, "just as the Son of Man did not come to be served but to serve and to give His life as a ransom for many." Now, finally, they surely understood exactly what Jesus was teaching them, right? Again, wait just a minute.

#### The Third Fight

Servant-leadership is difficult to learn and even harder to embrace in life and ministry. Look back to Jesus' final night with the disciples. In less than twenty-four hours, Jesus was going to suffer many things and would be killed by crucifixion. Found within the Farewell Discourse (John 13-17) is the awesome example of the one and only Son of God assuming the role of a household servant. After supper, Jesus "laid aside His garments, and taking a towel, He girded himself" (John 13:4). Then, Jesus filled a

bowl with water and washed the disciples' feet (John 13:5). Andrew Lincoln says this: "Most foot washing in the ancient world was a menial task. It involved washing off not just dust and muc but also the remains of human excrement

(which was tipped out of houses into the streets) and animal waste (which was left on country roads and town streets)" (Lincoln, The Gospel According to St. John, 367). Such an act, Lincoln points out, was the work of a slave. So, why did Jesus stop what He was doing during supper to wash His disciples'

Only John includes this event in his Gospel. John, however, does not include all the circumstances surrounding the foot-washing lesson. Luke tells us that the disciples had their third fight about greatness in the kingdom (Luke 22:24). Each time Jesus tells the disciples that they absolutely cannot think or live in such a way. In each episode, though, we see Jesus' teaching expand. He says more. He illustrates more. This time He gives them the second greatest example of servant-leadership (His death on the cross being the greatest). He repeats what He has already told them, saying in Luke 22:26, "It cannot be this way with you!" This time, instead of standing a child beside Him to illustrate His point or just telling them to be like Him, our Lord and Savior shows His disciples what it looks like to "go up" in His

#### **What About Us?**

Something like what happened at Chrysler must happen today in the minds and hearts of Jesus' disciples. There is no room for "top-floor" ministry in the kingdom. There are many things that get emphasized in Bible colleges and seminaries, lots of things to read in books, lots of notes to take in classes. But there is one lesson that has to be learned above all the rest: The way up in Jesus' kingdom is down.

What a hard lesson to learn! But it's a lesson that must be learned if we have any hope of honoring and pleasing the Lord Jesus with our lives. Talk really is cheap. True biblical ministry necessitates serving others. Servantleadership has to be continually modeled. All the knowledge about Greek and the New Testament that my mentor David Alan Black taught me was nothing compared to the example he gave me. Concerning Philippians

Contrary to popular notions, our Father is pleased when His children cease striving after status, recognition, and honors. Our supreme business as Christians is not success but submission. What matters is that we have the mind of Christ, which means, first and foremost, taking a towel and water and washing the disciples' feet. From status to service! From majesty to meniality! From standing tall to bending low! We must live as He lived who took the form of a servant.

Going the way of the cross means more than just knowing what the Bible says. Jesus' way of thinking led Him to the cross, apart from which none of us would have the forgiveness of sins. We have to think this way, too. I'm confident God would do great things if we would just go the way of the

Up is down. Down is up. The towel and water await us all.

THOMAS W. HUDGINS Assistant Professor of Biblical and Theological Studies LBC Capital Greenbelt Site www.thomashudgins.com

**EVENTS** 

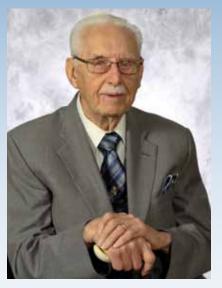
What do the descriptors World War II veteran, professor, Millersville University trustee, believer, and philanthropist all have in common? These words describe Lancaster Bible College's friend and supporter,

#### Dr. William McIlwaine.

Dr. McIlwaine, known affectionately as Bill or Dr. Mac, served our nation in the armed forces in four major battles, including the Battle of the Bulge, the largest and bloodiest land battle fought by U.S. forces in WWII. Bill also participated in the liberation of a labor camp in Ebensee, Austria. It was in those early years that Bill learned the life lesson of "doing what needs to be done no matter how difficult the task."

A man of growing faith, Bill returned home from the war and entered Boston University, where he received his bachelor's, master's, and doctorate degrees, during which time he also received 16 awards in advanced chemistry and geology. And it was also during these years that he met the love of his life, Melva Seymour, to whom he was wed for 59 years.

After a period of teaching at the high school level in Massachusetts, Bill joined the faculty at Millersville University, where he taught chemistry and geology and started the Earth Science Department. Later, he also chaired the Department of Elementary and Early Childhood Education. Since that time, he has served in various capacities on the campus. Today, at the age of 90, he remains on the Millersville Board of Trustees, a position he has held for 19 years. Bill currently serves as secretary on the Pennsylvania State Board of **Examiners of Nursing Home Administrators** and is Millersville University's representative to the Pennsylvania Association Council of Trustees.



Around 1980, Bill was introduced to Lancaster Bible College through a community service at which former president Dr. Gil Peterson was speaking. Their budding relationship deepened as Bill used his role at Millersville to help LBC students receive their Pennsylvania teacher certification, LBC's first inter-collegiate effort with express approval from MU president, Dr. William Duncan. Impressed by students then and now, Bill has become one of LBC's biggest fans, attending concerts, plays, and other collegiate events. As a result, he and his late wife have blessed the students of LBC through the establishment of several endowed awards and endowed scholarships

In 1987, the McIlwaines established their first endowed fund in honor of Bill's parents to support the work of the library, annually providing funds to procure necessary resources for our students. Committed to promoting excellence, the McIlwaines have additionally funded and endowed a Science Award (established in 2000) and a Scholar Athlete Award (established in 2012). Thanks to Melva's love for music, LBC also offers the McIlwaine Music Performance Scholarship, established in 2009 just two days before Melva's death.

After Melva passed away on June 20, 2009, Bill and his children determined that there was one more way to honor Melva and bless the students of LBC. The family established the Melva S. McIlwaine Guest Artist Endowment Fund in 2011 in recognition of Melva's life-long dedication to the musical arts and service to the Lord. Melva played trumpet, piano, and organ and sang in choral groups as a member and soloist. This endowment provides the funding for LBC to annually host a world-class artist for the purpose of providing not only a concert but a master class where students, the LBC community, and artists are given the opportunity to interact and learn from one

Dr. William B. McIlwaine-from humble beginnings in Fall River, MA, to a life of service in Millersville, PA-exemplifies a lifelong commitment to his community and the kingdom of God. Through the years, with his life-long partner always by his side, Bill received four awards for outstanding service from local, state, and national organizations. LBC gives thanks for Bill and Melva's partnership, which will ensure support to the students of LBC for many years to come.

If you have interest in investing in the students of LBC and would like to discuss how you too can establish an endowed fund that will support a particular scholarship or program, please contact the LBC Advancement Office at 717.560.8211 or email advancement@lbc.edu.



For more information/questions contact the LBC Events Office at 717.560.8219 or events@lbc.edu (unless another contact is listed for that event). To register or purchase tickets for an event visit lbc.edu/events.

#### LANCASTER, PA

#### Monday-Thursday, August 4-7

#### **VOLLEYBALL CAMP**

Volleyball Camp at LBC offers an opportunity for players to receive valuable instruction on the fundamental skills of volleyball. Organized games between campers will provide a competitive outlet after specific drills have been practiced. Drill progressions will be aimed towards recognizing and developing good habits in all aspects of the game. Teamwork and hard work will be taught to the campers through example by the coaches. Students entering grades 7 through 12 can register at lbcchargers.com or by calling 717.560.8267.

#### Thursday, August 21

#### **NEW STUDENTS ARRIVAL &** PRESIDENT'S DINNER

We welcome our new undergraduate students to campus and help them to move into their dorm rooms on this day. New students and their parents are invited to the President's Dinner to enjoy a special meal and meet the President, faculty, and other students.

#### Thursday-Sunday, August 21-24

#### **NEW STUDENT ORIENTATION**

This special time of orientation is provided to help new students transition into college life.

#### Monday, August 25 FIRST DAY OF CLASSES

#### Friday, September 26

#### PARENTS' DAY

Parents and grandparents are invited to enjoy a day with their student and experience life at LBC.

tsuloff@lbc.edu or 717.560.8211

for more details.

Golfers,

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our annual

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#### Monday, October 6

#### **BUSINESS PARTNERS GOLF TOURNAMENT**



Tournament. We will be playing on the beautiful Hershey West Course at the Hershey Country Club. Register early since there are only spaces for 30 teams. A 12 NOON shotgun start will be followed by a banquet and presentation of awards and prizes. Lunch will also be provided. All proceeds benefit the LBC Scholarshare Fund. Please contact Tim Suloff at

#### Thursday-Friday, October 9-10

#### UNDERGRADUATE **FALL PREVIEW DAY**

Lancaster Bible College is

training the next generation of leaders to know and serve God through the truth of His Word. Whether you're engaging in a class discussion, building relationships in our resident halls, or participating in one of our many activities, you'll learn what it means to live passionately for Jesus Christ! Stay overnight in a dorm, tour campus, and attend chapel and class. We hope you will join us for a day in the life of an LBC student! For more information visit lbc.edu/previewday or contact Admissions at admissions@lbc.edu or 866.522.4968.

#### Friday, October 10

#### THE NEON STEEPLE TOUR with Crowder, Capital Kings, and Ellie Holcomb In conjunction with Fall

Preview Day, we are excited to host the Neon Steeple Tour. The concert will begin at 7:30 PM. Purchase tickets at thejunctioncenter.com.



#### GREENBELT, MD & SPRINGFIELD, VA

#### Thursday, July 17; Tuesday, September 23;

# Monday, November 3

**INFORMATION SESSIONS** Have you started a bachelor's or master's degree but never finished? Had a desire to enroll in a degree program but unsure of how to get started? Do you wonder how attending school will fit into your busy schedule? These and other questions will be answered at Lancaster Bible College Capital Seminary and Graduate School's Information Sessions. You'll have an opportunity to interact with faculty, tour the facilities, meet the admissions team, and receive financial aid information. Each info session is held from 7 to 8:30 PM at both locations. To register for an upcoming session, go to lbc.edu/infosession. If these dates are inconvenient for you, contact Danny Molina at 301.552.1400 ext. 5812 or dmonlina@lbc.edu to schedule a personal meeting and tour for another time.





For tickets and more information, please visit LancasterTrust.com or call 717.208.7835.

Located at 37 N. Market Street, Lancaster, PA 17603 Events begin at 7:30 PM.

#### Friday, July 18

# THE TRUST PRESENTS: ALEXI KENNEY

Born in Palo Alto, California, 19-year-old violinist Alexi Kenney is the recipient of numerous awards, including Third Prize at the 2012 Yehudi Menuhin International Competition and the Manfred Grommek Prize at the 2013 Kronberg Academy Masterclasses. He has appeared as a soloist with the China Philharmonic Orchestra and in recital and quartet performances at Carnegie Hall, the Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum, Jordan Hall, the Kennedy Center, and the Mondavi Center. Alexi has performed at festivals including Caramoor's "Rising Stars," Music@Menlo and its Winter Residency, the Ravinia Festival's Steans Institute, and Yellow Barn. Alexi currently attends the **New England Conservatory** of Music in Boston where he studies with Donald Weilerstein on the Richard Elias Scholarship, having previously studied with Wei He, Jenny Rudin, and

#### Friday, August 22

# TRUST TALKS: PETER GREER

Natasha Fong.

Most Christians today are interested in more than just preaching the gospel

with words; they also want to serve others. But what happens when Christian service and social justice lead to burnout, pride, or worse? Join us to hear Peter Greer present "The Spiritual Danger of Doing Good." A Q&A, book signing, and a dessert reception will follow. He uses the Pharisees as a symbol of how something that starts off with the noblest of intentions can go off the tracks, and how to get it back on again. Anyone who works or volunteers in ministry or charitable nonprofits, from CEOs to weekend volunteers will identify with the themes presented.

#### Thursday, August 28

#### THE TRUST PRESENTS: KO-EUN YI

Pianist Ko-Eun Yi has played with orchestras including the Boston Symphony, Barcelona Symphony, Jerusalem Symphony, and the Aspen Concert Orchestra. Ko-Eun was a Top Prize winner in the World Piano Competition, Widemann Competition, Kosciuzko Foundation Chopin Competition, and E-Competition, performing in Alice Tully Hall in Lincoln Center, Carnegie's Weill Recital Hall, the Chicago Cultural Center, and the Phillips Gallery in

Washington, DC. She is from Seoul, Korea and graduated with Bachelor of Music and Master of Music degrees from The Juilliard School, completed her Professional Studies at the Manhattan School of Music, and is pursuing her Doctoral of Musical Arts at Stony Brook University.

#### Friday, September 12

# THE TRUST PRESENTS: SOLAS

Join us as "Irish America's most influential band" fills the Great Hall with stirring reels and jigs, and soaring Irish ballads. Solas is the quintessential Irish-American band recording and touring in the US today. Through fresh and unexpected arrangements of age-old tunes, compelling and topical originals and covers, and unparalleled musicianship, Solas continues to define the path for the Celtic music world and drive the genre forward.

#### Thursday, September 25

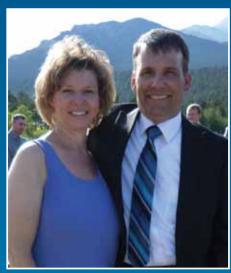
#### TRUST TALKS: JENNIFER SANDS

This inspiring lecture, "From Tragedy to Triumph," includes Jennifer's amazing story of how God used the events of 9/11 to draw Jennifer closer to Him. Regardless of your own life circumstances, those who hear it come away with wisdom, direction, encouragement, and inspiration to strengthen their own relationship with Christ. Jennifer gives hope to all audiences by discussing our need to trust God through all the challenges in our life. A Q&A, book signing, and dessert reception will follow her talk.

# FIRST & THIRD FRIDAYS EVERY MONTH

First Friday's and Music Fridays are greatly anticipated as a night of music, food, art and much more. It is a perfect time to stop by and visit us at the Trust Gallery and Café! Drop in to hear live performances by talented individuals and check out our coffee, ice cream, and other refreshments. In addition to music, Square Halo Books provides a rotating exhibit every other month of fine art by some of the most respected Christian artists in the country in the Trust Café. Join us on the first and third Friday of every month from 6-9 PM.

# Jeff Batzer '92



As I reflect, I am reminded of God's watchful care over me and the part that LBC has played in my life through the last two decades.

After completing my degree at LBC in 1992, it seemed like it was "off to the races." Starting with a

fire in my heart and a glint in my eye, I embarked on the road to active pastoral duty at the Lancaster Evangelical Free Church (LEFC), Lititz, PA. As I looked to God to lead me in my new pastoral duties, I was often reminded of specific things I learned through both the teaching and lives of LBC professors, staff, and students. One example of this was a biblical truth driven home by one professor—that pastors, while responsible to do much, were not to do everything themselves. They were to train others to be a team to help accomplish God's purposes (Ephesians 4:11-13). This single principle not only helped me to more effectively expand the number of workers at our church, but it also helped me cultivate much needed time to be home with my wife and children.

During my nine and a half years with LEFC and two years as ministry director at Turpin Meadow Ranch in Wyoming, I was not able to stay connected to LBC. However, whenever I could attend an LBC event, amazingly I was always greeted with a warm

welcome from an employee, which was often accompanied by another offer to connect to the college again. This has meant more than words could ever express. I felt remembered, loved, and valued—things we all need to keep going.

In 2004, my family and I returned to LEFC for a second term of ministry. I served for another seven-plus years as the pastor over pastoral care. During this time, God led me deeper into an administrative leadership that involved leading, organizing efforts, and training individuals in ministries to reach hurting people. Well into this time, my wife and I concluded that while we were at a wonderful church with wonderful people, we had become tired and beleaguered. It was during this time that I was contacted by one of LBC's staff, and his words and action— along with other resources that God so richly supplied in our time of need (*Phil. 4:19*)—were so encouraging and affirming that it helped us keep walking.

In 2011, when I had stepped down from my responsibilities at LEFC, God put another challenge before me as I pursued a position of leadership with Transport for Christ International. The mission of this ministry is to see those in the truck-driving community come to Christ and to grow in His grace. I must admit, the responsibilities are sometimes daunting, but God is able. Once again I have needed to rely on what I learned originally at LBC and applied in the church to manage the day-to-day operations of our large staff of missionary and volunteer chaplains. More recently, LBC is providing support for me through LBC's Director of Alumni Relations, who has continued to offer that hand of faithful friendship that has helped my family and me to continue on—to not give up until we see Jesus face to face.

Share your update by emailing alumni@lbc.edu or online at lbc.edu/alumni. Photos are encouraged. Minimum resolution of 800 x 600 pixels at 72 dpi. We want to hear from you!

## ●1950s

James Clark '53 went home to be with the Lord on January 31. He and his wife served as missionaries in Ethiopia with Sudan Interior Missions.

# ●1960s

Joseph Rast WBC '63 and his wife have been serving as missionaries in Brazil since 1968.

## ●1970s

Daniel Swartz WBC '74/CBS '79 celebrated 30 years of service with Emmanuel Bible Church, Cadiz, KY.

# ●1980s

Mike Tremblay WBC '83 has been leading at Amazing Grace Fellowship church in Bristol, NH, since 2008.

## ●1990s

Randall Sizemore '92 moved to Dixon, IL, in December to begin a shared ministry position. Randy is the lead pastor of Bethel EC Church in Dixon as well as the director for Global Ministries for the Evangelical Congregational denomination. He oversees the missionaries and international work in Japan, India, Nepal, Mexico, and Liberia.

## •2000s

Jennifer (Sweigart '04) McFadden and her husband, Jason, were blessed with the birth of their second son, Rhys Elijah. Pictured are Cayden and Rhys.



Robert Dudley CBS '06 and his wife Cathy started a new evangelism ministry, Lura B. Walker Foundation, and are the creators of Everyday Evangelism (Everyday Evangelism.

org). With the same focus, the new ministry allows them to phase out Agora Evangelism Ministries, Inc. and have broader control to fulfill their vision. Robert recently released a book titled The Gospel, Evangelism, and God's Heart.

Eric Fay '06 finished his MDiv at Liberty University and is awaiting God's path for his

Kathi (D'Anton '06) Hillner welcomed a beautiful miracle daughter, Elliana June, on October 25, 2013.

Amy (Myer '07) and Chad Sensenig '07 will serve as evangelists and church planters among youth



and young adults in Stuttgart, Germany. There, the postmodern thought and materialism that dominates the culture has left generations who neither know nor care to know anything about Jesus. Chad and Amy will work alongside a German church to build relationships and share the Gospel with young Germans-very few of whom ever have the chance to interact with followers of Jesus Christ and don't know how life-changing a relationship with Him can be.

Christopher Leiby '08 and his wife welcomed the birth of their first child, lan Christopher, on November 8. In December Christopher graduated from Columbia International University (CIU) with a MDiv in ministry leadership and is pursuing a MA in pastoral care from CIU. In February, he became the senior pastor of Oasis Fellowship in Akron, PA.

Jay Standridge '08 discovered his passion for helping those suffering from mental and emotional issues. He is pursuing a master's degree in clinical Christian counseling to become a licensed clinical pastoral counselor through the National Christian Counselors Association. Chrissie, his wife,

worked as an early childhood teacher for several years after graduating and before becoming a successful full-time nanny for multiple families. The couple has a heart for ministry and a committed love for the Lord. They hope to have lots of kids in the near

## •2010s

Eric Gregory '10 has been hired as the assistant registrar at Lancaster Bible College.

**Jevon Thompson '10** graduated with a master of public administration and organizational leadership from Norwich University. He is a 10 year veteran police officer with the University of Maryland, Baltimore. He hopes to become an adjunct instructor in the future. He published two professional articles, one of which appeared in Law Enforcement Leadership in January.

Milton Ruiz '11 and his family have been accepted as candidate missionaries with CMA. They welcome prayers as they begin to navigate the process.

Bonner Davis '13 achieved a grounds technician certificate through the Professional **Grounds Management** Society. Bonner is the 116th person to achieve this certificate.



Toshalea (Bomberger '13) Martin and her husband, Shawn, welcomed their first child, Sariah Joy, on August 19. At four months



of age, Sariah happily watched her mom walk across the LBC stage to receive her diploma.

### **ALUMNI REFLECTION**

# Dr. Wayne Moore '90

I praise the Lord for the opportunity He gave me to study at LBC from 1986 to 1990. My studies in Bible and biblical counseling, as well as the experiences that my wife Rosita and I had, were extremely precious. Rosita especially enjoyed the opportunity to audit all my courses. In addition to the studies, we were involved with the married couples fellowship and I sang in the choir. As a result of our time at LBC, our walk with the Lord was deepened as we became more grounded in the Word in preparation for our life's journey.

After LBC, we both pursued master's degrees at Millersville University. I also served as an elder at our church and counseled at a counseling center before moving to Lubbock, Texas, where we pursued doctoral studies at Texas Tech University. In Lubbock, I served as a church leader and also counseled those referred to me by our pastor.

With my PhD completed, I became an assistant professor at University of Tennessee and again became involved with a local church, serving on the board of its high school and singing in the choir. My commitment to local church ministry continued when we moved to Missouri where I led the song service and taught a Sunday School class at our local church while also holding an administrative position with the University

In 2005, God led us back to Lubbock where I worked as vice president and director of internal communications at a local bank. I became an elder at our local church where my involvement included teaching Sunday School, singing in the choir, preaching, counseling, and leading others to Christ and a closer walk with Him. Rosita and I also exercised our gift of hospitality by hosting missionaries, visiting speakers, and Bible college choir members. During the past nine years I served on the board of a missionary organization dedicated to training Christian leaders around the world.

When the bank I worked at was sold, I assumed a position with Purdue University, IN, as district director. While in Indiana, I became the song leader at our local church and sang in the chorale. However, in February 2014, the Lord opened a new opportunity for me to serve as associate dean/associate director at University of Nebraska, Lincoln Cooperative

We are also excited about a new Renewal and Restoration Ministry the Lord has placed on our hearts where couples in full-time ministry may stay with us after experiencing burnout or difficult ministry issues. I will spend time listening, praying, coaching, and counseling with these couples as the Lord leads them back to a renewed vigor in service to

I praise the Lord for the different study and work opportunities He has provided since my graduation from LBC. While at LBC, I became aware that the most important thing in life is to glorify God in whatever I do and while working at the bank I was able to share a verse with a manager that made a tremendous difference in his life: "Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for human masters, since you know that you will receive an inheritance from the Lord as a reward. It is the Lord Christ you are serving" (Colossians 3:23-24).



For more information or questions contact the Alumni Office at 717.560.8206 or alumni@lbc.edu. Purchase tickets online at lbc.edu/events.

#### Sunday, August 3

PHILADELPHIA PHILLIES VS **WASHINGTON NATIONALS** IN WASHINGTON

Join us for the Phillies/Nationals game in Washington, D.C.

August 3 for a 1:35 PM first pitch. Tickets are \$30 per person and can be purchased at lbc.edu/events.

#### Friday-Saturday, September 26 & 27

#### **HOMECOMING 2014**

Mark your calendars now for this year's Homecoming weekend. Friday evening's events include a performance by sand artist, Joe Castillo, followed by fireworks. Saturday will have events for the whole family including WJTL Kids Cookie Break, pumpkin painting, alumni soccer, and Charger teams soccer games. Watch for details.

#### Thursday, August 28

#### LBC NIGHT AT THE LANCASTER **BARNSTORMERS**

Finish out your summer with a fun evening of baseball during LBC Night at the Lancaster Barnstormers. The Barnstormers will take on the Bridgeport Bluefish with first pitch at 7 PM. FREE tickets for the game are available to alumni and immediate family only. Reserve your tickets at lbc.edu/events.

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