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*Encouraging One Another  
During Difficult Times*

## Thriving on Chaos: the Rebirth of Resolve

Whatever may have been the hopes and dreams of the American people for a new century characterized by peace and goodwill seems to have been buried in the rubble of September 11. In the ruins of New York City and Washington DC lie the broken dreams of millions whose lives are forever changed by man's inhumanity to man.

As much as we would like to, we can not go back and start the century over. However, we can anticipate the future and with renewed resolve, ready ourselves for the journey ahead.

Jesus taught His disciples to prepare for tough times ahead. He told His disciples that He was "in harms way" and that He would suffer many things and be killed (Mark 8:31). He wanted them to be ready for the oppression that would certainly follow as they made their way across Asia and Europe. "If they have hated me," He warned, "they will hate you as well." Tough times are inevitable. Bad things do happen to good people.

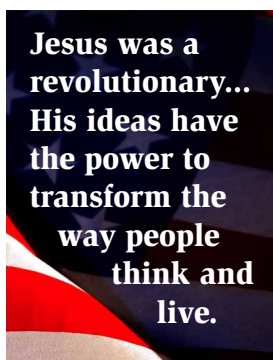
Not only are Christians not exempt from violent and irrational displays of inhumanity, they are often the object of a direct assault. In the First Century an impassioned religious extremist, obsessed with the destruction of the church, dragged off men and women, imprisoning some and executing others.

History describes him as a persecutor, a blasphemer, and a violent man who breathed out threatenings and slaughter against the people of God. The Bible calls him, "the worst of sinners" (I Timothy 1:16). The persecutor did not know the people he scorned as infidels. He only knew that their ideas were heretical and that they had to be silenced.

Then, unexpectedly this violent man came face to face with Jesus and embraced His Truth. Transformed by grace and empowered by the gospel of hope, the persecutor soon became the object of persecution.

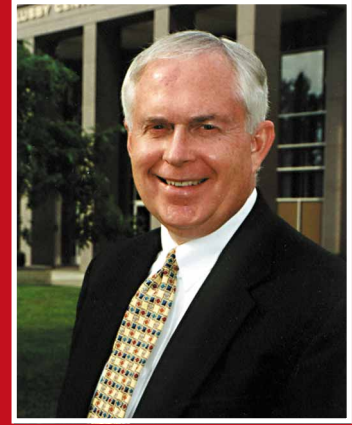
In the life of the Apostle Paul we understand clearly that it is not people that an oppressor fears, but ideas. When reason, logic and argument fail, the only remaining recourse for the adversaries of Christianity is oppression and violent confrontation. When the religious leaders of Jesus' day could no longer deal with the evidence for His Messiahship, they put Him on the cross.

Today, we are engaged in a battle for the minds and hearts of men, and often the conflict between competing ideologies turns violent. This is especially true when one culture begins to fear the ideological penetration and influence of another.



Fear leads to confrontation and confrontation, if not resolved leads to hostility and violence. Indeed, most of the acts of mass violence we have witnessed throughout the ages of man have been battles fought against, or in the name of religion.

When long held and deeply cherished religious values are challenged and cultural norms begin to crumble, the saviors of a culture respond with aggressive recruitment, ideological inoculation, and in the case of religious and cultural extremists — social repression and violent aggression. In the nuclear age, when weapons of mass destruction are placed in the hands of a people that believe their ideology is threatened, you have a formula for global disaster.



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Christianity is much more than a belief system — it is a way of life. It is a commitment to live in a manner that has the effect of changing cultures. The penetration of Christian ideas into pagan and neo-pagan cultures has always met with resistance.

Jesus was a revolutionary in the sense that His ideas have the power to transform the way people think and live. His ideas have the effect of toppling religious and secular philosophies and dethroning monarchs.

To embrace the teachings of Jesus is to establish a new world order from within. The weapons in our arsenal are not the weapons of the world. On the contrary, they have divine power to tear down strongholds.

We demolish arguments and every pretension that sets itself up against the knowledge of God, and we take captive every thought to make it obedient to Christ (2 Corinthians 10:4-5). While we must treat all people with respect if we are to gain a hearing for the gospel, we must never waiver in our resolve to be steadfast in our allegiance to Christ.

To accomplish anything worthwhile, we must be willing to give up something else of great value. One Christian martyr

concluded, "He is no fool who gives up what he cannot keep to gain what he cannot lose." Many Christians have adopted that creed across the centuries, but never more so than during the century just passed. More Christians were persecuted and killed for their faith during the Twentieth Century than during the previous nineteen centuries combined.

Now is the time for resolve. If you are a Christian, if your faith is on display for others to observe, if you are vocal in the public square and challenge the popular notions and theories of the pagan community with careful arguments and well-reasoned debate, if through your efforts the power of the gospel is unleashed and lives are transformed, then you should also expect to become the object of persecution. Now is not the time to seek the safety of a bunker or to be silent, but the time for a resolve to stay the course, to remain vigilant and to encourage those about us to increase the measure of their devotion and faithfulness to the King of Glory.

Until recently, Christians in America have had a hedge built around them and they have felt protected, safe and comfortable. Over time many have become complacent. The acts of violence that we have witnessed in recent days are likely to continue. We live in a broken world, and if we are wise students of history we will prepare ourselves for tough times ahead.

When you assemble together, encourage one another with your prayers and pray for world leaders. In the First Century, when Apostles Peter and John were threatened (Acts 4), they went immediately to their own people and reported what had happened. Then together, the church lifted its voice in one accord to God.

They did not ask God to remove the oppressor or end the persecution. They asked only for the strengthening of their resolve to endure and for boldness to

proclaim the gospel. The church thrived on chaos because of its strong resolve. In the midst of severe persecution, the early church experienced tremendous growth. The church multiplied and more and more people were added to their number daily.

During these unsettled days, the Christian community must be the source of encouragement and resolve. The church must make it easier, not harder, to accomplish the mission.


#### Continue To Stand With Us

Though well intentioned, many individuals and congregations have redirected their giving in response to our national crisis. As a result, many Christian organizations are now struggling financially. With only a few notable exceptions (e.g. the American Red Cross and the Salvation Army), contributions to all types of non-profit organizations have dropped sharply since September 11.

At a time when KCC must be more focused on task, we have fewer resources to sustain our work. Our resolve is to pray and to seek the encouragement of your support. We trust in God's provision, knowing that God rewards the faithfulness of His people beyond their need.

At Kentucky Christian College, we are praying for you. We are specifically praying "that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened in order that you may know the hope to which he

has called you, the riches of His glorious inheritance in the saints, and His incomparably great power for us who believe" (Ephesians 1:18, 19).

And, I ask for your prayers to be with our faculty and students. Specifically, I ask you to pray that their determination to penetrate other cultures with the gospel will remain strong and they will stay the course in their resolve to be agents of spiritual change and influence in the world. 

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## Message from the Editor




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In this issue of **The Voice** we focus on the Apostle Paul's teaching to "encourage one another and build each other up" (1 Thessalonians 5:11).

During these difficult times that are filled with anxiety and fear, we all appreciate the encouragement we receive from others. And, we also are reminded of how important it is for us to encourage others.

**KCC Alumni Serving New York**  
Paul Williams and Jon Welsh, both KCC alumni, rushed to assist the people of New York immediately after the tragic events of September 11, 2001. They are representative of the thousands of KCC alumni who are serving the Lord throughout the world by helping those with spiritual, emotional, and physical needs.

#### Prayer for our Country

We ask that you earnestly pray for President Bush and Congress as they lead our country and those in the military as they protect and serve. 

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# Be An Encourager!

by Tom Ellsworth

It has been wisely put – ***When you help someone up a hill, you get that much closer to the top yourself.***

That proverbial statement is a good assessment of the value of encouragement. Life is an uphill climb and if you are like me you long for the summit experiences. I find myself always searching for a new way to the top of the next hill, how about you?

The truth of the matter is this – we dare not make the climb alone! Being an encourager to others who are on the way up gets *you* there faster. Encouragement is an interesting commodity – the more of

it you give away, the more you have left for yourself.

A true encourager is one who helps other people reach the summit of life's experiences when they might not reach it otherwise. A true encourager is one who gets behind and pushes because he is more concerned about another's uphill climb than his own. A true encourager is one who gets as excited about your arrival at the hilltop as if he had been the first one there. Being an encourager is not an option in the Christian life!

Encouragement is not some obscure biblical principle. In the New Testament

the word most often translated “encourage” is found 109 times. It is also translated urge, exhort, invite or comfort and it always describes a function where a believer is building up another believer in the faith. The original word literally means “to come along side of in order to give aid.”

Biblical encouragement refers to what a believer says or does to help someone else become a stronger Christian. It's more than a compliment – it's building up one another in Christ. Important? Most definitely! The NIV translation uses the word “encourage or encouragement” 63 times. That's significant.

Encouragement is seldom a glamorous role; more often than not it is the response of the servant's heart. In the midst of the recent tragedies in New York City, Pennsylvania, and our nation's capital, it has been inspiring to witness the scores of volunteers who have come from all over to help.

Steve Delsohn describes an incident a few years ago in the days following the terrorist bombing of the Federal Building in Oklahoma City. Volunteers worked along side rescue teams in a nonstop effort to save as many victims as possible and around two o'clock in the morning, a rescue team on their way to a break was greeted by a woman pushing a broom.

“Where are you from?” asked one fire fighter.

“Dallas,” she said.

“You came all the way up here from Dallas, Texas, to sweep the floor?” he responded amazed.

“I came up here to do anything to help,” she replied. “I'm sweeping floors tonight because that's where they need me.”

A member of that rescue team later commented about that lady's attitude, “That's what kept us going. Every time we went in, those people were by our sides.” Sounds like true encouragement, doesn't it?! *“To come along side of in order to give aid.”*

Consider these encouragement passages:

“We urge you, brothers, warn those who are idle, **encourage** the timid, help the weak, be patient with everyone.”  
(1 Thessalonians 5:14 NIV)

“**Encourage** one another daily, as long as it is called Today, so that none of you may be hardened by sin’s deceitfulness.”  
(Hebrews 3:13 NIV)

“Let us not give up meeting together as some are in the habit of doing, but let us **encourage** one another—and all the more as we see the Day approaching.”  
(Hebrews 10:25 NIV)

These Scriptures and many others like them remind us that being an encourager is a vital part of discipleship. I’ve learned through the years that the ability to encourage comes more naturally for some than for others. However, it is not like music; a person is either born with the ability to carry a tune or he is not. Some people, bless their hearts, cannot do any better than a “joyful noise unto the Lord” no matter how badly they may want to sing like an angel.

Encouragement, on the other hand, can and should be cultivated by **every** follower of Jesus. You do not need to be born with the “gift of encouragement” in order to be an encourager.

If you are in ministry as a profession, then learn to minister with encouragement. If you preach, encourage your flock. Those who sit under your teaching get battered and bruised by the world week in and week out. They don’t come to church to take another hit from the preacher! I’m not suggesting that you become a “Pollyanna pulpiteer,” rather I am suggesting that through your preaching and ministering, others are genuinely built up in Christ.

*“Encouragement is an interesting commodity – the more of it you give away, the more you have left for yourself.”*

Act and speak in such a way that those who listen from the pews will know without a doubt that you love them. When you minister with such encouraging words and deeds, the true spirit of Christ will shine out.

If you are an elder in a local congregation, do your best to encourage your preacher. Come to his aid when someone from the church or community is unjustly critical. I’ve witnessed far too many preachers and their families who have left “the ministry” not because it was too hard, but because it was too disheartening. A little encouragement goes a long way.


As a church leader, teach the members of the congregation to encourage the preacher also. You will be amazed how much more energized your preacher will be when he knows that you and the congregation love him! Encouraging deeds need not be lavish displays to be effective.

Recently, my wife and I went out for lunch. When I asked our server for the bill, she smiled and explained that it had already been paid. I was totally caught off guard and asked, “Who?” She pointed to a couple sitting nearby that were from the church. I had not noticed them when we arrived but took that opportunity to visit with them and express our thanks. Needless to say, Elsie and I were greatly encouraged by a generous but simple act of kindness.

The uphill climb never seems as steep when helped along with deeds of

encouragement. That simple act also provided a good witness; our server began to ask questions about the church. To be a witness to such an act of kindness piqued her curiosity. When Christians respond with visible encouragement it always sheds a positive light on the church.

Let me add one more verse of Scripture: “Therefore, **encourage** one another and build each other up, just as in fact you are doing.” (1 Thessalonians 5:11 NIV) Each time I read this text I am reminded of two important truths: (1) the imperative of encouraging one another, and (2) the fact that those who first received this letter from Paul were indeed being encouragers “...just as in fact you are doing!” Had Paul been writing to our generation would he have had any reason to add that last phrase of verse eleven to describe us?

The church of the Twenty-First Century ought to be known by her encouraging words and deeds. Life is, at best, a steep, tough climb, but we will all arrive at the summit much fresher and quicker if we build up one another in Christ. Be an encourager! 

<sup>1</sup> Taken from *The Fire Inside: Firefighters Talk About Their Lives*, Steve Delsohn.

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# The Day That Changed Everything

by Paul Williams



Photo by Jon Welsh

I grew up in the Commonwealth of Kentucky, but for the past 27 years I've been living in New York where I direct GYCM, formerly the "Go Ye" Chapel Mission. Over the past 50 years we have planted over 40 churches in the Northeast. Along with our church planting partners, we have recently started 14 new churches with 30 ministers. Those churches will have over 3,500 people in worship on any given weekend. And many of their stories are compelling.

I saw Christine in church the Sunday after the September 11 tragedy. Her brother was a missing New York City firefighter. As the congregation sang *A Mighty Fortress is our God*, Christine clutched her toddler daughter's hand and fixed her eyes on the cross. She told us that as everyone else was running out of the building, her brother ran in and just kept climbing up and up and up those endless stairs. I guess he climbed right into the presence of Christ, she said.

Patrick is in my wife's third grade classroom. For two days after the tragedy,



Photo by Jon Welsh

Patrick was sullen and teary-eyed. His mother came in to explain to my wife, "Patrick's daddy was one of the first EMT's on the scene, and he was missing for twenty-four hours. He was injured, but he's home now, and all he does is cry. Patrick's never seen his daddy cry before." That day my wife, Cathryn, ate lunch with Patrick. He was thrilled to be the only one eating with his teacher, and he talked and talked of everything, except the fear he saw in his daddy's eyes.

Five of my son Jonathan's friends, all recent college graduates, work in the financial district. All five were in the Towers. My son didn't hear from any of them for over twelve hours after the first plane hit. I've never seen Jonathan so distraught - ever. Finally he called me around midnight, "They're okay, dad. They're all dust covered, but they're okay."

The fire captain who lives across the street from me missed death by a shift. He left at 7:00 a.m. All twelve firemen who came into the house to replace his shift are now dead. He attended four funerals. He told me of the six year old who wanted to tell him something about his missing father. He said all the little boy could say over and over again was "My daddy - My daddy." Finally Tom said, "You're daddy's a hero." And the little boy shook his head, yes. That's what he wanted to say.

Tragically our new church stories go beyond New York. Dave is an army Colonel and surgeon at Walter Reed Medical Hospital. He is also a member of the management team of a new Christian Church we started in Washington D.C. in October. Dave treated burn victims from the Pentagon bombing.

One of our churches in the Boston area has a similar story. They have been in contact with the teenage daughters of one of the American Airlines pilots.

But from Boston to Washington to New

**The folks who live in New York....are desperately in need of your love and the love of Christ.**

York the response of our churches has been wonderful. Within twelve hours of the accident, our New York City churches had gone door to door and asked for names of people who needed prayer. They were able to take hot food, cookies, and fruit baskets to several families whose loved ones were missing. They've been

welcome counselors in those homes ever since, and they are bringing the good news of the Gospel.

Our ministers are serving as counselors through the Red Cross. One Hispanic church in Brooklyn has learned of undocumented aliens who died in the disaster. They are working with those relief efforts.

Every gift received by GYCM for disaster relief will be disbursed to Christian Churches throughout the region. Those churches will account for every dollar spent. First priority will be assistance to church members and friends who have lost loved ones, followed by those who lost jobs because of the tragedy. We also want to provide counseling services. We will then look for those whose acts of service have not yet been remembered, like schoolteachers, telephone and power company workers who worked so diligently after the disaster.

We also want to bring the Gospel of Christ's love to Muslims and many of the 178 ethnic groups living in New York who have been traumatized not only by the bombings, but also by the treatment they've received from a minority of Americans.

Individual New Yorkers, meeting the needs of other individual New Yorkers, in the name of Christ and His church. That is our simple desire.

New York is not home to very many growing churches of any type, and often we feel cut off from a spiritually stronger Christian heartland. But now that we have seen the response of numerous churches, we don't feel alone any longer. The folks who live in New York may boo at Yankee games, drive too aggressively, gesture too obnoxiously, and otherwise act unruly, but they are good people – my friends and neighbors, created in the image of God. And right now they are desperately in need of your love and the love of Christ. Thank you for giving that love so freely.

“Praise be to the Lord”, say the words of Psalm 31, “for he showed his wonderful love to me when I was in a besieged city. In my alarm I said, ‘I am cut off from your sight.’ Yet you heard my cry for mercy when I called to you for help. Love the Lord, all his saints! ...Be strong and take heart, all you who hope in the Lord.”

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## KCC Alumnus Serves At Ground Zero

*by Jon Welsh*

On September 11, 2001, the International Conference of Police Chaplains began to assemble a list of Chaplains to serve in New York City. The tragedy was so great that they knew a large number of their membership would be involved.

My police chief gave his support and I was added to the standby list. My call came September 21 and I was told to report to the Port Authority Building in Jersey City by 4:00 p.m. on Sunday September 23.

That was all of the information that I was given, so I definitely experienced some anxiety as I drove to New Jersey. As a team leader for the Lexington Police Officer Support Team, I had been used to participating in group Critical Incident Stress Debriefings. I assumed that was what I would be doing in New York City. I didn't know if I would even work in Manhattan, let alone Ground Zero.

The experience proved to be the most overwhelming and stressful, yet rewarding task that I have been given in my life.


Upon receiving my Port Authority identification I was asked to begin my duties at the makeshift morgue, located near Bellevue Hospital. As I understood my assignment, I was to talk to those working there, offer support and do whatever they asked of me.

I had only been on the scene for a few minutes when I was approached by a doctor who asked me to help him in obtaining fingerprints from body parts that had been brought from the towers. I spent the rest of the evening tagging and helping identify human remains.

The personnel there were telling me how difficult their work is because they had not found complete bodies. All personnel on the scene treated each part that was being identified with the utmost respect. These workers had such a stressful task but continued to work tirelessly to identify all remains so that the families could at least have something to bury and begin the grieving process.

The following seven days I worked at the actual site of the World Trade Center. Each new person on the team that I was working with was given a tour and a chance to just stand and take it all in. I stood where tower two had collapsed and couldn't move for half an hour. The area of devastation covers 16-acres, as well as additional collateral damage to other buildings. One OSHA representative told me that the site was considered unsafe and that their surveyors were watching surrounding buildings for changes in their structures.

While at the site, I met many great people. I talked with hundreds of workers, firefighters, and police officers. I went expecting to hear about shaken faith, doubting of God, and overall pessimism in the outlook of the people there. Instead I found men and women who were renewing their faith. I had many tell me that they were getting back in Church, and into the Word of God. The people that were hurting the most ministered to me!

I still receive e-mail from contacts made there, and it certainly helps me to be in touch with those who can relate to my experience there. God is alive and well at Ground Zero. 

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*Throughout Scripture we are encouraged to expand our ministry and influence for Jesus Christ. In this feature, we want to help you increase your effectiveness for Christ by encouraging your spirit, fortifying your faith, and energizing your ministry.*

## Equipped to Serve

by Dr. Brad Walden

In route to China, President Bush stopped at Travis Air Force Base in California. There he gave a rousing speech to the service men and women gathered in massive numbers to hear him. He spoke of the war on terrorism and warned of the long, costly effort ahead.

In his speech, he promised that all military personnel would be properly trained and equipped for the battle before us. No effort would be left unmade, no expense would be withheld. Those who enter the battle will have the best training possible and every advanced weapon available.

Likewise, God calls His church to enter the battle on a different level. Hatred of the Lord motivates the enemy of the Kingdom of God. We need the best equipment in order to stand in the confrontation.

The Apostle Paul calls our equipment “the whole armor of God.” We put it on so that we can withstand the flaming arrows and the devious tricks of the Evil One (Ephesians 6:10-20).

Those the Lord has called into ministry need to take advantage of every resource available for our equipment. We have a great challenge ahead of us. In our world, threatened by terrorism and held in the grip of fear, the Lord needs steady, capable voices filled with hope and faith, to encourage others.

Ministers encounter the same challenges as every one else. We are confronted by the same temptations and disappointments as all people. However, ministers confront several challenges that are known only to us. Let me name a few of them:

First, our work is a **spiritual work**. We deal in matters which affect the eternal destiny of people. Winning people to Christ and building them up in Him is the most vital work in the world. If we are unprepared, ill-equipped, if we fail, if we are lazy, the eternal souls of some may be lost.


Second, no other work requires the whole-hearted **participation of the family** as does the ministry. Those who work in business, industry, etc., may enjoy the partnership of a spouse and children. If not, it makes little difference in the effectiveness of their work. However, all who are called by God to serve, must have the understanding and willing support of their family.

Third, often the minister suffers from an **unclear identity**. What is the role of the minister after all? Is it Preacher? Pastor? Counselor? Teacher? Personal Evangelist? Administrator of a program? Do you know your gifts for ministry? Will you serve in a ministry in which your strengths can be used to their fullest?

Fourth, no other profession requires such

an unending fountain of **originality**. Ministers must serve fresh bread every day and especially on Sunday. For those of us who preach one or two sermons per week, over the course of a year, we produce enough original material to equal that required by several novels. This alone means that the education of the minister never ends. We must continually stoke the flame within us.

Can we meet such unique challenges? Not in our own strength. The most essential preparation for service in the Kingdom of God comes in a close relationship with the Lord Himself. He promises never to leave us nor forsake us. He promises to be with us always. We go forward, equipped by His presence, in step with the Spirit (Galatians 5:22-26).

“Love when you expect no love in return. Do good without expecting thanks. Lend when you do not hope for a return. This will make us act like the sons and daughters of the Most High.” (Henrietta Mears in **Dream Big: The Henrietta Mears Story**. *Christianity Today*, Vol. 35, no. 6.) 

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# Family Encouragement


by Linda Lawson

Words, words, words, so many words! But, is there any encouragement? Gary Smalley and John Trent, in their book *The Blessing*, discuss the power of effecting children's lives by the words of blessing we give to them as they grow. Many young people have the courage to accomplish great things simply because their parent(s) believed in them, valued them, and encouraged (filled with courage) them.

I remember when our 4-year-old son was to participate in the annual children's Christmas program at church. Each child was given a small poem to learn, and when it was their turn, they would walk up on stage and speak their part into the microphone. Finally, Nathan's name was called and all eyes in the sanctuary watched him go up and cross the stage.

As he reached for the microphone, a look of nothing short of terrified panic came to his face. Just as he was about to bolt from stage, he spotted his Dad in the audience, beaming proudly and nodding encouragingly. With his courage renewed, he clearly recited his piece and returned to his seat like it was no big deal. You see all the praise and confident assertions Nathan experienced during practice sessions at home were wrapped in his Dad's smiling face and gentle nod.

Most of us would agree with Solomon when he says, "An anxious heart weighs a man down, but a kind word cheers him up" (Proverbs 12:25 NIV). The world is a difficult place. Whether we spend our days at work, at school, in ministry, or wherever, it is not uncommon to return home with an anxious heart.

Within the family, kind words should be plentiful. Never is a kind word more needed than when we have experienced failure or defeat. Home should be a place where a kind word is waiting to cheer the downhearted. Maybe those words of blessing are delivered with warm cookies and milk, or maybe with a protective hug. However they are given, they can cheer the spirit, strengthen the heart, and empower the soul. Let us provide our families with a blessing through the abundant use of kind words. 



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# Woman to Woman: Connecting

by Patricia Alderdice Senseman

What encourages women? Hmmmm. Chocolate. A clean house. A child's hug.

Library aisles and bookstore departments are filled with books addressing the husband/wife relationship—man and woman connecting on an intimate level, encouraging one another.

In comparison, little is written about women connecting with other women. Is it because we know so little about it? Is it because no woman feels adequate to write about it? Or is it because we do it so well we don't need help? After all, it is a woman's nature to connect on an intimate level. We need it. We long for it. But do we just do it?

How do we connect with one another? Where do we begin to encourage one another through meaningful relationships?

Jesus provided beautiful examples of encouragement as he interacted with women during his ministry. He spent time with Mary in her home. She felt free

to sit at his feet and listen to his teachings. He lovingly challenged Martha when she was trying to correct her sister.

There are many of Jesus' encounters with women recorded for us to see how he connected with them. He demonstrated respect unique to his cultural setting. He healed women's physical bodies and valued women's souls. Even as he was dying he took care of his mom.

So how do we do it—encourage each other? We know what it's not from past experiences. It's not trite advice in the midst of crisis. It's not taking dinner when someone dies or has a baby and thinking that's enough. It's not complaining along with someone.


Encouraging women. It's listening rather than speaking. It's coming alongside someone so closely that you can cry with her. It's celebrating her victories without any thought of yourself. It's helping. It's standing beside her in the face of anything. It's spending time together—shopping, volunteering, eating, playing.

It's challenging her to be who God created her to be. It's praying with her and for her. It's pointing her to God.

It's involvement. It's commitment. It's time. It's relationship.

So is it chocolate? Sometimes. Is it cleaning a house? Could be. Is it hugging? Definitely.

And what do you get? Connection. And encouragement yourself.

Then we understand Paul's words to the Romans: "I want not only to share my faith with you but to be encouraged by yours: Each of us will be a blessing to the other." (1:12) 



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## Encouraged to Serve


The Wayne B. Smith Center for Christian Leadership is sponsoring a Renewal Conference for ministers entitled *Encouraged to Serve*. The seminar will be conducted on February 26, 2002 on the KCC campus.

Tom Ellsworth, Senior Minister of the Sherwood Oaks Christian Church in Bloomington, Indiana and the President of the 2001 North American Christian Convention, will be the featured speaker.



Tom will emphasize the important role encouragement plays in meeting the daily trials and challenges that are present in the located church ministry. This seminar will also provide encouragement to ministers as they continue to serve the Lord.

Wayne B. Smith, the founding minister of the Southland Christian Church in Lexington, Kentucky, will be the special luncheon speaker.

For more information, please contact Gary Layne by telephone at (606) 474-3216 or by e-mail at [glayne@email.kcc.edu](mailto:glayne@email.kcc.edu). 

## Feast of Christmas Celebrates the Birth of Christ



Five performances of the annual Feast of Christmas celebration were conducted on the KCC campus from November 28 through December 1. More than 1,700 people, which represents a 17% increase in attendance, thoroughly enjoyed the program entitled *Colors of Christmas*.

During the Thursday performance, KCC's President Keeran recognized Charles Whitehead, President of the Ashland, Inc. Foundation and Fred Jackson, President of King's Daughters Medical Center.

President Keeran expressed special appreciation to Charles Whitehead for Speedway SuperAmerica LLC and Ashland, Inc.'s \$50,000 gift, which supports the College's new Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree.

Special appreciation was also expressed to Fred Jackson for the vitally important role King's Daughters

Medical Center (KDMC) is playing in advancing the development of nursing education at the College.




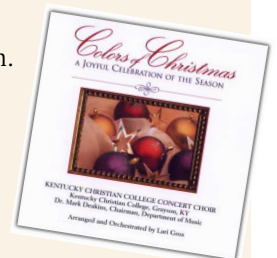
*President Keeran presents award to Dr. Mark Deakins*

Later in the program, Dr. Mark Deakins, Conductor of the Feast of Christmas and Chair of the Music Department, was recognized by President Keeran for his dedication and service to the College in support of this wonderful event.

The KCC Concert Choir has released a new recording that contains the music presented in this year's *Colors of Christmas* program.

To purchase this newest release, or any other Concert Choir recording, call the Outreach Office at

(606) 474-3214 or e-mail us at [outreach@email.kcc.edu](mailto:outreach@email.kcc.edu). 



*Fred Jackson, President Keeran and Charles Whitehead*

## Afterglow Reception Scheduled For NACC

KCC will host an Afterglow Reception on Tuesday, June 25 from 8:15 p.m. to 10:00 p.m., at the Hyatt Regency Hotel during the North American Christian Convention in Columbus, Ohio. This reception will provide the College's alumni and friends a unique opportunity to fellowship with one another, while enjoying the music of KCC's own *Destiny*, *Voices in Praise*, and *Harold Moore*.

## Dr. H. B. London To Speak At Leadership Seminar; Wayne Smith To Be Luncheon Speaker



Dr. H. B. London, Vice President of Focus on the Family, will present a seminar entitled *The Church God Honors and the Leadership Team He Blesses* on April 18, 2002 at the Southland Christian Church in Lexington, Kentucky.

Dr. London has co-authored eight books dealing with ministers and their special needs. These helpful resources promote


spiritual renewal and the restoration of ministers and their families.

During the seminar, Dr. London will address the following questions:

- What type of congregation does God truly honor?
- Is the congregation I serve healthy?
- What are the requirements for a healthy and effective congregation?
- Does the size of a congregation determine its ability to be effective?
- What are the responsibilities of congregational leaders?



Wayne B. Smith, founding minister of the Southland Christian Church, will be the special luncheon speaker.

For more information about seminar costs, schedule or general information, please visit the KCC website [www.kcc.edu](http://www.kcc.edu) or contact Gary Layne by phone at (606) 474-3216 or by e-mail at [glayne@email.kcc.edu](mailto:glayne@email.kcc.edu). 

## KCC Co-Sponsors International Conference on Biblical Preaching

In keeping with KCC's global mission to "educate students for Christian leadership and service...throughout the world", the College recently established and co-sponsored the first annual International Conference on Biblical Preaching. Other sponsors included the International Alliance of Christian Colleges and Universities, Lifeline Christian Mission, and the University College of Christianville. The conference, which convened on December 17-19, was hosted by Dr. Jerome Prinston, President of the University College of Christianville (UCC). UCC is located just outside Port-au-Prince, Haiti.

Despite challenging circumstances, the conference drew 82 Haitian ministers

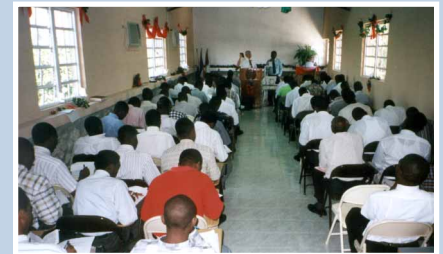


82 Haitian ministers gather for first annual International Conference on Biblical Preaching.


from congregations scattered throughout the small island nation. Most walked many miles, hitch hiked, or rode bicycles to participate in the three-day event. Travel was further complicated by an attempted coup against the Haitian government as armed opposition forces invaded the presidential palace in Port-au-Prince. Seven people were killed during the attempt. The airport was closed and roads were blocked throughout the country by anti-government demonstrators.

While over half of the conference participants were delayed by a day because of the incident, their resolve was not dampened. Their attendance was a remarkable display of determination and commitment to effective ministry. One Haitian minister was robbed en route and though his money and possessions were taken, he was not deterred from continuing his journey on foot to Christianville.

The 2001 International Conference on Biblical Preaching was the first time an attempt has been made to provide a continuing education



experience for ministers throughout Haiti. The response was so enthusiastic and the ministers so appreciative that plans are already underway for next year. KCC President, Dr. Keith P. Keeran said, "Next year's conference will build on the strong foundation that has already been laid and an effort will be made to encourage participation from the Dominican Republic as well as increased participation from the United States."

Four Americans participated in the 2001 conference. All workshop sessions were conducted by President Keeran and by KCC preaching professor, Dr. Guthrie Veech. Dr. Veech commented, "This was a great conference. What really impressed me about the preachers was their obvious love for and commitment to biblical preaching. I am looking forward to returning next year." Other Americans participating in the conference included KCC trustee, Ralph Lemmon who serves as Vice President and Director of Christian Education for Lifeline Christian Mission; and David Price, Lifeline's permanent on-site director in Haiti. 

## Graduate School Modules and Seminars

The Graduate School's class offerings are designed to assist Christian leaders to develop advanced competencies in the ministry in order to fulfill the Great Commission. The following graduate classes are scheduled to be offered through June 2002:

**March 11-15**  
The Minister as Pastoral Care Leader  
Dr. Leonard Knight  
SECC/Louisville, KY

**May 13-17**  
Effective Evangelism in the Local Congregation  
Dr. Rob Ford  
SECC/Louisville, KY

**May 13-17**  
Intro to Advanced Research & Writing  
Dr. Leonard Knight  
KCC/Grayson, KY

**June 17-21**  
Sermon on the Mount  
Dr. Larry Chouinard  
KCC/Grayson, KY

**May 13-17**  
Intertestamental History  
Dr. David Fiensy  
KCC/Grayson, KY

**June 17-21**  
Historical Foundations of the Ministry  
Dr. Tom Lawson  
SECC/Louisville, KY

The KCC Graduate School will sponsor three one-day seminars during the spring semester on the campus of Southeast Christian Church in Louisville, Kentucky.

The first seminar, entitled *Scriptural Forgiveness*, will feature Dr. Frederick DiBlasio, noted author and therapist in forgiveness work. A step-by-step forgiveness strategy will be presented for use with individuals, couples, and families. This seminar will be on Friday, March 15.

The second seminar, entitled *Understanding the Message and Life of the Church in the Post-Modern Age*, will feature Paul Williams. The seminar will be conducted on Thursday, May 16, 2002.

On June 20, 2002, Dr. David Faust will present *Taking the Truth Next Door: Ministry in the Post-Modern Culture* during the morning session. In the afternoon, John Fuller will present *Taking the Truth into the Heart of the City: Ministry in Urban and Minority Cultures*.

For more information contact Dr. Leonard Knight by telephone at 1-877-841-6391 or by e-mail at [gradstudies@email.kcc.edu](mailto:gradstudies@email.kcc.edu).

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June 23-28  
June 30-July 5

**Junior High Challenge**  
July 7-12

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### Dr. Ard Hoven

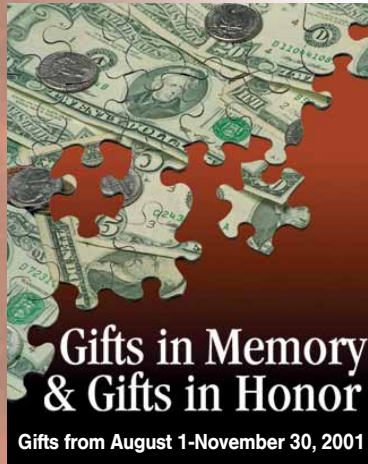
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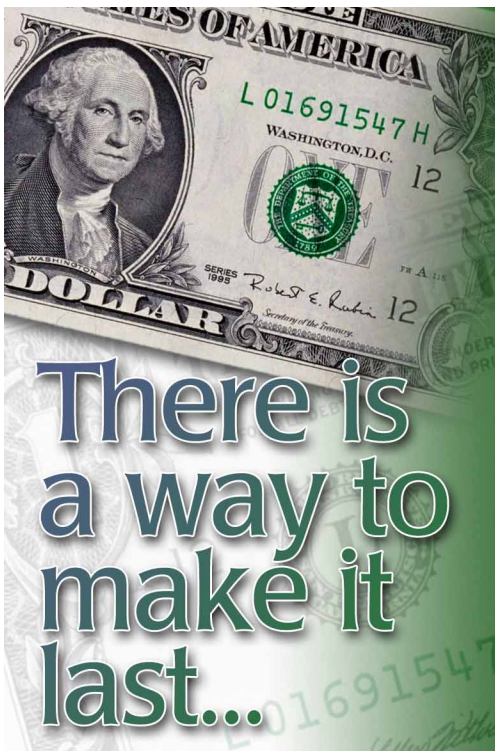
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For more information on giving to Kentucky Christian College, contact the Office of Institutional Advancement by telephone at 1-800-522-3181 or by e-mail at [jld@email.kcc.edu](mailto:jld@email.kcc.edu).

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# Insider's Report

A Publication for the Alumni of Kentucky Christian College

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## Over 100 Attend Founders' Day Reception Following Feast of Christmas

We were encouraged with a great turnout of Alumni and their families for the Founders' Day reception following the Feast of Christmas celebration on Friday, November 30.

Following the program, more than 100 Alumni and friends toured the new Alumni Office and Welcome Center complex located on the second floor of Lusby Center.

Those in attendance renewed friendships and had a great time sharing with fellow Alumni.

Gatherings such as this always strengthen the bonds between fellow Alumni. The next Alumni reception is scheduled during Basketball Homecoming on Friday, February 15, 2002.



## Helen's Highlights

Helen Yankey  
Alumni Relations Officer



Working with alumni is a dream come true for me. I have always loved hearing from old friends and really enjoy making new ones. I loved KCC as a student and have so many fond memories. If you feel as I do and want to see old friends and get reacquainted, come back home for one of the events we have planned for you.

Reunions are already being planned for the graduates from classes ending in 2 and 7. These will be in conjunction with the Alumni Banquet on May 9. The classes of 1952, 1982, and 1992 have already contacted me for graduate lists to begin plans for their special day. If you would like to help with a reunion, contact me.

It is so nice seeing so many children of alumni on campus. Last year we had 42 and this year, there are at least 55 alumni children on campus. Check out the KCC website for a picture with names.

Be sure and check out the alumni calendar for upcoming events. I look forward to a really big turnout for the basketball homecoming in February. We plan to have odd-even tournaments for each decade on Saturday morning. Cheerleaders are invited to come and cheer for your team. Register online or call the alumni office.

I would love to revive the alumni chapters. I have been looking through old files and see that this was once a big part of our alumni association. Contact me if you are interested in helping with an alumni chapter in your area.

We would like to include "memory clips" as part of the Insider's Report. If you have a special memory you would like to share with the rest of us, send it to me and we will keep it on file to use in future publications. Please try to condense these as much as possible.

I look forward to hearing from you.

# 1950's

**Betty (Bliffen)** ('52) **Thomas** has moved to be closer to her sons. Address: 809 Jefferson St. Apt. 1, Martins Ferry, Ohio 43935. E-mail: bt31st29@aol.com.

# 1960's

**David** ('69) and **Patti Bock**. Dave began his second year as Minister of Music and Adult Education in November 2001 at Cornerstone Christian Church. Patti is a Grade School Principal. Address: 1712 Hunters Trail, Brownsburg, IN 46122. E-mail:

Dbmusicman@prodigy.net.

**Dr. John Owston** (BA '69 & BTh '84) conducted several revivals in 2001. John is in his 18th year with Belvue Christian Church, Kingsport, TN. Address: 565 Fernwood Dr., Colonial Heights, Kingsport, TN 37663. E-mail: johnowston@yahoo.com.

# 1970's

**Roger Breeding** (attn: '72-'73) is the Deputy Sheriff for Contra Costa County Sheriff's Department. Roger has six children, Nathan (27), Melinda (23), Bethany (21), Kennon (20), Rachel (18) and Samuel (3). Address: 2215 Oak Hills Cir., #66, Pittsburg, CA 94565.

**Kathy (Chaney)** (attn: '77-'79) and **Jim Dray** have three children, Elissa (14), Kara (13), and Ethan (11). Kathy is an RN, BSN at Liverpool

City Hospital. Address: 600 Georgia Ave., Chester, WV 26034.

**David** ('74) and **Sharon (Thomas)** (attn: '68-'74) **Ellis**. David was invited to be the guest preacher for Christ Church Cathedral (Episcopal) in Louisville, KY on Sunday, October 28, 2001, as a participant in a series of discovering other faith traditions. Sharon is a Teacher for



## Alumni, Let Us Hear From You...Online!

We are always excited to see what our alumni are doing and where God is using them. We can't report what we don't know. For your convenience, we have provided an online form on our website ([www.kcc.edu/alumni.htm](http://www.kcc.edu/alumni.htm)). If you don't have access to the Internet, use the form on page 18.

Louisville Collegiate School. They have one son Aaron Matthew (25). Address: 10413 Timberwood Circle, Louisville, KY 40223.

E-mail: DavidErnonEllis@aol.com.

**Steve** ('77) and **Linda (Leonard)**

('76) ('77) **Hoffman** have three children: Amie (21), Kelli (19), and Jonathan (7). Steve is the owner of Landmark Recording Studios and teaches Advanced Audio Engineering for Ohio University. In August 2001 Steve received an Emmy Award for his work on a film documentary called "Ashes to Glory." Linda is a Teacher. Address: 6118 Margaret St., Ashland, KY 41102. E-mail:

production1082@yahoo.com.

**Jim** (attn: '71-'75) and **Jill (Fisher)**

**Justice** have four children, Travis

(23), Jacob (21), John (in heaven), Julie (17). Jim is the baseball coach at WVUI Tech. Jill is a Pharmaceutical Rep. Nurse at Roche Pharmaceutical. Address: 23 Barbara Cir., Scott Depot, WV 25560. E-mail: jjjustice6@aol.com.

**Judy Murphy** ('77) is an Optician at All American Eyecare. Address: 1423A Arlington Dr., Richmond, KY

were married on June 16, 2001. They have a new address: 5713 Springdale Rd., Cincinnati, OH 45247.

**Cassandre (Stover)** ('89) and **Frank Griffin** have one son Steven Sherwood (3) and are anxiously awaiting the birth of their second child. Cassandre recently took a sabbatical from being the Children's Minister at a small church on Virginia Beach, known as "The Fellowship." E-mail: Cassandre3@cs.com.

**Jeff** (attn: '89) and **Carolyn (Marie)** ('89) **Hill** began their ministry with the Madeira Church of Christ on October 28, 2001. They completed a four-year ministry with the Eaton Church on October 21, 2001. Address: 5873 Kenwood Rd., Madeira, OH 45243.

**Douglas Keith** (attn: '82-'83) and **Tricia (Tyree)** (attn: '78-'82)

**Morris** have two boys, Jedidiah (17) and Jacob (14). Keith works at ADT Security Systems. Tricia is the Administrator at Lexington Montessori School for children 3-12 years old. Address: 6696 Jacks Creek Rd., Lexington, KY 40515.

**Randy** (attn: '80-'83) and **Valerie (Ward) Ludwig** have one child, Bethany (17). Randy is the owner of Bear's Den Gunsmithing.

**Deborah (Mays)** ('85) and **Kevin Ogburn** have two children, Shane (13) and Mayson (7). Deborah was awarded a promotion to Assistant Principal of Greenwood Middle School. She is working on her Administrative Internship to finish a second Masters. Address: 113 Clay Brook Dr., Goldsboro, NC 27530. E-mail: dogburn@hotmail.com.

**Teresa Saunders** (attn: '87-'89) is working as a Professional Nanny.

40475. E-mail: Jujumurph@hotmail.com.

# 1980's

**Lynne Aleshire** ('89) has a new address: 713 Island Court Ave., Columbus, OH 43214.

E-mail: lsateach@juno.com.

**Jim Barnett** ('84) has a new E-mail address: barnett1187@surfbest.net.

**Greg** ('84) and **Tricia Bondurant** announce the birth of their son, Samuel Ross, born on May 5, 2001. He joins sister Jeanna (3). Address: 80 E. Logan Ave., Westerville, OH 43081. E-mail:

Gregbondurant@prodigy.net.

**Glenn** ('80) and **Mary Jo Bystry**



It's time to renew your annual membership or join as a lifetime member of the Alumni Association.

This money helped children of Alumni this year with a total of \$2,000 in scholarships. With increased memberships we will be able to help even more of our students in the years to come.

Benefits are listed with the membership form on page 18. You may also go online ([www.kcc.edu/alumni.htm](http://www.kcc.edu/alumni.htm)) to download a form.

Address: 4229 E. Broad St. Apt. 32, Columbus, OH 43213. E-mail: tsauninoh@aol.com.

**Luanne (Aughinbaugh)** ('83) and **James Tate** were married on July 28, 2001. Luanne has two step-children, Brooke (14) and Spencer (10). Luanne is employed by Oakwood as the OMRP Supervisor. Address: 2265 WTLO Rd., Somerset, KY 42503. E-mail: Tates-4-Him@webtv.net.

**Lisa (Stierwalt)** (attn: '87-'90) and **John Taylor** have two children, Hannah Nicole (5) and Kaelen Isaiah (3). Lisa is a homemaker and works part-time for Kohl's. John is a Physics Teacher for Elkhart Community Schools. Address: 22238 Country Rd. 45, Goshen, IN 46528. E-mail: jlhtaylor@earthlink.net.

**Lisa (Golden)** ('88) and **Doug Turner** have two children, Wesley (6) and Chrissy (3). Lisa earned her Master's Degree in Education from Georgetown College in August of 2000. Lisa is currently a First Grade Teacher at Lexington Christian

Academy. Address: 217 Robyn Dr., Winchester, KY. 40391. E-mail: d-lturner@juno.com.

## 1990's

**Mike** (attn: '92-'95) and **Sharon (Tedrow)** ('95) **Dachenhaus** announce the birth of Caleb Michael, on March 11, 2001. Mike is a Youth Minister at Neapolis Church of Christ and Sharon is a Social Worker/Area Office on Aging. Address: 3520 County Rd. U, Liberty Center, OH 43532. E-mail: mdachenhaus@neapolischurch.com. **Elizabeth (Martin)** ('91) and **William Daniels** were married in March 1998 and have one child Anna Elizabeth (2). Elizabeth has been teaching in Knox County's public school for eight years as a Middle School Special Education Teacher. Elizabeth is an Independent Sales Director for Mary Kay Cosmetics. Address: 125 Goodman Ln., Barbourville, KY 40906.

E-mail: wed@barbourville.com.

**Solomon** ('96) and **Alicia (Buteau)** ('96) **David** announce the birth of a daughter, Shelby Victoria on February 9, 2001. Solomon is the Associate Minister at Bachelor Creek Church of Christ. Address: 1157 N. State Rd., Wabash, IN 46992. E-mail: Solomondavid@hoosierlink.net **Faron** (attn: '85-'90) and **Janet (Arehart) Franklin** announce the birth of their son Garrett Thomas on October 4, 2001. Address: 210 Houston Ln., Glen Lyn, VA 24093.

**Jeffrey** ('98) and **Melanie (Sandage)** ('98) **Fuller**. Jeff is the Associate and Teen Minister at Corinth Christian Church and Melanie is a First Grade Teacher at Young American's Christian School. Address: 1220 Blue Springs Dr., Loganville, GA 30052. E-mail: Fullerj2@CS.com.

**David** ('91) and **Michelle (Markley)** ('91) **Gibson** recently moved to Dalton, Ohio. David is employed by Pacific Bells as an Area Coach. They have two

children, Jessica (9) and Caleb (2). Michelle is a homemaker and is currently home schooling Jessica. Address: 503 Smith Ave., Dalton, OH 44618. E-mail: pbi005@earthlink.net **Christopher** ('97) and **Holly (Thomas)** ('97) **Gillespie**. Christopher is a GED Math Instructor for Earle C. Clements Job Corps Center. Holly is the Executive Director for Youth Resources of Southwest Indiana. Address: 7411 Castle Hills Dr., Newburg, IN 47630. E-mail: hgill@evansville.net. **Brian** ('98) and **Misty (Bear)** ('98) **Gorman**. Brian is the Sr. Minister at Robinson Christian Church and Misty is a Fourth Grade Teacher in Harrison County. Address: 3392 KY Hwy. 36W., Cynthiana, KY 41031. E-mail: robinsoncc@kih.net. **Doug Hathaway** ('95) teaches seventh grade Civics at Martinsville Middle School and coaches soccer at Martinsville High School. He has a son Kyle (3). Address: 143 Villa Apt. 1, Ridgeway, VA 24148. E-mail: dhathaway@martinsville.k12.va.us.



## Looking Back...

### 1971-1972 KCC Concert Choir

How many of these people do you recognize? We are having a contest to see who can identify the most choir members in this vintage photo. You can e-mail your response to [alumni@email.kcc.edu](mailto:alumni@email.kcc.edu) or mail it to Kentucky Christian College, Alumni Office, 100 Academic Parkway, Grayson, Kentucky 41143-2205. The deadline to respond is March 15, 2002. The person who identifies the most people in the photo will receive an Alumni sweatshirt.

**Barry** ('01) and **Dara (Robinson)** (attn: '98) **Jackson** have a new address: 1007 B Carson Ct., Lebanon, OH 45036. E-mail: bjack39@ford.com.

**Mollee (Cyders)** (attn: '95) and Curtis **Markins** now live at 23236 Main St., Minerva, OH 44657. E-mail: CMMarkins@aol.com.

**Amy Miller** (attn: '94-'97) is currently employed at New Dawn Singers, Inc. as a Singer/Dancer. Address: 1528 S. Grove St., Eustis, FL 32726. E-mail: amymill@excite.com.

**Shannon (Stacy)** ('96) and Robert **Nedds** announce the birth of Chloe Danielle on February 21, 2000. Chloe joins step-sister Megan (8). Shannon and Robert are expecting another child in March 2002. Shannon is a stay at home mom and Robert is a Cabinet Maker and Custom Furniture Builder. Address: 650 Mustang Canyon Dr., Galloway, OH 43119. E-mail: neddsf@peoplepc.com.

**Sheri (Baker)** ('90) and **Stamatios Papadatos** announce the birth of twins Reagan Elizabeth and Lucas Timotheos born August 20, 2001. They join their brother Tanner (9). Reagan and Lucas were born six weeks early. They spent one week in the NICU, but are home and doing well. Sheri is employed by US Net and is the National Director of Call Center Operation. Address: 3674 Bristol Lake Dr., Amelia, OH 45102. E-mail: tantios@aol.com.

**Mike** ('95) and **Julie Parker**. Mike is Worship and Creative Arts Pastor at Community Christian in Sharpsburg, GA. The church has witnessed tremendous growth and has even planted another church in Columbus, GA. The student Ministry that Mike leads has just recorded their first worship CD. Mike has just recorded his first solo CD of original tunes. Julie is a Physical Therapist Assistant. Address: 50 Happy Valley Estates Dr., Newnan, GA 30263. E-mail: CommunityWorshipLeader@hotmail.com.

**Lori (Williams)** (attn: '92-'93) and Ryan **Siedel** have one son, Luke (1). Lori graduated from So. California College in 1996 with a BA in Business Marketing. She met her husband at college and married

in December 1996. Lori is a homemaker. Address: 2545 Yarrow Ln., Rolling Meadows, IL 60008. E-mail: seidel@hotmail.com.

**Wes** ('93) and **Marlena (Smith) Sewell** announce the birth of their son Wyatt Shawn born on December 15, 2000. He joins sister Abigail Jo (2). Wes and Marlena are starting their third year of ministry at Grove Park Christian Church. Wes serves in Youth Ministry and also assists in the Worship Ministry. Address: 4911 Melissa Ln.,

Lakeland, FL 33813. E-mail: wessewell@netzero.net.

**Dan** ('96) and **Shannon (Stone)** ('96) **Smith**. Dan is the Minister at New Life Christian Church in Centerville, VA. He is currently working on a Master's Degree in Storytelling at ETSU. Shannon is in her fifth year of teaching high school math at Fairfax County Public Schools. Address: 13126 Melville Ln., Fairfax, VA 22033. E-mail: dan@newlifenet.org. E-mail: shannonkarnessa@yahoo.com.

**Michael** (attn: '91-'95) and Casey (O'Farrell) **Teagarden** were married in 1999. They have one daughter Sydney (1). Michael is an IT at Black McCusky Law Firm. Address: 4728 Blueberry Ave., N.W., Canton, OH 44709. E-mail: gwmichael@juno.com.

**Rob** (attn: '89-'93) and **Karen (Eberly)** ('92) **Van Doren** have two children, Spencer (3) and Cooper (2). Rob is a Truck Driver and Karen is a Pre-School Special-Ed Teacher in Wooster, OH.



# Alumni Spotlight

Dale Adams knows what a positive outlook and an encouraging spirit can do in the life of a church. He grew up in the Southland Christian Church under the leadership of Wayne B. Smith. He was taught by example how a church can grow both spiritually and numerically. The youth programming was phenomenal and gave him a strong foundation for his lifelong walk with the Lord.

There were several individuals who influenced Dale's decision to attend Kentucky Christian College. Three of those individuals were Murray Hollis, Ard Hoven, and Russell Johnson. The education and experience Dale received while at KCC has helped him tremendously in his ministry. The Greek classes, in particular, have given helpful insights to the original message, which aids in his preaching, with funeral messages, and in performing weddings. KCC gave Dale a strong base, and continues to be a valuable resource in his ministry.

When Dale arrived at Calvary Christian in Winchester, Kentucky in 1990 for a trial sermon, the church was averaging 50-70 members. Last week the church had around 1000 in attendance for worship. This growth

can be attributed to a Bible-based approach in all areas of ministry. There is a blended worship style that caters to all age groups.

The church is young (26 years) so there aren't many manmade traditions to overcome. The ministers and leaders of the church approach their work with continuity, working in harmony, complimenting one another with a goal to create a strong ministry from nursery to adult.

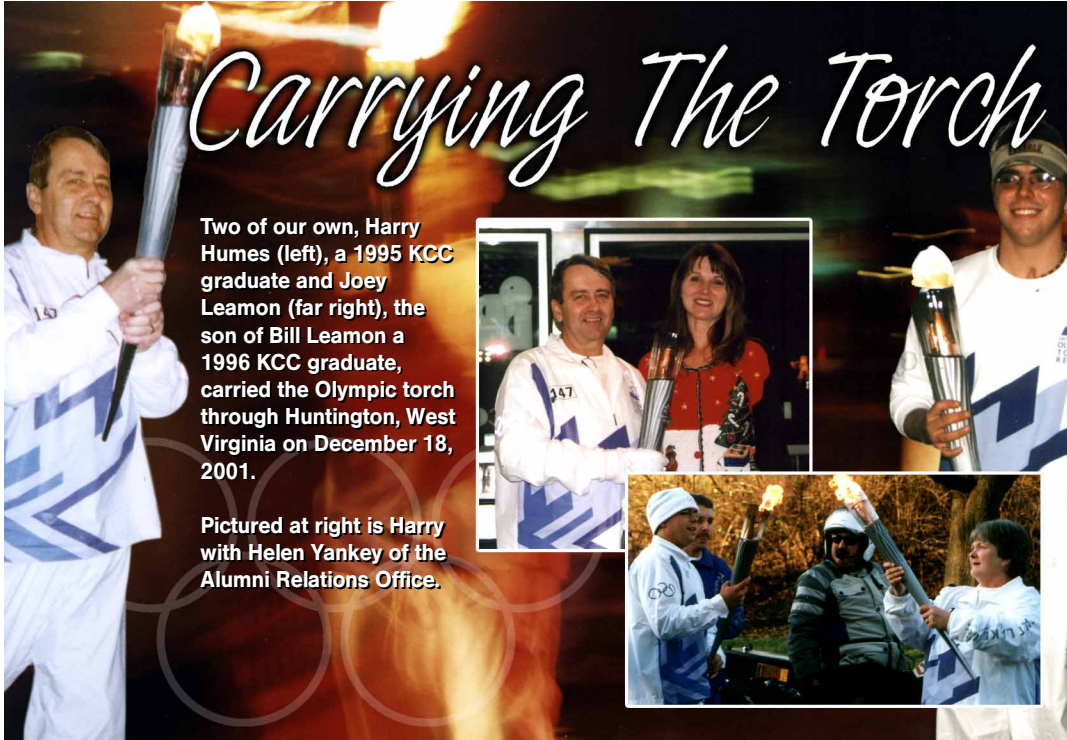
Growing short-term missions and equipping future leaders is the direction Calvary Christian has decided to take. The church has survived many hardships, but a group of very dedicated Christian individuals have helped make the church what it is today.

When asked what role Dale has played in the growth of the church, a staff member had this to say. "Dale is very much an encourager. He puts a loving feel and caring spirit on the entire church. He is very people oriented with a great love that spills over to all areas of worship."

Dale is a 1984 graduate of KCC. He is married to Sandy and they have three children, Tyler, Katie, and Rachael.



*Dale Adams*



# Carrying The Torch

Two of our own, Harry Humes (left), a 1995 KCC graduate and Joey Leamon (far right), the son of Bill Leamon a 1996 KCC graduate, carried the Olympic torch through Huntington, West Virginia on December 18, 2001.

Pictured at right is Harry with Helen Yankey of the Alumni Relations Office.

Address: 313 E. Oak St., Orrville, OH 44667.

**Dan Ward** (attn: '89-'91) is employed at Bed Bath and Beyond. Address: 3722 Chippewa St., St. Louis, MO 63116. E-mail: dan214ward@hotmail.com.

**Geoffrey Watkins** (attn: '92) has a new address: 8160 Elm St., Martinsville, IN 46151. E-mail: watkinsfamily98@worldnet.att.net.

**Andrew** ('99) and **Sarah (McNabb)** ('98) **Weaver** announce the birth of daughter Karena Ann, born April 25, 2001. Andrew is Youth Minister at Town and Country Christian Church. Address: 216 Conestoga Dr., Yukon, OK 73099.

## 2000's

**L. Kristen (Marks)** ('00) and Brock **Adkins** were married on March 24, 2001. Kristen is a full-time Music Substitute for Henrico Co. Public Schools. Brock is a Financial Analyst at Circuit City Corp. Office. Address: 6844 Dartmouth Ave., Richmond, VA 23226. E-mail:

KbAdkins@hotmail.com  
**Heather Caldwell** ('00) graduated with an MBA in International Business on July 14, 2001 at Long Island University. Heather spent two semesters studying abroad at the European Business school in London, England and Franklin College in Lugano, Switzerland. At graduation she received the Dean's Award for Academic Excellence. Address: 78 Verna Dr., Russell, KY 41169. E-mail: hcaled@hotmail.com.

**Barry** ('01) and **Dara (Robinson)** (attn: '98) **Jackson** have two children, Noah (2) and Lucy (6 months). Barry is employed by Ford Motor Credit. Address: 1007 B Carson Ct., Lebanon, OH 45036. E-mail: bjacks39@ford.com.

**Trevor** (attn: '98-'00) and **Rachel (Hodges)** ('00) **Leamon** have a new address: 713 Holcomb St., Grayson, KY 41143.

**Evan** ('01) and **Stacey (Carter)** ('00) **Meyer** were married on July 7, 2001 in Maysville, KY. Evan serves as Senior Minister of the Fairview Christian Church. Stacey teaches in the EBD unit of the

# 2002 Alumni CALENDAR

### Saturday, March 2, 2002

6:00 Voices In Praise (V.I.P.) Concert  
 Southmount High School  
 Crawfordsville, IN  
 Alumni reception following the concert. For more information contact Ron Whitacre at (765) 435-2138 or rdwhita@galaxyinternet.net.

### April 5 & 6, 2002

Ladies Day. Watch for the Alumni Welcome Board.

### Thursday, May 9, 2002

3:00 Baccalaureate  
 6:00 Alumni Banquet  
 Alumni Family Reunion receptions for classes ending in "2" and "7" following the banquet in the McKenzie Student Life Center.

### Friday, May 10, 2002

10:00 Commencement

### Monday, June 24- Thursday, June 27, 2002

KCC will host an Afterglow Reception on Tuesday, June 25 from 8:15 p.m. to 10:00 p.m., at the Hyatt Regency Hotel during the North American Christian Convention in Columbus, Ohio. This reception will provide the College's alumni and friends a unique opportunity to fellowship with one another, while enjoying the music of KCC's own Destiny, Voices in Praise, and Harold Moore. While at the Convention, come by and visit us at booth #1309

### Saturday, August 31, 2002

12:00 Alumni Men's Soccer vs. KCC Knights  
 2:00 Alumni Volleyball vs. KCC Volleyball  
 Register online or call for more information

Northern Elementary School.  
Address: 212 Bradford Rd., Foster,  
KY 41043. E-mail:

first\_john4\_9@yahoo.com.

**Dana Phelps** ('00) owns her own  
salon and is also the Music Director  
at East Sparta Christian Church.

Address: P.O. Box 476, East Sparta,  
OH 44626. E-mail:

daynaphlps@aol.com.

**Wendy West** ('01) has a new  
address: Judson College, 1151 N.  
State St., Elgin, IL 60123. E-mail:

wendyLwest@hotmail.com

## In Memoriam

**Andrew W. Brock** (attn: '38-'39)  
died on May 15, 2000. He is  
survived by his wife Beryl Brock.

Address: 85 Freidensthal Ave.,  
Nazareth, PA 18064.

**Norma (Graves) ('57) Ginnan** age  
65, of Ashland, Kentucky, wife of

**Jerry Ginnan** ('57), died Friday,  
September 28, at her home in  
Westwood following an extended  
illness. Surviving are her husband,  
Jerry, one son, and two daughters.

Address: 410 Wheatley Rd.,  
Ashland, KY 41101.

**Jim Maynor** ('78) passed away  
February 9, 2001. He is survived by  
his wife **Mary (Richardson)**

**Maynor** ('80) one son, MSgt. Bill  
W. Maynor of San Antonio, TX, one

daughter, Mrs. Mary Ann Lilly, of  
Myrtle Beach, SC, and one  
granddaughter, Rachel Anne Lilly.  
Address: P.O. Box 62, Varnville, SC  
23568. E-mail:

jimandmary41@hotmail.com.

## Memory Clips

We would like to include  
"memory clips" as part of  
the *Insider's Report*. If you  
have a special memory from  
your days at KCC that you  
would like to share with the  
rest of us, send it to us and  
we will keep it on file to use  
in future publications.  
Please try to condense these  
as much as possible.

## Alumni Association Membership Form

Please mark your membership preference:

1 year individual membership (\$20)

Lifetime individual membership (\$100)

1 year couple membership (\$25)

Lifetime couple membership (\$150)

*Lifetime memberships may be paid in monthly installments—within one year.*

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

Grad. year \_\_\_\_\_ or year(s) attended KCC \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse's grad. year \_\_\_\_\_ or year(s) spouse attended KCC \_\_\_\_\_

**Return this form to:**

**Alumni Relations Office • KCC • 100 Academic Parkway • Grayson, KY 41143-2205**

Please make checks payable to KCC Alumni Association.

## Alumni Association Membership Benefits

### Annual Memberships

(\$20 for individual; \$25 per couple):

- 20% discount in the KCC Graduate School
- 15% discount in the KCC Bookstore (excluding textbooks)
- 50% off KCC Cafeteria meals (max. 4 meals/year)
- First opportunity to order Feast of Christmas tickets
- Discounts to various KCC events
- Six free passes to the McKenzie Student Life Center

### Lifetime Memberships

(\$100 for individual; \$150 per couple):

In addition to the benefits listed above, Lifetime members signing up now receive the following:

- KCC lapel pin
- Alumni shirt
- KCC Alumni Association mug
- 25% off McKenzie Student Life Center membership

## Alumni Let Us Hear From You

Title:  Dr.  Mr.  Mrs.  Ms.  Miss E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

First Name \_\_\_\_\_ Middle \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name \_\_\_\_\_

Maiden Name \_\_\_\_\_ SSN \_\_\_\_\_

Marital Status:  Single  Married  Divorced  Widowed

Address \_\_\_\_\_ New?  Yes  No

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Business Phone (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Employer/Place of Business \_\_\_\_\_ Position \_\_\_\_\_

Graduation year \_\_\_\_\_ or year(s) attended KCC \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Maiden Name \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse's graduation year \_\_\_\_\_ or year(s) spouse attended KCC \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse's Occupation/Position \_\_\_\_\_

Children (List name and ages) \_\_\_\_\_

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Hebrews 12:1  
**Ladies' Days**  
April 5-6, 2002

April 5-6

**GRADUATION**

May 10

**Alumni Banquet**

May 9

Kentucky Christian College  
**Graduate School**

Modular Classes  
March 11-15  
May 13-17  
June 17-21

*Alumni & Friends Afterglow Reception*  
**NORTH AMERICAN CHRISTIAN CONVENTION 2002**

June 25

**SUMMER IN THE Sun**

June 16-21  
June 23-28  
June 30-July 5

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June 7-9

Junior High  
**Challenge**

July 7-12



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