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Great Lakes Christian College is celebrating 65 years of ministry

On October 24-25, 2014 we are anticipating alumni, donors, and friends on campus for this special event. There will be many opportunities to reminisce, fellowship, and participate at this unique event. A special invitation has been extended to our “educational heroes” - our current and former full-time professors. We look forward to their presence on campus for the Friday night celebration service at 7 PM and the reception that follows. Mark your calendars, plan to attend, and help us celebrate!

Schedule of Events

Friday, October 24

Noon - 4:00 PM

Tours at Dodge Mansion & Reunions

4:30 - 6:00 PM

Community Reception

7:00 PM

65th Celebration Service

8:30 PM

Alumni & Friends Reception

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Saturday, October 25

8:30 AM

Alumni Breakfast & Program

10:30 AM

Building Naming Ceremony

12:00 PM

Knowles Learning Center Campaign Dinner & Program with speaker Dr. Keith Keeran

(RSVP required)

2:00 - 4:00 PM

Tours/Reunions



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Mission Emphasis Week *October 22-23*

You are invited to come early on Wednesday and Thursday at 11 AM for the Mission Emphasis Week. David Butts, 2014 ICOM President will be the speaker. Alumni missionaries and other mission agencies will be represented.



I was reading an article not too long ago that asked the question, “Is higher education a commodity?” If you were to look at the current focus of many colleges today you

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would have to answer – yes. The reason, “As costs have gone up and the economy has slowed down, we have seen increasing competition to enroll students. One of the results has been a tendency to treat high school students as if they were simply customers to be lured into the academic marketplace. Consulting firms and university marketing departments have been allowed to take the lead. Touting higher education as if it existed only to lead consumers to more marketable skills, more impressive credentials, and higher salaries.”

I have said on numerous occasions that higher education, at least from our vantage point, exists to do more than simply prepare students for jobs. It is more than providing students with the means to acquire titles and treasure. Obviously, we want our students to be meaningfully employed. But, that isn’t our sole focus. It isn’t even our main focus. Our goal, our mission, is to “prepare students to be servant leaders in the

church and world.” And to that end we are trying to not only to prepare students to serve their employers well, but also to be excellent spouses, parents, citizens and servants of God.

I agree with the President of Clemson University who stated, “The best education is not transactional but transformational. It’s not: ‘You give me X amount of money and I give you a credential and a degree.’ Rather it is: ‘You give us four years, and you get a life-changing experience.’” GLCC is a safe, encouraging, attentive place where students begin separating from their families and gain a semblance of independence. It is a place where the most important questions are answered and the most important quests are begun. It is a place where hearts are fed, minds are opened, and lifelong friendships are formed. It is a place where excellence is encouraged, potential is realized, and Christ is Lord.

- Larry Carter
GLCC President



Serving with Alumni Through Mission Trips!

GO Ministries has been blessed for many years by Great Lakes. Each year in the winter a group of men and women come to serve our ministry in the Dominican Republic. I truly am very proud of my friends from GLCC. This year professor Dr. Kendi Howells Douglas had the opportunity to teach in our Seminary of the Americas which currently has 30 students. The team also worked alongside alumni Isaias Gabriel ('06) and his youth group to reach young people through his rap group “Cristo Urbano.” Great Lakes also provided much needed labor in the repurposing of a building that will later be used as a ministry center for future missionaries. I love to see the mutual transformation which occurs when a group of people come to our island to serve and collide with a group of Dominicans determined to serve their beloved guests with the same passion. Hearts are changed on both sides. This past trip was no different. When Great Lakes comes to town there is a wonderful anticipation of reuniting with old friends and building relationships with the new. It is encouraging to hear news from a place we alumni hold so dear to our hearts. As an alumnus I am grateful for the unique privilege of having students from my school serving in a ministry which was shaped by the work of the very same school. I am encouraged by Great Lakes each time they come. Thank you so much for your service, encouragement, and faithfulness.

- Tim Krauss '98

Senior Executive Director of Field Operations - GO Ministries

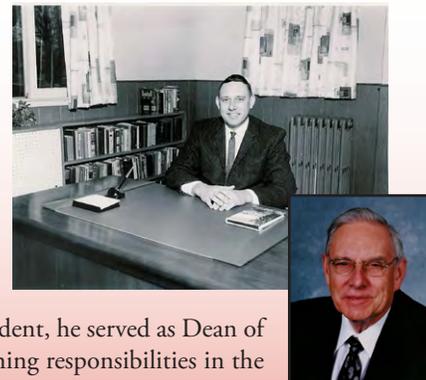


On October 25, 2014 - Former Presidents Matthews and Hasty Honored with Building Namings

On October 25 at 10:30 a.m. there will be a ceremony revealing the naming of two of our residence halls on campus after servant leaders. The Women's Residence will be named Matthews Hall and the Men's Residence will be named Hasty Hall. It was because of the leadership of these two former Presidents that Great Lakes transitioned to different campuses over the years. We invite alumni and friends to join us for this honoring ceremony as a part of our 65th Anniversary celebration.



It was in August 1957 that Charles Matthews was called to be the second President of Great Lakes Bible College. As part of his duties, he was given the challenge to locate property in an urban setting where there would be more work opportunities for students. In 1958 the campus was moved to Lansing as a result of Charles' leadership. Along with President, he served as Dean of Men, custodian to the ancient gas furnaces in the Dodge Mansion, teaching responsibilities in the field of homiletics and Bible, and representing the College to the churches in the tri-state area on weekends. Charles passed away in 2009.



Charles Matthews

John Hasty accepted the call to be the fourth President of the College beginning August 1, 1967. John was instrumental in moving the campus from the Dodge Mansion to our present campus in 1972. It is evident that throughout the history of Great Lakes in those earlier years that many made sacrifices that we will never know. John and his wife Ginger are among the many. John and Ginger currently live in Lakeland, Florida.



John Hasty

Beyond the Classroom

RON PETERS

- Book was released this month: *The Greek Article: A Functional Grammar of Ó-items in the Greek New Testament with Special Emphasis on the Greek Article*, Leiden: Brill, 2014.
- Presented a paper at the Annual Meeting of the Evangelical Theological Society in Baltimore, MD, last November related to the dissertation/book: "A Discourse/Functional Approach to the Greek Article."
- Oversees the Growth Group Ministry at Meridian Christian Church.

JOHN NUGENT

- Published *Revolutionary Christian Citizenship* as co-editor, attended the SBL conference in Baltimore, represented the Christian Churches in a church unity symposium, published three essays for ThinkChristian.net, published a chapter in *Constantine Revisited*, reviewed *Playing God for Englewood Review of Books* (ERB), and published "Different But Not Equally Defensible" for ERB.

KENDI HOWELS-DOUGLAS

- Taught Perspectives on World Mission at Southeast Christian Church in Louisville and 3 Indianapolis churches.

- Lead a women's retreat Riverside Christian Church, Antwerp, OH.
- Taught 2 workshops at Fusion.
- Taught 2 workshops at ICOM, organized the Urban track of workshops for ICOM and was a featured speaker at a main session at ICOM.
- Associate editor for New Urban World journal's 3rd edition.
- Editor for Restoration Movement's online mission journal "Missio Dei."
- Main Speaker for Crossroads College's Spiritual Emphasis Week - Rochester, MN.

ALVIN KUEST

- Led a trip to the Philippines to work with Marianne Ellert Badongan and her husband Roy. While the rest of the team worked with area churches and at a ministers conference, Alvin taught at the Philippine College of Ministry. He taught a philosophy class, a personal evangelism class and an all day seminar with the professors.



As we approach our 65th Anniversary this fall, I find that there is much to celebrate as an institution.

Historical Roots

I get the opportunity to peruse through pictures of the past. Just recently I posted a picture on Facebook that showed a group of students and staff from 1952. It took me back to the historical roots of Great Lakes. I saw in the picture the individuals that sacrificed and invested their lives for the cause. It took individuals and churches to step up and give priority to starting an institution that would train the next generation of Christian leaders.

LET'S CELEBRATE OUR HISTORICAL ROOTS!

Educational Heroes

The Educational Heroes of our Col-

lege are our professors. We are inviting back over 70 individuals who taught, equipped, mentored, and trained students over our 65 years of ministry. These individuals deserve recognition for their faithful and dedicated service. To name just a few . . . Hargrave, Doty, Fisher, Christian, Flick, Williams, Girdwood, Riebe, Lautzenheiser, Keeran, Stehle, and Zorn. And the list continues of those who made huge investments into our lives.

LET'S CELEBRATE OUR EDUCATIONAL HEROES!

Financial Partners

When I think of our 65 years of ministry I have to celebrate the many partners who have come alongside GLCC over the years with their financial support. Churches and individuals have been faithful in their giving in order for us to do what we have been called to do by our "historical fathers." Since 1949 a vision for more Christian leaders in our surrounding area has been cultivated and expanded. Without our financial partners, we would not be able to keep up with the demands of providing a quality Christian education. There will ever be a need for more preachers, teachers, youth ministers, missionaries, etc. The churches in Michigan back in 1949 asked us to provide that leadership and we continue to do so today with the help of so many faithful financial partners.

LET'S CELEBRATE OUR FINANCIAL PARTNERS!

Future Educational Expansion

If you are not growing or moving forward you are dying. I'm happy to say that Great Lakes is moving forward! On the horizon is the completion of a huge project that will expand the capacity for future students to get the education and training needed to be the best Christian leaders possible in our churches and world. That project is the Knowles Learning Center.

This two-phased project will have an impact on future leaders. Phase one is completed and our professors are effectively using this new office suite to assist them in their teaching and mentoring roles. Phase two is the library wing of the Knowles Learning Center and is yet to be built. We anticipate over the next few years to raise the necessary funds to complete this project. LET'S CELEBRATE OUR FUTURE EDUCATIONAL EXPANSION!

October 24-25 will be our 65th Anniversary weekend and I hope you will decide to mark your calendar and join us for this time of celebration. Over the next few months you will be asked to prayerfully consider an anniversary gift to help us get closer to our goal of raising the funds for the new library wing. You will see and hear this appeal in the mail, by phone, and even through a campaign dinner on October 25. I look forward to seeing you on campus for this unique anniversary event.

- Phil Beavers

Vice President of Institutional Advancement

Knowles Learning Center Campaign Dinner

October 25 – 12:00 p.m.

A fundraising dinner will take place during the events of the 65th Anniversary to encourage financial partnerships for the Knowles Learning Center. Dr. Keith Keeran, former professor of GLCC and former President of Kentucky Christian University, will be the speaker to challenge us onward toward completing the phase two library wing. All participants will be challenged to give a 65th Anniversary offering and consider a two-year commitment to the campaign. The dinner is free but a R.S.V.P. is required because of the limited seating of 120. R.S.V.P. and get your free ticket through Eventbrite, <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/knowles-learning-center-campaign-dinner-tickets-7473548585>



Greetings, GLCC alumni!

It's amazing to think that our alma mater will be 65 years old this fall! What a rich history our College has seen: from her beginnings at Rock Lake Christian Assembly, to her time at the Turner Dodge Mansion, to her current home (itself having seen much change due to the continual improvements being made).

Each of us who have spent time at GLCC can look back and testify to how God used our time there to impact our lives. For some of us, it set the course for our ministry direction, for others we discovered a passion for an area of need that was unknown to us before. And of course, for many of us, it was the place where we first met the one who would be our partner in life and love.

GLCC has played such an important role in our lives, I invite you to join myself and other alumni and friends of the college at this fall's 65th Anniversary weekend! It will be a great opportunity to reconnect with classmates, see all of the changes on campus, and celebrate together what God has done and is continuing to do through GLCC.

Hope to see you there!

- Jamie Wetzel

President of Alumni Association

ALUMNI NEWS

Jon Hatter ('07) recently accepted a place at Loyola University Chicago in their PhD program in New Testament and Early Christianity. "This after graduating with my M.A. in Early Christian Studies from the University of Notre Dame in 2013 and a B.A. in Classical Languages from Grand Valley State in 2010. A big thanks to all at Great Lakes who helped get me started on this road and who have continued to support me throughout."

Brian Stehle ('91) married Sandra Baldwin on October 5, 2013. Frank Weller ('89) officiated the ceremony. The couple resides in Mason, MI.

Jeri Baker ('03) lives in Morris, IL and is now serving as Director of Adult Ministry at the First Presbyterian Church in Morris, IL.

Jodi Winsett ('04) works at Sparrow Health Systems. She recently passed the certification exam and is now a Certified Child Life Specialist.

Jordan ('07) and Wendy Beavers ('02) Ickes are the proud parents of their third child, Audrey Lou, born on December 23, 2013.



FALL 2013 DEAN'S LIST

Matthew Barnum	Sarah Moehlman
Samantha Barnum	Tommy Moehlman
Joshua Bush	Casey Monroe
Morgan Coney	Caleb Nightengale
Sarah Hall	Sarah Paeplow
Shiloh Harris	Mahrley Parks
Jeffrey Harris	Gabraelle Parrish
Jason Hebert	Hannah Sabri
Colby Hetcel	Alexandra Schafer
James Jackson	Eric Sheldon
Jeremy Klepal	Nathan Shelton
Matthew Love	Chelsey Smith
Clayton MacDonald	Joshua Strickler
Isaac Magley	Kristie Stroud
Julie Mavin	Margaryta Teslina
Nolan McCausey	Megan Wesley
Sydney McIntosh	Colton Wesley
Tiffany McMillie	Zackary Woiteshek



Preparing them through Intellectual, Spiritual and Personal Growth.

In this KEY, commemorating our 65th Anniversary, we wrap up our mini series on our tag line: “Intellectual, Spiritual and Personal Growth.” In case you missed the first two, you may access them at www.glcc.edu/Advancement/TheKey.aspx.

First and foremost, personal growth is a natural result of the first two, intellectual and spiritual growth. When one grows in knowledge, they become a better person, as they are both broader and deeper. In growing deeper spiritually – drawing closer to our Creator and better understanding His design and purpose for our lives, one cannot help but to flourish as a person.

Personal growth happens through life-changing relationships with Faculty, Staff, and fellow students and through their interaction with different backgrounds, cultures, and ethnicities. They grow via personal accountability and through good decision-making. Students grow by persevering through the sometimes long and difficult semesters and seeing the reward of a good work ethic. Personal growth also comes through the experiences they have here at GLCC and seeing that they are part of something much bigger than themselves.

In light of the current push in higher education toward outcome – get a specific degree leading toward a specific job (called “the commodification of higher education”) we need to remember that one of the great purposes of a great education is personal growth!

Yes, 65 years later Great Lakes Christian College is still committed to preparing students to be servant-leaders in the church and world! Preparing them through Intellectual, Spiritual and Personal Growth.

Mark Pike Divine Servant Award Recipient

The Divine Servant Award is one part of a memorial to Dr. Brant Lee Doty who was the long-time Academic Dean and professor at GLCC. This award, with the approval of the Administration, is given to a Senior student or alumnus whose life has consistently illustrated the sacrificial servant spirit as taught by Jesus Christ and demonstrated in the life of Dr. Brant Lee Doty.

We are proud to announce that the 2014 recipient is Mark Pike. Mark has served for the past 26 years as a campus minister at Ball State University. His work with the Christian Campus House has not only been long – but it has been a faithful ministry that has been a blessing to hundreds of students who have been impacted by his leadership and influence.

He graduated from GLCC in 1982 with a BRE in N. T. and a minor in Christian Education. He went on to the Emmanuel Christian Seminary and graduated in 1990 with a M. A. in Religion. While in Tennessee he worked with the Morrison City Christian Church as an Associate Minister.

After Emmanuel, Mark moved to Muncie, IN to serve on the Christian Student Foundation staff at Ball State. At Ball State he met his wife Lynn and now they have four children: Dylan, Olivia, Seth, and Jaron.



Mark Pike and President Larry Carter.

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Phil Beavers and Staff
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Christmas on Campus
December 11 & 12, 2014*



Academic Calendar

- Promise & UrbanocityJune 15–21
- Early Enrollment Days.....July 17 & 19
- WOW Women of the Word Conference ..August 7–9
- Freshman Enrollment DayAugust 18
- Orientation WeekAugust 18–22
- Returning Student Enrollment DayAugust 22
- Classes BeginAugust 25
- ConvocationAugust 26
- Fall Break.....October 10–14
- Missions Emphasis.....October 22 & 23
- GLCC 65th AnniversaryOctober 24 & 25
- Ministry Wives' Retreat.....October 31–November 1
- FusionNovember 7–9
- Thanksgiving BreakNovember 26–30
- Christmas on Campus.....December 11–12
- FinalsDecember 17–19
- Semester Break BeginsDecember 20

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