# Great Lakes Christian College



1949 was an interesting year. That year the first VW Beetle was sold in America, the first Emmy Awards show was aired, the first NASCAR event was held in Charlotte, NC, and the last six Civil War Veterans met in Indianapolis. It was also the year that classes were first held at Great Lakes Bible College. September 21, 1949 is the official date of our College's beginning on the grounds of Rock Lake Christian Assembly.

The world little noticed the humble start of our College. The world was focused on other things. For example, two days later, September 23, the USSR tested its first atomic

bomb thereby significantly intensifying the early years of the Cold War. At the time the USSR was recognized as a super power that had the chilling potential of changing the whole world into a communist state or blowing it out of existence. Yet, a mere 42 years later the USSR was no more. Names that once dominated the headlines - Stalin, Kruschev, Brezhnev, and Gorbachev – are now a distant memory. Their political experiment failed. All that is left is a broken wall and empty guard boxes.

65 years later GLCC is still thriving. Infused with a vision and a power that was supernatural, this College has helped to change the world, one life at a time. While never garnering the world's headlines we have thrown out spiritual lifelines that have been bringing others to Christ for well over a half century. Names that once blessed our campus – Woodard, Doty, Hargrave, Hasty – are still impacting the world through the students who were taught or influenced by their instruction or example. Their spiritual commitment has succeeded. And what they have left behind is a door of hope to a world locked in sin and trained salvation soldiers who are continuing to fight the good fight of faith and love.

God has blessed our College with His Holy Spirit working through the lives of so many dedicated servants. The pages of this Key will help remind you of their contribution to the cause of Christ. While celebrating an anniversary does turn one's thoughts to the past, being grateful for victories won, we should be equally rejoicing the wonderful future that lies before us. The mission of our College remains. The focus of our College is Jesus. The future is safely in the hands of God. 65 years from now, if the Lord tarries, most of us will be gone, but the work of GLCC will go on in the lives of those who have gone to serve "in every clime and land apart."

GLCC President

"In every clime and land apart."

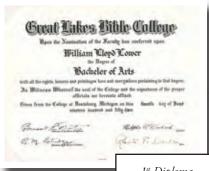
# **BEGINNINGS**

1949~1957

The beginning of GLBC was a vision of three persistent and dedicated preachers for the need of trained preachers in Michigan. There was conflict and great sacrifice by teachers, students, and their families to live on meager means but the goal of trained preachers overshadowed the hardships."

-Judie Saunders (daughter of Hervey Sewell)







Charles Matthews 2nd President, 1957

1st Diploma



Ralph Woodard 1st President, 1949

Humble beginnings...WOODARD LOG CABIN...started September 21, 1949...8 students...31 students by second year...Ralph Woodard first president... first graduates 1952...ROSEMA FARM...Chicken Coop...Betty Crocker coupons...Men's Banquet...Victory Four Plus One sang in churches...ALUMNI ASSOCIATION STARTED...Timothy Club...Dr. Brant Lee Doty...Women's Banquet...MARY MARTHA CIRCLE...The Crusaders basketball team... Charles Matthews second president...



Faculty & Students 1954

Chicken Coop Dormitory

# **GROWTH**

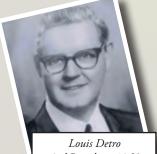
1958~1972

"Growth is an appropriate keyword for this period, as the College was growing in both number of students, but in facilities as well. It was an exciting time as the new campus was planned and took shape-I had the great privilege to be among the students to use it for the first time!"

-Andrea (Detro) Green (daughter of President Detro)







3rd President, 1965

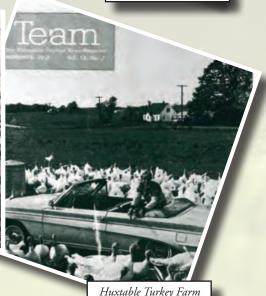
THE TURNER-DODGE MANSION...the "Northern Light" yearbook... enrollment 77...basketball tournament CHAMPS 1962-63...Louis Detro third president...John Hasty fourth president...The King Chapel...106 students... purchase of HUXTABLE FARM...Woodard Administration building and the Louis M. Detro Memorial Library constructed...The Waymakers...The Lord's Lights...THE GOSPEL ECHOES...James E. Myers...President's Key Club... HIS WAY CRUSADE...Rising Hope...Delegates for Christ...



John Hasty 4th President, 1966







Purchased

# **DEVELOPMENT**

1973~1999

When I came to Great Lakes in 1973 as a student, I was excited to be a GLBC student on a new campus! I felt a genuine confidence in me as a person and in my future."

-Phil Beavers '78, GLCC VP of Institutional Advancement



### **EXPANSION**

2000-2014

Having studied at GLCC during the waning years of the 20th century and having returned as a professor to help kick off of the new millennium, I can confidently say that the college has continued in its strengths and made great progress to address its weaknesses. Our academic programming and credentials are solid, our facilities are better than ever, and our commitment to preparing servant leaders for the church and world remains unwavering."

-John Nugent, '95, GLCC Professor of Old Testament



We thank you for partnering with us at Great Lakes Christian College in the Expanding the Capacity for Learning Campaign. Your pledge to the Knowles Learning Center is now significant to the construction of the second phase – the library. We look forward to the opportunity to move the Detro Memorial Library into its new facility in order to provide greater opportunity for our students in study and research of the Word of God. We have a long way to go and we continue with your help to stretch in faith to see the Knowles Learning Center become a reality. Go to our website to partner with us in this campaign.



Phase One Faculty Offices \$900,000

Cash on hand \$1,173,840

Pledges \$1,177,187

Phase Two New Library \$1.1 million

\$2 Million Goal

As of October 1

#### **FUTURE CRUSADERS**



ASHLEY, Mike ['12] & Ashley (Farris) [07-09], Daughter, Zoey Lea, 7/20/2014, 6 lbs., 2 oz., 19 ½" long



CHONG, Boaz ['10] & Emily (Czarnicki) [07-08], Son, Levi Lok Hai Chong, 9/3/2014, 7 lbs., 2.8 oz., 20 ½" long



FORD, Larry ['10] & Hope (Gruss) ['10], Daughter, Mabel Dawn, 9/27/2014, 8 lbs., 5 ½ oz., 19 ½" long



GEORGE, B.J. ['03] & Beth (Martin) ['07], Son, Simon Elijah, 3/5/2014, 7 lbs., 8 oz., 20" long



JACOBS, James & Kim (Hinkle) [98-01], Daughter, Elizabeth Ann, 9/16/2014, 6 lbs., 6 oz., 19" long



PRIDE, Jeff [03-08] & Lynn (Lemert) ['08], Son, Noah



RALPH, Ben ['07] & Susie (Pianosi) ['07], Daughter, Lilly Ann, 9/5/2014, 6 lbs., 14 oz., 20 ½" long



**SMITH, Greg ['14] & Connie [12-13],** Son, Titus Lee, 8/5/2014, 8 lbs., 14 oz., 21 ½" long



WARREN, Brendan ['10] & Leah (Gentis) ['10], Son, Jack Dean, 10/9/2014, 9 lbs, 13 oz., 20 ½" long

### **ALUMNI NEWS**

### 1950s

**Doris (Wilson) Craycraft ('54-'55)** retired as secretary to President of Kentucky Christian College.

#### 1960s

Tom ('65) and Ruth Ann ('65) Schantz continue to serve in the Comstock Church of Christ. Tom has a TV program on a public media network in Kalamazoo, MI.

Lawrence "Bud" Downs ('60) and wife Kathy have pastored at Cactus Christian Church in Phoenix for 26 years.

#### 1970s

**Brian Beaumont (attended 1978)** retired from the U.S. Navy Reserve and is President of the Brain Injury Association of Lansing.

Chuck ('77) and Amy ('77) Emmert became proud grandparents for the first time on May 28, 2014. Reese Alison Emmert was born to their son Craig and wife Jordan.

#### 2000s

Scott ('03) and Sarah ('01) Monette have served at the Northwest Christian Church in Decatur, IL since 2007.

# **Upcoming Events**



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31-Nov 1 Refresh - Ministry Wives'

Retreat

NOVEMBER

7-9 Fusion

26-28 Thanksgiving Break

**DECEMBER** 

11-12 Christmas on Campus

"Once Upon a Starry Night"

17-19 Final Exams

20-Jan 11 Semester Break Begins

**JANUARY** 

12 Classes Begin

19 Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

**FEBRUARY** 

16-20 Week of Outreach 127 Board of Trustees Meeting

**MARCH** 

30-Apr 3 Week of Outreach 2

**APRIL** 

17-18 Michigan Christian Convention

24 Senior Presentations

Women's Spring Celebration

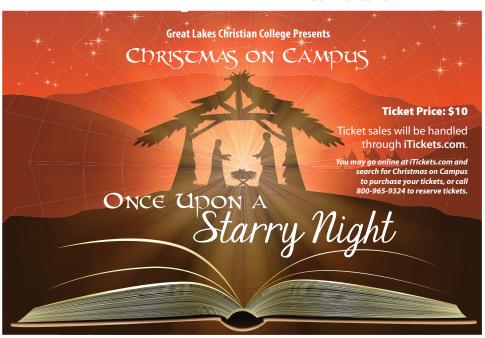
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5 Honors Chapel 11-14 Final Exams

15 Board of Trustees Meeting

Graduate Banquet

16 Commencement



### **Deans List**

### Spring Semester 2014

Matthew Barnum Samantha Barnum Whitney Brazeal Joshua Bush Morgan Coney Sasha Fowler Amy Gallagher Sarah Hall Jeffrey Harris Shiloh Harris Ellory Harrison Jason Hebert Grace Lohrmann Matthew Love Clayton MacDonald Isaac Magley Julie Mavin

Nolan McCausey

Tiffany McMillie Sarah Moehlman Tommy Moehlman Casey Monroe Caleb Nightengale Mahrley Parks Gabraelle Parrish Hannah Sabri Sarah Sager Alexandra Schafer Nathan Shelton Chelsey Smith Blythe Stratton Katy Stratton Kory Stratton Gracia Tader Margaryta Teslina

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