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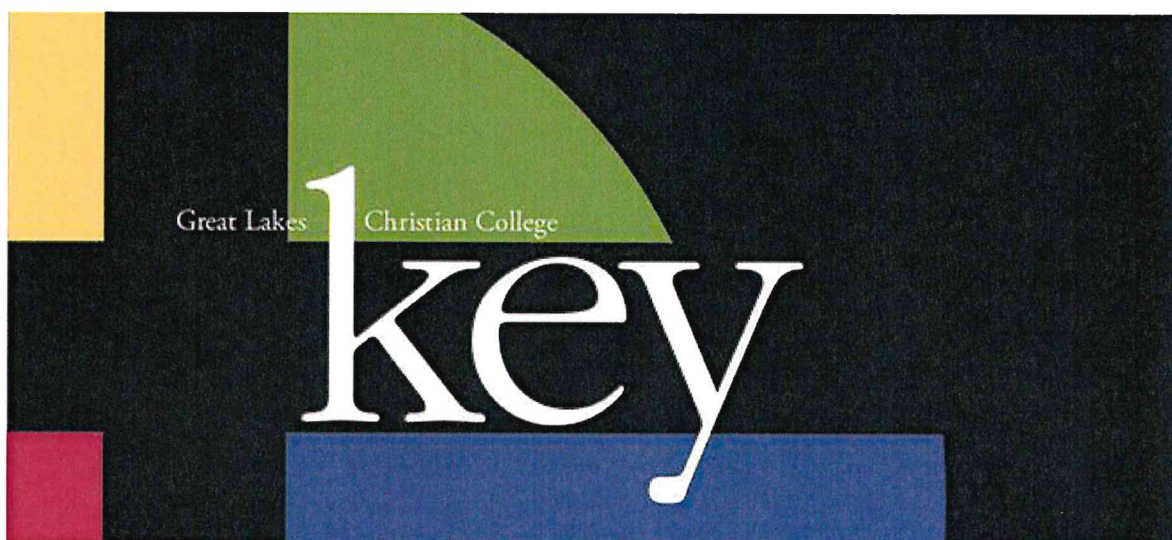
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**The
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The Legacy I'm Most Proud Of

- President Larry Carter

On occasion I have had the privilege to speak at conferences designed to help and encourage leaders in churches and Christian non-profits. When I do, I remind those in leadership that while they owe their best in serving their various institutions, their lasting legacy will be marked by the individual lives they helped to change. Institutions come and go. Institutions will pass away. But individuals will last forever. Many of us in leadership define success simply by the growth or health of an organization. Now, its not a bad thing to help an institution grow. That is a good thing. But even more importantly is to help the individuals within the institution grow.

As I near my retirement from Great Lakes Christian College, I find myself thinking about the faculty, staff, and students I have been blessed to serve. Yes, I think about the college as a whole, but more importantly I seem to dwell on the memories I have of people, not programs, policies, or procedures – its people.

I think of a student whose mom, just last week, told me how this college has changed her daughter's life. She said that while her daughter was a Christian when she came here, she has now become a mature, committed Christian woman.

I think of a co-worker that has been by my side through my 23 years here. He has been a friend, mentor, and an encourager through all the good and bad times we've shared. I hope I have meant as much to him as he has meant to me.

I think of a graduate who told me that when he came to GLCC, he hated the church but when he left, he loved the church. He attributed much of that transformation to his ministry classes.

I think of a student who came to us from the inner city. I was blessed with the opportunity to mentor him on a weekly basis for a year. On our last day he said to me with tears in his eyes, "Thank you for spending this year with me. You are the first person to ever believe in me."

I think about a student who attended here for a couple of years and then went to serve in Iraq as an Army Reserve. He lost his life there. But before he died, he made an indelible impact on those who served with him. Some of those fellow soldiers came here to GLCC because of his influence. His dog tags have graced my desk from the day his wife brought them to me.

I think of co-workers who have gone on to serve in other colleges or churches knowing that we have mutually made a difference in each other's lives.

I think of trustees who have been such an encouragement to me. My prayer is that they have been blessed by the association to the college and to me.

I think of two graduates who came to GLCC confused as to who they were and what they were supposed to do with their lives. One now serves as a minister of one of the largest churches in Michigan and the other as a missionary in India.

I think of a student who came to us from a place we've only read about. He came from a place of poverty, violence, and little hope. Now, he is a graduate of our college. He is a changed man. He lives in faith. He lives in hope. I could go on. The people I have been blessed to serve have made a lasting impact on me. The joy of my life is to think that I have made an impact on them. I know the difference this college has made in so many people's lives. I am thankful that I have been a part of it.

As I draw closer to retirement, I love the fact that I have served as the President of Great Lakes Christian College. But even more, I love the relationships I have had with so many different people. I love the fact that we have helped each other to become better people, better co-workers and students, and better Christians. That is the legacy I am most proud of.

- President Larry Carter

***President Carter's Retirement Reception
Friday, May 13, 2022***

6:00 - 8:00 p.m.
(7:00 p.m. presentations)
Woodard Chapel & Lobby
Great Lakes Christian College

RSVP or leave congratulatory comment



Melvin Balogh has been hired as the new full-time head coach for women's volleyball. Balogh, a GLCC graduate ('02), returns to the program after working as head coach in the past.

Balogh has been coaching volleyball since 1999, when he coached club and high school volleyball in DeWitt. Over the past two decades, he has coached at several NAIA, NCAA and NJCAA programs, including Great Lakes.

He spent one season as an assistant at NCAA DI McNeese State before being head coach of Peru State College in Nebraska. His most recent position was at NJCAA Clarendon College in Texas, where he has been since 2014.

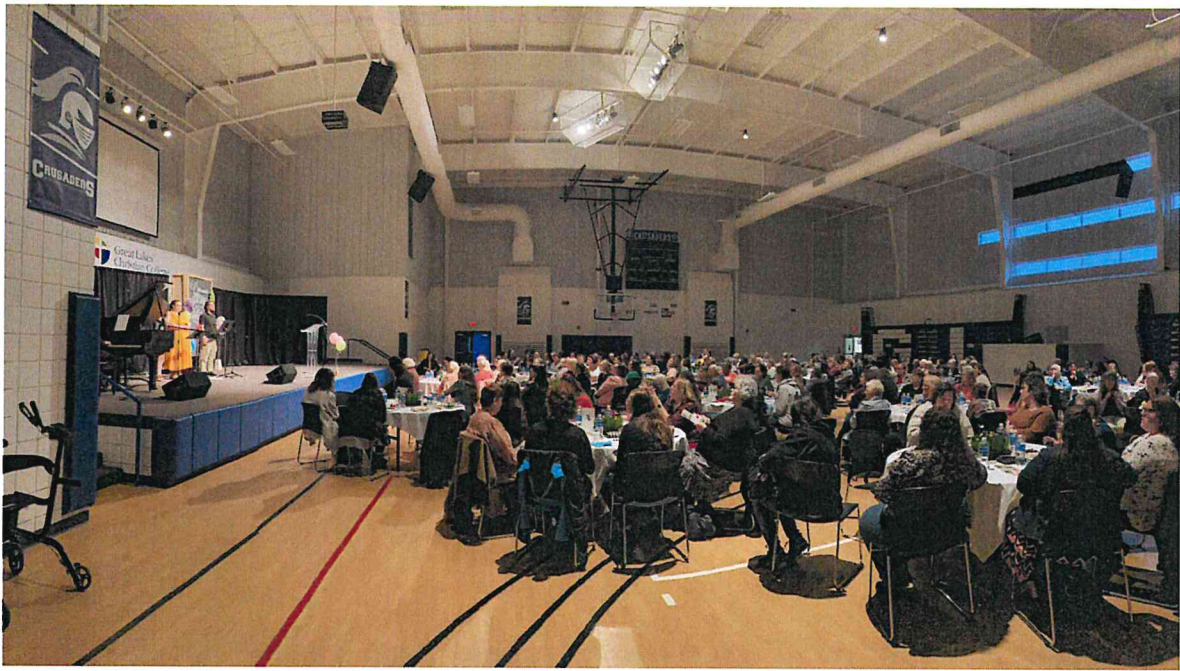
"I believe in what I have called the 'Complete Collegiate Athlete,'" Balogh says. "It is a combination of all the skills that develop as a student-athlete. Growth happens academically, athletically, and personally/spiritually. I truly believe that the 'Complete Collegiate Athlete' is prepared to go and be some of the best servant-leaders the world will see."

Learn more of our [volleyball program](#).

Women's Spring Celebration a Success!

It's been a long time coming. A huge success for the 2022 Women's Spring Celebration. Over 220 women attended this year's event that featured alumna Natasha Smith from Save the Storks and the receiving of an offering of over \$9,800!!! The generosity of the women will provide locks on the doors in Matthews Hall and furniture for the student mall.

We are already planning for next April.
Mark you calendars...Friday, April 28, 2023.



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**April 29-30
2022**

Genesis
Exodus Leviticus
Numbers Deuteronomy
Joshua Judges Ruth 1 Samuel 2 Samuel
1 Kings 2 Kings 1 Chronicles 2 Chronicles
Ezra Nehemiah Esther Job Psalms
Proverbs Ecclesiastes Song of Solomon
Isaiah Jeremiah Lamentations Ezekiel
Daniel Hosea Joel Amos Obadiah
Jonah Micah Nahum Habakkuk
Zephaniah Haggai Zachariah Malachi
Matthew Mark Luke John Acts
Romans 1 Corinthians 2 Corinthians
Galatians Ephesians Philippians
Colossians 1 Thessalonians
2 Thessalonians 1 Timothy
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Hebrews James 1 Peter
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