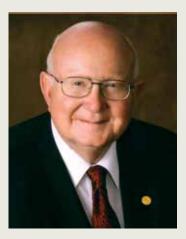
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# Letters from CAREY



Carey Friends and Supporters,

I am so pleased to report to you that WCU has completed a successful summer and shows an enrollment increase for the fall term. In light of the past year, this is an amazing story. We can only account for this by the grace of God.

We have spent so much of our time during the past 18 months trying to maintain our equilibrium. Without a playbook to follow, our days have been filled with tactical planning for our students to complete the year remotely while at the same time accommodating international students who could not travel home. With the hard work and cooperation of our faculty, staff, and administration, we survived and returned to a traditional teaching model for this year. Please join us in prayer that we will be able to complete the year without further disruption.

Throughout this magazine, you will see success stories of our academic, athletic, education, music, and other areas of the university. Alumni success stories challenge us to continue to work hard to provide the kinds of programs that attract students to Carey.

Our needs are great, and we encourage you to support our scholarship endowments to assure that students of the future will be able to afford a quality private Christian education. You can also support us by referring students to Carey and keeping us in your prayers.

Your humble servant. 1 anni Tommy King President



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# Business Vaters

SCHOOL OF BUS

STUDENTS IN THE SCHOOL OF **BUSINESS RECEIVE A BROAD** LIBERAL ARTS BACKGROUND AS WELL AS A STRONG PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION. THE CURRICULUM FOCUSES ON SOUND BUSINESS PRINCIPLES ACROSS DISCIPLINES IN ACCOUNTING, HUMAN **RESOURCE MANAGEMENT,** ECONOMICS, AND OPERATIONS MANAGEMENT. STUDENTS ARE ALSO INTRODUCED TO GLOBAL **ISSUES IN COURSES FOCUSING ON INTERNATIONAL MARKETING** AND FINANCE. THE CURRICULUM IS ENHANCED WITH PRACTICAL EXPERIENCE PROJECTS THAT **DEVELOP BOTH INDIVIDUAL** AND GROUP COLLABORATION COMMUNICATION SKILLS.

#### **COREY KATELY '09**

Corey Kately, a 2009 graduate of the School of Business, began his career as a crew member at Hattiesburg's Raising Cane's Chicken Fingers in 2006 while he was a student at Carey. He helped management solve a critical problem



in his classes. Since his initial employment, he has received several promotions. He was part of opening the first locations in Tennessee, Oregon, Kuwait and Bahrain. In his current

position as the Area

Leader of Training

using skills he learned

Corey Kately '09

for the St. Louis market, he is responsible for overseeing the training systems and development of crew members and managers.

Corey said, "My education at WCU taught me how to communicate at a higher level, how to understand business, and how to implement processes that increase efficiencies." Corey added, "It took me a long time to learn of the power there is in peace. During my career, I had a lot of different leaders who all expected different things out of me. With the changes in leadership, there was a sense of chaos. Eventually, I learned to be the calm in the storm for my team. Being someone else's peace comes with a sense of pride and fulfillment. Even though it takes grit and grind to climb the ladder, being kind and calm does more to build strong teams. No one can be successful on his own. Many people will play some role in our journeys. I constantly remind myself that it's not about being right; it's about doing right; and I always try to be kind."

#### CONCENTRATIONS AVAILABLE TO BUSINESS STUDENTS

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The School of Business also offers an undergraduate degree in Cross Cultural Business Management (CCBM) which combines courses in business with religion and intercultural studies courses. This major is an excellent choice for students who desire to be better equipped to leverage their vocational skills for local, domestic, or international ministry opportunities.

#### **BETSY TRUEX ANDERSON '20**

The Cross-Cultural Business Management degree combines the technical business training and theological spiritual development that I needed to feel confident in both fields as I completed the degree. Having an accredited business degree opens many doors and will allow me to pursue a professional career while also having the missions training if I would like to go overseas with my degree. What drew me to the program was the combination of business and missions in one degree that works together to raise up Christian business leaders who are equipped to serve the Lord on the mission field. Before I knew about the program, I was considering several different schools, but the CCBM program brought me to William Carey. Some of the best courses in the program include business communications with Mrs. Glaze, statistics with Dr. Dale, cultural anthropology with Dr. Casey, and biblical hermeneutics with Dr. Golson. I was able to complete the



**Betsy Truex** 

Anderson '20

and continue straight into my Master of Business Administration partially thanks to William Carey's trimester system. One of the most impactful aspects of the program was my internship: a culmination of both my business

degree in just three years

and missions courses as I served as a human resources intern at Faith Academy in Manila, Philippines. Faith Academy's teachers are self-supporting missionaries whose goal is to provide a Christian education primarily to the children of missionaries. My internship was a perfect fit for my degree, which benefitted Faith Academy and taught me so much about business as missions. The internship gave me the opportunity to use what I had learned in the business and the cross-cultural courses. The CCBM degree is extremely versatile and helpful in many mission contexts.

#### **MOLAISON FAMILY**

Father Jerry and sons Neil, Scott, and Mark all graduated from Carey. Jerry earned a Master's in Education in 1998. In 2017, he retired from a long career in education in the state of Mississippi and is currently employed as an educational diagnostician for Washington Parish Schools and tennis coach for Columbia Academy. Jerry is the proctor for South MS Mensa, the second vice president for Mississippi Society Sons of the American Revolution, and a deacon at FBC Columbia. Jerry said, "The small classes and Christian atmosphere were a far cry from what I experienced at other schools. Carey provided a strong knowledge base as well as practical field experience in all of my endorsement areas." His favorite professors include Dr. Trudy Abel, Dr. Read Diket, Dr. Bill Hetrick, Dr. Tommy King, Dr. Paul Cotton, and Dr. Milton Wheeler.

Jerry's oldest son, Neil, began college at age 14 and graduated from Carey with a BA in History in 2012 and an MBA in 2014. He met Jennifer Hartline ('15) at Carey, and they married after she graduated with a degree in music therapy.

Neil appreciated the smaller class size and more personal learning environment Carey offers. While at Carey, Neil followed Dr. Milton Wheeler's advice to take some accounting classes to round out his experience. Neil said, "This turned out to be an excellent idea. The level of financial and business analysis I picked up in Pamela Jones' and Dr. Cheryl Dale's classes would be incredibly valuable moving forward as I found occupations in the banking and mortgage sector."

Neil currently works in the mortgage division of Mphasis Corp as a supervisor for a collateral review team. He and Jennifer are members of Main Street Baptist Church in Hattiesburg and teach the college/young adult Bible study. His hobbies include tennis, gardening, reading, and strategy gaming.

Scott earned a Bachelor of Science in Business with a concentration in finance in 2019 and currently works as a loan officer at Community Bank in Hattiesburg. Scott said, "My education at Carey helped me gain an understanding of the banking industry and set the foundation for my career as a banker." His favorite professor was Dr. Mike Madaris.

Scott met Maleigha Taylor at Southwest MS Community College, and they continued on to Carey together. After Scott graduated, they married and now have a son, Samuel. Scott and Maleigha reside in Columbia and are members of FBC Columbia. In his spare time, Scott enjoys tennis, pickleball, Frisbee and violin.

Mark earned the Bachelor of Science in Business from Carey at the age of 20 and is currently pursuing a master's degree at LSU. He said, "The choice to go to Carey was easy. I got to room with my brother Scott the first year, and my church has a scholarship program for students who attend Christian universities. I have fond



**Molaison Family** 

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memories of playing Frisbee on Thursday nights with my brother and a couple dozen other students."

COVID-19 hit during his last trimester at Carey. He was taking 15 hours of classes and working as an intern—a tough schedule even without a pandemic. He applauds the faculty and staff of the School of Business (especially Ms. Susan Sanders) for the excellence they demonstrated throughout that difficult trimester. He said, "Ms. Susan's interactions and encouraging words create a healthy atmosphere and leave a lasting impression on just about every student that goes through the program." Mark credits Mrs. Laurie Glaze's class with preparing him to give professional presentations, a skill he was required to demonstrate early in his career.

Mark currently works for THM (formerly Topp, McWhorter, Harvey) in Columbia. He and his wife, Crystal, live in Tylertown and attend FBC Columbia. Mark said, "It's obvious that the Lord has blessed me and my family, but our hope is not in our accomplishments. I want to make it known that all the successes of my life are not a testament to how great I am, but of how good God is."

#### MBA

The Master of Business Administration (MBA) degree program is available online as well as on the Hattiesburg and Tradition campuses. This degree program balances management theory with practical decision making. The program is available to students with no previous business course work, in addition to undergraduate business majors.

#### GARY PITCOVICH '17, '21

Gary is originally from Georgia and spent eight years serving on active duty in the Marines. His last duty station was in Gulfport, and he decided that Gulfport was where he wanted to stay. He is a career crane technician and has spent the last 11 years repairing and maintaining the cranes at the Port of Gulfport.

Gary's wife, Heather, graduated from WCU in 2013 with a Bachelor of Science degree with a major in psychology. She encouraged him to also pursue a degree. He started at Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College and later transferred to Carey. Many times, he took only



one course since he was working more than 50 hours a week. He graduated in 2017 with a Bachelor of Science in Business degree with a concentration in management/marketing. With the encouragement of Mr. Bernie Cousins, director of business programs on the Tradition campus, Gary continued his education by pursuing an MBA degree.

Gary said, "I looked at other schools but decided to stay with William Carey. I chose to stay because of the veteran-friendly atmosphere and ease of paperwork processing. I also liked the Christ-like environment where I was usually surrounded by fellow Christians. The registration and financial aid processes were simple, and I already had a relationship with most of my instructors. The MBA program was particularly challenging for me and has taken much longer than expected. I have very demanding job responsibilities as the crane manager at the port. I also have many family commitments that made schoolwork difficult to schedule. I took several breaks, but I never gave up. I learned a lot and plan on using my education and experience to further my career at the Port of Gulfport in any position that they will have me."

Programs in the School of Business focus on building professional leadership and communication skills through a multi-faceted curriculum. Students graduate from William Carey School of Business with the decisionmaking skills they need to succeed in any field they choose.

#### Sigma Beta Delta

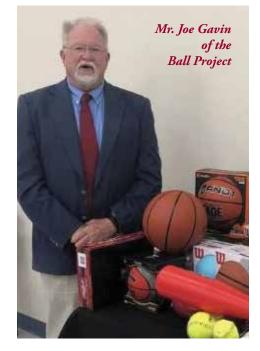
Sigma Beta Delta is the International Honor Society for Business, Management and Administration.

The School of Business at WCU was installed as a member of Sigma Beta Delta in 2010. Two of the primary themes in the School of Business are "continuous improvement" and "service to mankind." Sigma Beta Delta membership has allowed us to emphasize both of these.

The purposes of Sigma Beta Delta are to encourage and recognize scholarship and achievement among students of business, management, and administration, and to encourage and promote personal and professional improvement and a life distinguished by honorable service to humankind.

Every year, faculty members who are officers of Sigma Beta Delta invite members of the junior, senior and graduate classes of the School of Business who rank in the top 20 percent to become members of Sigma Beta Delta. Membership in Sigma Beta Delta is the highest national honor that can be bestowed on a WCU business student.

Membership in Sigma Beta Delta is a call to service. Each year, donations are collected for a charitable organization. Pet shelters and food banks are among the organizations selected by the members of Sigma Beta Delta. In 2021, inductees participated in the Ball Project – an initiative that began at WCU over 20 years ago and has grown in popularity.



Jonathan Kittrell of the Family Care Foundation spoke at the Sigma Beta Delta induction. His presentation emphasized leadership and the importance of community service.



#### **Guest Speakers**

The School of Business invites community business leaders to speak to students throughout the school year. These guests provide students with real life stories and advice. Students enjoy each speaker and the practical guidance they receive from each one.

#### LANDON DALE

Landon Dale, senior consultant at KPMG LLP, spoke to computer information systems students via WebEx telling them about the different IT jobs that he previously held and how that experience led him to his current position in IT automation and process transformations. He emphasized the importance of developing communication and presentation skills in addition to the importance of teamwork.

#### **JOSIE GIBBONS**

Josie Gibbons, realtor with Reality Executives in Hattiesburg and the current vice president of the Hattiesburg Area Association of Realtors, gave a presentation to finance students.



#### CHARLIE HARDEE

Charlie Hardee, director of the surgery service line for Hattiesburg Clinic, spoke to business communications students. Hardee holds

both a bachelor's and a master's degree from Carey's School of Business. He spoke to the students about the importance of resumes, interviews and communication skills. He provided insights into the job search process and career progression.

#### **ROBERT JACKSON**

Robert Jackson, senior partner at Jackson, Tullos & Rogers, PLLC, spoke to the legal environment of business class on topics such as contracts, LLCs, wills, trusts, probate, and real estate. His closing advice to the students was to find something they really enjoy doing and get a job that allows them to do what they enjoy. Mr. Jackson practices full-time as a tax attorney.

#### LAUREN AND JED LEGGETT

Lauren and Jed Leggett, owners and operators of the Country Schoolhouse in Purvis, spoke to small business management students. They discussed many small businessrelated issues, including the legal form of their organization, promotional strategies, hiring decisions, and asset management.

#### **JOSH WILSON**

Josh Wilson, owner-operator of Perch Creek Communications and regional career navigator for Southern Mississippi Planning and Development District, spoke to sales and advertising management students. He discussed the future of advertising in traditional media in comparison to newer interactive media. He also outlined his experiences in outdoor advertising. Wilson earned a BS from Carey in '12 and the MBA in '14.

#### **Community Service**

Like the university as a whole, the School of Business values community service and encourages faculty and students to engage with the community.



Madison Naramore collected items for Our Daily Food Pantry. Madison said, "I didn't realize how many families in our community benefited from the food pantry. Many people are impacted by COVID-19 this year; even during a normal year, the food pantry serves numerous families. Working closely with them taught me just how important it is to 'love thy neighbor' and help when possible."



Dr. Mike Madaris, assistant professor of business administration, and recent graduate Anna Roche, along with others from The Church at 4 Points, served lunch to Hattiesburg High School faculty and staff.

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Mr. Bernie Cousins, director of business programs on the Tradition campus, serves on the board of directors for the Habitat Affiliate in Gulfport. He has been a Habitat board member for the past ten years. In addition to serving as board treasurer, he has also volunteered at Habitat construction sites and assisted with the planning for several Habitat initiatives. Mr. Cousins is pictured with a group of senior business students from the Tradition campus in 2019. They spent an afternoon of community service at the Habitat for Humanity Restore in Gulfport.



Aleksandar Kirilov, a recent graduate from Bulgaria, divided 50-pound bags of rice, beans, and pet food into smaller packages. Aleks said, "I experienced firsthand that a lot of people in the area rely on services like the food pantry. This made me realize the value of doing service hours and that my small contribution of separating bulk items means so much to the recipients."



Dr. Cheryl Dale, dean of the School of Business, participated in Operation Christmas Child packing sessions at the OCC facility in Charlotte, North Carolina. The project distributes shoebox gifts with toys, school supplies, and hygiene items to children around the world to demonstrate God's love and spread the Good News of Jesus Christ.



LaKeeler Stevenson helped collect funds for the Salvation Army and register sponsors for needy children. LaKeeler said, "I feel like I made a difference by encouraging people to sponsor angels off the tree to help a child have a merry Christmas. I understand that there is still a lot of work to do in the Pine Belt.



Mr. Carter Wright, instructor of business, recently volunteered at the Bargains & Blessings thrift store in Hattiesburg. He said, "The items distributed are an immense blessing to the homeless and victims of house fires."



Hunter Pierce answered phones, stocked the food pantry, and filed paperwork at the Salvation Army. Hunter said, "My understanding of the community has changed drastically because of this project. I did not realize just how many people needed food in our community.

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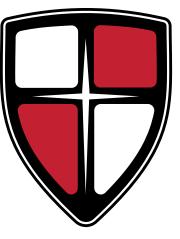
Camila Pescatore, a business student from Venezuela, assisted the Perry County Baptist Association distribute nonperishable items to the community. Camila said, "I learned that I can make a difference, because with the little that I have, I am still able to give items that will satisfy and fulfill other people's lives. I also learned that even though the United States is one of the more economically stable countries, people still need support."



Mrs. Sharon Schamber-Jones, assistant professor of business administration, collects used eyeglasses for missionaries going to developing countries. "Eyeglasses easily cost a year's salary in some parts of the world, and those people often go without," she said.

The School of Business at William Carey University has received specialized accreditation for its programs though the International Accreditation Council for Business Education (IACBE).

For more information about the business degrees offered at WCU, contact Dr, Cheryl Dale, Dean of the School of Business, at 601.318.6199 or cdale@wmcarey.edu.



## be STILL and KNOW...

PSALM 46:10

# WCU 2021-22 Theme

EACH YEAR, WILLIAM CAREY UNIVERSITY CHOOSES AN ANNUAL THEME VERSE WHICH FOCUSES THE UNIVERSITY ON A BIBLICAL CONCEPT. THE THEME FOR 2021-22 COMES FROM PSALM 46:10: "BE STILL AND KNOW THAT I AM GOD: I WILL BE EXALTED AMONG THE HEATHEN, I WILL BE EXALTED IN THE EARTH." (KJV)

Dr. Tommy King said, "The world has been a chaotic place over the past year, and the year that lies ahead will bring more challenges. Many feel the need for reflection and introspection. Our theme lends itself to the diverse needs of students, faculty, staff and administrators.

"Socrates expressed the need for self-understanding when he said, 'man, know thyself.' We are God's creation and the search for self cannot be separated from the search for God. In an academic setting, students focus on understanding of a vast array of material. Quiet reflection leads to the realization that there is a connection between today's preparation and tomorrow's success."

# Tommy & Sandra King **STUDENT CENTER** DEDICATION

THE TOMMY AND SANDRA KING STUDENT CENTER WAS DEDICATED MARCH 26 AT THE HATTIESBURG CAMPUS. DR. JIMMY STEWART, 1980 ALUMNUS AND VICE CHAIRMAN OF THE WCU BOARD OF TRUSTEES, SPOKE TO THOSE GATHERED FOR THE CEREMONY.

"The King Student Center makes a statement, not only to our students but to our community, about the value we place on the student, the student's development, and the potential that each possesses to go out and change the world," Stewart said.

"The opening of this building is also a chance to recognize our president, Dr. Tommy King, and his wife, Sandra – both graduates of William Carey University. Our hearts are filled with love and appreciation for their years of sacrifice and service to William Carey University."

Since Dr. King became president in 2007, the number of students has doubled, from 2,500 to more than 5,000. During the same time, the number of residential students in Hattiesburg tripled, six new dorms opened, and many new programs were established.

#### "CHOOSE ONE WORD"

In his remarks, Carey Scholar Bryson Rogers said King's professional accomplishments tell only part of the story.

"When I began preparing for this speech, Dr. King, I went around campus asking students to choose one word that expresses what you mean to them. And these are some of the words they shared – dedicated, visionary, eloquent, genuine, friendly, wise, welcoming, perseverant, optimistic, personable, considerate, hospitable, caring, supportive, thoughtful, approachable, gentle, and kind," Rogers said.

"I also heard stories about students touring the school for the first time, and their most memorable moment was when you came up to talk and express a personal interest in them.

"All of these personal stories reinforce that you are present, you do not isolate yourself from us, you dine in the same cafeteria we do, you live life among us, you take time for people."

Valerie Bridgeforth, vice president for student support, said, "In this building, our students will develop spiritually, emotionally and intellectually. To say that we are appreciative doesn't seem to capture the importance of this moment," Bridgeforth said.

#### **"WE'RE HERE FOR THE STUDENTS"**

King said: "I'm feeling excited, but unworthy. We've never had a student center in the history of William Carey University. We're here for the students, and we finally have a building that's dedicated to them."

The ceremony was followed by tours of the building. Here's a look at what's inside:

#### **FIRST FLOOR**

- Baptist Student Union Campus Ministries
- Student Meeting Room
- Administrative offices for Information Technology Department

#### **SECOND FLOOR**

- Carey Diner
- Game Room
- Large balcony with picnic tables and rocking chairs
- Three student lounges

#### THIRD FLOOR

- Student Services office
- Residence Life and Housing office
- Student Life office
- Conference room
- Two study rooms
- Computer lab







ABOVE: Dr. Tommy King and his wife Sandra, center, cut the ribbon for a new student center named in their honor. They are shown with, from left: Chad Newell, president of the Area Development Partnership; Ann Jones, chief administrative officer for the City of Hattiesburg; Dr. Jimmy Stewart, vice chairman of the WCU Board of Trustees; Bill Ray, chairman of the WCU Board of Trustees; Valerie Bridgeforth, WCU vice president for student support; Hattiesburg Mayor Toby Barker; and Savannah Peden, president of the WCU Student Government Association.



# COLLEGE of HEALTH SCIENCES Cuts Ribbon On New Building

Left to right: Grant Walker, BancorpSouth; Dr. Tommy King, WCU President; Dr. Alicia Lundstrom, Dean of Nursing; Dr. Janet Williams, Associate Vice-President for Health Programs; Chris Robinson, Albert & Robinson Architects; William K. Ray, WCU Board of Trustees Chairman; James (Hal) McMahon, Mac's Construction Company.

CAREY HELD A RIBBON CUTTING FOR A NEW BUILDING ON THE HATTIESBURG CAMPUS ON JULY 30. THE BUILDING IS THE HOME OF THE WILLIAM K. RAY COLLEGE OF HEALTH SCIENCES.

"This is a huge day for us, for healthcare in our region, and for the 26 states from which we draw students. As we have grown and grown, we have found innovative ways to use our space to handle the extra students," said Dr. Janet Williams, associate vice-president for health programs.

For decades, WCU's nursing school has enjoyed a reputation for producing highly skilled graduates in demand by hospitals and clinics throughout the Southeast. Physical therapy, health information management, and health administration and education programs came next. By 2018, the WCU School of Pharmacy had opened at the Tradition campus and the School of Nursing at Baton Rouge accepted its first students.

"We're very excited. This is another step in the growth of William Carey, to serve, not only Hattiesburg, but the surrounding community, and this is a state-of-the-art building," said President Tommy King. WCU broke ground on the 67,000 square-foot facility on Feb. 28, 2020. The programs housed in the new facility include nursing, physical therapy, health Information management, and health administration and education. The new building includes state-of-the-art simulation labs, student lounges, classrooms, and offices.

The WCU College of Osteopathic Medicine – in need of more classroom and laboratory space for what will soon be a total enrollment of 800 students – now has access to the buildings vacated by the College of Health Sciences. These include Fail-Asbury Hall, Mary Ross Hall and Thomas Hall. All three buildings are close to the present College of Osteopathic Medicine, allowing for the creation of an enlarged medical school complex at the Hattiesburg campus.

#### Cookies from ribbon cutting reception



# TUSCAN STUDIOS

A state-of the-art sound lab is in development at the Winters School of Music. "The need for instruction in the latest methods of technology is more important than ever before. This studio will be used to train students to thrive as leaders in church, school, and music industry technology settings," said Dr. Wes Dykes, dean of the Winters School. "We are motivated to see students choose William Carey because we know they will not only get a great education – they will have the opportunity to grow in character. Our deepest desire is to see them be the best at what they do when they graduate and make a difference in the world."

David Kanga graduated from Winters School in 2019 and is currently pursuing a master's degree. He is production technical director of Temple Baptist Church and oversees media at Thomas Fine Arts Auditorium. "I have been working in media technology professionally for 13 years and have seen its use and acceptance grow over the decade. COVID-19 has forced all of us to incorporate technology in life in some form," Kanga said. "Even before the pandemic, Winters School of Music was developing technology courses and degree plans to tackle technology needs in our houses of worship. At Carey, we want to train and launch the best students into our world and churches. As many before us have, we want to utilize technology to further God's kingdom to those around us."



# ~ 202I ~ COMMENCEMENT E X E R C I S E S

MAY COMMENCEMENTS WERE HELD IN PERSON, BUT AUGUST CEREMONIES WERE COMPLICATED BY THE COVID-19 OUTBREAK. THE AUGUST GRADUATES WERE HONORED WITH A VIRTUAL CEREMONY ON AUGUST 20.







celebrates the class of 2021.



Commencement Grand Marshall Dr. Dan Caldwell carries the university ceremonial mace and leads the graduates from King Student Center to Thomas Fine Arts Auditorium.



#### UNIVERSITY



# SCHOOL of PHARMACY Inaugural Commencement and Full Accreditation

THE WCU SCHOOL OF PHARMACY RECEIVED FULL ACCREDITATION FROM THE ACCREDITATION COUNCIL FOR PHARMACY EDUCATION. THE PHARMACY PROGRAM IS AN ACCELERATED PROGRAM, ENABLING STUDENTS TO EARN A DOCTOR OF PHARMACY DEGREE IN TWO YEARS, 10 MONTHS, INSTEAD OF THE USUAL FOUR YEARS. CLASSES MEET YEAR-ROUND IN FOUR TERMS OF 10 WEEKS EACH. IT IS ONE OF ONLY A HANDFUL OF ACCELERATED PHARMACY PROGRAMS IN THE COUNTRY – AND THE ONLY ONE IN MISSISSIPPI, ALABAMA, AND LOUISIANA.

"Receiving full accreditation from ACPE strengthens our goal to ensure that our pharmacy graduates are prepared to make a positive difference in the lives of the people and communities in which they serve," said Cassandra Conner, dean of WCU's Tradition campus in Biloxi, where the pharmacy school is located.

As with other doctoral-level programs in healthcare-related fields, accrediting agencies do not consider granting full accreditation until a program's first class has graduated. The WCU School of Pharmacy opened in July 2018; its first class graduated in April 2021.

"The full accreditation of the WCU School of Pharmacy, without any requirements, is another major step in William Carey's goal to become the premier institution in the Gulf South for providing programs in the healthcare field," said WCU President Tommy King. "Dr. (Michael) Malloy and the entire faculty of the pharmacy school are to be commended for this outstanding accomplishment."

## COLLEGE PRESIDENTS on Campus

arey hosted the annual meeting of the International Association of Baptist Colleges and Universities (IABCU) June 5-8 at the Hattiesburg campus.

The IABCU fosters high-quality Christian education, while cooperating to advance the mutual well-being of each member. The association has 46 member schools in 16 states, including three in Mississippi – William Carey University, Mississippi College and Blue Mountain College.

"Every institution has its own strengths and weaknesses. When we come together, we're able to discuss shared challenges and successful solutions. We're able to see the strength of other institutions, which challenges us to become stronger ourselves," said WCU President Dr. Tommy King.

The event's keynote lecturer was Dr. Elijah Brown, general secretary of the Baptist World Alliance. The annual meeting also included panel discussions, board meetings, field trips, legal updates, banquets and performances by Carey students.

Dr. Gary Cook is chair of the IABCU and chancellor of Dallas Baptist University.

"What a privilege it is to be at William Carey University. Dr. Tommy King has been a friend for many years. All the other universities have prayed for William Carey, particularly after the tornado – so it is wonderful to be here and see what the Lord has done," Cook said.

"We're also thankful that members are able to meet in person, once again, after last year's meeting was canceled due to the pandemic."

The 2022 meeting of the International Association of Baptist Colleges and Universities will be July 10-12 at Samford University.



Dr. Iommy King, right, visits with Dr. Gary Cook during the annual meeting of the International Association of Baptist Colleges and Universities.

# SCHOOL of EDUCATION Launches Pilot Program to Increase

the Number of Black Teachers

WITH A GRANT OF NEARLY \$100,000 FROM THE BLACK EDUCATORS INITIATIVE, A NEW TEACHER RESIDENCY PROGRAM WILL INCREASE THE NUMBER OF BLACK CLASSROOM TEACHERS IN THREE SCHOOL DISTRICTS IN MISSISSIPPI – HATTIESBURG, COVINGTON COUNTY AND MOSS POINT.

"This new BEI Residency Scholarship is the result of our work with the Mississippi Teacher



Residency program, established in 2019 by a Mississippi Department of Education grant, and our relationship as a network partner with the National Center for Teacher Residencies," said Dr. Katie Tonore, chair of curriculum and instruction for the WCU School of Education.

Katie Tonore

"The focus of this new grant is recruiting, developing, and retaining academically talented teachers from under-represented populations. Our program will have immediate benefits because it will allow candidates to pursue an alternate route to certification and quickly place new teachers into classrooms."



TEACHER RESIDENCY

Ten students were chosen to take classes at Carey leading to teaching certificates. The K-12 partner school districts will hire them as classroom teachers. For two years, the new teachers will work in the classroom, meet with mentor teachers about daily challenges and attend seminars presented by WCU education faculty about current education issues.

The National Center for Teacher Residencies launched the Black Educators Initiative to assist its partners as they seek to support the development of black classroom teachers and improve student outcomes.

Anissa Listak is the CEO of the National Center for Teacher Residencies.

"Focusing the work of residencies on teachers of color and, in particular, black teachers, is core to our mission to ensure that students of color and low-income students have equitable access to diverse and culturally responsive educators," Listak said.

Carey is one of only 20 institutions in the nation to receive a 2021 Black Educators Initiative teacher residency grant.

#### ONLINE AND HYBRID GRADUATE PROGRAMS THAT CONNECT ASPIRING EDUCATORS TO THEIR DREAMS

**MASTERS PROGRAMS** 

Alternate Route Dyslexia Therapy Educational leadership Elementary Education Emotional & Behavioral Disorder English Gifted Education Interscholastic Athletic Administration Mathematics Mild/Moderate Disabilities Secondary Education Teaching & Learning Globally

#### SCHOOL OF EDUCATION BREAKS ENROLLMENT RECORD AGAIN

The School of Education has surpassed 1,800 students enrolled this fall. They set a record last year of 1,705, another all-time high and 350 students more than any other year. Carey's School of Education is now the largest in the State of Mississippi.

Dr. Teresa Poole, dean of the School of Education, said, "We are truly inspired by the increase in student enrollment. It shows our efforts to address the Mississippi K-12 teacher shortage has been productive. We believe teacher recruitment is everyone's responsibility in the School of Education. We have increased our



partnerships with school districts across the state to help recruit teachers to their communities through programs such as the MAT Alternate Route Program and

Dr. Teresa Poole

most recently through the Grow Your Own Program.

#### **DOCTORATE PROGRAMS** Educational Leadership

#### **ADD-ON ENDORSEMENTS**

Emotional/Behavioral Disorders Gifted Education Reading Severe/Profound Disabilities

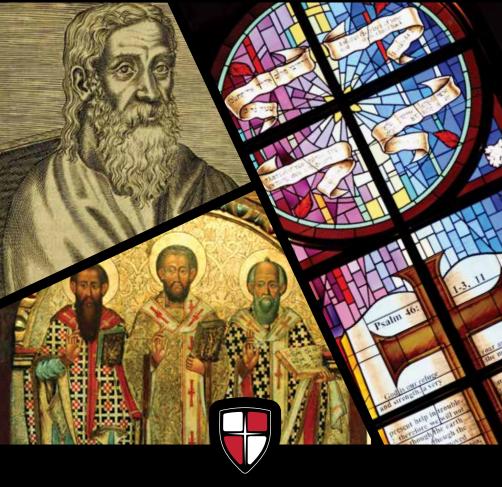
#### SPECIALIST PROGRAMS

Dyslexia Therapy Educational Leadership Emotional & Behavioral Disorders Instructional Leadership Interscholastic Athletic Administration

#### UNIVERSITY



## in Christian Theology



# WILLIAM CAREY

THE COOPER SCHOOL of MISSIONS AND MINISTRY STUDIES

## New master's degree in Christian theology

THE COOPER SCHOOL OF MISSIONS AND MINISTRY STUDIES ANNOUNCES A NEW MASTER'S DEGREE PROGRAM IN CHRISTIAN THEOLOGY.

"This degree equips graduates to teach on the mission field, in local churches, and at colleges or universities. Graduates are also prepared to write in the field of theology," said



Dr. Brett Golson

Dr. Brett Golson, vice president of Spiritual Development and Church Relations and dean of the Cooper School.

Christian theology is the first master's degree ever offered by the Cooper School. "This new degree

further strengthens the

university's commitment to prepare students to become leaders in our communities and nation," said President Tommy King.

Students have the option to choose a thesis or non-thesis track in this online degree program that can be completed over five consecutive trimesters.

Dr. Chaz Rowland is one of six people who will teach Christian theology classes.

"This is truly a ground-breaking degree at a ground-breaking institution that I am proud to be a part of. Never has the church had such a desperate need to develop a robust theology grounded in the Bible and history," Rowland said.

Courses include biblical, systematic, historical, missiological, and practical theology. Students will also complete four reading colloquia, including theology of the early church and patristic period, medieval theology, theology of the Renaissance and Reformation, and theology from the modern period.

For more information, visit www.wmcarey.edu/ christian-theology or email Dr. Brett Golson at bgolson@wmcarey.edu.

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# **Carey Tennis Player**

## Preps Djokovik at French Open

CAREY STUDENT-ATHLETE LEO BRESSON HAS BEEN A PRACTICE PARTNER FOR PLAYERS AT THE FRENCH OPEN FOR THE PAST COUPLE OF YEARS. THIS YEAR, LEO PRACTICED WITH NOVAK DJOKOVIC BEFORE THE DJOKOVIC/NADAL SEMI-FINAL MATCH.

WCU head tennis coach Marc Lux said, "Nadal is a lefty, so Novak was looking for a left-handed practice partner to get the perfect preparation. Leo is a lefty, too, and was chosen to be his practice partner the day before the semi-final. After practicing with Leo, Novak Djokovic defeated Rafael Nadal and considered the match to be one of the best three he's ever played."

Closer to home, the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics ranked Bresson No. 2 in singles during much of the 2020-21 season. He was also named NAIA Rookie of the Year and earned a spot as a NAIA First Team All-American.

It's an amazing experience to share a court with someone like Djokovic. Not many people get to train with the No. 1 in the world in a Grand Slam Tournament like the French Open." Bresson said.

Leo is from Virey City in Normandy, France. He plans to complete an MBA at Carey's School of Business.



#### ATHLETICS

# Another Milestone





BASEBALL HEAD COACH BOBBY HALFORD ADDED ANOTHER MILESTONE TO HIS LEGENDARY CAREER, AS HIS CRUSADERS ROUTED LSU-SHREVEPORT 13-3, FOR CAREER WIN NUMBER 1,200.

For the last half century, Coach Halford has represented Carey as a player, coach, athletic director, and instructor.



**Bobby Halford** 

As a player, Halford roamed the outfield from 1972-1975 for John O'Keefe and John Stephenson.

After graduation, he joined the coaching staff as a graduate assistant. The following season, Halford was named as the head women's basketball and assistant

baseball coach. In 1986, Coach Halford took over as the head coach for baseball.

#### HALFORD HAS AN IMPRESSIVE RECORD

1,200 wins as the head baseball coach

376 wins as the assistant baseball coach

78 wins as a player

16 Conference Championships as Head Coach

6 NAIA National Tournament Appearances as Head Coach

1 NAIA World Series Appearance as Head Coach

The most impressive number of all is 2,575: the number of games Coach Halford has suited up as a Crusader in his career.

"I am very blessed and fortunate to be able to coach at an institution where we represent more than an athletic team," said Halford. "Special players and assistant coaches have helped me every step of the way. The support of my family and friends is amazing."

# Meet The SGA PRESIDENT

Savannah Peden serves the student body as the SGA President. She is from Gulfport and is a senior Cross-Cultural Business Management Major. In addition to Student Government, she is also involved in Gamma Chi, Alpha Chi, and Sigma Beta Delta. Savanna said, "I am so grateful to be a part of such an incredible campus organization. I am excited about the 2021-2022 school year."



THE WCU COLLEGE OF OSTEOPATHIC MEDICINE IS THE FIRST OSTEOPATHIC MEDICAL SCHOOL IN THE COUNTRY TO BE ACCEPTED INTO THE STARS PROGRAM – STUDENTS AND TRAINEES ADVOCATING FOR RESOURCE STEWARDSHIP.

The STARS program aims to catalyze grassroots, student-led initiatives in medical education. WCU's STARS scholars participate in virtual leadership summits designed to enhance their knowledge and skills in key areas such as value in medicine, health and healthcare equity, leadership, and advocacy. They also network with a large community of care experts as a part of a learning community.

STARS

"We are thrilled to be the first, and only, osteopathic medical school selected for the STARS program. It beautifully aligns with the William Carey University College of Osteopathic Medicine's commitment to graduate leaders who will shape the future of primary care medicine," said Dr. Italo Subbarao, dean of the medical school.



WCUCOM STUDENTS CHOSEN FOR THE YEAR-LONG STARS PROGRAM ARE, FROM LEFT: Sameerah Shaik Harriman of N.Y. is a second-year medical student interested in specializing in oncology and serving as a Doctors Without Borders volunteer. Thy Cao of Garden Grove, Calif., is a second-year medical student interested in emergency and family medicine. Roberto Cordero of Sebastian, Fla., is a third-year medical student interested in psychiatry, neurology and internal medicine. Tayler Thibodeaux of Baton Rouge, La., is a third-year medical student who plans to practice in the South and advocate for community health education.



Reach Out to the Nations

Trinity McSwain in Guatemala

#### **CLARKSTON**

**Cooper School Intercultural Studies** professor Anthony Casey led a team of students to Clarkston, Georgia in May. Clarkston is known as Refugee City USA and is the most diverse square mile in the country, housing resettled refugees from over 50 countries and representing more than 100 unreached people groups. The North American Mission Board and the International Mission Board have designated Clarkston a priority city and established a SEND Relief site in partnership with Clarkston International Bible Church. The WCU team used unique training provided through the Intercultural Studies program and researched the ethnic business community in Clarkston, visiting with and gathering data from more than 70 establishments. The data is currently being used by the North American Mission Board and local churches to provide training, share the gospel, and equip Christian business owners to reach into the unreached people groups in their areas. The WCU students said they had never experienced this kind of diversity in their entire lives and were challenged and encouraged to use their Intercultural Studies double major in places like Clarkston to reach the nations at our doorstep.

Rachel Moore is a Carey student who served all summer in Clarkston. Rachel said, "I served in a children's camp for refugee kids, prayer walking in apartment complexes, and delivering food. I have learned so much about being intentional wherever the Lord has placed you. God is bringing the nations to America."

Zoe Miller was also in Clarkston this summer, serving at Clarkston International Bible Church. CIBC partners with SENDRelief, and the church building hosts five services in different languages each Sunday. Zoe said, "I worked extensively at the summer camp, leading a group, teaching, and going out into the community. I have also connected



#### **STUDENTS**

with leaders of local ministries, including the Refugee Sewing Society and Amplio, an organization that helps people connect with local job opportunities. I have built relationships with people from Nepal, Pakistan, Sudan, Mexico, and East Africa."

#### **GUATEMALA**

Trinity McSwain is a junior, double majoring in Intercultural Studies and Spanish. As part of her internship, she is serving in Guatemala with the mission agency Baptist Medical and Dental Missions International (BMDMI). Trinity said, "I am learning to authentically express Jesus in another culture. I have coordinated with various teams to serve different cities and villages of Guatemala. We work to build tin houses, assist in feeding programs, and provide veterinary and medical aid. In addition, through door-to-door deliverance of food bags and Bibles, we are able to evangelize each household in a private and personal way. We also hold VBS and church services. I thank the Lord for all the children who have answered His call in the weeks I have been here. I praise God for the honor of serving His name alongside His children. Guatemala is a beautiful country with beautiful people. Please join me in praying for their souls."

#### MONTANA

In June, 26 students, staff, faculty, and spouses from Carey boarded a United Airlines flight in New Orleans bound to Denver, Colorado, and then to Billings, Montana. Approximately 10 hours later, the mission team arrived at its destination in Red Lodge, Montana. The Church of the Rockies and North American Mission Board missionary Lee Merck and his wife, Christie, served as primary sponsors and coordinators of the trip. They are both Carey graduates. Christie earned a BS in biology in 1997, and Lee earned a BA in religion in 1998.

The Cooper School of Missions and Ministry sponsored the mission trip. The 19-member team was primarily comprised of students involved in the Baptist Student Union and the WCU Archery Team. The ten-day trip was divided into two distinct components. The first half of the week focused on children's ministries in the towns of Joliet and Red Lodge. The second half of the week focused on helping the Church of the Rockies serve the city of Red Lodge by volunteering during their annual Fourth of July parades and three-day Rodeo.

In Joliet, the students carried out a Backyard Bible Camp at the Refuge Church, a six-month-old church plant. They shared exciting times of worship, Bible stories, games, and crafts. The three-day camp ended with a block party at the nearby town park. Senior Cody Counts said, "What meant the most to me is seeing relationships and bonds being made between Refuge Church and the community. Also, praise God, one student accepted Christ and was saved."

The archery team led a three-day camp in Red Lodge, in which they integrated archery lessons, Bible stories, games, and crafts. They taught more than fifty children and wrapped up their camp with a block party for the children and their families. Sophomore Noah Cuevas said, "The thing that meant the most to me about this trip was being able to serve God using the skills He [God] has blessed me with. I am not the most eloquent speaker. I get nervous when I talk to people about the Gospel and God because I feel that I have so much more to learn, but I can confidently shoot a bow. Through the talent that God blessed me with, I was able to connect with our students and was able to share God's message with them much more easily." Freshman Rebekah Corbin said, "I learned that so much can come from so little. The kids I worked with were not very privileged kids, but they loved, played, learned, and worked like they had everything in the world. I am so blessed to have had the opportunity to love and work with the kids."

Kelsie Smith (BS 2016), an admissions counselor/recruiter, said, "My favorite thing about the trip was watching and working with our students as they helped in every aspect of the trip. From the Backyard Bible Club to the parade through downtown Red Lodge to the rodeo, they stepped up and never wavered."

Missionary Lee Merk told the team, "God used you all in tremendous ways in Montana. I'm thankful for each of you. I pray God uses this experience to continue shaping your hearts and minds for missions in North America. You guys make me proud of my alma mater! Your labor for the Lord promises to yield fruit for many years to come."



trey student instructs a student at the backyard Bible club



#### STUDENTS



FOUR SENIOR ART STUDENTS HELD AN EXHIBIT OF THEIR WORK IN THE LUCILE PARKER GALLERY. THE SHOW ALSO INCLUDED WORK BY WCU ART DEPARTMENT FACULTY, DR. ED FORD, DR. READ DIKET, AND MRS. CHATHAM MEAD KEMP.

2021 Student Show also: Art Faculty Exhibit Deliver Deals Tribity Stewart Anna Readerate Christian Lorent



April 27 - May 6, 2021, Reception April 27, 4:30-6:00











# FACULTY NOTES



TIM GLAZE

Dr. Tim Glaze has joined the full-time faculty in the Cooper School of Missions and Ministry Studies. He has faithfully served as the BSU director for

26 years. Dr. Glaze has taught courses and led mission trips for many years.



#### LANDON ADAMS

Landon Adams has accepted the position of BSU director. He has served as assistant director under Dr. Glaze's leadership and is well equipped for the work.

#### **KIM BENTON**

Dr. Kim Benton, associate professor of education, co-authored "Returning to School: a Toolkit for Principals" for the National Comprehensive Center. The NCC is one of 20 technical assistance centers supported under the U.S. Department of Education's Comprehensive Centers program from 2019 to 2024. The NCC focuses on helping the 19 Regional Comprehensive Centers and state, regional, and local education agencies throughout the country to meet the daunting challenge of improving student performance with equitable resources.

#### BURMEISTER, FINCHER, TODD, VIRGA

Drs. Melissa Burmeister, Timothy Fincher, Anthony Todd and Kristopher Virga, faculty members at the William Carey University School of Pharmacy, joined by current Doctor of Pharmacy student Mary M. Maddox, have co-authored an article in "U.S. Pharmacist" entitled, "An Overview of Male Osteoporosis."

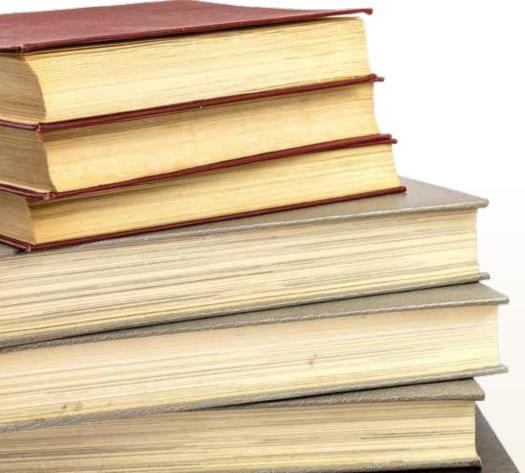


#### WESS CAMERON

Hope Publishing released Cameron's vocal arrangement of "I Am Bound for the Promised Land" in fall 2021. "Southern

Folk March," "Sing Alleluia," and "Wondrous Love" were published in 2020. Cameron is an assistant professor of music.

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#### FACULTY

## Faculty Notes Continued from previous page



#### ANTHONY CASEY

Cooper School Intercultural Studies student Corinne Fraley and Professor Anthony Casey presented a paper on Third Culture

Kid experiences at the Southeast Regional meeting of the Evangelical Missiological Society in March. EMS is the leading scholarly missions society in the U.S. Fraley surveyed 64 TCKs on their experiences with loss and leaving. The paper was selected among a pool of outstanding papers for presentation at the EMS national conference in September. Casey and Fraley hope the research will influence mission agencies' practices with moving family units and enable overall better health and effectiveness on the mission field. Dr. Casey is chair of the Department of Intercultural Studies.



#### BENNIE CROCKETT AND MYRON NOONKESTER

Drs. Bennie Crockett and Myron Noonkester participated in Trinity Broadcasting Network's docu-series, "Inexplicable – How Christianity Spread to the Ends of the Earth." The episode includes a long segment on William Carey's

missionary work and

can be viewed, free of charge, on Trinity Broadcasting Network's website, www.tbn. org. Crockett and Noonkester are co-directors of The Carey Center at WCU. Dr. Crockett is vice president of institutional effectiveness and planning and professor of religion and philosophy. Dr. Noonkester is dean of the Noonkester School of Arts and Letters and chair of the department of history.

#### **ELINA DELGADO**

Dr. Elina Delgado, assistant professor of pharmacy at William Carey University School of Pharmacy, co-authored an article with Lydia Harrington, a 2022 PharmD candidate. The article was published in "U.S. Pharmacist" and is entitled, "Breast Cancer: Not Just a Female Disease."



Dr. Jude Haney coauthored "Katrina to Corona: Surges Urge United States to Learn," which was published in the "American Journal of Public Health," May director of the Health

JUDE HANEY

2021. Dr. Haney is the director of the Health Information Management program at Carey.









#### HART, LUNDSTROM, SICARD, WILLIAMS

Drs. Susan Hart, Alicia Lundstrom. Karen Sicard, and Janet Williams co-authored "Overcoming Barriers to Ph.D. Education in Nursing," which was published in the "Journal of Nursing Education."

Dr. Hart is associate dean of graduate programs and professor of nursing; Dr. Lundstrom is dean and professor of nursing; Dr. Sicard is special projects coordinator and professor of nursing; and Dr. Williams is associate vice president of health programs and professor of nursing.



#### TOMMY KING

Dr. Tommy King, WCU President, authored "Then Sings My Soul: The Impact of Donald and Frances Winters on Church Music in the

Southern Baptist Convention."

#### **HEBA LABIB**

Dr. Heba Labib, an assistant professor of preclinical science, published "Alteration of CYP2E1, DBN1, DNMT1, miRNA-335, miRNA-21, c-Fos and Cox-2 gene expression in prefrontal cortex of rats' offspring submitted to prenatal ethanol exposure during their neurodevelopment and the preventive role of nancocurcumin administration: A histological, ultrastructural and molecular study" in the "Journal of Chemical Neuroanatomy" in April 2021 and "KEAP1/Nrf2 pathway in sodium fluoride-induced cardiac toxicity and the prophylactic role of vitamin C versus platelet-rich plasma" in the NIH "National Library of Medicine" in May 2021.



#### LORIE WATKINS MASSEY

Dr. Lorie Watkins Massey, associate professor of English, and senior English major Emily Branan were

named William Winter Scholars in February. The award honors the late governor, who was known for supporting education at all levels.



#### DAVID WELDON

Dr. David Weldon co-authored "New Perspectives on Propofol Allergy" in the "American Journal of Health-System Pharmacy" for the fall

2021 issue. He also presented a poster entitled "Meeting the Challenges of COVID-19 Head-On: Lessons Learned from the Transition to Virtual Learning" at the American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy Annual Meeting, July 2021, and co-authored an article by the same name in the "American Journal of Pharmacy Education."

# Yearbooks Needed

EAVORITES

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1950-51

The WCU Archive is hoping to fill out our yearbook collection. We only have one or two copies of several printings and would love to have extras on hand just like we do for the rest of the yearbook collection. If you are an alumnus or related to an alumnus who graduated in the 30s, 40s, or 50s, we ask for your help. Please find a list below of the yearbooks that are sought.

Back issues of the yearbooks are a treasure trove of photos and information for researchers, and they are accessed more than any other source in the archive. Several years ago, all of the yearbooks printed up to that point were digitized and are available for anyone to access via their own internet connection. The link to the digitized yearbooks can be found at the WCU Library website, under the Research>WCU Archives tab.

If you would like to donate a yearbook, please contact Christy Calhoun at (601) 318-6236, or ccalhoun@wmcarey.edu.

YEARBOOK EDITIONS NEEDED: 1930, 1933, 1934, 1937, 1938, 1939, 1949, 1950, 1951, 1952

# TRANSCRIPT REQUEST PROCESS

arey continues to experience record enrollment. From March through June, 4,022 WCU transcripts were ordered. To help serve our alumni and current students, a third-party vendor, Parchment Credentials, is now part of the transcript request process to accommodate our growing enrollment. Alumni needing transcripts can visit the Registrar's website at www.wmcarey.edu/office/registrar and follow the Request Transcript link. You do not need to know your WCU student ID number to create a Parchment account and order a transcript. Parchment outlines the process, provides an order status check, provides support for help, and notes if you have a hold on your account.

Holds will block transcript requests. Transcripts can no longer be picked up in the Registrar's Office. Transcript fees are \$10.75, effective July 1.

Parchment has many destinations for your transcript order in a drop-down menu. If the destination for the transcript order is not in the drop-down menu, you may choose "send it to myself or someone else" and manually enter



the email address for the destination. For example, the Mississippi Department of Education as a destination must be entered manually.



## ALUMNI SPOTLIGHTS Dr. Daniel Edney Mississippi's Chief Medical Officer



DR. DANIEL EDNEY HAS JOINED THE MISSISSIPPI STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AS CHIEF MEDICAL

#### OFFICER AND REGIONAL HEALTH OFFICER FOR THE CENTRAL PUBLIC HEALTH REGION.

A 30-year resident of Vicksburg, Edney is a 1983 alumnus of William Carey University. He graduated first in his class, summa cum laude, with a Bachelor of Science degree in premedicine and a minor in English.

In 1988, he graduated summa cum laude from the University of Mississippi School of Medicine.

"Dr. Edney is an example of a William Carey student who went on to achieve distinction in his career. Carey is so proud of the Edney family and their dedication to the community, profession, and William Carey," said Dr. Tommy King.

Edney has served on the staff of Medical Associates of Vicksburg and, most recently, as medical director of several nursing homes and hospice services, as well as working in addiction medicine for mental health facilities.

"I am so pleased to have a physician of Dr. Edney's stature join the MSDH team. We really recognized his talents as he worked with us on COVID-19, and I am confident his contributions will be significant," said State Health Officer Dr. Thomas Dobbs.

Edney is a longtime member of the American Medical Association and the Mississippi State Medical Association, in which he currently serves as immediate past president and on the board of trustees.

"I look forward to joining this amazing team. I have always been a physician in the private sector, but this last year I have seen the importance of merging the public and private sectors. This is a great partnership that needs to continue as we move forward," Edney said.

In addition to his service in the United States, Edney is active in medical missions work. He has traveled to Indonesia, Lebanon, Haiti, Kurdistan, and Nepal as team leader for Mississippi Baptist Disaster Response. He founded First Baptist Church Medical/Dental Ministry and served as trustee and chair of Baptist Medical Dental Missions International.

Edney has been an active WCU alumnus and has served as trustee and chair of the William Carey University Board. In 2020, he was chosen as a member of the WCU Hall of Fame. His wife, Lori Edney, is also a Carey alum (class of '83) and currently serves as a trustee.

The couple has three children, Daniel, Meredith and Meg – who is a 2020 WCU alum. The Edneys are members of First Baptist Church of Vicksburg, where Dr. Edney is a deacon, Lori Edney is a women's ministry leader, and both teach Sunday school.



# Randy Von Kanel Order of the Cayman Islands Award



AFTER YEARS OF SERVICE IN THE CAYMAN ISLANDS, RANDY WAS THE ONLY NON-CAYMANIAN TO BE GIVEN

A NATIONAL AWARD CALLED "MEMBER OF THE ORDER OF THE CAYMAN ISLANDS." THE AWARD WAS PRESENTED DURING THE ANNUAL CELEBRATION OF THE QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY. RANDY'S AWARD WAS GIVEN "FOR OUTSTANDING CHARITABLE

#### WORKS AND CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP WITHIN THE COMMUNITY."

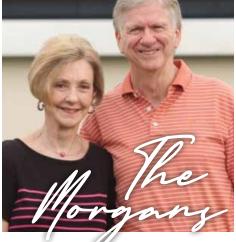
Randy started the first school band in the country and established the YMCA of the Cayman Islands. He also served as pastor at First Baptist and Cayman Islands Baptist Churches from 1992-98 and 2009-20. He currently serves as pastor of the Little Cayman Baptist Church and president of the Northwestern Caribbean Baptist Theological Seminary.

While presenting the award, Premier Wayne Panton said, "Pastor Von Kanel is beloved in the community as a leader, friend to the people, youth advocate and for his continued sharing of salvation through Jesus Christ even in the face of the greatest odds. Pastor Von Kanel, having lost his precious son, Landon, at such a tender age, has persevered through

his devastating loss. He continues to donate to the Cayman CARIFTA swim team in honor of his son who left behind a legacy as Cayman's first gold medalist in the CARIFTA games."

Randy earned the Bachelor of Music in 1975 and the Master of Music in 1978. He is married to Cindy Von Kanel.

The Order of the Cayman Islands is a society of honour established under the National Honours and Awards Act. It seeks to promote the recognition of Caymanian people and the contributions they make to the development, success and general well-being of the citizens and the Islands.



## Celebrate 50th Anniversary by Going Back to Where it All Began

BYRON '72 AND DEBBIE '72, BOTH FROM JACKSON, FIRST MET AS YOUNG STUDENTS AT CAREY. BYRON HAS BEEN IN THE MINISTRY FOR MORE THAN 40 YEARS, AND DEBBIE HAS BEEN A COLLEGE MATH TEACHER FOR MORE THAN 25 YEARS. THEY RETURNED TO CAMPUS RECENTLY TO CELEBRATE THEIR 50TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY.

Debbie said, "To celebrate your 50th, you go back to where it all began. For us, that's William Carey University. You sit on campus for five hours at night, talking, sharing, laughing, remembering. You slow dance to some music (or with no music at all). Before you leave (at 2:15 am), you pray together, giving thanks to God for originating it and for allowing 50 years together. This is God's Love Story – a relationship of three."

Byron said, "50 years ago today, I committed myself to this young lady, Debbie Sauer Morgan. We can honestly say that our first attraction to each other was the other's love for the Lord and His Word. After that, the mushy stuff followed. We have no doubt that God orchestrated our meeting and falling in love. Debbie and I can honestly say that God took two strong-willed people and brought them together, using each to round off the strong edges of the other (especially mine) for the purpose of conforming us to the image of Christ. We are far from having arrived, but I can say that the good qualities that I have are because of the input of God's word through the Holy Spirit and that of my wife. God knew the kind of woman I needed and gave me this special gift. Now, on to 60 years."

# JAMES WEBB Entrepreneur and Author



CAREY ALUMNUS JAMES HAROLD WEBB '82 IS FROM LAUREL AND HAS RECENTLY

**AUTHORED "REDNECK RESILIENCE: A COUNTRY BOY'S** JOURNEY TO PROSPERITY," A BOOK RECOUNTING HIS CHILDHOOD IN LAUREL AS HE LEARNED TO WORK. FIRST MAKING AND SELLING POTHOLDERS, SAVING FOR A BICYCLE TO DELIVER NEWSPAPERS, AND RUNNING A LAWN CARE BUSINESS. THE BOOK CONTINUES WITH THE STORY **OF HIS PHENOMENAL BUSINESS** SUCCESS. HIS LIFE DEFINES ENTREPRENEURSHIP AT ITS FINEST.

James is from a humble family, but he wanted more. His church choir director offered him a scholarship to Jones County Junior College, setting him on the journey of a lifetime. He completed the radiology program at Jones then sought the bachelor's degree he needed to move up in the medical world. He completed his B.S. at Carey in '82 and at 22 years of age, accepted the offer from Jones to direct the radiology program there. After realizing he would need an MBA to pursue healthcare administration, he moved to Texas and earned that degree.

James transitioned into several different business ventures in the healthcare field as new imaging technologies, managed care,



and other changes came into play. He used his knowledge of business, of health care, and of people to advance his career, including taking equipment and services to countries like Trinidad and Tobago and Nicaragua.

After more than 40 years in the medical field, he turned to the fitness sector, purchasing and overseeing 33 OrangeTheory Fitness franchises throughout North Texas. His current venture includes developing and opening BeBalanced Centers in Austin, Dallas, Fort Worth, and Houston.

He attributes his success in part to the relationships that have inspired him to pursue greater things. "Capitalism," James said, "is about relationships, not just about money."

His story is not without personal tragedy, though. In addition to the business successes and losses, he lost his wife, Marcia, to cancer a few years ago. While caring for her, he underwent surgery for kidney cancer. Left with two young sons when his wife passed away, his resilience carried him through the dark days of grief. Today, he is happily married to Cathy. They've successfully blended their two families together—five children and four grandchildren-- and enjoy managing their business ventures, mentoring young entrepreneurs, hiking, and traveling.

#### FROM THE BOOK:

I have been asked many times for my secret formula for management, but there is no secret. It's a simple doctrine: be clear in your expectations, be available, hold people accountable in your expectations, and check in often.



#### **70**s

DALE CLARK, BA '70, stopped by the library to donate an original of the "Indigo" literary magazine. He was on the staff of the first "Indigo". They didn't have printing services so the editor mimeographed about 1,500 copies. They put them all together, and then colored the illustrations in a few dozen of them. Mr. Clark was also responsible for naming the magazine -- he chose the name "Indigo" from a biography of William Carey that he found in the library.



LEON, BA '72, AND JOAN, BS '68, SCHILLING celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on December 26, 2020. On December 29, they welcomed their second granddaughter into the world. Leon and Joan live in University Place, Washington. DONALD CLARK MEASELS,

**BM '74, MM '76**, was a professor of music at Carson-Newman University in Jefferson City, Tenn. He received the Distinguished Faculty Award of 2020-2021. Donald retired in 2020.



NENETTE LEATHERWOOD MEASELS, BM '74, was the director of campus ministries at Carson-Newman University in Jefferson City, Tenn. She retired from this position in 2019.



**RON DYAL, BS '76**, is serving his third term as an alderman for the city of Wiggins.



#### 90s

RHONDA HARRIS, BS '96, MED '03 is a kindergarten teacher at Crossroads Elementary School in Gulfport. She was selected as Crossroads Teacher of the Year for the 2020-2021 school year.



JOHN MILLER, BA '97, joined the staff at Olympic Medical Center as a family medicine physician. He completed his undergraduate degree at Carey and earned a Doctor of Medicine degree from the University of Mississippi Medical Center in Jackson, Mississippi. He also obtained a Juris Doctorate from the Duke University School of Law in Durham, N.C.

#### 00s

**MATTHEW BUSBY, BGS '01**, is the Chief Public Defender for Pearl River County.



MEAGAN SMITH, BA '05, MED

**'08**, has written and illustrated a book of poetry. "Grief Like a River" guides the reader through the human experience of loss.

*"Slanted" from "Grief Like a River"* 

I grew up in a slanted house, wishing I could maturate in the middle of four walls built completely straight, so my head would not tilt at this odd angle.

I grew up in a slanted hour; I've never been one to praise time, but it did take her to show me: all childhood homes are off-kilter.

None of us can grow straight. We only can grow tall.



#### ASHTYNE REID, BSN '17, is

a registered nurse at Marion General. She was named Leader of the Year for her continued efforts to the Forrest Health mission: to do what is best for the patient.



**TAYLOR, BS '18, AND ELIZA DOWDY** welcomed a son, Henry James Dowdy, born August 24, 2021.



**NATHAN WILKINS, BS '18**, teaches English at Busan Global Village in Busan, South Korea.

IAN PITTMAN, BA '19, has completed the Master of Arts in English at USM and was elected president of the English Graduate Organization.



**10s** 

AME KAROLY POSEY, BA

'11, and her husband Joshua

are excited to announce the

long-awaited adoption of their

children, James and Josie Posey.

JONATHAN LADNER, BS '06,

accepted his first head football

coach position at Lumberton

Ladner, a 2010 Carey graduate,

High School. His wife, Lori

also teaches at Lumberton.

**GENAE REVES, BS '12, MED '16, EDS '21**, has been named assistant principal at Petal Middle School. She previously served as a behavioral resource teacher at Petal Upper Elementary and special education teacher at Dixie Attendance Center.



#### KIMBERLY SIMMONS, BS '12,

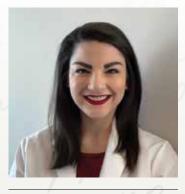
an obstetrics and gynecology fellow at UMMC, received the 2021 MACM Caldwell Award. The award honors residents for their excellence in medical care, patient relations, leadership and achievements in teaching medical students and fellow residents.

#### JOSHUA WILSON, BS '12, MBA

**'14**, was recently honored by the Mississippi Press Association for his work in 2020 as editor of "The Pine Belt News" and "Signature Magazine." He was presented two first place awards, a second place award and a third place award during the association's annual Better Newspaper Contest. One of the first place awards was for investigative journalism, and the other first place win was for a magazine feature. Wilson, who lives in Hattiesburg, is currently employed as regional career navigator with the Southern Mississippi Planning and Development District.

#### **RACHEL HARRIS, BS '13, DO**

**'17**, is an alumna of the University and the COM. She was a Carey Scholar and was Chief Resident in the general surgery residency program at Hackensack Meridian Health/Palisades Medical Center in Hackensack, New Jersey.



MARVA DAVIS BURKS, MS '14, graduated with a master's degree in counseling psychology. She recently opened her own practice, Marvalous Stars Counseling Services, LLC., located in Houston, Texas.

#### **'16**, graduated from the University with a Ph.D in Nursing Education

**CARMEN ALEXANDER, PHD** 

with a Ph.D in Nursing Education and Administration. She is currently the director of medical surgical services at Merit Health Madison, where she has worked for 3 years. She was named the 2020 Clinical Director of the Year.



LARRY PALMER, BS '17, has taken a teaching and coaching position at Carver Middle School in Meridian. He formerly worked at Carey as grounds supervisor.



**KATHERINE ROSS STRINGER, BSN '17**, is a registered nurse in the medical unit at Marion General. She exceeded her workplace responsibilities and was recognized as Nurse of the Year. Katherine is married to Glen Stringer, MBA '12.





**TERRY EUGENE FOSKEY '99** *Died April 25, 2020* 

AVIS V. SWITZER '92 Died October 7, 2020

**ELVIN ESTUS SMITH '60** Died November 2, 2020

EVELYN MCDONALD VANDEVENDER '53 Died November 19, 2020

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JAMES JOE RILEY Former CFO Died November 24, 2020

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**MADALENE DANIELL** *Retired Instructor Died August 6, 2021* 

**DON HERBERT STEWART '57** *Retired Professor Died August 10, 2021* 

**REVA ROSE SCHULTZ HOPKINS '21** *Died August 23, 2021* 

JACK JONES '88 Retired Tennis Coach Died September 14, 2021

## "Jesus said, 'Anyone who wants to be first must be the very last, and the servant of all.""

MARK 9:35

## Will Live On In The WCU Theatre

CYNTHIA JANE 'CINDY' LUMPKIN (1953 – 2020) EPITOMIZED THE MEANING OF HAVING A SERVANT'S HEART. FROM OBRA QUAVE, PROFESSOR EMERITUS OF THEATRE:

We remember Cindy for her sweet spirit and as an excellent student, talented actress, and warm and caring friend. These memories began for us in Carey Theatre in the spring of 1971 when she enrolled as a freshman. Through four years as a theatre student, she played a number of roles in our productions, and each of her performances was memorable. Among many cherished memories for me as a director, one which stands out is working with Cindy in The Man. She was what we in the theatre call a director's actor--always pushing herself to be better, listening and carefully following a director's suggestions, but also experimenting and trying new things on her own.

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Following her death, we learned that Cindy included Carey Theatre in her will. An endowment has been established, proceeds from which will be used to support the recently approved degree program in Theatre for Young Audiences.

In a long career of Christian service, Cindy was a Southern Baptist Journeyman (Ethiopia), served on staff at several churches, and ended her career at Lifeway Christian Resources, where one of her jobs was early childhood consultant. Theatre for Young Audiences has long been important in Carey Theatre; we have presented Cindy Lumpkin is pictured in a Theatre for Young Audiences production of Sacramento Fifty Miles (1973), along with Mark Wilkinson (left) and Jay Rogers.

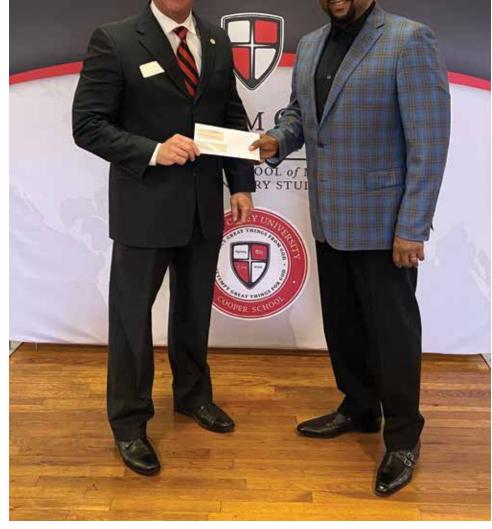
annually a play especially for children since the 1960s. Cindy acted in several of those. I believe she would be very pleased to know that her legacy will support theatre for children.

Tim Matheny, chair of the Department of Theatre and Communication said, "The unique bonds our students create while working on Carey Theatre productions is rarely reproduced anywhere else in life. Cindy Lumpkin's contributions to the Carey Theatre family has once again taken center stage. The generous endowment established through her estate will be a powerful resource for our forthcoming degree in Theatre for Young Audiences which will be felt for generations of students and audiences to come. The Carey Theatre family honors her legacy of artistry, passion, and generosity."



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# Attempting Great Things for od



THE CONGREGATION OF WEST POINT BAPTIST CHURCH HAS ESTABLISHED A NEW SCHOLARSHIP AT CAREY IN HONOR OF THEIR PASTOR. THE MARCUS CATHEY MINISTRY SCHOLARSHIP WILL BE AWARDED TO AN AFRICAN-AMERICAN, MALE STUDENT PURSING A DEGREE IN MINISTRY AT WCU'S HATTIESBURG CAMPUS.

"The Cooper School of Missions and Ministry is grateful to West Point Church for making this scholarship possible. Marcus Cathey is an incredible pastor, preacher, community leader and friend," said Dr. Brett Golson, dean of WCU's Cooper School and vice president for spiritual development and church relations.

"West Point Church's passion is to help God-called individuals spread the Good News of Jesus Christ – and this scholarship will provide support and assistance for students as they prepare for a life dedicated to the same goal."

Marcus Cathey, a 1995 Carey alumnus, is the founding pastor of West Point Baptist Church, which held its first worship service on May 9, 1999. The church has grown from a small group that met at an old community center to a congregation of more than 2,000 people.

"However, we don't hang our hats on a membership number. Impacting lives is what drives the leadership at West Point," Cathey said. "As long as there's someone in the Pine Belt area who doesn't know Jesus, we still have work to do!"

If you are interested in honoring your pastor with a scholarship, please call (601) 318-6526 or email kgolson@wmcarey.edu

Dr. Brett Golson, dean of the Cooper School of Missions and Ministry Studies, left, and Marcus Cathey, pastor of West Point Baptist Church.

# Scholarship Continues an EDUCATOR'S IMPACT New Endowment Scholarship in

Memory of Dr. Ray Strebeck

# Attempting Great

Dr. Theresa Poole, dean of the School of Education, Drs. Bobby and Mary Morton, Dr. Brett Golson, dean of the Cooper School

CAREY ALUMNA DR. MARY STREBECK MORTON (B.A. '65) AND HER HUSBAND, DR. BOBBY MORTON, ESTABLISHED THE DR. WALTER RAY STREBECK ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP IN MEMORY OF HER BROTHER. THE SCHOLARSHIP WILL AWARD FUNDS TO AN UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT DOUBLE MAJORING IN MINISTRY AND EDUCATION.

Carey alumnus Dr. Ray Strebeck (B.A. '55) served in the U.S. Air Force during the Korean

War. When he returned home from service, he taught English classes and served as interim pastor at Cold Springs Baptist Church while finishing his bachelor's degree. He graduated in the first class after Mississippi Woman's College became William Carey College.

After graduation, Strebeck continued teaching English in high schools while pastoring or serving in leadership positions in local churches. After earning a master's degree in education from The University of Southern Mississippi, where he also taught, Strebeck left Mississippi in 1970 to serve as language arts supervisor to the Pensacola Public School System and principal of Brownsville Middle School. While in Florida, he earned a doctorate in education from West Florida University.

In 1984, he returned to Mississippi as superintendent of education for Gulfport School District. During his years in Gulfport, he also served as an interim director of education for WCU's Gulf Coast campus. In 1996, he retired to Seminary, where he was an active member of Seminary Baptist Church. He also devoted time to the Covington County School Board until a few years before his passing in June 2016 at 85 years of age.

Strebeck was a sought-out speaker and wrote books about his faith and his experiences as Mississippi's first public school conservator. Strebeck was a long and faithful donor to William Carey University, which honored him in 1985 as Alumnus of the Year.

Dr. Brett Golson, WCU's vice president of Spiritual Development and Church Relations and dean of the Cooper School of Missions and Ministry Studies, thanked the Mortons for their gift: "This scholarship is such a great way to honor Dr. Strebeck's personal commitment to education and ministry."

If you are interested in supporting WCU students with a donation to the Dr. Walter Ray Strebeck Endowed Scholarship, or if you would like to establish a scholarship in memory of a loved one, please contact Karen Golson at (601) 318-6526 or kgolson@wmcarey.edu.

Dr. King and Dr. Strebeck visit during homecoming festivities.



The William Carey Southern Baptist John Marken Scholarship

WILLIAM CAREY UNIVERSITY HAS A LONG TRADITION OF PREPARING STUDENTS FOR MISSIONS AND MINISTRY AS WELL AS SUPPORTING THE MISSION EFFORTS OF THE SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION.

We are blessed to have so many of our IMB missionaries trust us with the education of their children. Our desire is to maintain the current level of scholarship well into the future. William Carey has a growing number of missionary kids and we are grateful for this. They add cultural enrichment to our student body and emphasize the ministry role. The IMB contributes to the expense of these students but it is far short of the full cost of their education. Carey covers the remaining cost. In recent years, as the number has increased and the tuition cost has gone up, it is evident that we will not be able to continue giving the subsidy (IMB's contribution does not increase to match the increased cost of tuition and living expenses). We appeal to Baptists who have a love for missions to contribute to an endowment fund to help cover the increasing cost of their education. Please pray about this and seek the Lord's guidance for your support and send us the names of any individuals that you know who would have a heart for this ministry. A planned gift or a legacy would be a wonderful way of supporting these very worthy young people. We ask that you would pray about partnering with William Carey University to help support our ministry to our missionary families.

~ Jommy King

ON THE NIGHT WILLIAM CAREY ACCEPTED HIS CALL TO BE A MISSIONARY TO INDIA HE SAID,

> "I will go down, but remember that you must hold the ropes."

To donate to this scholarship or for more infomation, contact Karen Golson at kgolson@wmcarey.edu or (601) 318-6526.



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