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SENDING NINETY NEW
KINGDOM WORKERS TO
CHANGE THE WORLD



SUMMER 2024

FROM THE PRESIDENT



KCU, like most schools, celebrated the accomplishments of their graduates at the completion of the spring term. It is honestly one of my favorite events of the year. Because of COVID restrictions that were in place four years ago, it was also the first in-person graduation ceremony that many of our students were able to experience. We are proud of the 90 graduates that completed their degrees this year. I wish I could tell you about each one of them because they are an inspiration.

However, KCU students don't just make us proud on graduation day! Our students did some amazing things over the course of this school year. If you have not heard the song released by the Worship Collective, "Miracles," you will want to download the song as a part of your worship collection.

It was also wonderful to watch our students put together a cancer fundraising event called Ozzyfest. Dr. Carol Brickey, Dean of the Yancey School of Nursing, explained that, "Ozzy was the grandson of the Yancey School of Nursing's administrative assistant, Paula Brown. Ozzy was diagnosed with a rare and terminal form of brain cancer called Diffuse Intrinsic Pontine Glioma (DIPG) at 2 1/2 years of age. He passed away at age four." Our students came together to honor Ozzy, encourage the family, and raise money to fight this cancer. It is a joy to see such caring and love among the students for this family. And it was a joy to see the community join us on campus at Ozzyfest.

We are proud of the success of several of our athletic teams and we are celebrating their accomplishments. I'm even more delighted to let you know that we had eight teams recognized by the NAIA as Champions of Character, we had multiple Academic All-Americans, and twelve of our athletes were baptized into Christ for the remission of their sins!

It is an honor to serve at a university where Christ is lifted up and our students are accomplishing great things in His name. I hope that you enjoy reading this edition of *The Voice* as much as we enjoy sharing what God is doing at KCU!

And Go Knights!

DR. TERRY ALLCORN

MASTER OF SCIENCE IN NURSING



At Kentucky Christian University, we are honored to help working nurses achieve their goal of becoming Advanced Practice Nurses. All of the faculty in the MSN program completed their advanced degrees while balancing work and family commitments, so we understand the challenges it brings. We work hard to ensure that students are able to balance work, family, church, and school while still maintaining a rigorous program producing graduates who are well-prepared to serve their community as Family Nurse Practitioners.

The MSN program is designed with modular courses meaning that students take one class at a time. This allows students to focus on one subject with one set of due dates. Throughout the program, we provide routine, allowing students to plan in advance for assignments, exams, and clinical experiences. Students receive each course syllabus one week in advance to plan for the semester and due dates are consistent throughout the program. All learning experiences are recorded, allowing flexibility to engage in the material at a time that works with their schedules. Clinical experiences are in the town where the students live and work. We collaborate with students to find preceptors up to 18 months before the clinical experience, allowing students time to plan. We allow maximum flexibility with scheduling to ensure students can continue to work and complete course requirements.

Deciding to go back to school is a big decision but we hope that with the flexibility our program offers, prospective students can be confident that they will be able to achieve their goals.

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WORKING WITH BUSY STUDENTS

- The Yancey School of Nursing undergraduate and graduate programs are rigorous. Success is challenging for all nursing students, but even more so for those who participate in additional campus activities such as athletics and Worship Collective, or have work and family obligations. The nursing faculty prioritize guiding students towards successful completion of their degrees through a variety of strategies. For our traditional undergraduate students, early in the first semester, faculty provide students with strategies on how to best manage their time, such as utilizing a planner, intentionally establishing a time to study, and complete assignments for each course, and encouraging them to leave time for self-care. Working ahead on assignments, studying content regularly to avoid cramming before exams, as well as seeking clarification on difficult content are additional strategies faculty encourage. Communication between student-athletes, those in the Worship Collective, or other school activities with faculty, coaches, and advisors is key to minimizing schedule conflicts, classroom absences, clinical absences, and ensuring adequate support for academic success. When notified in advance of a scheduled absence for a campus event, faculty will record lectures in a virtual format for students to review at a later time. Finally, faculty work closely with KCU's Success Coaches when students are at risk of falling behind in their coursework to provide another layer of support.

SOFTBALL WORLD SERIES

NCCAA Softball World Series

The Lady Knights made a return to the NCCAA World Series after a two-year absence. KCU secured their spot in the tournament by winning the Midwest Regional Tournament, defeating Oakland City 2-1. The team's outstanding performance on and off the field has earned them recognition and admiration.

Teaching Softball Techniques to Rising Hill Elementary School Kindergarteners

As part of their first day in Kansas City, the Lady Knights took the opportunity to give back to the community. They joined the kindergarteners to teach them valuable softball techniques. The players shared their knowledge and passion for the sport, inspiring the young students to pursue their own athletic dreams.

Scholar Athlete Awards Recognize KCU Softball's Academic Excellence

The NCCAA held a banquet to introduce the eight teams participating in the tournament. During the event, the NCCAA announced the Scholar Athlete awards, honoring student-athletes who excel both on the field and in the classroom. Several Lady Knights received this prestigious award for their outstanding academic performance:

- Victoria Breckler
- Kaytlin Leyvas
- Sarah Leyba
- Caroline Donithan
- Acie Prince
- Holly Handshoe
- Jaryn Holtsclaw
- Ashton Blackburn
- Hannah Ison

Kaytlin Leyvas was named to the NCCAA 2024 All-Tournament Team for her outstanding performance on the field. These individuals have demonstrated their commitment to academic excellence while representing the Lady Knights with pride.



Kaytlin Leyvas

The “Brave, New World” of Ministry Training

By: Dr. Rob O’Lynn



When I went on my first hospital visit as a youth ministry intern in Ohio during the summer of 1998, I had no idea what a chaplain was or how integral it would become to my ministry. To be honest, I had no idea how to visit someone in the hospital. However, one thing was clear to me after that visit—ministering to persons in crisis situations of any kind requires special training, just as learning to preach requires special training.

Fast-forward about a decade. I was in the middle of my Clinical Pastoral Education (CPE) residency at Cabell Huntington Hospital, where I specialized in pediatric and psychiatric care. During my time at Cabell, I started teaching at KCU as a part-time instructor and was asked to teach some niche classes, such as “Crisis Ministry.” The thought was that I could introduce students to emerging trends in ministry not included in the traditional ministry curriculum. At the time, focused instruction on pastoral care and chaplaincy, especially at the undergraduate level, was unheard of. In fact, I know of no one else who offers what we do here at KCU.

Now, in a post-pandemic world, chaplaincy is a viable, mainstream approach to ministry. There are a number of reasons for this change. First, while there has always been a demand, chaplaincy was for those who could not find traditional ministry employment or who specifically wanted to serve in the military. Now, however, the supply is there as many are finding their calling to ministry through chaplaincy, either in a full-time or part-time capacity. At the May graduation, we conferred the sixth degree on a student who emphasized in Pastoral Care as part of their Bible and Ministry degree. Finally, the pandemic made us keenly aware that people need pastoral care—especially during crisis moments—and no longer know where to find it. Chaplains are filling this immediate spiritual need, especially among those who identify as “nones.”



How is KCU preparing students for the ministry of pastoral care and a potential career in chaplaincy? At the undergraduate level, we introduce students to hospital visitation in our Introduction to Ministry course. We arrange a “lab day” with the Yancey School of Nursing where they simulate a critical care situation for the students to observe and also participate in a visit. Students interested in learning more can take the Advanced Pastoral Care course, which focuses more deeply on what pastoral care is, how to minister in different situations, and how to engage in ethical conversations (we also offer a similar course in the graduate program).



Then, for those interested in pursuing chaplaincy more formally, the KSBM offers an emphasis in Pastoral Care that Bible and Ministry students can add to their degree and other students can add to the minor in ministry. This track includes a required course in bioethics. Finally, in terms of the internship, students in the pastoral care track now have the opportunity of interning with the Pastoral Care department at UK King’s Daughters Medical Center, providing them hands-on experience in pastoral care. As one endorsed by the Chaplaincy Endorsement Commission, I can help prepare students for entering the candidacy process for becoming a professional chaplain.

MISSIONAL HEALERS

By: Dr. Rob Shoaff,
Dean of the Keeran School of Bible and Ministry

One of the joys I get to experience in my role is the relationships that I am able to have with KCU students and faculty from other departments. Because KCU is a Christian University, all of our students are required to carry a portion of their academic load made up of a core set of Bible classes. Beginning this fall, the institution is implementing a required Biblical Studies Minor for first-time students. This minor recognizes the value of church leadership and the necessity of the ministry of all believers, regardless of vocation. Due to this special course load, I have the honor of teaching students from every academic department. I especially love when they choose to be in my Intercultural Studies courses. As a missionary myself, it is exciting to help light the missional fire in the hearts of our students. KCU has a rich history of “Great Commissioners,” alumni who serve Christ and His Kingdom all over the world. It has been said that, “The sun never sets on KCU alumni.” We have Kingdom representatives everywhere on the planet!

As a school that is known for training ministers and other Christian professionals, I get excited whenever I hear people ask President Allcorn, “How many ministry students does KCU have?” His answer is short, sweet, and to the point: “ALL of them are ministry students!” I absolutely LOVE this answer! As the Keeran School of Bible and Ministry continues raising up, training, and sending out “Great Commissioners” we also partner with excellent Christian faculty from our other departments to instill a missional mindset as we integrate faith and learning into all of our Schools of Learning. You can often hear me telling our non-ministry majors, that with their degrees, a passion for the Kingdom, and a heart that wants to see people come to Jesus as Lord and Savior – they can literally go anywhere in the world!

One of the themes of *The Voice* is “Nursing Saves Lives.” Nurses who are uniquely trained and mentored through the Yancey School of Nursing have the opportunity to literally save lives physically and spiritually. Medical missionary work is a pioneering work of the Gospel, the door through which the Savior finds entrance into many hearts and homes.



Physical healing is bound up with the Gospel Commission of Jesus Christ. When Jesus sent His disciples out on their first missionary journey, He told them in Matthew 10:7-8, “As you go, preach this message: ‘The Kingdom of Heaven is near. Heal the sick, raise the dead, cleanse those who have leprosy, drive out demons. Freely you have received, so freely give to others.’” This divine commission needs no reform. Christ’s way of presenting His message of the Kingdom cannot be improved upon. He sympathized with the weary, the heavy-laden, the oppressed. He fed the hungry and healed the sick. Constantly He went about doing good. By the good He accomplished, He showed the gospel to countless men, women, and children.

Wherever Jesus and His Disciples went, health sprang up. The blind and the deaf rejoiced in their newfound seeing and hearing. Jesus’ authority over demons brought forth mental clarity and physical well-being. He dispensed His blessings abundantly and continually. They were the garnered treasures of our Heavenly Father, given in Christ, the Lord’s rich gift to humankind.

Never has the world’s need for physical and spiritual healing been greater than it is today. The world is full of those who need to be ministered to: the weak, the helpless, the sick, and the marginalized. As God’s ministers (from every vocational background) behold the awful woes of the world, they are going forth in compassionate power to heal body and soul.



HARMONIZING OUTREACH: GROWING SUMMER MINISTRY THROUGH WORSHIP

By: Joanna Yates

This summer, Kentucky Christian University has significantly expanded its ministry opportunities for students, going beyond the usual camp activities. Worship students have joined forces with camp teams, leading various weeks of camp ministry and enhancing the outreach experience.

The KCU worship teams have been actively involved in several camps, including the high school weeks at Sugarloaf Camp and Howell's Mill Christian Assembly Camp. They also led worship during Sugarloaf middle school week and a Mission Serve week in West Virginia. These engagements have provided students with more avenues to connect with people and guide others to Christ through worship.

Mike Cochran, who has been leading his band, Render the Hearts, for ten years, directs the KCU Worship Collective. His leadership and mentorship throughout the summer camps has been invaluable. Many KCU camp team members are also part of the Worship Collective, allowing for seamless collaboration and unity within the worship community. A special thanks goes to Mike for his dedicated efforts with the worship teams.

It has been a blessing to witness the synergy between the two groups working together to glorify the Lord. This joint effort continues the ministry in camps and leads many students to Christ, showcasing the power of worship in outreach.

EMPOWER CARTER COUNTY

Kentucky Christian University was proud to host a week of service-based church camp during the month of June. Led by First Church of Christ in Grayson and joined by other local churches, Empower Carter County brought together more than 100 middle and high school students and volunteers to be a light for Jesus in the community. A dozen KCU alumni and current students were included in the count.

Each day started in the chapel with morning devotions before groups were dispersed to various work sites. Projects included building porches, handrails, and fences for families in need, building 25 beds for children in the community who don't have one, packing meals with IDES, International Disaster Emergency Service, conducting a mobile VBS in several neighborhoods, and door-to-door ministry and prayer throughout the area. After the long, hot days of service, the teams returned to campus for worship, small groups, and free time.

While the gratitude and stories of those being served touched the hearts of the campers, the most inspiring moments of the week were found in the spiritual growth of the middle and high schoolers. As the week progressed, more and more students were electing to get up early or give up free time to host student-led Bible studies. Impromptu worship sessions, also led by students, drew the group closer to each other and provided a surge of energy that continued to build throughout the week. Empower Carter County blessed many lives in the community and sparked a continued desire for service in the hearts of the next generation.



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 Lynn Cameus^
 Ally Collins^**
 Jonathan Cosenza^*
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 Noah Wootten
 Nathan Yates

Yancey School of Nursing

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 Crystal Meyer
 Emily Parsons
 Sarah Scaggs
 Kiahna Shelton
 Katrina Spaulding
 Tonya Young

*Cum Laude **Magna Cum Laude ***Summa Cum Laude #Associate Degree ^Double Major





Adam Freeman

Nursing saves **LIVES**

During the YSN Celebration Ceremony, Adam Fleeman shared the tragic story of losing his mom to cancer and how one nurse altered the course of his life. As Adam sat in the hospital during one of the most trying times in his life, he watched his mother's nurse care for her with gentleness and compassion. The simple act made such an impact that, in that very moment, Adam made the decision to one day do the same for others. He knew he needed to be the hands and feet of Jesus to bring comfort to others during their hardships.



ACADEMIC UPDATES

- It has been a remarkably productive year for our esteemed faculty.
- In addition to their regular teaching and service duties, they have
- invested their time and expertise in developing several new
- academic programs, a testament to their unwavering dedication.



School of Business and Leadership

The School of Business and Leadership faculty also developed new programs, including undergraduate and graduate programs. The new M.B.A. seeks to develop Christian leaders interested in Nonprofit Management or Social Entrepreneurship. We are working through the approval process with our regional accreditor and anticipate beginning the new M.B.A. in the fall of 2025. The faculty also developed a new Bachelor of Science in Public Administration with concentrations in Public Leadership, Public Policy, and Nonprofit Management at the undergraduate level.

Keeran School of Education

The Keeran School of Education developed a new Master of Arts in Teaching degree to help address a continuing need for teachers. Kentucky students accepted into the program can be immediately employed as a teacher in Kentucky while pursuing the degree. We are still working through the approval process through the State of Kentucky and our regional accreditor, anticipating beginning the program in the fall of 2025.

Keeran School of Bible and Ministry

The Keeran School of Bible and Ministry faculty will offer new online certificate programs early next year, including Church Ministry, Apologetics, and Biblical Studies certificates. Each certificate program consists of 18 credit hours of coursework designed to be completed over three semesters. The Keeran School of Bible and Ministry, under the leadership of Dr. Rob Shoaff, also developed a new Bachelor of Arts in Intercultural Studies for students interested in global ministry.



A KNIGHT TO REMEMBER



KCU is hosting a gala fundraiser entitled “A Knight to Remember” on Saturday, November 9 in Lusby Center. The gala will become an annual celebration in support of the University. The evening will be a semi-formal event featuring a catered meal, music and a guest speaker. Music will be provided by the talented members of the KCU Worship Collective. The evening will culminate with our guest speaker, Al Robertson.

Al Robertson has served in full time and volunteer ministry for the White Ferry Road Church in West Monroe, Louisiana for over 35 years. Al pastored there for over 22 years before leaving to return to the family business, Duck Commander, in 2013 and to begin appearing on the Robertson’s TV show, *Duck Dynasty*. He is the oldest son in the Robertson clan.

Al and his wife Lisa have been married for over 38 years and have two married daughters and six grandchildren. They have co-authored three books: *A New Season*, about their life and marriage; *The Duck Commander Devotional for Couples*; and their latest book, *Desperate Forgiveness*. They travel together all over America sharing the Gospel of Christ along with their story of brokenness, restoration and healing in their marriage and also speak on behalf of the unborn and the pro-life movement. Al currently serves as host of the BlazeTV Podcast, ‘Unashamed,’ with Phil & Jase Robertson.

Tickets are currently on sale at www.kcu.edu/give/gala. Mark your calendars for this event as it will truly be “A Knight to Remember.” For additional information, contact Danny Stamper at (606) 474-3282 or dkstamper@kcu.edu.



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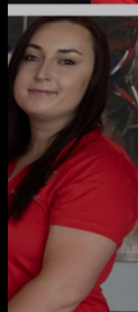
The prestigious All-Academic Team and Champions of Character Team have been announced by the Appalachian Athletic Conference (AAC). These teams recognize outstanding student-athletes who have excelled both academically and in demonstrating exceptional character.

The All-Academic Team comprises a group of exceptional individuals who have achieved remarkable academic success while participating in their respective sports. This year's team includes the following outstanding student-athletes: Austin Howard, Samuel Van Huss, Jaina Bailey, Lauren Hannah, Kelly McNamara, Mallory Alford, JaeLeigh Bates, Ashton Blackburn, Victoria Breckler, Caroline Donithan, Holly Handshoe, Alexa Henderson, Jaryn Holtsclaw, Hannah Ison, Sarah Leyba, Kaytlin Leyvas, Makenna Mulhearn, Acie Prince, Alec Stone, Adam Cooper, Josh Day, Seth Fitch, Leandro Guevara, Max Johnson, Evan Juniper, Justin Legg, Cameron Marushi, Jimijomar Matos, Gavin Nareski, Dylan Renard, Yan Rivera, Jared Rosado, Drevin Sanders, Larson Seawright, Walter Sengai, Reed Tarleton, Cole Thomason, Austin Thompson, Ryan Vogt, and Noah Wooten.

In addition to the All-Academic Team, the Champions of Character Team recognizes student-athletes who have demonstrated exceptional character both on and off the field. This year's Champions of Character Team includes Austin Howard, Jaina Bailey, Alec Stone, Leandro Guevara, and Caroline Donithan. These individuals have exemplified the core values of integrity, respect, responsibility, sportsmanship, and servant leadership. KCU is proud to honor these exceptional athletes for their dedication, hard work, and commitment to excellence. Their achievements, both in the classroom and in their communities, serve as an inspiration to others.

Coach Mark Ritchhart of the Lady Knights has been honored with the prestigious title of NCCAA Midwest Region Coach of the Year. Under Coach Ritchhart's guidance, the Lady Knights showcased their exceptional skills and determination, earning them a spot in the highly anticipated NCCAA World Series in Kansas City, Missouri. The team's remarkable performance in the Regional Tournament was marked by a series of dominant victories, solidifying their position as a force to be reckoned with.

Not only did the Lady Knights excel as a team, but three of their talented players also received well-deserved recognition. Acie Prince, Kaytlin Leyvas, and Jaryn Holtsclaw were all named to the First Team All-Region, further highlighting their exceptional contributions to the team's success. The NCCAA Midwest Region Coach of the Year award is a testament to Coach Ritchhart's exceptional coaching abilities and his unwavering support for his team. His passion for the game and his ability to inspire his players have made a lasting impact on the Lady Knights' success.



ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT: ROBIN HART, '81 '85

It has been said that longevity is a crucial component to a successful ministry. If that is the case then Robin Hart (Class of '81 & '85) has definitely checked that box. Robin recently retired after 40 years as the Lead Minister of the Northside Christian Church in Wadsworth, Ohio. Northside was a congregation of just a little over 100 in Sunday morning attendance back in 1984 when Robin began his ministry there. Since that time, the church has grown to 1,100 between two campuses.

Over the past 40 years, Northside Christian Church has baptized more than 2,291 people and has organized more than 70 international mission trips. Robin's faithful leadership has helped to produce countless Kingdom fruit. The growth that NCC experienced also led to a relocation and major building program. God has blessed NCC in so many ways.

In September 2022, Robin was diagnosed with Idiopathic Pulmonary Fibrosis (IPF), a progressive and terminal lung disease, for which there is no cure. The only hope for a longer life would be a double lung transplant. He is currently under the watchful eye of the Cleveland Clinic Lung Transplant Team. This diagnosis has been part of the reason for Robin's retirement, although he still has the energy to preach the gospel (with supplemental oxygen).

Even though Robin has been battling this terrible disease, he continues to be a bold preacher of the Gospel with an upbeat attitude supported by his faith in Christ.



When Robin was asked what KCU means to him, he responded with these words: "KCU has always been special to me. It is where I 'cut my teeth' on the biblical doctrine of the Restoration Movement. I am endeared to them for that early training and the exemplary lifestyle of the administration, faculty and staff. I have served the college during Summer in the Son, served as a Trustee from 2003 – 2009, and have donated years' worth of Christian Standards and books to the KCU library to carry on the banner of Christ."

KCU is blessed to have alumni like Robin Hart! We are grateful for his faithfulness to the Lord. Please keep Robin and his family in your prayers as they navigate his health issues.

“I’m just going to keep living until I die.”

CLASS NOTES

KNIGHT WEDDINGS



01

Eric + Heather (Stacy) ('10) Huie
April 6, 2024



02

Hunter ('23) + Katelyn (Carper) ('23) Morgan
February 17, 2024



03

Josh ('22) + Courtney (Weaver) ('24) Brand
June 21, 2024



RHETT



ELAWYN



MORIAH

FUTURE KNIGHTS

01

Josie Wren, daughter of Dylan ('16) and MaKaylen Denae Genung on March 11, 2024

02

Rhett Martin, son of Hayden ('18) and Bekah (Yancey) ('17) Dunn on March 16, 2024

03

Elawyn Faith, daughter of Caleb ('15) and Kelsi Yankey on March 23, 2024

04

Moriah Joy, daughter of Timothy ('16) and Kate (Stephens) ('13) Jackson on March 30, 2024

05

Ruth Sky, daughter of Ryan ('18) and Bailey (Hall) (Attd '15-'18) Walker on April 13, 2024

06

Daniel Robert, son of Preston ('12) and Lauren (Marinos) ('14) Deakins on May 3, 2024

07

Maxxon Levi, son of Levi ('16) and Gabby Kiser on May 20, 2024

08

Anna Faith, daughter of Derek and Rachel (Lorenz) ('11) Nunnelley on June 24, 2024



RUTH



DANIEL



MAXXON



ANNA

KNIGHTS WE'LL MISS



Blanche Glimps, VP of Academic Affairs ('95 - '00),
Trustee, December 5, 2023

Nancy (Linkous) Parish, ('50), Women's Ministry,
February 28, 2024

Robert K. Parish, ('59), Ministry, February 29, 2024

Lucy Frances King, Cafeteria ('82 - '06), March 1,
2024

Hoyt W. Allen, Jr, ('72), Ministry, May 12, 2024

Marshall Milton Thomas, ('56), Business, May 29,
2024

Patty Mansfield (Ingram), ('53), Teacher Education,
June 3, 2024

Leo Crowe, ('55), Ministry, June 8, 2024

Linda Lou Conley Horton, Cafeteria Cook ('83 - '88),
June 29, 2024

KNIGHT NEWS

Josiah Allcorn ('21) has been named the Executive Director of Ignite the Norse, a campus ministry at Northern Kentucky University.

Dr. Rick Cheroke ('85) became Managing Editor for *Christian Standard* on June 3, 2024.

Rebecca (Becca Greene) Gentis ('09) is the Next Gen Ministry Assistant at Venture Christian Church, Carmel, IN.

Emily (Cluff) Hawks ('08) recently accepted a leadership role as the Director of Teaching & Learning at Open Door Christian School in Elyria, OH, after serving as an English teacher for the past 10 years.

Matthew Miller ('20) was sworn in as a City of Hamilton, OH Firefighter, March 2024.

Francis ('71) and Pam ('70) Nash were honored on August 13 for 55 years as ministers of the Sugar Grove Christian Church, Owingsville, KY. They also celebrated 30 years of Mexico Mission work. Francis is the Executive Director of Workers for Mexico Mission, the largest in that country, supporting over 50 native ministers monthly.

Jeff Robinson ('83) is the new Director of Church Relations with IDES, Noblesville, IN.

Peyton Lewallen ('24) was ordained on May 19, 2024 at his home church, Northside Christian Church, Georgetown, KY.





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Upcoming Events

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27-29

HOMECOMING 2024
"GREAT IS HIS FAITHFULNESS!"

Friday, September 27th Events:

Alumni Chapel (Jeff Dye Speaking)

Disc Golf

Homecoming Banquet (Rob Harris Speaking/Singing)

Saturday, September 28th Events:

Tailgate Party

Live Music by Mercury 7

Pickleball

KCU Men's and Women's Soccer Games

KCU Women's Volleyball Game

45 year class reunion at Terry and Helen Yankey's

House

10, 25 & 50 Year Class Reunion Reception

and much more!

Sunday, September 29th Event:

Sunday Morning Chapel Service (Jeff Dye Speaking)

SEPT
19

Grandparents Day

Join your grandchild on campus for lunch, chapel, and more!

OCT
8

Minister Appreciation Luncheon

McKenzie Student Life Center

Speaker: Brian Jones (Attd. '86-'88),
Pastor of Christ's Church of the Valley

NOV
9

A Knight to Remember Gala

Dinner followed by our keynote speaker,

Pastor Alan Robertson

Music provided by the KCU Worship Collective

NOV
16

International Conference of Missions

Lexington, KY

Alumni Reception at 12:00pm

Broadway Christian Church