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In an age of global unrest and national challenge, Union's faculty, staff and students have responded appropriately in ways evidenced throughout the pages of this Unionite. In a time in which there has never been a greater need for clear-headed thinking I believe this University is prepared for the challenges we will face in days to come.

The Winter 2001 issue of the Unionite tells the exciting story of Union's full commitment to a Christian worldview as the foundation for all that takes place on this campus. The feature stories paint a picture of an institution with a full-orbed understanding of the role of truth and the place of faith in the educational process. Across the campus from division to division, department to department, the integration of faith and learning and faith and living is carved out on a daily basis.

This distinctive approach to education, which is faithful to the classical understanding of education in the Christian tradition, is built on a strong liberal-arts base. It is in this context that issues can be explored, that questions can flourish, that intellectual curiosity can be encouraged, and that truth can be pursued. Union's dynamic and gifted faculty of teaching scholars, with their wholehearted commitment to the mission of this institution, carries out this high and noble calling with excellence.

This year, like the last five, such classroom excellence, along with Union's outstanding student body (consistently increasing in both quality and quantity), has been recognized by such groups as U. S. News and World Report, The Princeton Review, Peterson's College Guide, America's Best College Buys, and the Templeton Foundation's recognition of institutions that encourage character development. The U. S. News and World Report rankings moved Union into the top tier of Best Universities in the South (Masters category). For these recognitions of excellence we rejoice and invite you to celebrate with us.

In this issue of the Unionite you will also see a roll call of over 2500 friends who gave almost \$7 million to Union last year. These gifts provided student scholarships and expanded opportunities for student services. These gifts made it possible for faculty to carry out their work of teaching, scholarship, and service. These gifts made it possible for students to be involved in LifeGroups and numerous ministry opportunities on this campus, across this country, and literally around the world. These gifts made it possible to expand the library holdings, to grow the endowment, and to construct beautiful additions to this campus.

Union has become one of the premier Christian universities in the country and one of the top private schools in the South. The commitment to excellence across this campus carries on the very best of Union's heritage and deserves the support of Union alumni and friends everywhere. For every gift, large or small, we are deeply grateful. In the rankings mentioned above Union ranked exceptionally high in all academic, faculty, and student categories. Yet, the percentage of Union alumni support was lower than most schools.

This year the Alumni leadership of Union University is asking graduates from every era to give at least \$25.00. The overarching goal is for at least 25% of all living alumni to give \$25.00 or more in the 25/25 campaign. I believe more than 25% of you will respond. I cannot think of a more worthy place to invest your gifts than in the distinctive work of Union University. I want to urge friends and alumni right now as you read this issue to respond to this request. I want you to know of our deep gratitude in advance for your support for educating the next generation of students at Union University and our prayer for God's blessings for you.

Soli Deo Gloria

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Shaping A Christian Worldview: America's Future

BY SARA HORN

Burning buildings. Tear-stained faces. American flags hanging everywhere. In the weeks and months that have passed since that fateful day of Sept. 11, images like these have played on the news and in our minds along with snapshots of Americans praying, U.S. Congressmen singing “God Bless America” and churches bringing hope and reassurance to young and old alike. In a post-modern world where almost anything goes, the belief in good and evil has resurfaced and where once the cry for a Christian worldview was strong, it cries out even louder today. At Union University, that cry is being answered with committed faculty, dedicated staff and knowledge-hungry students, all seeking to improve America’s future by embracing the idea of incorporating a Christian worldview in everything that they do.

In a new book scheduled to be released in the spring of 2002, *Shaping a Christian Worldview*, edited by Union President David S. Dockery and Gregory A. Thornbury, assistant professor of Christian studies, more than 18 Union faculty discuss the issues of what it means to bring one’s Christian worldview to bear in all areas of life.

“It is the singular responsibility of Christian higher education to teach interdisciplinary thinking to the students in its charge,” says Thornbury, director of the Carl F.H. Henry Center for Christian Leadership. He says many Christians live in a “ghetto mentality” of loving the Lord, disconnecting that devotion from all other facets of living.

“In Romans chapter eight, we read how the creation is groaning and buckling under the weight of sin,” says Thornbury. “We need to be active change agents, bringing the solution to this fallen world in which we live.”

By sharing ideas between the disciplines so that someone who is in physics understands that it’s not just the theologian’s job to think about theology, and visa versa, Thornbury says culture can gradually be changed for the good.

Christianity and the Liberal Arts

“A liberal arts education is obviously very good in that it gives you a broad exposure to knowledge and raises a lot of questions about what is right and wrong,” says Dr. Jimmy Davis, associate provost and professor of chemistry.



Two hours after the first plane hit the World Trade Center, Union students, faculty and staff gathered for prayer in university’s chapel.

But just having a liberal arts education isn’t enough – it has to be done with a Christian worldview so that answers can be framed in the right context where humanity is given value, says Davis. The events of Sept. 11 have reminded us how important that is.

“More than ever, since Sept. 11,

we know the importance of our graduates leaving fully equipped with the facts, insights – all wrapped in a wonderful package of knowing how to turn to God, asking for wisdom to interpret,” says Dr. Barbara McMillin, dean of the College of Arts and Sciences and associate professor of English.

The critical point, says McMillin, is avoiding the assumption that shaping a Christian worldview means that it’s done only in Sunday School or Old and New Testament classes.

“It’s not how I view an event that’s just related to church, and it’s not just how I view issues that arise in a Christian setting – it’s how I view everything I encounter,” explains McMillin, adding that Union is embracing that notion by utilizing a worldview that teaches students how to think critically.



Greg Thornbury, assistant professor of Christian Studies, takes his call to teaching seriously, engaging students in detailed discussions.

It is that critical thinking that is so important for students to understand, emphasizes McMillin. Giving an example of the theory of deconstruction, a philosophy within literary criticism that says there are no absolutes and no right or wrong way to read the text, she says that there is a way to explain this type of phi-

Response to 9/11

As the events of September 11 unfolded, Union University staff and faculty crowded around televisions and watched in horror and disbelief as the World Trade Center Towers collapsed, first one and then the other. Quickly, news of the attacks on America spread through offices and classrooms alike.

"I was in my eight o'clock social work practice class," recalled Emily Price, a junior social work major from Chattanooga, Tenn. "When Dr. Dottie Myatt (associate professor of elementary education) came in and told us that a plane had flown into the World Trade Center, my first thought was that there had to be some mistake, and then I was in total disbelief that a plane could go into a building like that and all of those people were dead."

Immediately, a prayer service was held in the university chapel. Students, faculty and staff gathered together in prayer and as one, raised their voices and thoughts to God.

"This is very much a Pearl Harbor kind of day," Todd Brady, minister to the university, said as he addressed the somber faces of the university family. Students filled the aisles, kneeling on the

floor as several faculty members led in prayers of confession, dependency on God and acknowledging this sorrowful time.

"There are a few times in our lives when things happen and we don't know what the response should be and the only thing we know to do is to pray," said Brady. "This is something that causes you to stop and really reflect on reality – it puts life in perspective."

"The chapel service was one of the best things we could have done," said Price. "When we walked into that room, God was already there to comfort us. We were all scared, and not sure what to expect next, but the prayers prayed by the faculty gave me a sense of safety and the assurance that God was, and is, in control."

Four days after the fateful attacks, the university family gathered together again for a time of prayer and worship. Focusing on the faithfulness of God, Union President David S. Dockery addressed the group from Lamentations 3:22-24. Dockery focused on questions that he had heard students raise throughout the week, such as "Why is this world

the way it is?" – "Is God in control?" and – "Why did this happen?"

Learning from the prophet Jeremiah, Dockery stressed that God is all loving, all powerful, and always faithful.

"While God knew the events of September 11 before they happened, His omniscience does not mean He caused all things," asserted Dockery. "He also warned against reading the events as apocalyptic signs or as a sign of God's judgement."

Recognizing that evil and suffering is a mystery, Dockery urged the Union family to hope in God who brings good out of evil, and to trust in God's steadfast love, His great faithfulness, and His gift of hope.

"This is a time for faith not fear and hope not despair, even if all of the questions can't yet be answered," said Dockery.

The university has continued over the past weeks and months to reach out to the community, providing faculty forums and other opportunities to provide reassurance and information as the war on terrorism progresses.

philosophy to students, even when she disagrees with the literary approach.

"I'm not afraid because I know there is a truth, there is a right or wrong," says McMillin. "I can tell

my students about it without buying into the philosophical belief of it. There's a freedom there to know I can disagree with a particular theory and to know why I disagree with it."

Equipping the students

Julie Glosson, assistant professor of Spanish, who grew up in Columbia, South America as a "missionary kid," sees her role as a call-

ing to help her students see and understand more of the world outside the United States.

“It’s exciting to share with my students other cultures and to put faces on people,” says Glosson. “So many times we talk about saving the lost, but in order to really love someone you have to know their name.”

Glosson says it’s important for students to look outside their inner circles of Christianity to see that there are other people who aren’t included – people that even jargon or language can exclude.

“By educating students to be aware of how their language and behavior is perceived both positively and negatively, it will help make them more effective in all areas of the world,” says Glosson, “not just here in America, and not just in exclusive Christian circles. I think that has a lot to do with our new mission statement.”

“What happened on Sept. 11 caused the world to become smaller for everyone,” says Todd Brady, minister to the university. “No longer is it America and the rest of the world, it’s the global community that we live in. It’s definitely caused people to think differently about international relations.”

“In a crisis time such as this,” says Dr. Hal Poe, professor of faith and culture, “Christians have a window of opportunity, because the broad culture itself cannot provide the answers to the questions people are asking.”

Poe says that Christianity provides an integrating basis for a

liberal arts education that doesn’t exist apart from it.

“At Union, there’s not an interest in teaching students what to think, but teaching students how to think,” adds Brady. “The Christian institution is the one that teaches people to think correctly within the whole of knowledge and helps put it all together within the context of all other life and knowledge.”

Equipping the faculty

If the Christian worldview is the subject, then the shapers would be the faculty. Out on the front lines for truth and sound thinking, faculty members at Union University are themselves consistently challenged in how to serve with excellence as role models and teachers for tomorrow’s leaders.

“Sept. 11 underscored the significance of what we do,” says Dr. Carla

effort to equip the faculty for their important task. Faculty participate in coffee discussions, reading books that challenge and stretch their understanding. Speakers are also brought in for lectures, seminars and workshops.

“This understanding of new concepts bleeds over into the students, the classroom and what happens in the next discussion,” explains Sanderson. “The reason it works is because God wants this to spread – He’s planting these seeds. He wants nothing more than for this university to bring glory to His name.”

“Education with a purpose, the highest purpose, is what Union is,” says Sanderson. “It’s a connection.”

Sanderson says Union is a place that is serious about apologetics.

“The stakes have gotten high,” says Sanderson. “When people are dying because of the acts of fanatic



Union art students created a visual installation as a memorial, which included an altar and a 24 hour prayer chair.

Sanderson, provost and professor of nursing. “We used to know what ‘preparing people to live in a changing world’ meant. Now that meaning is something very different.”

According to Sanderson, several good things are happening in an



Professor Julie Glosson, assistant professor of Spanish uses her experiences as a missionary kid to help her in her teaching.

religious people, they’re going to need hope. I see bright promise for our work in witnessing to the world, because we’ve got their attention. People’s hearts are receptive and we need to be the kind of place that provides opportunities to articulate the hope we have.”

9/11

RETURN TO GROUND ZERO

By Jim Veneman

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Cover and story photos were taken by Jim Veneman.

The following is a reprint from Union's student newspaper, The Cardinal & Cream, dated September 21, 2001.

Each one of us can think back to those times when we encountered history. At that instant we were a part of the story, not just watching or listening to someone else report it. In our own unique ways we were there.

"A plane just slammed into the World Trade Center!"

When Melissa Mann, Union's art director, came into my office with that announcement, a moment in our history became a part of my life. A few minutes later I listened along with the rest of our university body to our campus minister Todd Brady as he began to sort out what was happening. He spoke from his

heart. In a spontaneous, quiet, yet powerful way, he reminded us of God's presence in our lives.

Only minutes after leaving the chapel I was called by Baptist Press about a possible coverage of those first days surrounding the tragedy. Long before daylight the next morning I was in a van headed for New York City.

I made the trip with two Nashvillians, Morris Abernathy from LifeWay, and Todd Starnes of Baptist Press. Todd worked as the writer as Morris and I provided the visuals. The days were long, but working with friends provided a very needed balance. Even in the midst of all the horror, we still found an occasional reason to laugh.

This is being written on Tuesday, September 18, exactly a week after the event. Since departing the



university for New York right up until now, I have not seen even one minute of television. My life has been on deadline for a week. I've listened to the radio and looked through a few newspapers, but most of my visual memories have come from what I've seen. It must have been horrific to actually see the building collapse as many of you did, and even worse to witness several fatal decisions to leap from the World Trade Center.

You saw these things actually happen.

Standing at the entrance of the temporary morgue, located only yards from the mountain of twisted concrete and steel, I too experienced things that will be hard to forget. I saw expressionless faces, tear-filled eyes and long hugs of encouragement. I witnessed unwavering



determination, incredible courage and constant displays of compassion. I saw men and women, young and old, a rainbow of nationalities and backgrounds all working together.


One evening I was standing in a very long line of writers, photographers, and every other media type you can imagine. We were all waiting for the latest credential required to work near the site of the World Trade Center. In front of me were about a dozen members of the press from Japan. Beside me were those from Belgium and Norway. Right behind me were the French. There were hundreds of media representatives all waiting together. As we began to talk I realized that they were not there to cover just another international story. They all had

countrymen in those buildings. The story was personal to them too.

For most who work in the news, stories come and go as quickly as the next deadline. Once in a while one comes along that may extend for a few days. And then there are stories like this. These are the ones that rock our world and change all of our lives. They bring us together and present us with a picture of ourselves.

In a conversation with a student from Stuyvesant High School, which is located only a block and half from ground zero, Freeman Fields, mentioned a verse of scripture. He said it had helped him as he attempted to comfort thirteen members of his football team who gathered at his tiny apartment just minutes after the attack. The verses are found in Psalm 46:1-3. "God is

our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in trouble. Therefore we will not fear, though the earth give way and the mountains fall into the heart of the sea, though its waters roar and foam and the mountains quake with their surging."

Later tonight I will probably turn on the television and see some of the things you saw a week ago. I'm sure it will send me back to where I've been. I will see again things that had been in front of my camera, and see more clearly a picture of the person behind it. 

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Revealing God Through the Arts

BY TRACY RUTLEDGE



Art students learn that art is very much like life - it is shaped and molded according to experience.

When history points to the first images of art, one might think of the world's first artists as those who did the early prehistoric cave drawings and paintings, or the statues of fertility goddesses simply formed from earthen materials. When Lee Benson, associate professor of art and a specialist in ceramic sculpture, thinks of the first artist, he thinks of God.

"If you look to what Christians adhere to as the beginning, the Bible says that God created, He made things, including man," explains Benson, adding that God's creation has a distinct parallel with the art of sculpture. "When I teach students about developing the human form, they fall in love with it. It's not that they loved it beforehand, but the act of creating develops a love for the sculpture." That act of creating, says Benson, is what gives us insight into God's love. "With creative intensity comes a love for that which is being created. You can just naturally talk about God and how He approaches the creative process."

It is that creative process that drives all artists, whether through sculpture, theatre, or music.

"A great novel, a compelling performance, an intriguing sculpture, and a stirring musical piece all

have the common ability to entertain and to inspire," says Dr. Barbara McMillin, dean of the College of Arts and Sciences. "This two-fold purpose satisfies our desire for pleasure while at the same time giving us reason to ponder and reflect, often resulting in a better understanding of our own circumstances."

Art, because of its very nature, reflects society and tends to be prophetic, says David Burke, director of theatre and associate professor of communication arts at Union.

"It's grappling with passion and emotions, the heartbeat of a culture and reflecting back to us. In that sense there is something of great value for society," explains Burke.

"Music is the most subtle of all the arts," believes David McClune, professor of music. "These organized sounds have a profound power on our hearts and mind. It transcends earthly life and can provide a glimpse of the timelessness and utter beauty that exists in the spiritual world of God."

It is that emotional quality of art – whether through fine art, theater, music or literature – that communicates even through times of great tragedy. During World War II, Winston Churchill made it a priori-

ty during the bombing of London to keep the theaters open.

"He felt it was important in the face of Nazism to keep the theaters open because it revealed what English society was about and gave hope," explains Burke. He says that Union experienced a similar occurrence after the events of Sept. 11, when the communication arts department was preparing to open "Who's on First", a slap-stick comedy with a cast of four.

"We booked the play in the spring not knowing what would happen on September 11," says Burke, who directed the play. "And so on the day of the attacks, we found ourselves rehearsing a frivolous comedy in the midst of all this horror and pain and we wondered why we were even there. We spent a lot of time in prayer before we began."

One of the things Burke says that he and the students realized was that the show had to go on.

"The theater has always been a distraction from day-to-day life. But when that day-to-day life involves something horrific, it compels you even more toward finding distraction," says Burke, "especially if it can be helpful and edifying for the moment."



Cast members of "Who's on First" brought laughter and distraction to an audience of worried Americans.



Through music, students learn to communicate truth and passion without the use of words.

In This World and Not of It

Union University's mission is to provide a Christ-centered education. Equipping students to think and act Christianly in the world is a challenge not taken lightly by the faculty.

"I think we take the responsibility of helping students realize what their gifts are much more seriously than anything else we do," says Burke, in addition to understanding the responsibility for using their talents and answering the call that God has placed on their lives. "The talents you have are direct gifts from God. What you do with your gifts is up to you."

Even in Hollywood, says Burke, most artists recognize that their gifts come from outside themselves. "They may not be thanking God in the same way we do because of our understanding of God, but they recognize that other dimension. Our students are made aware of their responsibility to the kingdom of God and are encouraged to pursue art in a way that gives back and is redeeming. Although something might not be overtly evangelical, it can still be a reflection of God," asserts Burke.

Christians are called to take the

light of Christ into the world. The fields of art, theater, music and literature open doors to an audience often searching for answers.


"We are sending graduates into the workplace equipped with the knowledge and skills to be leaders in their chosen disciplines," explains McMillin. "When such leaders hold a Christian worldview, they influence their profession in positive ways for the cause of Christ and are respected by their colleagues in the workplace. Having earned such respect, these graduates can more effectively share their faith as they fulfill their calling."

"I want to see my students in the great secular magazines and books of our day," says Benson. "I talk to my students about the fact that when I open Art America, I do not see a Christian artist there. Ultimately, it will be their work that will get them a place at the table. God is preparing young people to go into the secular art world and have a large impact."

David Burke agrees. "There are ultimately places our students can have a huge impact. We are trying to put as many theater graduates in the public schools as possible, because we know they are going

to have an impact on high school students. You can bring in redemption through theater in a way that you can't in a regular classroom. If they watch a play that causes them to ask questions, then you have an opportunity to answer."

"There is a bias against Christians. There is not a bias against good work," explains Benson. "I tell my students that the minute you are identified as a Christian you will face persecution. We shouldn't run from that. People are not biased against great work, which is why it is so important that our students learn their art and learn it well while they're here."

"It is within a Christian university that the totality of human thinking and experience can be addressed," says McClune. "We have the freedom to openly discuss the many varied Christian and secular views of any subject. We have the obligation to share what we know, what we think we know, and truthfully acknowledge when we do not know. We are here to train Christian minds to continue the honest search for new knowledge and a deeper understanding of both God and His creation." 

Dr. Toni Chiareli, assistant professor of sociology, talks with students between classes



Dr. Carol Weaver, associate professor of biology, enjoys developing mentor relationships with her students



Socially

Does a Christian worldview

With issues like genetic cloning, and bioterrorism increasing in the news, natural and social scientists continue to deal with complicated and controversial issues every day in their work and research, where objective viewpoints are stressed and moral and emotional responses are frowned on. Is it possible for a Christian worldview to exist within these disciplines and even take center stage? Union professors say yes.

Defining Truth

When Dr. Naomi Larsen took her first sociology class as a freshman in college, she dropped it because so many of the ideas that were explored conflicted with her views as a Christian.

Now associate professor and chair of the Department of Sociology, Larsen says she was able to come to terms with utilizing her worldview within her discipline.

“What I tell students is that you can’t be a Christian and do Christian works without having a sociological imagination, seeing why people do things the way they do. Without sociology you wouldn’t be able to understand terrorists and why they would commit suicide,” explains Larsen, referring to the Sept. 11 attacks.

“The aim of the social sciences is to express truth about social reality,” says Dr. Antonio Chiareli, assistant professor of sociology. “So we have to define what truth is. We believe that truth is revealed in God’s word, and so we must find a way to bridge the gap between the Christian outlook and what the social sciences are saying.”

Chiareli points out that there is a tremendous gap between the two and that it’s very difficult to find a Christian textbook on sociology – what normally happens is a secular textbook is used with discussion included on the Christian worldview. The ultimate goal is to establish a dialogue between the Bible and the world, something Chiareli calls “Word-World dialogue.”

“You basically read the world by reading the Word,” says Chiareli. “You analyze the world with a biblical framework in mind.” He adds that this isn’t always easy due to the antagonism many social scientists have towards religion. “Any sort of an ideological system that makes claims about absolute truth will be highly suspicious to the social sciences.”

Larsen agrees that remaining objective as sociologists are encouraged to do is hard for a Christian and probably impossible.

“In our classes, we take all of the

ideas that are out there and look at them objectively, but we also look at them with our Christian faith,” says Larsen. “I think a lot of times we make Christian living more difficult than it needs to be. To me, it gets down to love and the old saying ‘what would Jesus do?’ God is love. So what you do – you do with love, what you say – you say with love. That is what needs to be your guide in everything you do.”

“I think God is deeply interested in our character,” says Chiareli. “The training of our character in God’s eyes will have to follow certain biblical guidelines which you can’t get in a secular school. It’s about developing a framework for biblical living that you can get in a Christian setting – not necessarily teaching religion in every class, but allowing all of the different disciplines to work together to form a worldview that can be passed onto the students.”

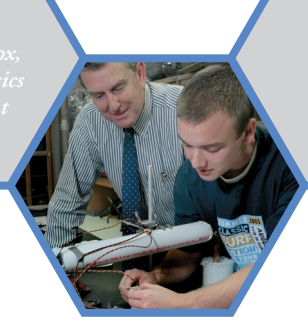
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A Double-Edged Sword

Natural science is another area where students are challenged with using their Christian worldview and, according to Union professors like Dr. Sally Henrie, assistant professor of chemistry, it’s an area that has few professing Christians.

“Responsibility plays a key role in

Dr. Kyle Hathcox,
Professor of physics
walks a student
through an
experiment.



Acceptable

have a place in the natural and social sciences?

By Sara Horn

these disciplines,” says Henrie, who worked as an industrial chemist for several years before coming to Union to teach. “Science can do as much harm as good, and as Christians we need to be very responsible in the directions we go and make sure that the science we practice is not detrimental but works for good.”

As students approach a career in the physical sciences, their beliefs will be bombarded by people who don’t share a Christian worldview, says Henrie. Dr. James Huggins, chair of the Department of Biology, agrees.

“I believe that humans can perform science because we are made in the image of God... Man creates because God does; this is one aspect of our image-bearing capacity.”

Dr. Glenn Marsch
Associate Professor of Physics
*From *Shaping a Christian Worldview**

“We’re to be salt and light,” says Huggins. “God didn’t put us here to be isolationists but to make a difference in the world. We’re preparing young people to go out and take their Christianity with them. This is their training ground for what God would have them do in the real world.”

“I try to have my students understand the creativeness of God within what I teach,” says Henrie. “When you take the chemical reactions and you look at them through an atomic or molecular view, the awesomeness of God is overwhelming as we see the intricacies of these chemical reactions.”

According to Dr. Wayne Wofford, biology professor and director of the Edward P. Hammons Center for Scientific Studies at Union, the origins of science actually came from Christians.

“During the 17th century, they weren’t called scientists but natural philosophers and their motivation was to demonstrate the glory of God’s creation,” explains Wofford. “By integrating faith and science and getting more people comfortable with the idea, we may be able to create some individuals that can address the concerns that science has like Intelligent Design or the Big Bang theory.”

Wofford says the phrase “god of the gaps” is widely used to explain anything that can’t be explained by science and assumed to be by God.


“If we can get students here to understand that they’re compatible, that science and faith can work together, then maybe we can address some of these issues,” says Wofford, referring to the creation and evolu-

tion debate among others.

“We have a diversity of opinions and a variety of viewpoints represented on the faculty when it comes to the age of the earth and the process of creation,” says Dr. Carla Sanderson, provost and professor of nursing. “But we are united in our conviction that God is creator of all and thus we can confess that ‘we believe in God the Father, almighty, maker of Heaven and Earth.’”

“Science can be a double-edged sword,” says Huggins. “We swing it in one direction and it’s good. People want to believe in science – they know that we can take a heart out, work on it and make their life better. At the same time, we can swing it in the other direction and use it for evil like with bio-warfare.”

Huggins adds that all of this is based on a moral foundation and how knowledge is used, though many scientists remove their moral responsibility, defending their choice by saying the role of science is simply to provide the information and it’s up to society to do with it what it will.

“We can choose God or some other avenue. What are we doing in our universities if we’re producing scientists with no moral or ethical responsibilities?” asks Huggins. “Christians have an opportunity to make a difference.” 



Changing Perceptions

Incorporating the spiritual within the professional

BY TRACY RUTLEDGE

You see them every day. Businessmen, teachers, and nurses – professionals who are making a profound impact on society, whether on the bottom-line, educating our children, or healing our sick. But where does God come into the picture? How big a part can He play? At Union University, faculty members within these areas of discipline are making great strides in teaching and preparing their students for greatness – not just in the boardroom, emergency room or classroom – but for eternal purposes as well.

Showing Compassion

“The Bible says that everything you do should be done to the glory of God,” says Ruth Chastain, associate professor of nursing. “Nurses take care of people when they are most vulnerable and they need someone to show compassion, which is what we try to teach to our students.”

Chastain says that nursing is a caring discipline, a profession that requires many levels of understanding – physically, spiritually and emotionally.

“When a person truly cares about someone, they desire to be as competent as possible,” says Chastain. It’s a trait that points to the importance of what integrating faith and learning can really do.

Dr. Susan Jacob, dean of Union’s School of Nursing, says that nurses have had a long history of being attuned to the spiritual needs of their patients.

“Nurses have played a key role in bridging the gulf between physicians and clergy by suggesting that they talk with each other about the needs of the patients whom they have in common,” explains Jacob.

Chastain agrees.

“I was talking to a friend of mine several years ago and we both agreed that nursing is faith-based,” says Chastain. “I think it would be

harder for a non-Christian to be a caring nurse. They can take care of the physical needs, but they’re missing that faith foundation to care for the spiritual.”

For years that spiritual element of healing took a back seat to the scientific. Quite recently, however, scientific studies have supported the role of faith within the healing process, and all evidence indicates that religious activities like prayer and church attendance help recovery and even prevent illness.

“As far as utilizing a Christian worldview with nursing, it’s the same worldview that I have in my person life,” says Chastain. “I go back to the two greatest commandments – love the Lord with all your heart and love your neighbor as yourself. Both of these commandments include relationships, and I think that all throughout the Bible we learn that we have responsibility and accountability in all relationships, which can relate back to nurs-

ing. We have a relationship with those we care for.”

Shaping Minds

In classrooms all across the nation, students are quietly learning and studying – preparing to be the leaders of our nation’s future. From preschool through college, the role that faith should play in these classrooms has been the subject of great debate in secular communities – yet,



many Christian experts and scholars, however, believe faith is a natural component for training future teachers.

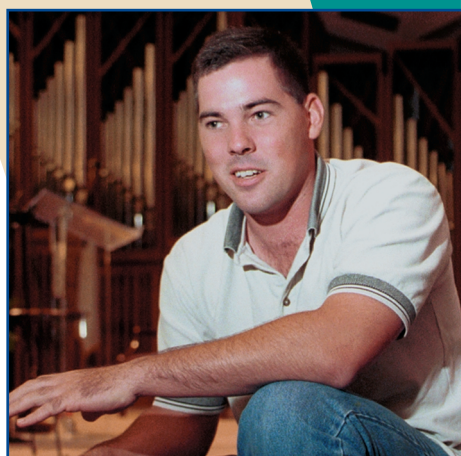
“Integration of faith and learning and living is the one thing that keeps you steady because you never have to stop and ask ‘how am I going to approach this?’ because it comes from the heart,” says Dr. Ralph Leverett, professor of special education and director of the Center for Educational Practice at Union.

“America’s founding fathers saw education and morality intertwined as one,” says Dr. Tom Rosebrough, dean of the School of Education and Human Studies. “They followed the model of Aristotle who advocated that knowledge and character development was vital in

the education of citizens. Without an educated citizenry to elect leaders, our democracy could not survive.”

Rosebrough adds that the university has an enormous responsibility to teach the whole person.

“While our worldviews over time do grow and become more refined and sophisticated, Christians know that some elements of their worldview do not change as society



changes,” explains Rosebrough. “The future is very bright for those Christian universities, like Union, that continue to focus on character formation because society needs them – we are just now realizing that life as we know it could become disastrous when people don’t know how to live.

“Christian higher education must focus on the model of Christ, who taught His disciples how to truly live,” says Rosebrough.

Changing Perceptions

Since the 1980s, greed and a cut-throat mentality that often ignores Christian ethics have characterized the business profession. By learning how to incorporate their faith into what they learn, Union students are


receiving strong academic preparation for becoming leaders in their chosen professions. Those same future leaders, however, are also being shaped to become leaders with a different spirit and Christ-like attitude.

“We strive to teach students good work ethic, to be diligent and continue with character formation as they work through developing their own Christian worldview,” says Dr.



Walton Padelford, professor of economics and interim dean of the School of Business Administration. The key, Padelford, says is basic Christian doctrine.

“It’s the Christian doctrines of the creation and fall of man,” explains Padelford. “The fall has impacted all of life and naturally makes our relationships difficult. Students need to know that when they go into the workplace they will have problems, which primarily exist because of sin. On the positive side, though, we need to learn to walk with Christ so we are able to respond correctly to those situations.”

A response which is sure to guarantee success in any occupation. 

The Fourth Estate

BY SARA HORN

Shapers of Worldview

Shaping worldview. Influencing public policy. While these responsibilities sound like that of a politician or lobbyist, many times it is the media that are the major players of shaping public opinion, whether through sensationalism or hard-nosed reporting. The media has often been referred to as the “Fourth Estate,” a label coined by an Englishman at the turn of the 20th century, implying that its power and influence on the country was equal to that of the three existing estates – the priesthood, aristocracy and the commons. The Fourth Estate offers a check and balance of sorts to the powers-that-be but the media today has increasingly undergone scrutiny and accusations of hidden agendas, biased reporting and liberal viewpoints. It’s certainly not a profession for a Christian or anyone with a faith in God. Or is it?

“I would say that working in the media is a difficult task,” says Kina Mallard, associate professor and chair of Union’s Department of Communication and Arts. “That’s mainly because media professionals are not supposed to shape any worldview. They do, but they can’t do it overtly and so therefore Christians in the media have a more difficult time purposely shaping a

worldview, unless they’re in Christian media.”

Mallard acknowledges, however, that even in the secular media, a worldview does come out.

“There’s more of a blurred line of pure journalism and editorializing than ever before,” says Mallard, pointing out that a reporter’s worldview can easily be seen in follow-up questions that they give to someone they are interviewing.



“When media personalities like Tom Brokaw interview people of faith, I can tell by the follow-up questions that they don’t share the same faith – on the other hand, I’ve seen other reporters who I’ve realized are believers simply because of what they’ve said in their questions and commentary,” explains Mallard.

David Aikman, a former correspondent for *Time* and chairman of a global fellowship of Christians in journalism, spoke recently at a conference at the National Press Club in Washington, D.C. on the challenges of good journalism.

“There is a function in journalism with good moral dynamics to it,” says Aikman. “True journalists want to know the truth, and the truth is more important than the side you support.”

“If you go into secular journalism, whether print or broadcast, you’re still practicing Christian principles because you’re involved in a search for truth,” says Steve Beverly, assistant professor of communication arts and a former news director for more than 20 years at several television news stations.

Beverly uses an article in one of his classes that illustrates the apostle Paul as the first journalist, because of the way he told stories.

“He presented it in a journalistic fashion, letters to Phillipi, letters to the Corinthians and there’s a common thread there of seeking the truth,” explains Beverly. “If you can understand and grasp that concept, then you understand that as a journalist, you’re upholding one of the most precious biblical principles that there is by merely aspiring to get into this field.”

Mallard admits that students who are going into the field are facing some tough challenges, but that they’re prepared when they leave Union.

"There's a tension there for Christian students who go into the secular media," says Mallard. "We want them to be out there, but they have to be ready for the challenge."


Beverly agrees.

"There are choices that graduates will be confronted with and those values that have hopefully been instilled in them while they're here will be what they turn to for overcoming those challenges," says Beverly. "The Christian attempts to live a life that can be an example for shaping someone else's. If you go into the media, the practice of reporting is designed to serve and help shape public opinion. If you practice the golden rule within the realm of what you do professionally, you're going to serve the same purpose and you have a lot of opportunity to reach a lot more people."

"Christians need to get into journalism," says Aikman. "They can change the environment just by being themselves."

"It starts with you," adds Mallard. "Integrity of who you are, your personal relationship with Jesus, and surrounding yourself with Christians to help you grow spiritually. No matter how strong your voice, how public your venue, if you don't have integrity of character, no one will listen and eventually you'll be found out."

"Not everyone is called to crusade the Christian culture in public, but we are called to be faithful in the small things – in what I say and what I do," says Mallard.

"How I act and how I represent the truth is a way to shape the world for Christ." 

Behind the Microphone

Keli McAlister, a 1997 graduate of Union, is currently a general assignment reporter at KWTW in Oklahoma City, Okla., and previously served as an anchor at WBBJ in Jackson, Tenn. In 1999, she was awarded the School Bell Award by the Tennessee Education Association for "outstanding educational reporting." Born in Seoul, South Korea, McAlister was raised in Ripley, Miss. She has a bachelor's degree in communication arts with a political science minor.

Does a member of the media's worldview, Christian or otherwise, come into play when reporting a story?

I think it's impossible for our worldviews not to come into play. It's naive to think a person can be completely unbiased. Our most personal beliefs and experiences form our worldview. It's part of what shapes who we are. It determines how we perceive and translate the things we hear and see. My job as a journalist is to understand that and try my best to remain as fair as humanly possible.

As a Christian, how hard is it to work in a profession that by some is considered faithless?

Working in any profession, not just the news business, is difficult. Maintaining your Christian walk is a constant battle. Sometimes the hard part is overcoming the viewers' perception that we're all faithless and liberal.



Did Sept. 11 change the way things are reported, either on a national or local scope?

We've definitely heard more mention of God and prayer on the national level. With Oklahoma in the heart of the Bible Belt, mentioning God or Christianity in our local coverage has never been an issue. However, on the national level, I think we've seen journalists less eager to cast doubt on those who profess their faith. Maybe all that we've seen and heard following September 11 has opened the minds of those who profess to be so open-minded.

How did your experience at Union prepare you for what you're doing today?

My years at Union gave me such an amazing foundation, not only to build my career but to ground my life. Knowing what's important and how to prioritize your life is so necessary in today's hectic world. Union helped me make those distinctions and really helped reinforce the importance of always putting God first.



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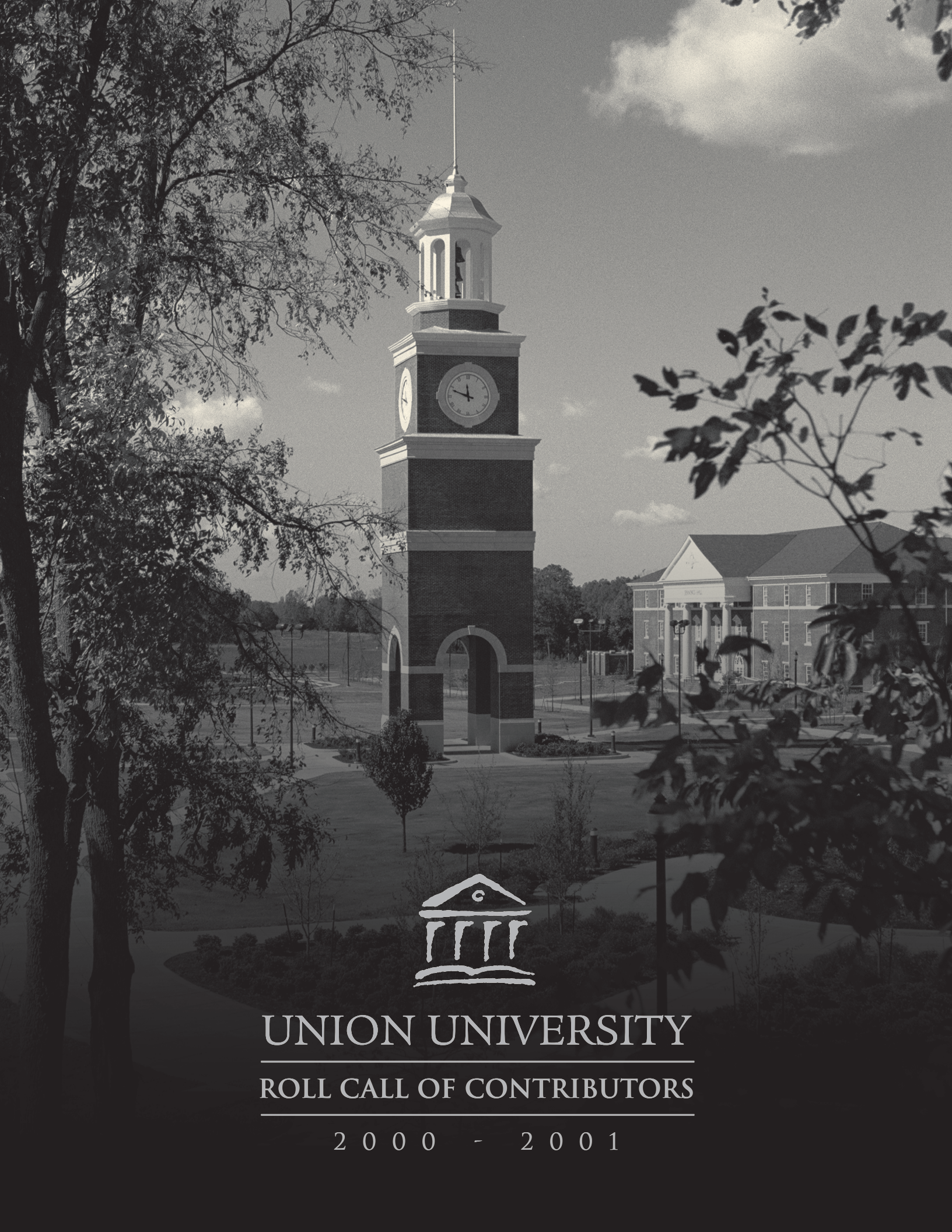
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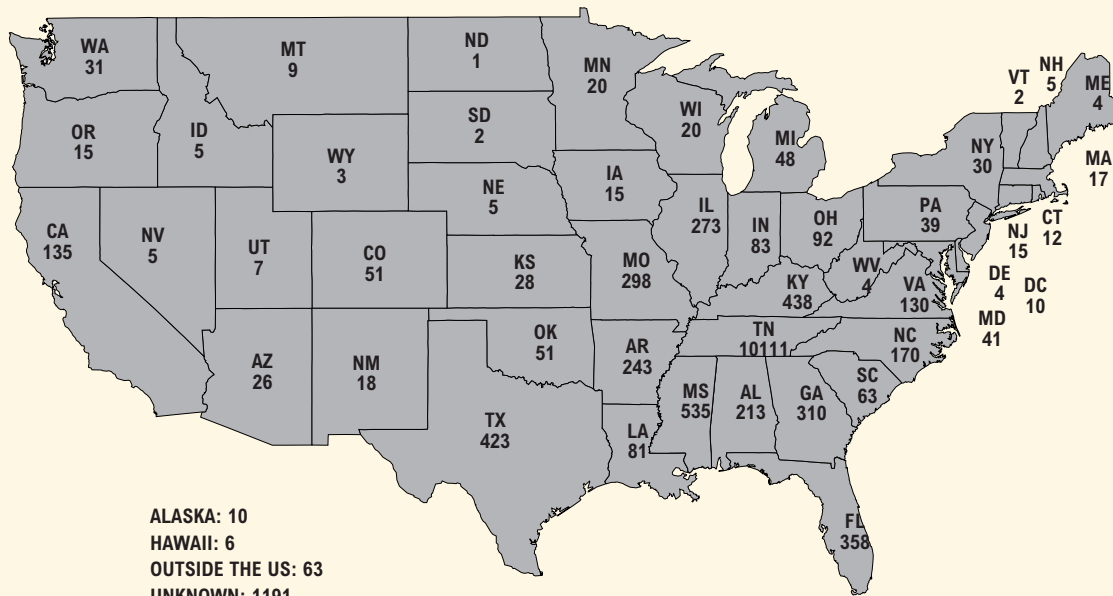
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Mrs. Nana C. Baraga
Mrs. Kathleen Bragg
Dr. V. Bradford Curry
Mrs. Mary W. Hart
Mr. William Edgar Holmes
Mrs. Elizabeth King
Mrs. Cynthia C. Lott
Dr. Charles Millican
Mrs. Frances Rollins
Ms. Tommie M. Stanphill
Mrs. Mary S. Townsend
Mr. Howard L. Vestal
Mr. Will N. Wilson

1942

Mrs. Frances Botts

Mrs. Jane H. Bruce
Mrs. Bibie C. Cooper
Dr. W. David Cooper ('92HD)
Mrs. Nelle J. Derington

Mr. Alexander H. Elliott
Mr. Joe L. Hudgins
Miss Mary Willene Neely

Mr. Chester H. Patton
Mrs. Mable G. Stevens
Dr. Donald R. Webb
Mrs. Frances T. Williams
Mrs. Dorothy Wilson

1943

Mrs. Claudia Balkum
Mrs. Martha Lynn Fisher
Mrs. Harriette M. Harp
Dr. Jack S. Kaley
Miss Wilma Lay
Rev. Walter C. Meredith
Mr. Glenn M. Mills
Mrs. Elizabeth Moore
Dr. Winfred Moore
Mr. Gillon (Buddy) Niceley
1944

Dr. O.

Mrs. Odelle Dulaney
Mrs. Helen Marie Hoogasian
Mr. J. V. Parker
Dr. H. Franklin Paschall ('56HD)
Mrs. Eva Claire Vestal
Mr. Andrew L. Williams
1945

Mrs. M

Mr. Elmer W. Counce
Mrs. Bettye Crocker
Dr. E. Gordon Crocker ('73HD)
Mrs. Christine Dannelley
Dr. Franklin Day
Dr. D. David Garland
Mrs. Ellenor H. Garland
Dr. Jerry L. Glisson ('67HD)

Dr. Joseph R. Mansfield
Rev. Chester R. Parker
Dr. Andrew B. Saunders
Mrs. Martha Ellen Stilwell

1946

Rev. Charles E. Cloyd
Mrs. Dorothy Day
Rev. S. Woodrow Debell
Rev. Thomas Drake
Mrs. Dorothy D. Hays
Mrs. Dorothy S. Luckey
Mrs. Jane Jones Turner Murray
Mrs. Mary K. Parker
Chap. Walter L. Phillips
Mrs. Mary Sowell

Judge

Dr. Curtis Vaughan
Mrs. Sarah Williamson
1947

Rev. M

Dr. Ernest P. Guy
Mrs. Anne A. Hartgraves
Ms. Dorise Turner Haynes
Mr. George B. Holland
Mrs. Rebecca R. Matthews
Dr. James P. McLemore
Mrs. Marjorie McLemore
Rev. W. T. Pillow
Rev. Chester L. Smith
Mrs. Katherine L. Smith
Mrs. Virginia P. Snyder
Mr. A. L. Stobaugh
Rev. King W. Thetford
Mr. Lucy E. Williams
1948

Mr. Au

Dr. Prince E. Claybrook
Ms. Frances E. Crosson
Mrs. Regina Dennison
Mr. John G. Dickinson
Ms. Evelyn Epps

Mrs. Helen Glisson
Mrs. Betty Hazard
Mrs. Gwen P. Huey
Mr. Robert L. Hundley
Mrs. Frances Millican
Mrs. Alice Mizell
Rev. Robert H. Mizell
Mrs. Ann T. Pope
Mr. Will H. Roberts
Mrs. Frances J. Sorrell
Mrs. Lucille D. Stevens
Mrs. Evelyn A. Vickery
Mrs. Anna M. White
Mrs. Marie Wiggins
Mrs. Carolyn Joy Williams

1949

Mrs. Lola C. Akin
Mr. Billy T. Armstrong
Mrs. Irene K. Bishop
Dr. George Clark
Mrs. Virginia Dickinson
Mrs. Shirley Drake (Deceased)
Dr. Carl J. Duck
Dr. James F. Eaves
Mrs. Jeane Eaves
Mrs. Frances Frankland
Mrs. Otha Gillham (Deceased)
Dr. F. Irvin Hays
Mr. Max Marshall
Judge E. Brooks McLemore
Mrs. Omeda Malone Moore
Mr. Robert K. Pearce
Mr. Elmer B. Roddy
Mrs. Georgia M. Singleton
Mr. George H. Sipes
Dr. Roy M. Smith
Dr. Herbert K. Sorrell ('76HD)
Ms. Janie Twaddle
Mrs. Joyce A. Wilson
Dr. Homer B. Woodward

Mr. F. Willard Vickery
Mr. William H. Vinson
Mr. Kermit W. Whitten
Mr. Charles Wright
1951
Mrs. Joy Carol Anthony
Dr. H. H. Barham
Rev. Hugh L. Callens
Mr. Joe M. Collins
Mr. George G. Crawford
Honorable William Frank Crawford
Mrs. Christine Fairless
Lt. Col. Mark W. Fairless
Mrs. Marian W. Forrest
Mr. Phil M. Gillham
Mrs. Mary Jane Hearn
Miss Margaret E. Johnson
Mr. Malcolm A. Jones
Mr. James E. Luna
Rev. Thomas S. Moncrief
Mr. James A. Phillips
Mr. T. Harold Pinkley
Mr. Jack H. Porter
Rev. Claude B. Richerson
Mrs. Martha E. Rowland
Rev. Hubert A. Sanderson
Rev. Ernest P. Scott
Dr. G. H. Surrette
Mr. George C. Wadlington
Mrs. Sally F. Webb
Mrs. Patricia Wills
Mrs. Jane Wilson
Rev. Keith Wilson
Mr. Lealon P. Yarber
1952
Dr. R. T. Blackstock
Mrs. Virginia Jo Dorn
Mr. Clayton N. Doty
Mr. Thomas A. Fail
Mr. George E. Fullerton
Mr. Robert L. Jones
Mrs. Shirley B. Knight

Mrs. Shirley A. Lawler
Mrs. Ramona Mercer
Mrs. Mabel M. Morgan
Mrs. Viola Phillips
Rev. Robert L. Scrivner
Mr. Charles H. Spain
Mrs. Margie Wadlington
Rev. Melvin H. Williams
Rev. James F. Yates
1953
Rev. William P. Affolter
Mr. Edgar Wingo Campbell
Ms. Dorothy Carlson
Mr. William L. Cottrell
Mrs. Bobbie Day
Dr. Kenneth Day
Rev. Byron R. Epps
Mrs. Isabel Reynolds Frye
Mr. Jerry A. Hunt
Mr. William J. Kelly
Mr. Fred K. Lawrence
Mrs. Nancy Houser Mays
Mrs. Mary H. McIntosh
Mrs. Geraldine Rainey
Mr. Glenn Rainey
Mr. Robert C. Rollins
Mrs. Betty J. Scrivner
Mrs. Mamon L. Shirley
Mrs. Betty Jo Steed
Dr. James L. Thomas (Deceased)
Mr. Everett Utley (Deceased)
Mrs. Lydia S. Utley
Mr. Charles H. Williams
Mr. William P. Wills
1954
Mr. Billy B. Cole
Mrs. Sue Crocker
Mrs. Paula I. Crosson
Rev. John L. Gilbert
Mrs. Jane M. Matthews
Mrs. Jane A. Miller
Dr. Lillian C. Parrish
Mr. Richard B. Penuel
Mrs. Shirley J. Thomas
1955
Mrs. Barbara J. Ammons
Mr. Kenneth W. Crocker
Mr. Troy Lewis
Dr. William F. Lisenby
Dr. Aubrey Lee Morris
Rev. Aubrey M. Neal
Mrs. Christine Rogers
Dr. Bettye J. Whiteaker
1956
Dr. Warren A. Alexander
Dr. Emmett A. Barnes
Mrs. LaNell Barnes
Mr. William J. Elam
Dr. R. G. Elliott ('93HD)
Mrs. Rebecca Anne Henley
Mrs. Beverly P. Houston
Mrs. Mary Ruth Hundley
Dr. Billy G. Hurt
Rev. Vance Marberry
Mrs. Joyce H. Moore
Mrs. Cecelia Norton
Mrs. Mary J. Powell
Mr. Billy F. Seratt
Mrs. Billie J. Sewell
Mr. Robert B. Sims
Dr. Bill C. Thomas
1957
Colonel William F. Bateman
Mr. Ershel V. Bird
Mrs. Sue T. Black
Dr. Charles Donald Cowan

Mrs. Sandra T. Crim
Dr. Carl Davenport
Rev. Thomas E. Duffey
Mr. Raymond H. Henderson
Mrs. Jo Anne Hopkins
Mrs. Mary R. Lambert
Mrs. Mary E. Maness
Mrs. Dorothy A. McCommon
Rev. Ernest G. McKay
Mrs. Katherine C. McKay
Dr. Robert C. Moore
Mr. James A. Nowell
Mrs. Janice Nowell
Mr. Edsel D. Pate
Mrs. Mary Janette Pate
Mrs. Betty J. Simmons
Mrs. Jean E. Smith (Deceased)
Mrs. Joyce M. Smith
Mr. Joe R. Swaim
Mrs. Mary J. Swaim
1958
Mrs. Mary N. Armstrong
Mrs. Jo F. Bateman
Mrs. Christine F. Bates
Mrs. Ruth Billings
Mrs. Ann Boston
Mr. Charles W. Hausser
Dr. Roger G. Murray ('84HD)
Rev. Jack C. Naylor
Mrs. Carolyn Nolan
Mrs. Margaret Loudean Sanders
Dr. Norris E. Smith
Mr. James A. Spencer
Mrs. Patricia A. Spencer
Mrs. Janie Williams
Dr. Hoyt Wilson
1959
Mrs. Dona R. Boyter
Mr. James S. Carter
Mrs. Barbara A. Crocker
Mrs. Barbara B. Croom
Mr. John Croom
Dr. John Dancy ('89HD)
Mrs. Florence D. Elliott
Dr. J. Rex Enoch
Mrs. Gayla H. Farrar
Rev. James B. Glisson
Mr. William W. Holmes
Mrs. Virginia Hudson
Mrs. Ellen M. Jones
Dr. Peter R. Jones
Mrs. Shirley Maynor
Mr. John K. Meadows
Mr. Daniel Thomas Murchison
Mr. Jerry P. Nowell
Mr. Johnny L. Orr
Mr. W. T. Powell
Mrs. Sandra F. Robertson
Mrs. Peggy J. Robinson
Rev. Thomas D. Robinson
Mr. Bruce W. Stephens
Dr. Kenneth P. Story
Mrs. Betty Stratton
1960
Dr. Bob R. Agee
Mrs. Eleanor R. Arbaugh
Rev. Raymond A. Boston
Ms. Marie Burkhead
Mrs. Rose M. Carver
Mr. William G. Carver
Dr. Max A. Crocker
Mr. Earl E. Dowdy
Mr. Danny L. Dunagan
Mrs. M. Nancy Enoch
Rev. James A. Ferguson
Mr. John A. Henderson

Mrs. Jacqueline G. Hibbett
Mr. Gordon R. Hopkins
Mrs. Betty A. Molen
Rev. J. Darrell Molen
Ms. Carolyn A. Morse
Mrs. Sally Morse
Mrs. Betty L. Northup
Mr. William D. Sheppard
Mrs. Mary S. Shock
Mrs. Elsie Smith
Dr. Jerol B. Swaim
Mrs. Alma J. Sweeney
1961
Dr. Bassell Alexander
Mrs. W. Jean Allmon
Mr. Kenneth L. Arnold
Mr. Thomas A. Butler
Mrs. Macqueline Ann Cowan
Mr. Robert A. Cummings
Mrs. Lealice Dehoney
Mr. Robert F. Dills
Mr. Lenny L. Ellis
Mr. W. Polk Glover
Mr. Robert L. Haynie
Mrs. Patricia A. Howerton
Mr. Jack L. Maddox
Dr. Carolyn McAfee ('96HD)
Dr. James T. McAfee ('90HD)
Mr. Raymond E. Mott
Mrs. Mary L. Orr
Mrs. Kay D. Pafford
Miss Peggy S. Stanfill
Dr. James L. Steed
Mr. Allen A. Tinker
Rev. Max T. Walker
Mrs. Nancy G. Wilson
Mr. James A. Wood
1962
Mrs. Diana C. Baskin
Dr. Harry L. Bowman
Mr. Roy D. Collomp
Mrs. Patricia A. Cox
Dr. Jeffrey Glenn Davis
Mrs. Martha J. Dye
Mr. J. Guy Gee
Mr. David K. Glisson
Mr. W. Keith Huffman
Mr. R. Wayne Johnson
Mr. Jere M. Ledsinger
Mrs. Emily J. Monika
Mrs. Barbara Lynn Moore
Mr. Larry Moore
Mr. Donald R. Morris
Dr. James Kenneth Newman
Mrs. Mary H. Patterson
Dr. Lewis G. Sewell
Mrs. Gertie Sheffield
Mrs. Laura L. Sheppard
Mrs. Beverly A. Steed
Mr. Thomas R. Vance
Rev. Joe Weaver
Dr. Jerrell G. White
Mrs. Betty L. Woodford
Rev. Paul W. Woodford
1963
Mrs. Mona N. Allday
Mrs. Delma J. Austin
Dr. Jerry M. Baskin
Mrs. Ann Bendall
Mrs. Carol F. Brock
Mr. Delbert R. Coggins
Mrs. Gwendolyn Collins
Mr. Kinnie A. Dismuke
Rev. Arthur Ray Dixon
Ms. Rebecca R. Holt
Rev. Roy H. Jones

Miss L. S. Lyon
Mr. James Martin Rogers
Mrs. Sandra Taylor
Dr. Charles E. Timberlake
Mrs. Elsie B. Troutman
Dr. Richard L. Wakefield
Dr. Paul E. Williams ('81HD)
1964
Dr. David Blackstock
Mrs. Shelia J. Cox
Mrs. Sandra L. Enriquez
Mr. Ernest Freeman
Mrs. Becky M. Haynie
Mrs. Janice G. Jones
Mrs. Betty Keen
Mrs. Jannette B. Lovett
Mrs. Frances E. Meyer
Dr. Robert W. (Bob) Newell
Dr. Thomas D. Parnell
Mr. Jerry T. Peters
Mrs. Barbara B. Powers
Mr. William E. Powers
Mrs. Barbara S. Pruitt
Mr. Vaughan M. Pruitt
Mr. Larry E. Ray
Mrs. Connie H. Sanders
Mr. Larry G. Snead
Dr. J. Larry Wilson
1965
Mr. Jim Austin
Mr. Joe Richard Bobbitt
Mr. Robert M. Champlin
Ms. Barbara S. Durham
Mr. Ted W. Fuson
Mr. Jerry Kuykendall
Dr. Johnny W. Lott
Mr. John R. Moore
Mr. Robert R. Quint
Mr. Carlos E. Rodriguez
Mr. Norman E. (Gene) Shepard
Mrs. Sandra Williams
1966
Mrs. Dera A. Ashby
Mrs. Jacqueline F. Bobbitt
Mrs. Alice M. Carruthers
Dr. Seigfred Fagerberg
Rev. Jerry L. Foust
Mr. Joe H. Hammonds
Mrs. Sandra M. Harman
Mr. Charles E. Hedspeth
Mrs. Joyce Montgomery Henderson
Dr. Baylon L. Hilliard
Mr. Robert T. Hollingshead
Mrs. Carol L. Johnson
Dr. Carolyn J. Lott
Mrs. Mildred H. Merz
Mrs. Eleanor S. Minick
Rev. Billy Wayne Pearce
Dr. Jesse M. Price
Mrs. Betty R. Robison
Mrs. Mary L. Talbert
1967
Mrs. Carolyn Curry
Mrs. Karen S. Fagerberg
Mrs. Dolores H. Gilmore
Mrs. Eleanor J. Hilliard
Dr. John C. Jennings
Rev. Phillip L. Lovelace
Mr. Johnny D. Meals
Mrs. Donna J. Willis
Mrs. Dianne Wilson
1968
Mrs. Jane Alderson
Mr. Robert E. Alderson
Mrs. Garvalene Byrd
Ms. Nancy F. Collins

Mr. William T. Davis
Mr. Barry E. Dotson
Mrs. Camille Dotson
Mr. Eddie Dougan
Mr. Harold L. Gilmore
Mr. David O. Gray
Mr. Charles N. Hailey
Mr. Robert L. Jones
Mrs. D. Elizabeth Kennedy
Mr. Charles R. Knight
Mrs. Donna Latham
Miss Lynn K. Melton
Mrs. Mary N. Nicholson
Mr. Gary W. Oller
Mr. Lester H. Poppenheimer
Mrs. Betty R. Rowland
Mrs. Johnnie K. Shepard
Mr. Waymon A. Smith
Dr. Ronald P. Sykes
Mr. Charles P. Taylor
Mrs. Dianne S. Taylor
Mrs. Susan S. Todd
Mr. John T. Wade
Dr. Thomas L. Willis
Dr. G. Dennis Wilson
Mr. Melvern N. Wondel
1969
Mrs. Dianne H. Browning
Mr. James M. Bryan
Mrs. Judith Deberry
Dr. Thomas E. Elam
Ms. Ann Davis Findlan
Mrs. Julia Futral
Mr. John D. Haltom
Mrs. Lynda Jackson
Mr. Robert M. Jelks
Mr. Mark H. Luttrell
Mr. Larry McBryde
Mrs. Melinda E. Meals
Mrs. Linda B. Overton
Ms. M. Lynn Patton
Mr. J. Nick Phillips
Mrs. Marla Phillips
Dr. Mike Short
Mr. Roger D. Williams
Mr. Daniel L. Wood
Dr. Beverly W. Youree
1970
Dr. Giovanni M. Bonds
Rev. P. Franklin Crosby
Dr. Jimmy Davis
Mr. Harry D. Durbin
Mrs. Patricia A. Gentry
Mrs. Becky S. Gerson
Dr. Donald R. Hopper
Mrs. Elizabeth P. James
Mrs. Sue E. Jennings
Mr. Donald H. Lindsey
Mrs. Elizabeth A. Motley
Mr. John A. Norvell
Mrs. Betty S. Parrish
Mrs. Harriet H. Pontius
Mr. Lonnie Searcy
Mrs. Catherine E. Siler
Mr. David R. Simmons
Mr. Charles Stanford
Dr. Linn Stranak
Mr. George E. Sutton
Mrs. Janis E. Truex
Dr. Carol H. Weaver
Mrs. Melanie K. Wood
Mr. Daniel A. Wynn
1971
Mr. Glenn M. Alsop
Dr. Bruce B. Brown
Mrs. Juanita J. Dunlap

Mr. Carroll W. Griffin	Mr. Robert F. Martin	Mrs. Mary Pat Spellings	Miss Deana R. Wood	Mr. Scott Lavelle
Mrs. Gloria D. Hailey	Mrs. Sharon Parks	Mrs. Susan D. Turner	1981	Mr. Rick H. McCown
Mr. Michael W. Hillard	Dr. Michael Pennington	Mrs. Sharon L. Ward	Mrs. Linda Bartholomew	Rev. James A. Pinkston
Mrs. Jane Hopkins	Mr. B. Lyle Rich	Mrs. Robin Watters	Ms. Jinni Leigh Blalack	Miss Elizabeth A. Pinner
Mr. Kenneth C. Krei	Mr. James B. Shanklin	Mr. Eddie L. Yaun	Mr. John E. Cole	Miss Toni L. Simmons
Mr. Robert J. Ledbetter	Mr. W. Russell (Buddy) Siler	1978	Mrs. Paula J. Cole	Mr. David Skelton
Mr. J. Randal Little	Dr. Ann Singleton	Mrs. Pamela Denise Simmons Andrews	Dr. George Guthrie	Mrs. Susan L. Walker
Mrs. Rachell J. Mathis	Mr. J. Lyle Smith	Dr. Ron Barry	Miss Frances M. Hamm	Mr. Walter G. Warren
Mrs. Bobbie R. Monger	Dr. Teresa Trull West	Mrs. Corine W. Bass	Mrs. Susan H. Hopper	1985
Mr. George E. Norvell	Dr. Carolyn L. Whaley	Rev. Scott E. Brewer	Rev. David A. Jett	Mr. J. Scot Finley
Mrs. Nancy Randall	Mr. Roy L. Whaley	Mr. Johnny D. Burleson	Mrs. Lisa F. Lewis	Mrs. Tina R. Giddens
Dr. Donna K. Wallace	1975	Mrs. Pamela J. Burleson	Mrs. Karla L. Luckman	Mr. Rodney D. Hari
Mr. Robert T. Weaver	Mrs. Judy M. Black	Mr. James P. Carnes	Dr. W. Art Luckman	Mrs. Debbie L. Jamison
Mrs. Dale Williams	Mrs. Johnnie H. Bryan	Mrs. Carol H. Dickerson	Miss Connie L. Magers	Mr. Jeffrey E. Kitchens
Rev. Gary N. Williams	Mr. James R. Buie	Mrs. Elise C. Dumser	Miss Melanie Marcom	Miss Lisa G. McCollum
Rev. Gerald S. Wood	Ms. Garva Jean Byrd	Dr. Thomas E. Dumser	Dr. Barbara McMillin	Mrs. Janet A. McEwen
1972	Mr. Gary L. Carter	Mr. Rusty A. Eason	Miss Karen McWherter	Mrs. Susan L. McNulty
Mrs. Jane G. Adams	Mrs. Kathie Cepparulo	Mrs. Cynthia L. Fish	Mrs. Mathilde H. Ohl	Rev. Michael Meredith
Dr. Michael L. Adams	Rev. Paul B. Clark, Jr.	Mrs. Teresa D. Henson	Mr. Van F. Porter	Mrs. Kelly R. Mitchell
Mr. Stephen B. Bell	Mr. Gary M. Grisham	Mrs. Julie Freeman Heyman	Dr. B. Andrew Roby	Mrs. Jan S. Outlaw
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Mr. Ray Droke	Mrs. Danice M. Halton	Ms. Irene R. Mickens Lancaster	Mrs. Amanda M. Steele	Mr. Bobby Caudle Rogers
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Mrs. Kay Daniel Griffin	Mrs. Nancy Jones	Mrs. Ruth Phillips	Mr. Randy D. Wadlington	Mrs. Paula Simpson
Rev. Richard N. Holloman	Mrs. Julia F. Kipp	Mrs. Mary L. Tucker	Mrs. Teri F. Walker	Mr. Richard A. Sumner
Mrs. B. Zangara Holmes	Dr. Richard H. Long	Mr. Jackie Vaughan	Miss Linda C. Warlick	Mrs. Alicia C. Wytswal
Dr. Betty Ruth Hopper	Ms. Jean A. McBride	Ms. Tera L. Yoshimura	Mr. Jerry M. Warren	1986
Mrs. Joyce P. Hunter	Dr. Pat Morris	1979	Mr. Thomas W. Wood	Mrs. Suzanne Barham
Rev. Paul Mount	Rev. Malcolm B. Norton	Mrs. Elaine Owen Chambless	1982	Mr. Frank Christie
Mrs. Valerie J. Mount	Mrs. Sandra R. Rich	Mr. Colbert Chung C. Chan	Mr. John David Barham	Mrs. Emily Dunn
Mrs. Movelie S. Murdock	Ms. Beverly P. Smothers	Mrs. Sandra M. Clark	Mrs. Teresa A. Barnhill	Mrs. Betsy L. Elrod
Dr. William F. Northcott	Mrs. Leta F. Stillwagon	Mr. Troy R. Clark	Mrs. Doretha H. Harvey	Dr. Charles A. Fowler
Mrs. Phyllis Parrott	Ms. Winetta Dukes Tassin	Mr. Richard Dickerson	Mrs. Kathy M. Jett	Mr. Kent Freeman
Mrs. Pamela Reviere	Dr. Pamela Youngblood	Mrs. Patsy J. Foust	Mr. Robert N. Madu	Mrs. Sherry P. Freeman
Mr. John K. Roberts	1976	Mr. Steven William Gibson	Rev. Leland L. Parks	Mrs. Robyn A. Hari
Mr. R. C. Rogers	Dr. L. Darwin Brooks	Mrs. Kay D. Gower	Mr. Charles B. Staples	Mrs. Melanie G. Harrelson
Dr. Michael U. Smith	Dr. David Q. Byrd ('76HA) ('78HD)	Mrs. Denise M. Jones	Mrs. Virginia A. Wilkins	Mrs. Kelly R. May
Mrs. Sherry R. Tignor	Mr. Robert F. Campbell	Mr. Richard Lambert	1983	Mr. Samuel T. Newman
Mrs. Carolyn R. Tomlin	Mrs. Jeanne Cole	Mr. James D. Lewis	Miss Sandra Allen	Mrs. Victoria L. Norton
Mr. Phillip I. Turner	Ms. Janice M. Davis	Mr. Stanley O. May	Mr. Steven B. Babcock	Mrs. Cynthia J. Pattat
Mr. Lorenzo Tyson	Mrs. Lyndia J. Fuller	Mrs. C. J. (Carpenter) McCormack	Mrs. Donna Leann Cherry	Dr. R. W. Rhear ('86HA)
Mrs. Becky S. Wilhoite	Mrs. Susan Gillmann Greene	Dennis McKinnie	Mrs. Sarah N. Chumney	Miss Leanne Robbins
Mrs. Teresa Wood	Dr. Mark E. Howard	Dr. Tony N. Phillips	Mrs. Donna J. Cook	Mr. Michael A. Rodriguez-Chapman
1973	Mrs. Rebecca Joy Pitt Howard	Miss Lydia C. Primm	Mrs. Deborah E. Currie	Mrs. Marilyn Rogers
Mrs. Kathy Belew	Dr. Norma J. Humphreys	Mrs. Susan G. Ray	Mr. Lynn Gibson	Rev. Chuck T. Sikler
Mrs. Roi-Ann Bettez	Mr. Charles H. Lipe	Mrs. Sylvia W. Stone	Mrs. Carol Lynn Holt	Mrs. Carla Sohns
Mrs. Brenda K. Davidson	Dr. Michael A. McBride	Dr. Cheryl J. Zimmerman	Mr. M. Kenneth Holt	Mrs. Doris M. Stepp
Mrs. Kathryn A. Davis	Dr. R. Louis Murphy	1980	Mrs. Cynthia Leach	Mrs. Denise Stookey
Mrs. Cathy D. Drewry	Ms. Deborah Murray	Mrs. Lori Bayless	Mrs. Christine D. Menzel	Mrs. Piper L. Taylor
Mrs. Valerie F. Fitch	Mrs. Janice R. Murray	Mrs. S. Denise Bell	Mrs. Luanne Powell	Dr. Timothy Lynn Tucker
Mr. Howard L. Fuller	Dr. L. Joseph Rosas	Mr. Ken Butler	Mrs. Mary D. Roby	Mrs. Patricia Wolford Warren
Mrs. Sandra J. Hartz	Mr. Andy Rushing	Miss Carol L. Coats	Dr. Lisa W. Rogers	Dr. Christopher D. Williams
Mr. Dwayne Jennings	Mr. Tommy J. Sadler	Miss Sharon L. Dixon	Mrs. Sandra L. Sales	1987
Mr. Richard Lewelling	Mrs. Sheila Swearingen	Mrs. Anita Edlund	Mr. Bret Scott	Mr. Joe B. Baker
Rev. Mike Mathis	Mr. James R. Thomason	Mr. Arthur L. Elder	Mrs. Mary E. Scott	Mrs. Jane B. Barron
Ms. Belinda McEwen	Mrs. Kathy J. Treharne	Mrs. Gail A. Forbis	Mrs. Janet C. Staples	Rev. R. Eric Barron
Mr. Thomas L. (Tom) Roark	Mr. Marvin Wilkins	Mrs. Kathryn F. Fuchs	Rev. Joseph A. Thomason	Mrs. Lisa H. Brown
Mr. Gaylon Sherrod	Mrs. Linda Thomas Woolsey	Mrs. Donna L. Hardy	Mrs. Karen Vest	Dr. Paul B. Clark ('87HD)
Mrs. Beth Simmons	1977	Mrs. Debra B. Herbst	Mrs. Roxie Lynne Whitley	Mr. C. Carlton Gerrell
Dr. Randall P. Staples	Dr. Wayne Day	Mr. Norman O. Hill	Mr. Tracy Wilkins	Mr. Ronnie Gaylon Giddens
Dr. Wayne Wofford	Mrs. Janis F. Fite	Mrs. Kathy S. Hopper	Miss Ann G. Williams	Mr. Robert W. (Robbie) Graves
1974	Mrs. Susan C. Frizzell	Dr. Timothy N. Hutchison	Mrs. Virginia B. Zachry	Dr. Jennifer L. Howell
Mr. James R. Belew	Mrs. Judith H. Gerhardt	Mr. James S. Kirk	1984	Mrs. Dana L. Lavelle
Mrs. Bonnie B. Boohaker	Mrs. Cheryl A. Greene	Mrs. Shiela A. Knox	Mrs. Carol A. Ashe-Bigger	Mr. Thomas M. Magee
Miss Debra L. Burton	Mrs. Bonnie J. Hadley	Miss Leesa D. Law	Mrs. Dartha Jane Babcock	Mr. Steven W. Maroney
Mrs. Rita Christian	Mrs. Lisa M. Hester	Mr. John D. Lewelling	Mrs. Katrina D. Bradfield	Mrs. Jennifer A. McEuen
Mrs. Carolyn A. Cothron	Dr. Teresa D. Holimon	Ms. Felicia A. Lott	Rev. Jimmy Breedlove	Mr. Bill J. Moore
Mr. Leland A. Cothron	Mrs. Debbra Murphy	Mrs. Rose G. McCaferty	Mrs. Mary Helen Cameron	Mr. Paul M. Olexa
Dr. Philip R. Glisson	Rev. James Parker	Ms. Irene C. Morris	Mrs. Cynthia P. Deaton	Mr. Dwight F. Porter
Mrs. Jennifer J. Hawtof	Mr. Randall W. Phillips	Mr. Jeffrey D. Moser	Mr. Ben D. Fesmire	Mrs. Sharon C. Punch
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Miss Marilyn A. Johnsey	Mr. Sidney H. Pinner	Mr. Charles D. Roberts	Mrs. Paula J. Gibson	Mr. Joseph R. Threlkeld
Mr. Greg Jordan	Mrs. Karen M. Priebe	Mr. Robert Simpson	Miss Sherry Griffin	Mrs. Beverly A. Wheeler
Mrs. Melinda A. Krei	Mrs. Barbara C. Radtke	Mr. David A. Steele	Mrs. Annette A. Hardcastle	Dr. Janice L. Williams
Mrs. Patricia A. Lewallen	Mr. Gary A. Ray	Mrs. Joy Nell Truex	Mr. Kelly A. Hardcastle	Mrs. Lori C. Williams
Mrs. Janice C. Lewelling	Mrs. Regina A. Smith	Mrs. Lynda Weatherly	Miss Leslie B. Hughes	Miss Shirley Wong

1988

Mrs. Marsha L. Barclay
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Mrs. April C. Christie
Mr. Bart L. Damons
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Mrs. Sandra E. Fowler
Mrs. Norma R. Gerrell
Mr. Gregory L. Glover
Mr. Vern J. Hamilton
Dr. Joseph S. Hunter
Mrs. Debbie Madoni-Lewis
Mr. Steven B. McCormick
Mrs. Michelle R. McIlwain
Mr. J. Brian Norton
Mr. Roderic W. Parker
Mrs. Gaye Phillips
Mr. Marty R. Phillips
Mr. Roger E. Poindexter
Mrs. Douglass D. Power
Dr. Jennifer L. Powers
Dr. Mark Milton Ring

1989

Dr. Michele R. Whaley Atkins
Mrs. Joann Breedlove
Mrs. Janna D. Coleman
Mrs. Melody H. Collier
Dr. John S. Drinnon ('89 HA)
Ms. Susan M. Gillpatrick
Mrs. Cynthia Todd Graham
Mrs. Delana C. Hampton
Mrs. Tracy S. Hunter
Mrs. Lana L. Jones
Mr. Chip Leake
Mrs. Melinda M. Leake
Mrs. Holly A. Maroney
Mr. Carson McIlwain
Mrs. Veronica Miller
Mrs. Kristen L. Murray
Mr. Jeffrey W. Perkins
Mrs. Katherine Anne Carter Pope
Miss Kennda W. Ross
Mrs. Carol D. Shannon
Mr. C. Jerome Teel
Mrs. Jennifer L. Teel

1990

Mr. Chandler J. Barron
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Mr. Dale R. Charlton
Mrs. Tonya Jean Ross Damons
Mr. Donald C. Deaton
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Mrs. Michelle McFarland
Mr. Duane P. Murray
Mr. Bryan E. Ready
Mrs. Dana L. Rouse
Miss Jane A. Schoore
Mrs. Melissa M. Tiebout
Mrs. Martha R. Tinsley
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Mrs. Jewell F. Webster
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1991

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ALUMNI GIVING STATISTICS BY CLASS YEAR

Year	Amount Given	Number Giving	% of Class Giving	Year	Amount Given	Number Giving	% of Class Giving
Golden Years	\$3,980.00	17	9.10%	1978	\$1,622.50	21	8.20%
1935	\$400.00	4	20.00%	1979	\$5,044.00	19	7.00%
1936	\$1,600.00	6	24.00%	1980	\$4,465.34	29	9.80%
1937	\$660.00	4	18.20%	1981	\$8,435.50	26	8.20%
1938	\$4,945.00	14	38.90%	1982	\$422.46	8	2.30%
1939	\$350.00	4	14.80%	1983	\$11,613.64	24	6.60%
1940	\$2,575.00	11	19.30%	1984	\$17,465.00	21	4.60%
1941	\$3,860.00	14	30.40%	1985	\$2,014.84	17	4.50%
1942	\$8,820.00	13	25.50%	1986	\$6,025.92	25	6.60%
1943	\$1,045.00	10	25.60%	1987	\$3,989.50	23	5.70%
1944	\$4,300.00	7	18.90%	1988	\$6,352.50	21	5.30%
1945	\$710.00	13	25.00%	1989	\$2,610.00	22	5.30%
1946	\$4,465.00	13	22.00%	1990	\$652.50	16	3.90%
1947	\$35,769.00	15	34.10%	1991	\$1,840.95	19	4.20%
1948	\$4,460.00	21	36.80%	1992	\$5,472.50	25	5.00%
1949	\$7,280.00	24	24.20%	1993	\$2,306.00	19	4.30%
1950	\$5,402.50	37	23.30%	1994	\$1,148.59	14	3.60%
1951	\$8,620.50	29	27.90%	1995	\$1,210.01	21	5.00%
1952	\$3,410.00	16	16.30%	1996	\$4,019.00	12	3.00%
1953	\$2,507.50	24	19.70%	1997	\$2,342.38	27	7.20%
1954	\$1,584.50	9	15.00%	1998	\$638.00	22	5.70%
1955	\$3,117.50	8	10.80%	1999	\$854.00	29	6.30%
1956	\$3,577.50	17	22.40%	2000	\$1,961.67	31	5.60%
1957	\$4,506.50	24	27.60%	2001	\$200.00	1	0.30%
1958	\$1,970.00	15	17.60%				
1959	\$6,202.50	26	21.80%		\$408,581.83	1265	
1960	\$4,397.50	24	20.70%				
1961	\$19,695.00	24	21.20%				
1962	\$4,166.50	26	17.10%				
1963	\$11,697.50	18	12.70%				
1964	\$1,975.00	20	14.10%				
1965	\$4,448.69	12	8.60%				
1966	\$3,594.31	19	12.20%				
1967	\$382.50	9	6.00%				
1968	\$4,162.50	30	13.30%				
1969	\$17,342.03	20	7.40%				
1970	\$19,471.68	24	11.90%				
1971	\$23,002.82	19	9.80%				
1972	\$7,715.00	26	14.20%				
1973	\$2,382.50	17	8.60%				
1974	\$38,945.50	24	10.30%				
1975	\$14,755.50	22	10.60%				
1976	\$6,600.00	23	10.60%				
1977	\$5,022.50	21	8.60%				

Gifts from alumni with only honorary alumni status/honorary doctorate recipients are not included in the final statistics.

TOP 10 IN % OF CLASS GIVING

Year	Amount Given	#Giving	% of Class
1938	\$4,945.00	14	38.90%
1948	\$4,460.00	21	36.80%
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1941	\$3,860.00	14	30.40%
1951	\$8,620.50	29	27.90%
1957	\$4,506.50	24	27.60%
1943	\$1,045.00	10	25.60%
1942	\$8,820.00	13	25.50%
1945	\$710.00	13	25.00%
1949	\$7,280.00	24	24.20%

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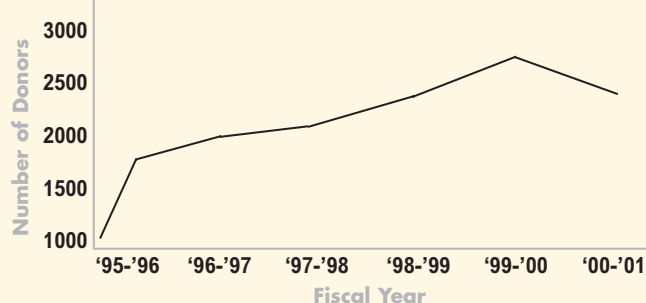
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the identity and purpose of Union University

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“We must bring students to a mature reflection of what the Christian faith means for every field of study. In doing so we can help develop a grace-filled convictional community of learning.” – President David S. Dockery, Fall Convocation 2001.

For the past six years, Union University, under the vision and leadership of President David S. Dockery, has focused on this task. Administration, faculty, staff, and students alike have embraced the idea that Christianity is not just for the chapel or a missions trip – it is a worldview that can be applied to every area of life. By offering a grace-filled community that encourages value-based thinking, students are being given a firm foundation and a strong Christian worldview that is equipping them for whatever field or occupation they want to enter.

Addressing Union’s identity and mission this year during Fall Convocation, Dockery explained that while the university has wonderful relationships with churches and a growing missions program, Union is still primarily and distinctively an academic institution.

“I believe it can be said that Union, along with other Christian colleges and universities, represents the academic division of the Kingdom enterprise,” said Dockery. “We want to see students take what they are learning and apply it in the world in the spirit of Christian servanthood.”

Dockery stressed that while Union remains denominationally loyal, outreach is continually being expanded to other Christian groups who share similar visions and values.

“This commitment to academic excellence and to the churches of our

Lord Jesus Christ shapes our identity and understanding of what it means to be an institution that is Baptist by tradition and evangelical by conviction,” said Dockery.

Part of that identity is to maintain the grace-filled community of learning that those on Union’s campus are pursuing with a passion, says Todd Brady, minister to the university, giving as an example, the philosophy behind Union’s Campus Ministries.

“We have a different approach than a lot of other Christian colleges,” admits Brady. “Our desire is to partner with the other members and departments of the university. Ministry is not something that only the Office of Campus Ministries does at Union, it’s something that we all do together.”

Brady explains that at Union, there is not one specific organization of ministry that a student belongs to



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– rather his office acts as a facilitator in the lives of all students. By partnering with staff and faculty, the university as a whole is responsible for encouraging each student in his or her individual walk with God.

“Our staff and faculty, especially, seem to have such a desire to get involved with students not just in the classroom, but outside of it and in the community,” says Kevin Ward, a senior from Plant City, Fla. “They’re not just professors, they’re people who are really making a difference in the lives of others, and part of what Union is all about is staying people-focused – and that’s what’s happening – you can see it all over campus.”

“Union University serves the church and society because we believe that God is sovereign over church and society and that Christians belong to both spheres,” said Dockery. “We are not called to

rule over the world, at least in this age, but to relate to it and seek to influence it for good within the framework of a Christian worldview.

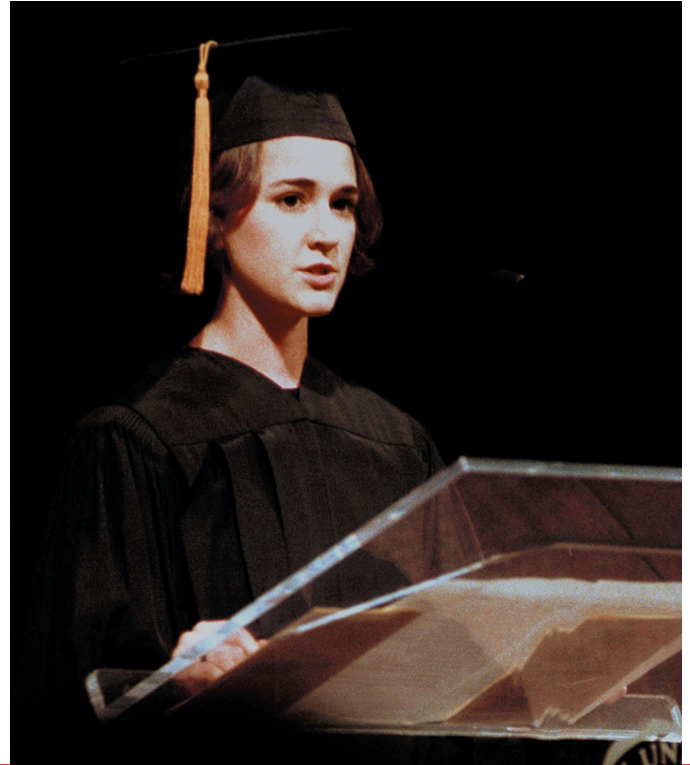
“As a result, we can and should gladly encourage students to pursue any and all morally upright secular vocations, if indeed that is their calling from God – not as a second-rate vocation – but as a work where they can serve God and others.”

Supporting the university’s philosophy of a grace-filled community is a new mission and identity statement that was recently unanimously adopted by the Board of Trustees at their annual fall meeting. For more than 18 months, a committee made up of administration, staff and faculty had worked on a revision of the previous statement, updating it so that the purpose of Union University would be communicated clearly to the students and faculty.

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The statement reads, in part, that the university is “an academic community, affiliated with the Tennessee Baptist Convention, equipping persons to think Christianly and serve faithfully in ways consistent with its core values of being Christ-centered, people-focused, excellence-driven, and future-directed.” The mission of Union University is to provide “Christ-centered education that promotes excellence and character development in service to Church and society.”

“We maintain that one of the primary goals of a liberal arts based education, formed by faith, is the development of a coherent Christian worldview,” stated Dockery, who added that the reality is that everyone has some kind of a worldview, though not everyone’s is coherent. “A Christian worldview is not just one’s personal faith expression, not just a

theory. It is an all-consuming way of life, applicable to all spheres of life. The worldview foundations of academic disciplines and professional practice are therefore critical.”

Dockery said that our purpose as Christians is to not rule the world, but relate to it in such a way that we seek to influence it for good, within a framework of a Christian worldview.

“Thus we can and should gladly encourage students to pursue any and all morally upright secular vocations, if indeed that is their calling from God—not as a second-rate vocation—but as a work where they can serve God and others,” said Dockery. “This can happen not by escaping culture nor identifying with it, but by engaging it through Christian thinking and Christ-like service with the goal of influencing it ultimately for God’s glory.” 

Stepping outside the classroom

Union students put their worldview into action

Before student Dan Dillingham stepped foot on Union's campus in 1998, he had never heard of a Christian worldview.

"It was a challenge to me to think about what I believe and what God has said truth is," says Dillingham, a sports management major who's from Dawson Springs, Ky. As he began to explore further, God began to deepen his desire to understand truth. "I became challenged and convicted to see the world as Christ sees the world."

A senior this year, Dillingham now knows that being a Christian is more than just wearing a label.

"A Christian worldview is a part of who you are," says Dillingham. "It's how you live your life and because of that our understanding of it must con-

stantly grow. During my time here at Union, I've been challenged by faculty and staff alike to think Christianly within every aspect of my life. I know that God should not only be God of my heart but also the center of my mind and my strength."

This year more than 2600 students like Dan are enrolled at Union. Many of these students come specifically because of its reputation for strong emphasis on the Christian faith. Students frequently hear that Union is unapologetically Christian which has become a major selling point the university has used to establish a community of students, faculty and staff who are constantly seeking Christ in all areas of their lives.

But what exactly does that mean? What is Union trying to

impart to its students as a Christian institution of higher education? The answer is a simple one but not one simply defined – a Christian worldview. Union seeks to help students understand



and develop a worldview that does not stop in the rhetoric of classroom theory but that is an active part of students' everyday life.

"Union is encouraging and supportive of the development of a Christian worldview," says Dillingham. "The people at Union show love to students as Christ loves. It ministers to students in time of change in their lives and challenges us to think biblically, realizing that God has given us a purpose to know and please Him."

Dillingham has had opportunity to apply and expand his Christian worldview and increase his global view as well by participating in GO Trips, sponsored by Campus Ministries. In his travels to Uruguay and Morocco, he's enjoyed being able to share his faith with those who have never heard the gospel.

Autumn Alcott, a senior Christian ethics major from Murray, Ky., was quick to put what she was learning in the classroom to the test.

"I learned in one of my classes that everything is influenced by a reflection of one's worldview and that everything we do comes out of a framework of our beliefs," explains Alcott. Together with a friend, Kristin Wicker ('01), she helped organize Klemata, a campus-wide all women's Bible study.

Originally beginning with a Bible study that took place in their campus apartment, as the semester continued the girls began to see a need for accountability for the women on Union's campus. The duo contacted Jay Ridenour in Campus Ministries with their idea of beginning an all women's Bible study and he encour-

aged the girls to pray about what God would have them do. By the spring of 2000 more than 200 women were involved in small-group style Bible study. Using the model of Titus 2 where the older women taught the younger women, Klemata continues to disciple, teach and train women on Union's campus.

But a Christian worldview is not meant only for Bible study. This

"The purpose of the forum is to bring a Christian worldview to all public arenas," says Alcott, "to bring about change in public policy, academics, the arts, the media and social culture."


While interning, Alcott helped to encourage members of the House of Representatives to vote for the Weldon Bill. A bill that later passed in the House, it banned the cloning



past summer, Alcott learned first hand the importance of taking her worldview and using it for good within the contexts of society. Serving as one of three interns at the Wilberforce Forum in Reston, Va., Alcott was able to work within the public policy division and helped lobby on Capitol Hill against a cloning bill.

The Forum is a division of Prison Fellowship Ministries founded by Chuck Colson, a widely read Christian author whose books, particularly one of his most recent, *How Now Shall We Live*, are very popular and explore the issues of having a Christian worldview.

of human embryos for any purpose, either for research or for human development and a project that Alcott says was "exciting to be a part of something so big."

It is that excitement that Union hopes to continue to pass on as thousands of students pass through the doors and halls each year. Through classroom education from strong and committed Christians to programs such as GO Trips, chapel speakers and Bible studies, Union encourages and cultivates an environment where Christian worldview is taught, developed and applied in its students' lives. 



Former Prime Minister promises British support for war against terrorism

“Britain will walk every step of the way, every day, with America, until the completion of this war is over and terrorism is put to an end.”

So said former Great Britain Prime Minister John Major at Union University’s Fifth Annual Scholarship Banquet. The crowd, with 1500 in attendance, responded with a spontaneous round of applause, causing Major to pause for almost a full minute before continuing. The fourth world leader to visit West Tennessee at the invitation of Union, Major spoke on his own country’s experience with terrorism during the Gulf War as well as with the ongoing clashes with the IRA.

In 1991, during his seven-year term as Prime Minister, Major was chairing a meeting of the Gulf War Cabinet when 10 Downing Street was attacked by terrorist missiles. Major resolved to proceed with initiating the Northern Ireland Peace Process and established counter-terrorism measures to protect the UK

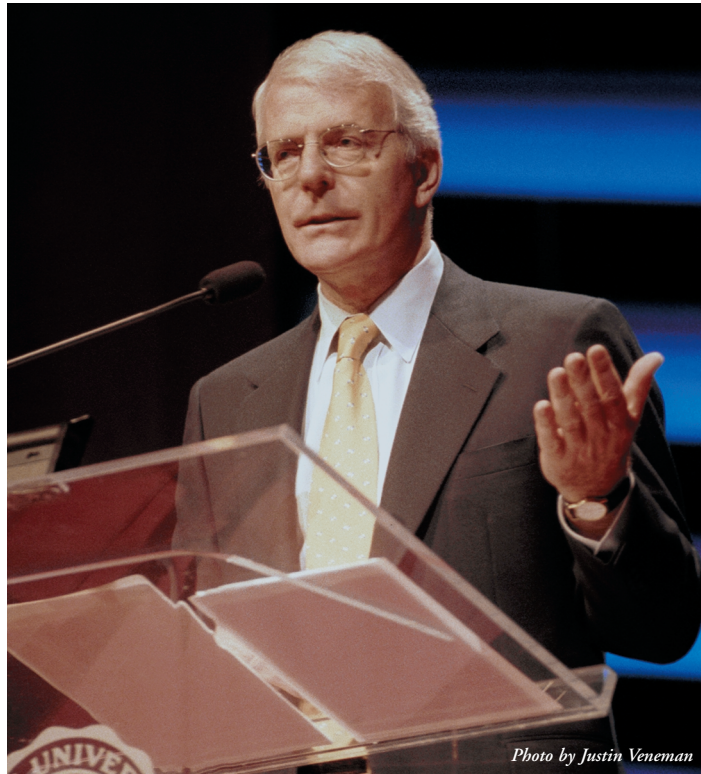


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mainland from further attack. Working closely with President Bush and the Gulf coalition partners, Major presided over anti-terrorist protection mechanisms and instigated discussion at G7 Summits for coordinated action against the spread of international terrorism.

Major said that there are three choices when it comes to handling terrorism. “You can ignore it and hope it goes away, you can ignore terrorism and hope

it hits someone else, or you can confront it,” said Major.

“This is a war that must be won as much in the mind of the public around the world as well as the action,” said Major, pointing out that America must be cautious in its building of the wide coalition that has formed up to this point.

With regards on what to do with Osama bin Laden, Major cautioned that America will have to think

very hard on the results and outcomes of what may happen. Should the terrorist remain free, there is a danger that he may become a folk hero. Should bin Laden be killed, he would become a martyr and “truth would be sacrificed to legend.”

More than \$300,000 was raised benefiting student scholarships for the evening. Lead sponsors for the event included BancorpSouth and Mr. and Mrs. Carl Kirkland. Premier sponsors included Dr. and Mrs. Chip Christian, Mr. and Mrs. Benny Fesmire, First Bank, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Holmes, Porter Cable/Delta, Union Planters Bank, and White Investments, L.L.C., Roy L. White, President & C.E.O.



Unity Park dedication honors storm victims and spirit of togetherness



Photo by Justin Veneman

An architectural sculpture two years in the making that stands as the centerpiece of Unity Park was dedicated this fall in memory of the Jackson community's response to the devastating tornadoes of January 1999.

Six people lost their lives in the Jan. 17 storms, which left millions of dollars in damage in parts of Jackson, Madison County and West Tennessee. Within minutes after the twisters struck, public safety personnel and citizen volunteers were at the

storm sites, helping to rescue the injured. Many who had lost their own homes came out to help others.

The towering sculpture, conceived and designed by Union University art professors Lee Benson and Chris Nadaskay, is the focal point of Unity Park. Sixty feet in diameter and 22 feet tall, it is believed to be the largest piece of public sculpture in the state. Its design incorporates free-falling water, six columns representing the six who died and a seventh column that stands for the unified spirit the community dis-

played during aftermath and recovery. Randomly placed stone spheres represent each location in the area where the tornadoes touched down.

The sculpture is at the center of a small triangle of city-owned property just north of the Carl Perkins Civic Center. A vast amount of the material and labor used to build the monument were donated, and additional money was obtained through a variety of fundraisers.

Benson recalled the impact the events of that January had upon him.

"We had never witnessed anything quite like it," he said. "It was a great leveling field in the city. There were no separating distinctions between races, religious denominations, rich or poor, educated or less educated; there were only two categories, those who needed help and those who could provide help. Everywhere we went, there was an outpouring of goodwill and assistance that overwhelmed and amazed us."



Union's engineering program receives support from local industry



Local leaders of Jackson Industry recently met with Union University administration and faculty to discuss the new engineering program on campus, the first of its kind in Jackson and the surrounding area.

Maytag, Porter Cable/Delta, Tennalum, Ameristeel, Jackson Energy Authority as well as the Jackson Area Chamber of Commerce were all represented, showing their support and excitement for the new academic program.

"Though we're a manufacturing-based facility, we also have research and development areas in our plant as well," said Jim

Starkweather, vice president and general manager at Maytag in Jackson. "For our employees who are aspiring for additional benefits and promotions, this new engineering degree will be very suitable. They didn't have any opportunities before – now they do, and it will help us grow internally as a result."

Many of those in attendance agreed that the opportunities for engineers in Jackson have been very limited in terms of education and training. Mark Lane, administrative manager at Tennalum in Jackson, sees the new engineering program at Union as a great tool for recruit-

ing good engineers to his plant.

"I think a lot of prospective employees we talk to will be very interested in staying on the leading edge of technology, which they will now be able to do, thanks to Union," said Lane.

"From an economic development standpoint, we noticed a lot of companies with a strong engineering presence, but no engineering schools nearby," explained Bob Cook, president and CEO of Jackson Area Chamber of Commerce. "Dr. David Dockery and Union University stepped up to the challenge and led our

community in a strategic response plan – this new engineering program will be a powerful tool to attract more growth for this industry."

The program, which began its first semester this fall with 16 students, is led by Don Van, associate professor of engineering and chair of the newly formed department.

Van, who came to Union after working in the corporate world for more than 20 years, said it is a dream come true to have the opportunity to do something "that impacts people in a positive way," and he pointed out that the entire vision of the engineering program began with key local industry leaders.

"The vision started with the business leaders of Jackson," said Van, "and they will be given every encouragement from us to sustain what we intend to be an excellent undergraduate engineering program."

For more information on the engineering program at Union, contact the Department of Engineering at (731) 661-5534.



Dockery reaches milestone: 100th publication

With the release of *Theologians of the Baptist Tradition*, David S. Dockery, president of Union University, has now published over 100 different books, chapters or articles. Dockery's work has focused on Christian higher education, theology and biblical studies. His first work, an article on the Apostle Paul's letter to the Romans, was published in 1981.

Over the past twenty years, Dockery has authored seven books and edited or co-edited eighteen more. Four of the publications, *The Holman*

Bible Handbook, *The Doctrine of the Bible*, *Our Christian Hope*, and *Ephesians: One Body in Christ*, have each sold more than 50,000 copies. His volume on Christian Scripture is recognized by many as the definitive statement on the doctrine of scripture in Southern Baptist life. Jimmy Draper, president of LifeWay Christian Resources, commented that "Christian Scripture is the best concise treatment of the subject that I have read."

Dockery has contributed over thirty chapters or reference articles to

other books, including the major reference works in biblical studies over the last decade, such as: *The Dictionary of Paul and His Letters*, *The Dictionary of Jesus and the Gospels*, *The Dictionary of Old Testament Theology*, *The Evangelical Dictionary of Biblical Theology*, *Biblical Interpreters of the 20th Century*, and *The Holman Bible Dictionary*. In addition almost fifty articles have appeared in a wide variety of journals or magazines.

Beyond these significant publications, Dockery has written over 120 book

reviews and dozens of devotionals and lessons for Bible teachers. He also serves as associate general editor of the New American Commentary, a 40-volume commentary series on every book of the Bible scheduled to be published over a 20-year period from 1990-2010. Dockery has also served on the editorial board of seven different periodicals including Christianity Today.

Union fraternity chapter receives visit from national CEO

Union University's Lambda Chi Alpha men's fraternity chapter recently received a visit from Thomas Helmbock, the chief executive officer and national vice president of the organization.

"If I could have 200 Union's across the country, my job would be a cakewalk," said Helmbock, who met and visited with several key administrators,

alumni and fraternity members during his visit. "Union's Lambda Chi Alpha chapter is one that exceeds the standards that the national fraternity sets, both in academics and operations." Helmbock attributes the heavy involvement of alumni as one factor that is making the difference.

One only has to look at the awards received by the

chapter in 2001 alone to see the chapter's success. A leader in community service and campus involvement, Lambda Chi Alpha has received several honors including the Warren A. Cole Recruitment Award, Campus Involvement Award, Outstanding Academic Achievement Award and the Grand High Alpha Award – the highest award given to a chapter.

"For years the media has portrayed the fraternity as being an 'Animal House' type of organization," said Helmbock. "But the Lambda Chi fraternity is Christian-centered and Christ-based, which is very much in sync with Union and the values it imparts to these students."



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FIFTIES

Jerry Kuykendall ('65), Campbell Sales Account Executive-South Central Wholesale, and 13-time Merit Award winner, recently received Piggly Wiggly grocery chain's "Great Drummer" award. In bestowing the annual "Great Drummer" award, Piggly Wiggly pays tribute to food industry professionals who have not only distinguished themselves "drumming up business" in their own careers, but who have also made significant contributions to the industry. Address: 3845 Buckley Cove, Memphis, TN 38133

SEVENTIES

Michael L. Adams ('72) has accepted the position of Senior Minister at Central Baptist Church in Jonesboro, Ark., and his wife, the former **Jane Goodrich** ('72), is a teacher in the Jonesboro Public School District. Their son, Matt, is a senior at Union. Address: 3915 Brandywine Drive, Jonesboro, AR 72404.

Reta McCarroll Kahley ('74) is President and CEO of Arkansas Credit Union League, the trade

association for Arkansas' 82 credit unions, in Little Rock, Ark. She and her husband, Fritz, reside at 907 Becky Drive, Sherwood, AR 72120. E-mail: fkahley@alltel.net

Fu Lai Yu ('74) has published a book titled *Firms, Governments and Economic Change* (Edward Elgar, 2001). Address: 49 Balonne St. Kaleen, ACT AA Australia 2617. E-mail: tyu@abare.gov.au

EIGHTIES

Keith Sanderson ('82) is Minister of Music at Edgewood Baptist Church, Hopkinsville, Ky., and his wife, the former **Lorie Clayton** ('86) is a fourth grade teacher at Heritage Christian Academy. Keith and Lorie have two children, Clayton, 12, and Kendra, 10. Address: 212 Sanderson Drive, Hopkinsville, KY 42240. E-mail: keithsanderson@pastors.com

Lygia Nicar McMillan ('84) and her husband, Steve, are houseparents at the Tennessee Baptist Children's Home,

Memphis Campus. They homeschool their children, Rachel, 13, and Zachary, 9. Address: 6896 Highway 70, Bartlett, TN 38133. E-mail: lygia62@hotmail.com

Sims Byrd ('86) is Senior Manager of Promotional Policies with Aventis Pharmaceuticals in Bridgewater, N.J. Address: 253 Old Farm Road, Flemington, NJ 08822. E-mail: sims.byrd@aventis.com

Gunnar Adalberth ('87) has been promoted to Director of Marketing for United Parcel Service (UPS) in Germany. He and his wife, Marjut, have a three-year-old daughter, Adriane. Address: Meliesallee 12, 405 97 Dusseldorf, Germany, Dusseldorf AA. E-mail: adalberth@t-online.de

Bill Poyner ('87) is Associate Pastor/Minister of Music/Senior Adults at Covenant Baptist Church in Germantown, Tenn. The church is in the process of relocating to Collierville, Tenn. His wife, the former **Beth Hill** ('89) is Coordinator of Education Graduate

Programs at Union's Germantown Campus. Bill and Beth have two sons, Bradley, 13, and Christopher, 9. Address: 143 Varanda Cove, Collierville, TN 38017. E-mail: billbeth@aol.com



Cynthia Todd Graham ('89) was recently selected as

one of 40 honorees in the Fifth Annual Memphis Business Journal Top 40 under 40 program. The program salutes 40 of the best and brightest individuals under the age of 40 who have made significant contributions in the business, professional, civic, and personal arenas in the Memphis and Mid-South area. Address: 183 Greenbrier Drive, Memphis, TN 38117

Tony L. Jones ('89) is Minister of Worship/Youth at First Baptist Church in Troy, Tenn. He and his wife, Rhonda, have two daughters, Lauren, 8, and Rachel, 5. Address: 225 S. Main Street, Troy, TN 38260. E-mail: tjonesfb-clife@hotmail.com

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Pamela Vickers O'Neal ('89, '91), Chair of the

Nursing and Health Science Division at Gordon College in Georgia, is a prominent researcher in the field of ventilator-associated pneumonia (VAP). Based on her research, which is centered on reducing the incidence of VAP in mechanically ventilated adult patients, she has developed design improvements for the endotracheal tube that facilitates breathing. Georgia Trend magazine recently included her on its list of "The 40 Most Influential Georgians Under the Age of 40." Address: 180 Southridge Drive, Locust Grove, GA 30248-4538.

Trent Presley ('91) is Marketing Director at the Eye Clinic, P.C., and his wife, the former **Trudi Montgomery** ('93) is a homemaker. The couple has two children, Lauren Elizabeth, 4, and Cameron Thomas, 2. Address: 304 Buttonwood, Jackson, TN

38305. E-mail: trentpresley@yahoo.com

Mark Bundren ('92) is a United States probation officer with the Southern District Federal Court in Benton, Ill. His wife, the former **Edna Dickson** ('93) is a school social worker in Southern Illinois. They have one daughter, Taylor, 3. Address: Box 1401, Vienna, IL 62995. E-mail: shootaglock40@yahoo.com

Scott Michael Stookey ('92) is a biology teacher/soccer coach at Southside High School in Jackson, Tenn. He is also an amateur photographer. He and his wife, the former **Cindy Foust** ('93) have two children, Courtney, 5, and Natalie, 2. Address: 31 Belle Haven Cove, Jackson, TN 38305. E-mail: cstookey@hotmail.com or smstookey@hotmail.com

Todd Davis ('93) has a Master of Education in marriage and family therapy and operates a financial services company. His wife, the former **Denise French** ('93) is employed by Randstad and is going back to school to become

a teacher. Address: 7918 West Cliff Drive, Knoxville, TN 37909. E-mail: tdavis@esper.com

Marc Welch ('95) received a Master of Business Administration from the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill's Kenan-Flagler Business School. He has also recently accepted a position as Senior Development Engineer with the Vistakon Division of Johnson & Johnson Vision Care, located in Jacksonville, Fla. Address: 4902 Cedar Glen Drive, Durham, NC 27713. E-mail: marcwelch@mindspring.com

Angela Brothers Mausey ('96) is a special education teacher. Her husband, Chuck is in the United States Navy and has been transferred to a new command, so they will be living in various places over the next year. Address: Box 518, Carrier Mills, IL 62917. E-mail: coreydog@att.net

Frederick Pirtle ('96) has been ordained as pastor at the Body of Christ Fellowship Church in Greenwood, Miss., under

the direction of Bishop Willie J. Henderson, Jr. Address: 2702 George White Circle, Greenwood, MS 38930. E-mail: fpirtle@mvsu.edu



Chad Bailey ('97) is a claims adjuster for Progressive Insurance.

His wife, the former **Charlotte Bond** ('97) received a Master of Science in social work in May from the University of Tennessee and is working as a school liaison counselor in the Rutherford County School System. Address: 2914 Sam's Court, Spring Hill, TN 37174.

Robert "Lee" Farmer ('97) just celebrated his one-year anniversary as pastor of Coan Baptist Church in Heathsville, Va., and his wife, the former **Kim Pipkin** ('86) teaches sixth grade Language Arts at Lancaster Middle School in Kilmarnock, Va. They have one daughter, Laura, 9. Address: 579 Honest Point Road, Lottsburg, VA 22511. E-mail: lklfarmer@rivnet.net



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Christie Irvin ('97) and her husband, Todd, recently moved to New England where Todd has accepted a position as a business analyst with One Beacon Insurance. Christie is a teacher for Sylvan Learning Center in Franklin, Mass. Address: 25 Second Avenue, #5, North Attleborough, MA 02760. E-mail: thecooks701@msn.com

Adam S. Major ('97) was awarded the jurisprudence degree from Mississippi College in Clinton, Miss., at their August 2001 commencement.

Heather McQuay ('97) was recently promoted to Internet Content Specialist for Lippincott Williams & Wilkins (www.lww.com), an international medical publisher in Baltimore, Md. Address: 1300 St. Paul Street, #6, Baltimore, MD 21202. E-mail: thebookstand@net-zero.net

Johnny Earnest ('98) is employed by Hewlett-Packard and is currently working on a pre-sales swat team. His wife, the former **Jessica Truex** ('98), is a sixth grade resource teacher at Pickneyville Middle School. Address: 9155-109 Nesbit Ferry Road, Alpharetta, GA 30022. E-mail: Johnny_Earnest@hp.com

Jason Logan ('98) returned in October from a five-week medical mission trip to Zimbabwe, Africa, with the International Mission Board. He served with Southern Baptist Convention missionary doc-

tors at Sanyati Baptist Hospital. Jason is a fourth year medical student at UT Memphis College of Medicine. Address: 687 Jefferson Avenue, Apt. 11, Memphis, TN 38105-4935. E-mail: jlogan7@yahoo.com

Doug Forbes ('99) and his wife, the former **Christy Lawson** ('99), have moved to Vandalia, Ill. Doug has accepted a science teaching position at the high school where they both graduated from, and Christy is attending Southern Illinois University, Edwardsville, Ill., in the family nurse practitioner program. Address: 511 Hilltop Drive, Vandalia, IL 62471. E-mail: dcforbes@juno.com

Chad Shankle ('99) was recently inducted into the President's Club of Forest Pharmaceuticals during their annual national meeting. The club is reserved for the top 3% of the nationwide sales force. He also won the Rookie of the Year award given to the top performing representative for the 2001 fiscal year. Other awards won were Regional Representative of the Quarter and District Representative of the Quarter. Address: 303 Constellation Circle, Jackson, TN 38305.

TWO-THOUSANDS

Heather Denton Keller ('96, '01) received her Master of Arts in education from Union in August. She teaches eighth grade Language Arts at Bolivar Middle School in Bolivar, Tenn., where she was previously

named "Outstanding Teacher of the Year." She was also recognized as the "Outstanding Outreach Volunteer of the Year for the Carl Perkins Center. Address: 1030 Bishop Road, Middleton, TN 38052-4587. E-mail: hdkeller@hotmail.com

MARRIED



Elly Smallman ('98) and **Stephen Eugene Hall** ('98) were married March 31, 2001, at First Baptist Church in Paducah, Ky. Elly is employed by Quinco Mental Health as a family preservation specialist, and Stephen is employed by Tennessee Farmers Mutual Insurance Company as a field representative for the Fayette and Shelby county areas. Address: 6286 Yale Road, Bartlett, TN 38134.



Lori Presley ('00) and **Bradley Smith** ('00) were married June 23, 2001, at Brownsville Baptist Church in

Brownsville, Tenn. Lori is an enrollment counselor at Union, and Bradley is employed by First South Bank in Jackson, Tenn. Address: 102 Murray Guard Drive, K-77, Jackson, TN 38305. E-mail: lsmith@uu.edu

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BIRTHS



Kevin ('86) and **Sheryl Moore Monroe** ('86), a daughter, Catherine Elizabeth, November 27, 2000. The couple has two other children Blake Carson, 4, and Alex, 8. Address: 45 Tarkenton, Humboldt, TN 38343.

Rick and **Susan Chalmers Steele** ('87), a son, Allen Drew, 8 lbs./14 oz., April 30, 2001. Rick is an associate editor with AMG Publishers in Chattanooga, Tenn., and Susan is a part-time accounting clerk with AMG International. Address: 26 Dean Road, Ringgold, GA 30736. E-mail: rsteelecamm@catt.com

Mark and **Holly Freeland Irving** ('88), a son, Matthew Davidson, 8 lbs./9 oz., June 27, 2001. Mark is co-owner of M2Hosts Web Hosting. Holly is a homemaker and was formerly a counselor at Moriah House. Address: 5066 Thornebrook Cove, Arlington, TN 38002. E-mail: hirving@midsouth.rr.com



Marty ('88) and **Gaye Martin Phillips** ('88), a son, Benjamin Roy, 8 lbs./5 oz., May 13, 2000. The couple has two other sons, Zachary, 6, and Jonathan, 4. Marty is an attorney in Jackson, Tenn., and Gaye is a homemaker. Address: 152 Woodruff Road, Pinson, TN 38366. E-mail: martysyb@aol.com

Amanda Strayhorn ('89) and **Robert Smith, Jr.**, a son, Austin, March 2001. The couple has two other children, Halton, 10, and Hannah, 9. Amanda is a social worker at the Carl Perkins Child Abuse Center in Jackson, Tenn. Address: 570 Lakewood, Jackson, TN 38305



Rick and **Adrienne Feltus Smith** ('89), a daughter, Susanna Claire, January 25, 2001. Rick works for ServiceU.com, and Adrienne is a homemaker after teaching school for 10 years. Address: 445 Belmont Road, Mason, TN 38049.



John and **Else Sweeney Allen** ('90), a daughter, Katelin Elisabeth, 6 lbs./13 oz., February 14, 2001. The couple also has a son, Christopher John, 3. John is the Fulfillment Project Manager for BellSouth Long Distance, Inc. Else is a homemaker and runs her own printing company, Glad Tidings Printing, from their home. Address: 70 Trellis Court, Acworth, GA 30101. E-mail: jhallen@bell-south.net



Gary ('91) and **Joy Kelley Bailey** ('92), a son, Ryan Matthew, 7 lbs./4 oz., November 12, 2000. The couple

also has a daughter, Kailin Delaney, 3. Gary is a computer software developer in Nashville, Tenn. Address: 147 Grove Lane, Franklin, TN 37064. E-mail: gbaile01home.com



Steve ('91) and **Ellen Patterson Shuttleworth** ('94), a daughter, Sarah Kate, 7 lbs./1 oz., April 20, 2001. The couple also has a son, Zack, 2. Steve recently became National Sales Manager for Southern Umbrella/Southern Plus in Hartwell, Ga., and Ellen is a homemaker. Address: 182 Adams Place, Royston, GA 30662. E-mail: steve@southernplus.com

Doug ('95) and **Tracey Dennison Mann** ('92), a son, Cooper Douglas, 8 lbs./11 oz., March 29. Doug is a Doctor of Optometry at Decatur Optical, and Tracey, a former teacher, is now a homemaker. Address: 2505 Stratford Road, SE, Decatur, AL 35601



Scott and **Chris Harwood Trout** ('92), a daughter, Katherine Grace, 4 lbs./11 oz., April 4, 2001. The couple also has a son, Nathan, 2. Scott is a Captain for Corporate Airlines, servicing Jackson, Tenn., and Chris is a homemaker. Address: 8396 Honey Drive, Cordova, TN 38016. E-mail: scotttrout1@aol.com



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Jim and **Kim Harden Raines** ('93), a son, James "JJ", Landon, Jr., 9 lbs./2 oz., April 3, 2001. The couple also has a daughter, Ashley, 4. Jim works in Industrial Maintenance, and Kim is a homemaker. Address: 5632 Highway 152, Alamo, TN 38001. E-mail: raineskj@pchnet.com



Michael ('94) and **Lisa Shelton Haywood** ('94), a son, Dalton Michael, 7 lbs., November 14, 2000. Michael is Footwear Operations with NIKE, and Lisa is a homemaker and part-time pharmacist with Super D. Address: 6236 Lake View Cove, Bartlett, TN 38135-9186.

Beau and **Jennifer Collins Burns** ('95), a daughter, McKenna Madison, March 1, 2001. Jennifer is an occupational therapist with Alliance Care. Address: 872 Federal Ridge Road, #202, Collierville, TN 38017.



Michael ('95) and **Tamala "Tamee" Abraham Amicone** ('96), a son, Logan Dean, 6 lbs./12 oz., April 20, 2001. Michael is a chemist at T & L Specialty, and Tamee is a support therapist with Region III Mental Health Center. Address: 901 Spruce Street, Tupelo, MS 38801.

Noah and **Brandy Taylor Blank** ('95), a daughter, Adelaide "Addie" Campbell, 8 lbs./8 oz., November 27, 2000. Noah is Operations Manager at Medtronic/Sofamor Danek in Memphis, and Brandy is a homemaker. Address: 5026 Flamingo Road, Memphis, TN 38117.



Matt ('95) and **Melissa Farmer Johnson** ('97), a daughter, Madeleine Claire, 7 lbs., October 28, 2000. Matt is Revenue Manager for Embassy Suites Hotel, and Melissa is a teacher at Nannie Berry Elementary in Hendersonville, Tenn. Address: 103 Heathcote Court, Goodlettsville, TN 37072. E-mail: mandmjohanson@juno.com



Chip and **Jana Duncan Cullum** ('96), a daughter, Alexandra Grace, 6 lbs., 14 oz., February 24, 2001. Chip is a designer/drafter with Campbell Hausfeld, and Jana is a homemaker. Address: 110 Neal Avenue, Smyrna, TN 37167. E-mail: janawork@hotmail.com

Oliver ('97) and **Sherry Lin Schulz** ('97), a daughter, Hannah Yi-En, August 22, 2001. The couple also has a son, Daniel, 2. Address: 20341 Rue Crevier #502, Santa Clarita, CA 91351. E-mail: ossds25@hotmail.com

John and **Janna Gardner Davidson** ('98), a son, John Dalton, 8 lbs./1 oz., October 17, 2001. Address: 1284 Maxwell Road, Belvidere, TN 37306. E-mail: janna_davidson@yahoo.com

Brandon and **Christy Carter Ward** ('99), a son, Logan Matthew, 7 lbs./10 oz., January 28, 2001. Brandon works for MTD in Brownsville, Tenn. Christy is a registered nurse at TransSouth Healthcare in Jackson, Tenn. Address: 656 Gettysburg Drive, Jackson, TN 38305. E-mail: gettysburg656@aol.com



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Georgia Brandon Maclin ('27)
September 4, 2001
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Ellis Graden Dorris ('31)
September 3, 2001
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Thelma Brassfield Strange ('32)
November 2, 2001
West Jefferson, NC

Hazel Armour Luckey ('34)
January 30, 2001
Morehead, KY

Evelyn Deere Buck ('35)
October 14, 2001
Lexington, TN

Alma Smith New ('37)
July 25, 2001
Jackson, TN

R. C. Johnson ('40)
February 2, 2001
Jackson, TN

Patsy Ramsey Roberts ('43)
July 27, 2001
Kenton, TN

J. T. Drace ('49)
November 10, 2001
Adamsville, TN

Omeda Malone Moore ('49)
September 18, 2001
Ridgely, TN

Bobby G. Couch ('50)
August 10, 2001
Jackson, TN

John G. Wise ('51)
August 20, 2001
Jackson, TN

John Walter Rose, Sr. ('58)
October 19, 2001
Little Rock, AR

Ann Marie Brigham ('59)
July 20, 2001
Memphis, TN

William Lowry "Billy" Willette ('60)
October 29, 2001
Jackson, TN

Richard Douglas Norton, Jr. ('69)
September 23, 2001
Pickwick Dam, TN

David Glenn Wilson ('74)
September 30, 2001
Jackson, TN

Betty Wells (former Union
University staff member)
August 13, 2001
Jackson, TN

Abundant BLESSINGS

The following article was written three weeks before Mr. David Nunn, trustee emeritus, passed away. The Union University family will remember and miss their long time friend and supporter and extends their condolences to Mr. Nunn's family in their loss.

One of David Nunn's earliest memories of Union University is at the age of 14 when he helped his older sister move into the women's dorm on the old campus in the late 1930s.

"When we came into the hallway, she shouted 'man in the hall' and all of a sudden every door in that place slammed shut and you didn't see a soul or hear a peep from anywhere," recalls Nunn. "I grabbed those two suitcases and left – I wasn't going in there anymore!"

Nunn, who will celebrate his ninetieth birthday in May, has many fond memories of the university he has supported both financially and as a trustee for more than 30 years. Though he did not attend Union himself, his wife, the late Mildred Warren Nunn, was a graduate.

"We started going together when she was a sophomore at Union," remembers Nunn, who himself attended another local university nearby. "I asked her to marry me, and she said yes, but that she had promised her father she wouldn't marry until she graduated, and so I would have to wait." Wait he did and the two were married two years later, in 1939.

Throughout his lifetime, Nunn has shown loyal commitment to his profession, his church and higher education. Elected president of the Bank of Halls in 1948 after starting out as an assistant cashier, he was appointed chairman of the board in 1978. Though his son, Warren, is



now president, Nunn still goes to the office each day, admitting that he doesn't do any actual work anymore, but enjoys visiting with friends who come by to see him.

Trent Bullock ('88) is pastor of First Baptist Church in Halls, where Nunn has been a deacon for 62 years. He says that Nunn is a man of wisdom who continues to show leadership for the church as he has for the past six decades.

"Everyone looks up to Mr. David," says Bullock. "He is a humble gracious person and a true Christian gentleman. I always enjoy hearing him pray – he always begins by being thankful for what we have been given from God."

Though his health has declined in recent years and he recently had a lengthy stay in the hospital, Nunn still makes it to church as often as possible, enjoying the opportunity to worship with his church family.

"I'm so grateful for what God has blessed me with," says Nunn. "He blessed me with my health, a long life, a little knowledge – he's blessed me with everything."

A member of Union's Board of Trustees since 1964, now serving as trustee emeritus, Nunn was honored with the honorary alumnus award in 1980, and has served on three presidential search committees.

Through the blessings he has received, Nunn has in turn helped Union, making significant annual gifts to a fund carrying his and his wife's names designated exclusively for scholarships for students wanting to attend Union. He recently set aside a large bequest in his will for this fund that will make it possible to continue to provide scholarships for Union students in perpetuity.

"Union is a fine educational institution – one of the best in this part of the country," says Nunn. "People couldn't put their money in any better thing than a place like Union that has been here for such a long time and has done so many great things."

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