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LOVE ONE ANOTHER

Dream Bigger. Do Greater.

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DURING THE SCHOOL YEAR
EVERY WEDNESDAY AND FRIDAY AT 10 A.M.

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MACU Students at Belle Kitchen, OKC

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MACU 2016 Commencement Ceremony
at Crossings Community Church, OKC

A LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT



Dear Friends,

The picture was unavoidable. You almost collided with it as you walked out of the sanctuary. Its symbolism was something akin to the motto printed on a beam of the tunnel leading into the football stadium. You have witnessed the camera shots as player after player hops to hit his hand on those words that represent glory days of the past and aspiration of victories for the future.

That picture was a huge blown-up snapshot of that past historic and high attendance day. There was a myriad of faces young and old alike that gathered on the church grounds. No words explained what it took to get all those people to attend church that day.

Did it come about through evangelism or a special event? Was it the result of a family bargain in which a spouse agreed to no longer pressure the other to go to church? I even wondered whether leaders knew that day they had broken the attendance record. Sometimes the fruit of hard work and the blessings of God are not recognized except in hindsight.

A President's Report has all the components of the historic photo of that church. It pictures the past and celebrates the accomplishments. While that image visibly memorialized the pioneers, visionaries, benefactors and offspring, a President's Report is a similar snapshot.

Within this report, we celebrate how God has blessed this university. Past numbers reflect the fruit of His Spirit as the Lord advanced MACU's mission. Like the people memorialized in that precious moment in time, our list of donors represents the benevolence and commitment of individuals, families and

organizations. The statistics regarding the number of employees quickly translates into the throng of faithful laborers in the Kingdom of God.

The story of the 2016 commencement, the focus upon alumni and the inspiration of how God continues to work in the life of this university creates a script on the beam of time: "Dream Bigger. Do Greater." Through the tunnels of academic rigor and spiritual growth, our graduates leaped to cast their hands on that motto as they step into classrooms, courtrooms, marketplaces, clinics and into so many other settings.

The President's Report isn't really about the President. No, it's a picture of the way that the Lord Jesus has entrusted His mission to this university and how He is accomplishing His will. It's about faculty, staff and students who have chosen to be in the starting lineup of witnesses and missionaries. It's about the people who have sacrificed to build those players a place to practice in and the coaching necessary to win the game.

When you turn the last page of this report, I hope there will linger a picture that portrays this truth: "Great is the LORD! He is most worthy of praise! No one can measure his greatness" (NLT Psalm 145:3).


Dr. John Fozard, President



PRESIDENT'S REPORT

MACU LEADERSHIP:



This past year MACU incorporated the teachings of GiANT Worldwide to cultivate a healthy culture by creating leaders at every level:

EXECUTIVE LEADERSHIP:

- 4 Senior Leaders
- 1 Year GiANT Leadership National Training

MANAGEMENT LEADERSHIP:

- 4 Core Groups
- 36 Participants
- 1 Year GiANT Leadership In-House Training

STUDENT LEADERSHIP:

- 128 Student Participants
- 596 Training Hours
- 477 Mentoring Hours



MACU AT A GLANCE:

2015 FULL-TIME EMPLOYEES

159

2015 FACULTY ADJUNCTS

432

2015 STUDENT WORKERS

90



STUDENT TO
PROFESSOR RATIO

11-1

2,477
STUDENTS CURRENTLY
ENROLLED



Administrative Officers

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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

ECUADOR: 7
ECUADOR: 11

UGANDA: 7

KENYA: 8

MACU GLOBAL MISSIONS

2016 PARTICIPANTS REPRESENTED BY RED
2015 PARTICIPANTS REPRESENTED BY TEAL

MACU ATHLETICS:

*Southern Athletic Conference
Commissioner's Honor Roll*

The SAC Commissioner's Honor Roll is released once per year and to qualify, student-athletes must maintain a minimum 3.0 grade-point average.



72

MACU student-athletes
named to the 2016 SAC
Commissioner's Honor Roll



That's
53%
of student
-athletes

NAIA Men's Basketball National Championship

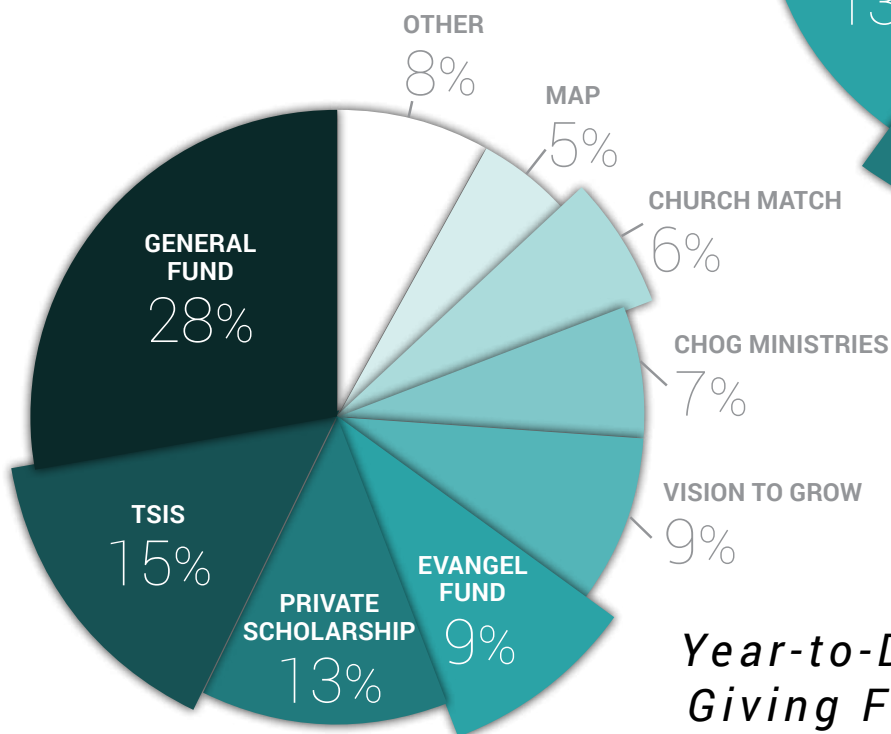
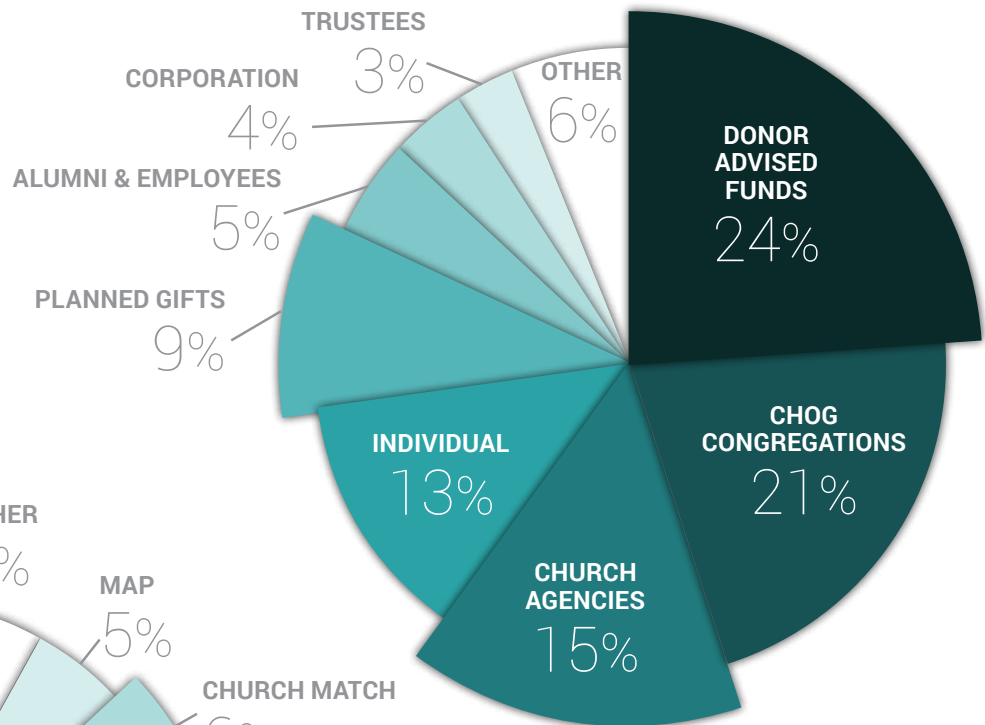
MACU GRADUATION:

646

2016: Largest
Graduating Class **Ever**

UNIVERSITY ADVANCEMENT

Year-to-Date Giving Donor Comparison



Year-to-Date Giving Fund Comparison



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"Thank You" to All Who Support MACU!

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10 CONSECUTIVE YEARS OF GIVING

ALUMNI GIVING

Adams, Robert and Juanita	Madisonville	KY
Alsip, Morgan and Carol	Oklahoma City	OK
Black, David and Martha	Daytona Beach	FL
Burton, Judith	Oklahoma City	OK
Cantrell, Richard and Kaye	Lebanon	TN
Cepeda, Enrique and Lidia	Moore	OK
Chiles, Steve and Wanda	Moore	OK
Clark, James W., Sr.	Winchester	KY
Cox, Troy and Elizabeth	Moore	OK
Cravens, Arley and Ruby	Scott Depot	WV
Fozard, John and Brenda	Oklahoma City	OK
Hanohano, George and Sue	Moore	OK
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Mashue, Wanda	Houston	TX
Spear, John and Suzon	Casper	WY
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Conrad, Harold	Noblesville	IN
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Curtis, Helen	Oklahoma City	OK
Daniels, Robert and Verdie	Heber Springs	AR
Darr, Charles and Shari	Edmond	OK
Dover, William and Beverly	Sand Springs	OK
Dunn, Clarence and Linda	Petersburg	VA
Earnest, Terrell and Donna	Yukon	OK
Eichenfeld, Merle and Winona	Sand Springs	OK
Fleck, Freda	Sinking Spring	OH
Green, Norman and Jean	Gilmer	TX
Hall, David and Dee	Philadelphia	MS
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Noss, Russell	Monroe	LA
Palmer, Ralph	Winchester	KY
Richardson, Barry Sr.	Marston	MO
Robillard, George and Janice	Lake Wales	FL
Sartin, Susan "Mici"	Edmond	OK
Steffens, John and Patricia	Edmond	OK
Todd, Elaine	Flora	IL
Tyler, Dennis and Pat	Colorado Springs	CO
Wax, Gary and Tana	Midwest City	OK
Willoughby, Tim and Jane	Tarpon Springs	FL

CHURCH AGENCIES

Church of God Ministries	Anderson	IN
West Virginia Christian Women Connection	Culloden	WV
Women of the Church of Scottsbluff	Gering	NE
Wyoming General Assembly of the Church of God	Casper	WY

CORPORATIONS AND VENDORS

Bill Warren Office Products	Oklahoma City	OK
Prosperity Bank	Oklahoma City	OK

CHURCH SUPPORT: CHURCH OF GOD

40th Avenue Church of God	Hattiesburg	MS
Brookville First Church of God	Brookville	PA
Burkeville Church of God	Burkeville	TX
Camp Ground Church of God	Greeneville	TN
Cedar Creek Church of God	Greeneville	TN
Crossings Community Church	Oklahoma City	OK
Crosspointe Fellowship Church	Kilgore	TX
Eagle Point Church of God	Little Rock	AR
East Side Church of God	Anderson	IN
Emerson Street Church of God	Kennett	MO

First Church of God	Bristow	OK
First Church of God	Clinton	OK
First Church of God	Crossett	AR
First Church of God	Cushing	OK
First Church of God	Darlington	SC
First Church of God	Doniphan	MO
First Church of God	Effingham	IL
First Church of God	Elkhart	KS
First Church of God	Greeneville	TN
First Church of God	Holdenville	OK
First Church of God	Hugoton	KS
First Church of God	Hutchinson	KS
First Church of God	Mount Vernon	IL
First Church of God	Pauls Valley	OK
First Church of God	Point Pleasant	WV
First Church of God	Pryor	OK
First Church of God	Tyler	TX
First Church of God	Venice	FL
First Church of God of Little Paint	East Point	KY
First Church of God of Tulare	Tulare	CA
Fresh Start Community Church	Moore	OK
Goodwill Church of God	Oak Grove	LA
Granby First Church of God	Granby	MO
Griggs Church of God	Texhoma	OK
Harvest Fellowship of Bossier City	Bossier City	LA
Highland Park Community Church	Casper	WY
Home Avenue First Church of God	Trenton	OH
Hucrest Community Church	Roseburg	OR
Inspiration Church of God	Eastland	TX
Jones Avenue Church of God	Oak Hill	WV
Lakewood Way Community Church	Lees Summit	MO
Landmark Church of God	Covington	LA
Lifeline Church of God	Colville	WA
Meade Station Church of God	Ashland	KY
Midway Church of God	Oak Grove	LA
New Beginnings Church of God	Albuquerque	NM
New Covenant Church	Middletown	OH
New Covenant Church of God	Pekin	IL
New Song Community Church	Benton	AR
New Song Community Church	Bethel Park	PA
Oak Grove First Church of God	Oak Grove	LA
Oakmont Church of God	Shreveport	LA
Palm City Church of God	McAllen	TX
Pleasant Prairie Church of God	Satanta	KS
Pleasant Ridge Church of God	Hammond	LA
Red Fork Church of God	Tulsa	OK
Rock Creek Church of God	Bessemer	AL
Sapulpa First Church of God	Sapulpa	OK
Shartel Church of God	Oklahoma City	OK
South Bay Church of God	Torrance	CA
Waynoka Church of God	Waynoka	OK
Welty Church of God	Castle	OK
Zion Community Church of God	Ottumwa	IA

PLANNED GIVING

During 2015-2016, the following individuals either made an estate gift to MACU or indicated their desire to include MACU in their estate planning.

Ayres, David and Angela	Repass, Dewayne and Linda
Beltz-Martin, Linda	Shaffer, Earl D. and Alice I.
Brown, Deaton and Priscilla	Smith, Charles and Romaine (Estate)
Campbell, Harold and Geneva	Smith, Dorothy (Estate)
Cuddeford, Homer	Smith-Hinderliter, Maxine
Curtis, Helen	Trulafaye, Baer
Curtis, Mary Ruth	Van Lingen, Martha (Estate)
Daniels, Robert M. and Verdie	Vilky, Lois (Estate)
Dunn, Clarence and Linda	Walker, Joe B.
Elkins, Helen	Wilkinson, M. Ethel
Kline, Charles and Patricia	
Lewis, Alvin and Juanita	
Malcom, Paul J.	
Mosteller, Timothy and Peggy	

To receive information on how estate planning may benefit you or your family, contact the Office of University Advancement at 405-692-3191.

DONOR HONOR ROLL

ALUMNI GIVING

Alsip, Morgan** and Carol**	Oklahoma City	OK
Adams, Robert and Juanita	Madisonville	KY
Allen, Darryl** and Susan	Winchester	KY
Allen, Jody** and Lisa**	Newcastle	OK
Baer, Trulafaye	Carlisle	PA
Bath, Bill and Sandy	Bartlesville	OK
Bell, Ted and Andrea	Middleburg Heights	OH
Black, David and Martha*	Daytona Beach	FL
Boyles, Matthew and Judith	Loveland	OH
Burton, Judith	Oklahoma City	OK
Cadena, III, Rick	Moore	OK
Cantrell, Richard and Kaye	Lebanon	TN
Cepeda, Enrique** and Lidia	Moore	OK
Chapman, Ryan and Linda	Anderson	IN
Chiles, Steve* and Wanda	Moore	OK
Clark, Sr., James W.	Winchester	KY
Colp, David* and Crystal	Stevensville	MI
Conley, Dolores	Circleville	OH
Cox, Troy and Elizabeth**	Moore	OK
Craig, Delana	Midwest City	OK
Cravens, Arley and Ruby	Scott Depot	WV
Creasong, Jessica**	Oklahoma City	OK
Curran, David and Kathy	Edmond	OK
Curtis, George R. and Mary Ruth	San Antonio	TX
Daniel, Virginia	Spring	TX
Davidson, Jeff** and Stephanie**	Moore	OK
DeBusk, Gayle	Houston	TX
Dobbs, Roy and Donna	Clinton	OK
Douglas, Sheron	Clinton	OK
Dowdy, John J. and Norma J. Dowdy		
Family Revocable Trust	Oklahoma City	OK
Earlywine, Jerry and Nancy	Paris	KY
Ebert, Mike** and Jeanne	Van Buren	AR
Figura, Dusty** and Kathryne**	Moore	OK
Flanagan, Joe and Jeanne	Texhoma	OK
Flynn, Charles and Jeannette	Orlando	FL
Ford, Clint	Huachuca City	AZ
Fowler, Joyce	Kremlin	OK
Fozard, John** and Brenda	Oklahoma City	OK
Gangolf, Linda	Fort Worth	TX
Goehring, Raymond	Westhoff	TX
Goldsmith, Tyron	Oklahoma City	OK
Graham, Jeremy and Ginger	Oklahoma City	OK
Gregory, Joe and Tracy	Holts Summit	MO
Hanohano, George and Sue	Moore	OK
Harrison, David** and Erin	Oklahoma City	OK
Hartmann, Karl and Linda	Lancaster	OH
Haskins, William and Nancy	Baraboo	WI
Hightower, Donald	Forest Park	OK
Hinton, Sam R. and Gail	Greensboro	NC
Hockman, Robert and Marilyn	Quincy	IL
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Irwin, Scott and Michelle	Hewitt	TX
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Kelchner, Larry and Priscilla	Sun City West	AZ
Kendall, Gary* and Belinda	Olathe	KS
Klein, Jonathan	Edmond	OK
Knowles, Richard R.	Moore	OK
Lanman, Kim and Andrea	Oklahoma City	OK
Marks, Andy** and Lynne	Oklahoma City	OK
Martin, Ronald and Collene	Crossville	TN
Mashue, Wanda	Houston	TX
McElhany, Jake** and Stephanie	Blanchard	OK
Meeks, Chester and Donna	Lakeside	MT
Middlebrooks, Marvin** and Janice**	Oklahoma City	OK
Mikkelsen, Jenn	Wellston	MI
Miller, David and Paula	Jasper	TX
Mobley, Larry and Che-Che	Camden	SC
Mondragon, Lorenzo and Margaretha	Corpus Christi	TX
Mozingo, Neville and Patricia	Marion	VA
Newton, Leon and Linda	Saraland	AL
Norholm, Kresten and Lenora	Yukon	OK

Nuckols, Gregory	Oklahoma City	OK
O'Brien, Patrick and Patricia	Norman	OK
Pagel, Eli** and Kendra	Tuttle	OK
Parker, James and Doris	Gordonville	TX
Popp, Patricia	Sacramento	CA
Rehbein, Jon** and Esther**	Moore	OK
Repass, D. Dewayne and Brenda	San Antonio	FL
Robold, Claude* and Janice	Middletown	OH
Rudd, H. Gerald and Ruth	Indianapolis	IN
Sacchieri, Tom	Blanchard	OK
Sanders, Cliff** and Becky	Oklahoma City	OK
Schaffer, Charles	Hurst	TX
Schrock, Tim and Arlene	Interlachen	FL
Schroeder, Terinda	Stillwater	OK
Siebels, Robert J. and Mary	De Soto	MO
Smith, Doyce and Suzanne	Shreveport	LA
Spear, John* and Suzon	Casper	WY
Stephenson, David and Georgetta	De Soto	TX
Stevenson, Raymond and Jean	Cleveland	TX
Sutton, Loren and Elouise	Opelika	AL
Swords, David and Virginia	Jamestown	KY
Taylor, James** and Celeste	Oklahoma City	OK
Taylor, Riley and Diane	Kilgore	TX
Taylor, Corbet	Kilgore	TX
Thomas, Curtis and Kimberly**	Oklahoma City	OK
Wallace, Ben and Tina	Murrieta	CA
Wehmuller, Charlotte	El Reno	OK
White, Jeff and Dianne	East Point	KY
Whitesel, Doyle and Velda	Hot Springs	AR
Wilkinson, Mike**	Oklahoma City	OK
Wilson, Don and Carolyn	Oklahoma City	OK
Winning, Gale and Claudia	Ford Cliff	PA
Yandell, Chris	Moore	OK
Young, Ryan and Ciana**	Columbus	NE

INDIVIDUAL DONORS

Abel, Ed* and Carol	Oklahoma City	OK
Adair, Rob and Leann	Edmond	OK
Alexander, Rich and LaDonna	Lincoln	IL
Alexander, Patricia	Oklahoma City	OK
Allen, Jack and June	Midlothian	TX
Armstrong, Harold	Oklahoma City	OK
Asbury, Sam and Kathy	Norman	OK
Bailey, Steve and Billye	Edmond	OK
Baker, Claude and Cynthia	Fort Pierce	FL
Baldwin, Russell and Sandra	Oklahoma City	OK
Bale, Clifford and Luella	Coffeyville	KS
Barnum, William and Anita	Lawrence	KS
Basham, Darrell	Eastland	TX
Beavers, Eldon	Edmond	OK
Beckmeier, Elnora	Davis	IL
Beckmeier, Aaron	German Valley	IL
Beckmeier, Wayne and Karen	Davis	IL
Been, A.D. and Shirley	Castle	OK
Beltz-Martin, Linda	Dixon	MO
Bentley, Sharon	Carlsbad	NM
Berg, Duane and Linda	Yukon	OK
Blackwell, Thomas and Kimberly	Midwest City	OK
Bland, Jonathan** and Rebecca**	Yukon	OK
Boedeker, John E. and		
Judith D. Boedeker Living Trust	Waxahachie	TX
Boelte, Craig and Paula	Edmond	OK
Bohm, Gary* and Mandy	Barboursville	WV
Bollenbacher, Wayne and Linda	Edmond	OK
Bootenhoff, Gene	Edmond	OK
Bortka, Gerald	Choctaw	OK
Bradshaw, Rob**	Norman	OK
Brandt, John and Barbara	Wenatchee	WA
Branum, Rodney and Rovena	Marlow	OK
Branum, Toby	Norman	OK
Brewer, Michael	Oklahoma City	OK
Broadnex, Jerry	Grand Prairie	TX
Brown, Elaine	Edmond	OK
Brown, Robert and Kristy	Thayer	MO
Brown, Lisa**	Oklahoma City	OK

Brucken, Patrick and Shari	Martinsville	OH	Graham, Amanda**	Pennington Gap	VA
Bruggeman, Christian and Kim	Edmond	OK	Green, Norman and Jean	Gilmer	TX
Cady, Dorothy**	Edmond	OK	Green, Connie	Longview	TX
Callender, Scott	Ardmore	OK	Green, Hilton and Betty	Monroe	LA
Campbell, Douglass	Falling Waters	WV	Gregory, Dwight	Midwest City	OK
Campbell, Harold S. and			Griffin, Blake	Atlanta	GA
Geneva K. Campbell Revocable Living Trust	Mounds	OK	Grubbs, Dwight and Sylvia	Anderson	IN
Campbell, Ryan and Sarah Beth	Edmond	OK	Grubbs, Martin and Kim	Edmond	OK
Carlson, Chris	Oklahoma City	OK	Guyer, Jennifer	Mount Airy	NC
Carver, Kathleen	Fairborn	OH	Hall, Skip and Christie	Oklahoma City	OK
Castro, Angelino	Zephyrhills	FL	Hall, David and Dee	Philadelphia	MS
Chapman, Carol	Saltville	VA	Hampton, James	Oklahoma City	OK
Clark, Wade	Tulsa	OK	Hance, Glenn and Eileen	Minot	ND
Clark, Daniel**	Edmond	OK	Harlow, Margaret	Louisville	KY
Clemens, Brian* and Janis	Oklahoma City	OK	Harris, Larry and Judy	Bethany	OK
Cleveland, Dale and Faye	Pekin	IL	Harris, Mark** and Faith	Bethany	OK
Clift, Bob and Janet	Oklahoma City	OK	Harrison, Jerry	Lindsay	OK
Cole, Traci	Oklahoma City	OK	Harrison, Keith and Donna	Weatherford	TX
Conrad, Harold	Noblesville	IN	Hart, Angela	Sand Springs	OK
Conway, Dale	Overgaard	AZ	Hart, Christy**	Oklahoma City	OK
Conway, Christine	Mesa	AZ	Hatcher, Merlyn and Imogene	Beaver	OK
Cottom, Marvin D. Cottom Family Trust	Oklahoma City	OK	Hency, Dale and Ruth	Colorado Springs	CO
Cottom, Steve* and Heather	Oklahoma City	OK	Henry, Lyle	Oklahoma City	OK
Cox, G. David and Jan	Clayton	OH	Henshall, Jerry	Bartlesville	OK
Crockett, Ola	Laurle	MS	Hensley, Paul and Reta	Trenton	OH
Crow, Charles** and Imalee	Yukon	OK	Hickman, Dean	Hilliard	OH
Currie, Harry and Joan	Oklahoma City	OK	Higgs, Gary and Gayle	Oklahoma City	OK
Curtis, Helen	Oklahoma City	OK	Hill, Ross	Edmond	OK
Curtis, Wayne	Oklahoma City	OK	Hooten, Bill and Karen	Seminole	OK
Danely, Glenn and Joan	Oklahoma City	OK	Hoover, Steve and Patti	Redmond	OR
Daniels, Robert and Verdie	Heber Springs	AR	Howard, Kathy	Somersworth	NH
Darr, Charles* and Shari	Edmond	OK	Hudiburg, Andrew	Nichols Hills	OK
Defibaugh, Harold and Julie	Yukon	OK	Huff, Andrea K.		
Delgado, Samuel	Oklahoma City	OK	Huff 2006 Revocable Trust	Edmond	OK
DeLozier, Kathy	Lawton	OK	Hughes, Van and Rita	Tulsa	OK
Dethloff, Joe and Angie	Wilson	OK	Humphrey, Basil and Judith	Wanette	OK
Devereaux, Clarenceice	Dallas	TX	Hunt, Howard	Oklahoma City	OK
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Dye, Scott	Edmond	OK	Kastens, Robert and Kathy	Edmond	OK
Dykes, Don* and Kathy	Oil City	LA	Kay, Kelly	Edmond	OK
Earnest, Terrell** and Donna	Yukon	OK	Kennedy, W. Elton	Mer Rouge	LA
Eastwood, Mrs. Don	Keller	TX	Ketch, Susan	Edmond	OK
Eichenfeld, Merle and Winona	Sand Springs	OK	Kimbro, John and Katie	Oklahoma City	OK
Elkins, Helen	Bastrop	LA	Kirby, Fran	Burleson	TX
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Falling, Florence	Anderson	IN	Langford, Ron* and Lillian	Hamilton	OH
Finch, Darrel and Cynthia	Lyndon	KS	Larkin, Robert and Darlene**	Yukon	OK
Flanagan, L. Jack and			Laurick, Jim	Edmond	OK
Rosella L. Flanagan Family Trust	Texhoma	OK	Lawson, Betty	Houston	TX
Fleck, Freda	Sinking Spring	OH	Lease, Ken and Sharon**	Oklahoma City	OK
Flores, Felix	Von Ormy	TX	Lee, James and Luella	Bucyrus	KS
Ford, LaVerne	Monroe	LA	Lee, Byrum and Wylodean	Broken Arrow	OK
Fowlkes, Edgar and Carol**	Yukon	OK	Lehman, Joy	Yukon	OK
Fox, David and Luetta	Poplar Bluff	MO	Macri, A. Melody**	Macomb	MI
Frankfurt, Edgar	Oklahoma City	OK	Mahn, Ron and Kim	Oklahoma City	OK
Freymond, Richard and Jabet	Hacienda Heights	CA	Mannell, Richard and Virginia	Holton	KS
Frick, John	Oklahoma City	OK	Marley, William and Joyce	Norman	OK
Fritts, Jason* and Kelli	Moore	OK	Marshall, Darwina**	Oklahoma City	OK
Gall, Connie **	Chickasha	OK	Marty, Daisy	Jersey City	NJ
Gamblin, David and Julie	Piedmont	OK	Mason, Ralph and Helen	Oklahoma City	OK
Gamblin, Josh** and Jennifer	Oklahoma City	OK	McCall, Charles	Atoka	OK
Garcia, Jose	Oklahoma City	OK	McConnell, Dale	Oklahoma City	OK
Garcia, Ezequiel	Oklahoma City	OK	McCord, Ron and Debbie	Oklahoma City	OK
Garza, Lisa	Oklahoma City	OK	McCroskey, Robert	Bethany	OK
Gaudin, Edward and Donna	Blanchard	OK	McCutcheon, Robert and Patricia	Venice	FL
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"That my glory may sing your praise and not be silent. O Lord my God, I will give thanks to you forever!"
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- John Fozard

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MACU ATHLETICS

FALL 2016

HANNAH MOELLER HIRED AS WOMEN'S BASKETBALL COACH

Hannah Moeller takes over the program after a four-year tenure at Hillsdale Free Will Baptist College, now Randall University. During her time at Hillsdale, Moeller was named the 2016 NCCAA National Coach of the Year, won two national championships, was twice named Southwest Regional Coach of the Year, coached nine All-American players and touted a 105-28 coaching record.

"I am honored and extremely excited for the opportunity to become the head women's basketball coach at MACU," Moeller said. "It feels like a dream come true to return to the Sooner Athletic Conference. The greatest opportunity of all, for me, is to be able to continue to use the game of basketball as a tool to reach more young women with the gospel of Jesus Christ."

Moeller holds an Associate of Arts from Southwestern Christian University and a Bachelor of Science in Sports Management from Rogers State University. Her graduate work is in physical education from the University of Central Oklahoma. Hannah, her husband Marcus and their son Owen reside in Oklahoma City.

Please join us in welcoming Hannah Moeller to MACU!

The Lady Evangels' home basketball game is at 6 p.m. Monday, Nov. 7 against Central Christian College.



MEN'S BASKETBALL COACH TO PRESENT AT NIKE CLINIC IN TULSA

It's been a busy summer for award-winning men's basketball coach Josh Gamblin.

After leading the Evangels to their first-ever NAIA national championship in March and snagging the Coach of the Year award, Gamblin spent the summer with NBA superstar and former University of Oklahoma standout Blake Griffin, hosting an AAU basketball camp for young boys.

Next, Gamblin will speak at a Nike basketball clinic held Sept. 30 and Oct. 1-2 on the campus of Oral Roberts University in Tulsa. He will join other basketball coaches from around the state, including OU's Lon Kruger and Sherri Coale.

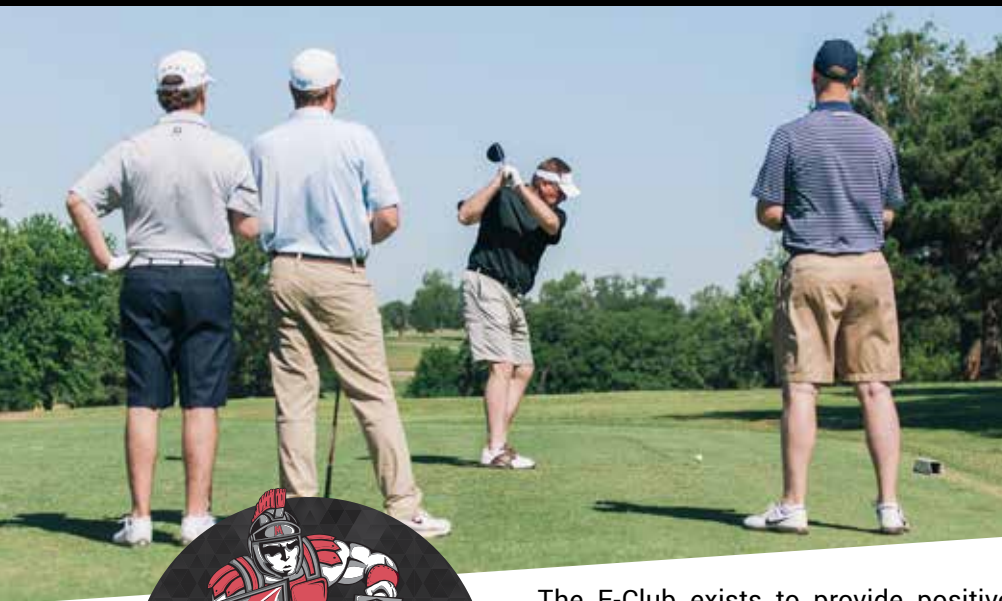
At 10:45 a.m. on Oct. 1, Gamblin will present the topic "Covering the Pick and Roll" to attendees. In addition, the MACU men's basketball team will give demonstrations for each coach speaking at the three-day event.

The first Evangels' home basketball game is at 6 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 25 against Manhattan Christian College.



COACH GAMBLIN

Coach Gamblin worked with Team Griffin this summer, a camp for young boys dedicated to promoting physical fitness and a healthy lifestyle. The camp was founded by LA Clippers power forward Blake Griffin.



INTRODUCING THE MACU ATHLETICS E-CLUB

The E-Club exists to provide positive and increased involvement in MACU athletic programs.

This involvement includes participation and financial support for the purpose of fostering the development of the holistic student-athlete experience. The E-Club also serves to support the tradition of excellence in character, academics, athletics and stewardship in our student-athletes, coaches, staff and alumni.

At 11:30 a.m. on Sept. 28, the next E-Club luncheon will meet at MACU's new private dining room. We are happy to welcome new members! For more information about the E-Club, visit www.macu.edu/e-club/



2016 MACU GOLF CLASSIC

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 12, 2016

Hidden Trails Country Club
6501 S. Country Club Dr.
Oklahoma City, OK 73159

- Lunch and Registration at 12 p.m.
- Shotgun start at 1 p.m.

The MACU Golf Classic is a fundraiser benefiting the university's general scholarship fund. Tournament entry is \$100 per person. Sponsorship opportunities are available. For more information about the MACU Golf Classic or to register online, please visit golfclassic.macu.edu/

FALL SPORTS SCHEDULE

MEN'S SOCCER

09.25	3 p.m.	Bethel University <i>Played at John Brown University</i>
09.28	3 p.m.	John Brown University
10.01	4 p.m.	Oklahoma City University
10.04	7 p.m.	@ Texas Wesleyan University
10.11	4 p.m.	@ Bacone College
10.14	3 p.m.	Wayland Baptist University
10.18	3 p.m.	@ Southwestern Assemblies of God
10.22	7 p.m.	@ University of Science and Arts of Oklahoma
10.25	3 p.m.	@ Saint Gregory's University
10.29	3 p.m.	Southwestern Christian University

WOMEN'S SOCCER

09.25	1 p.m.	Bethel University <i>Played at John Brown University</i>
09.28	1 p.m.	John Brown University
10.01	2 p.m.	Oklahoma City University
10.04	5 p.m.	@ Texas Wesleyan University
10.11	2 p.m.	Bacone College
10.14	1 p.m.	Wayland Baptist University
10.18	3 p.m.	@ Southwestern Assemblies of God
10.22	5 p.m.	@ University of Science and Arts of Oklahoma
10.25	1 p.m.	@ Saint Gregory's University
10.29	1 p.m.	Southwestern Christian University

VOLLEYBALL

09.27	7 p.m.	@ Texas Wesleyan University
09.29	7 p.m.	@ University of Science and Arts of Oklahoma
10.03	7 p.m.	Randall University
10.04	7 p.m.	Bacone College
10.07	6 p.m.	University of the Southwest
10.08	1 p.m.	Texas Wesleyan University
10.10	7 p.m.	Langston University
10.11	7 p.m.	@ Oklahoma City
10.14	7 p.m.	@ Saint Gregory's University
10.17	5 p.m.	East Central and
	7 p.m.	@ Langston University
10.18	7 p.m.	University of Science and Arts of Oklahoma
10.22	11 a.m.	@ Wayland Baptist University
10.25	7 p.m.	@ John Brown University
10.27	7 p.m.	Southwestern Christian University
10.28	7 p.m.	@ Dallas Christian University

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BLAKE BARNETT

BLAKE BARNETT'S FIRST SEMESTER as an Evangel was a quiet one. A former homeschool student, his days at MACU consisted of coming to school, attending class, studying and leaving. By the second semester, all of that changed.

Barnett became a member of student government, planned events, led worship in chapel and joined the Iron Men, a new group composed of several young men who MACU President Dr. John Fozard and other school officials identified as great student leaders.

Through his involvement with the group, Fozard introduced an internship opportunity to Barnett with PGT Industries, a window supply company headquartered in Venice, Fla.

Founded in 1980, PGT was established as a leader in impact-resistant windows and doors after the devastation of Hurricane Andrew. Dave McCutcheon, MACU Board of Trustee member and grandson of visionary CHOG pastor Dr. Lillie McCutcheon, serves as PGT's Vice President of Manufacturing. He not only encouraged the position, but offered to host Barnett in his home during the course of the internship. During his time with the McCutcheons, Barnett said he became an honorary member of the family.

He said one of the greatest parts of being a PGT intern was the dedicated time he had to invest in projects.

"While everyone else was busy with the daily business, I had the freedom to come alongside production lines and help analyze them to make processes more efficient. By utilizing some of the GiANT Worldwide tools we learned in the President's Iron Men training, it became easy to invest in the factory employees and communicate with their needs," Barnett said.

"One of the projects that we worked on helped save nearly four miles of walking each day for employees," he said. "That equaled extra time saved per shift, and nearly \$330,000 saved in potential production."

Barnett said the real-world leadership skills he gained on the factory floor gave him a boost for his upcoming senior year at MACU.

"I feel more ready than ever to mentor other students. I can't wait to share what I've done and show others what you can get out and do!"

He said his time with the school – and all the opportunities that have come with it – "Has been God-led the entire way. MACU has provided me something I could have never dreamed of."



BECOMING A LEADER

During his 2016 summer internship with PGT Industries, Blake Barnett helped the company save over \$300,000 in potential production.

A portrait of Malcolm Mann, a young Black man with short, curly hair, smiling at the camera. He is wearing a dark grey jacket over a dark shirt and has small hoop earrings in both ears.

MALCOLM MANN

AROUND THE SAME TIME Malcolm Mann sank the buzzer beater that led the Evangelists to their first ever NAIA Championship win, the community of Flint, Mich., found themselves facing a serious water crisis.

This summer, the two crossed paths in a way that altered countless lives.

After finishing up his junior year at MACU, Mann was brought aboard as an intern at the Frito-Lay distribution center in Flint. In addition to working as district sales leaders, each of the 300 interns was given a project to work on during their time with Frito-Lay. Mann's was to quantify the effect of the water crisis on the company.

As a part of his project, Mann helped a local church host a water crisis awareness block party. Frito-Lay provided more than 300 bags of chips for the event, the first form of outreach the company provided for Flint since the crisis began.

Mann's work and research culminated in a capstone presentation given by all interns to company executives. Last in line, Mann waited and listened to one speaker after the other. The basketball standout worried that by not speaking in terms of numbers that his work would not be perceived as successful or valued by Frito-Lay.

"Every other presentation, they were talking about how they made \$250,000 for the company or \$50,000 for the company," he said. "That wasn't my assignment."

Despite his nerves, he leaned into God.

"If you turn to Christ and you do what's in His will then everything will work out," he said. "I was worried about the project and the numbers, but I decided to trust what Christ called me to do."

As it turns out, what he did was worth more than money could buy.

"I told the executives that relationships transfer to dollar amounts. I asked them, 'What are we doing intentionally to build relationships with the community and rebuild trust?' It's important to see the people, not just the product."

The skills Mann learned at MACU helped make him successful in his internship, he said. He especially stressed the importance of "knowing yourself to lead yourself," a tool MACU uses from GiANT Worldwide.

When he began his internship, Mann just wanted to do an excellent job and be a valued intern. In the end, he realized what mattered most was to listen to and serve the community of Flint, striving to help them experience Christ's goodness and love in the face of ongoing adversity.

Even though the summer is over and it's time to come back to a busy senior year at MACU, Mann's story doesn't end there. On the day he returned to campus, he received a call from Frito-Lay offering him a full-time job with the company after he graduates next spring.

Whether he's on the court or in the boardroom, Malcolm Mann always comes out a champion of God.



MAKING A DIFFERENCE

Malcolm Mann spends time caring for some of the youngest Flint residents affected by the water crisis.



CAFÉ 1412

Thanks to generous donor support, the MACU cafeteria saw some big changes this summer!

The Name

We decided to name the café after our vision verse, John 14:12, where Jesus says, "Truly, truly I say to you. Greater things will you do than I have done because I go to the Father."

Service

With a seating capacity of 240 and two private dining rooms, Café 1412 serves breakfast, lunch and dinner every day for our students, faculty, staff and friends.

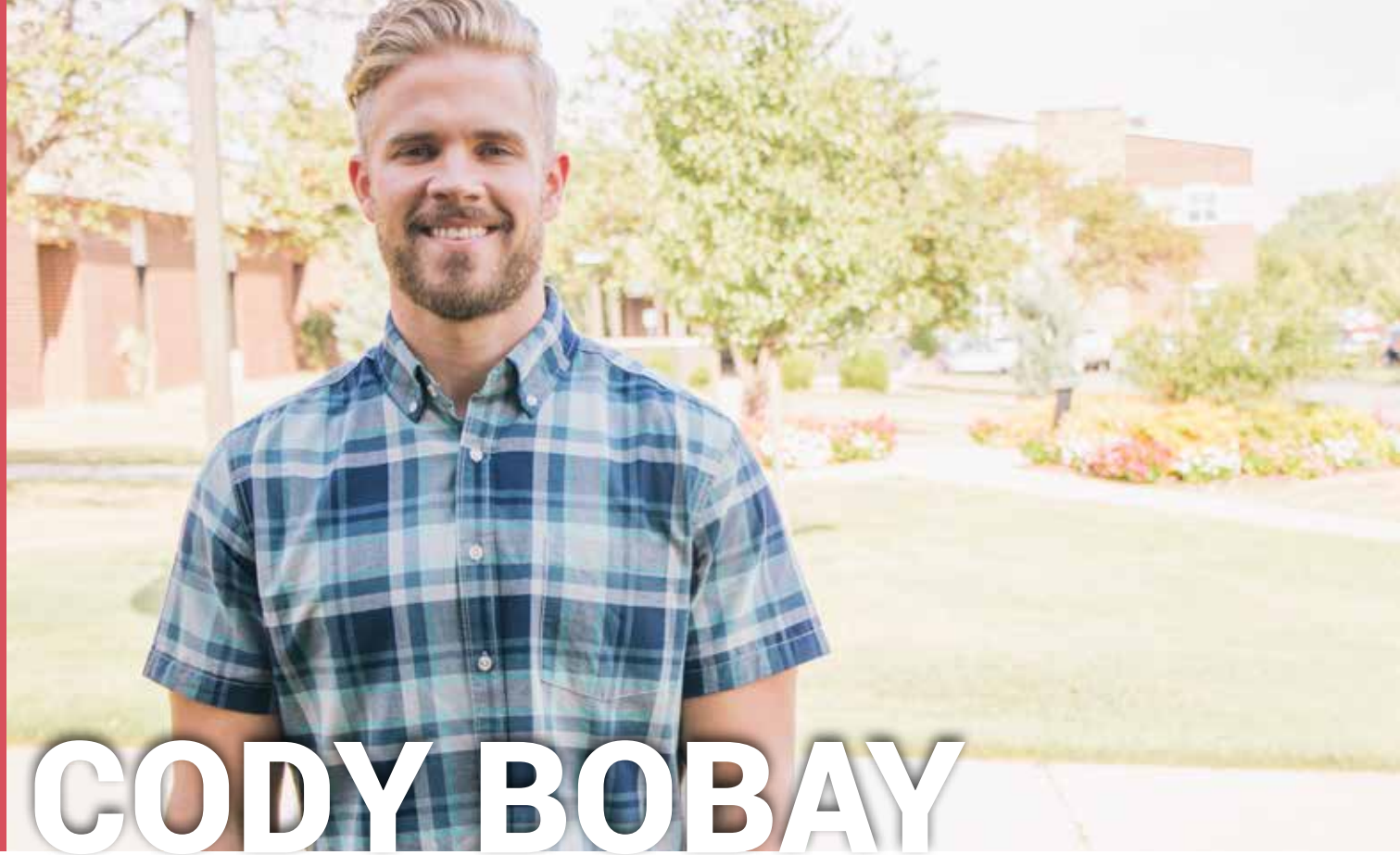
Join Us

We are excited to incorporate the heart of our institution into our beautiful new space.

Please join us for a meal at Café 1412 soon!

CAFÉ 1412





As a teenager, Cody Bobay found his identity in what other people wanted him to be.

"I went from party to party and as my popularity increased, so did the pressure to perform," Bobay said.

Keeping up with the routine of a partier was draining. At 18, Bobay decided he needed to break away from the tumultuous lifestyle he knew. He enlisted in the U.S. Navy and entered boot camp on Sept. 11, 2003.

"I really had the hope I could make myself a better person," Bobay said. "I wanted to change my reputation so I didn't have to live from one high to the next with partying and keeping up with my popularity."

Two days into the Navy, Bobay was made the leader of the other 80 men in his division. He slipped into his old lifestyle like a well-worn pair of shoes: ill-fitting, falling apart, but familiar. Bouncing from party to party with his comrades, Bobay said he hit "rock bottom" in Panama City some six months later.

"I realized there was nothing left for me," he said.

Alone in his barracks room on March 24, 2004, Bobay crumpled to his knees and cried out for the only help he had left.

"I told God that if He is who He says He is, and if the Bible is real, that I will tell everybody about it for the rest of my life," he said.

It was then that, for the first time in his life, Bobay felt God's unconditional love and acceptance come over him in waves. It washed over him and cleansed away

his sinful nature, freeing him from the lifestyle he'd spent nearly half of his life trapped in.

Since that moment, Bobay's life has been about exactly what he told God on the floor of his barracks room: sharing the Gospel. About two months after he gave his life to Christ, his career path in the military changed. He was transferred to Oklahoma City as an airman in the nuclear platform.

"I knew that God's hand was in it," Bobay said. He served six years in the Navy and intended on becoming a Navy SEAL — but God had other ideas, leading him to a wellness ministry.

With only minimal schooling to lean on, Bobay said it was by God's grace that he was able to leave the Navy and step into a corporate wellness position. He said he'll never forget the interview process for that job, where he was the only candidate with an associate's degree and the other applicants had master's degrees to rely on. But what he had was confidence — and faith that God wouldn't fail him.

And He didn't.

Bobay started his corporate job based on his level of belief in himself and his faith that he could get the job done. As a working adult and a husband of three years, he decided he needed to continue his education.

"I knew I had to find the right school so I could balance it with having a lot going on," he said. "I found MACU."

Taking one-night-a-week classes fit perfectly into Bobay's hectic schedule. He graduated with a

bachelor's degree in Business Management and Ethics all the while working full-time, writing his first book and celebrating the birth of his first child. His research project on the positive impact of wellness in the workplace netted him a research award from MACU – and helped him realize the vision God had for his life.

"I knew God was on a mission to continue my work to inspire people and focus in on the church to live a lifestyle of wellness," Bobay said.

After seeking counsel, he decided to pursue a master's degree from MACU. During that time, he started working on his second book as well as on climbing up the corporate ladder in the wellness world. Bobay began speaking to churches, men's groups and conferences.

He said MACU's philosophy of "Dream Bigger. Do Greater." helped him push forward as he kept up with balancing home, work, church and school. As he worked on his graduate degree, Bobay said he started thinking about what his research project – and his heart – was all about.

About a month after graduating with his Master's degree in Leadership, Bobay accepted a promotion within his job of a global wellness coordinator.

He continued writing his second book, *SOULCON CHALLENGE*, which he finished and released on Dec. 16, 2015. The book details a six-week Special Forces inspired challenge for men with a promise to take them from "an Al Bundy lifestyle to one like Chris Kyle."

As he watched the book gain momentum, finding a place on the shelves of stores like Mardel and Lifeway and netting 5-star reviews on Amazon, Bobay realized he'd finally found his life's calling.



"My purpose is to restore men's ministry across the U.S.," he said. "When I released *SOULCON CHALLENGE*, I felt that God put on my heart that I needed to make that a reality."

That reality culminated this summer when, in the middle of his devotion time, God placed an important date and task on Bobay's conscience.

"This is what I love that MACU teaches: that God's plan for our life is so much greater and way more uncomfortable than we can imagine," laughed Bobay, "way more uncomfortable."

On Aug. 22, Bobay stepped down from his job in the corporate wellness world to pursue his goal of restoring men's ministry with SOULCON Ministries.

This summer, Bobay released a mobile app for men that offers weekly challenges, daily Scripture devotions, workout videos and instructions, and mind, will and emotion training in line with the Special Forces theme that plays heavily in his books. Next year, he'll see SOULCON Ministries host weekly video streams for evangelical churches across the country, breathing life into dying men's ministry programs. And in the future, SOULCON Ministries hopes to open a training facility in McAlester that mimics the experience of his second book with a four-day program.

Cody Bobay lives in Oklahoma City with his wife, Hayley, and their children, Ty and Parker. He is working on his third book, *SOULCON Suburbia*, which will teach men attending his intensive training course how to stay on track after they return home. If you would more information on SOULCON Ministries, please visit www.soulcon.com/



PROMOTING HIS BOOK

SOULCON CHALLENGE is a men's wellness book designed to promote spiritual and physical fitness. It is available in Mardel and Lifeway stores, as well as on Amazon.



WALKING A MILE IN DIFFERENT SHOES

A U.S. Navy shadow box, a set of military boots, athletic sneakers and leather lace-ups represent the different phases in Cody Bobay's life as a member of the U. S. Navy, a wellness coordinator and a motivational speaker.



Family Ties

MIDDLEBROOKS

Pictured: Three generations of the Middlebrooks family



YOU COULD ARGUE that the Middlebrooks family puts the “Mid” in Mid-America Christian University. For close to 50 years, three generations have walked the school hallways both in Houston and in Oklahoma City, making athletics history and filling both student and teacher roles in the classroom.

It all started in the 1960s, when Marvin Middlebrooks came to Gulf Coast Bible College to play basketball. At the time, that was all he wanted to do. He was a child of the decade, a rebel who resented the school’s academics and strict rules. Because of his unruly behavior, Marvin Middlebrooks was “kicked out” of GBC several times. He was eventually allowed to stay at the school, but only if he moved off campus so he wouldn’t influence other students. His story is a demonstration of God’s redeeming love and grace.

There’s still a touch of mischief in Marvin Middlebrooks’ brown eyes — but nowadays, it’s Kingdom work he’s famous for.

After re-committing his life to Christ, Marvin Middlebrooks married his wife, Janice, the woman he met and fell in love with during his days at GBC. They served at six churches and raised five children — all alumni of the school — before coming back to the university in 1993.

More than 400 miles away from its roots in Houston and renamed Mid-America Bible College, Marvin and Janice Middlebrooks became a professor and the registrar, respectively. They’ve spent more than two decades touching lives in and outside of the classroom — including many of their own family members.

In addition to their five children, the Middlebrooks have also seen many of their grandchildren, siblings, nieces and nephews come through the school. Marvin Middlebrooks said it’s the familial atmosphere of the school that keeps his loved ones coming back again and again.

“At MACU, community plays into everything, whether it’s athletics, in the chapel, in the dorms or in the classroom. We are blessed to be a part of a group of people that serve the Lord and work together to impact the world for Christ,” Marvin Middlebrooks said.

Janice Middlebrooks said working at MACU is a privilege.

“It is gratifying to help students achieve their goals and witness how God works in their lives,” she said.

This fall semester marks Marvin Middlebrooks’ last as a full-time ministry professor. He will retire after closing out the last chapel of the year on Friday, Dec. 9. Don’t worry — the Middlebrooks patriarch plans to remain involved in various activities at MACU and to keep touching lives and serving the Lord with his wife, continuing the family legacy.



CARTER

*Pictured: Kimberly,
Panola and Karen*

SOME SIBLINGS SHARE CLOTHES; others share toys or a favorite meal. Then, there's Dr. Kimberly Thomas — who shares her status as a proud MACU alumnus with her younger brother and sister.

Thomas, who serves as the Adult School of Christian Ministries chair at MACU, was the first of her family to attend the university — then Gulf Coast Bible College — in 1979. She decided she'd try the school for a semester after visiting a recruitment table at a Church of God convention in her home state of Tennessee.

"There was such a sense of caring from the professors, and even student to student," Thomas said. It was her positive experience at GBC that paved the way for her siblings to attend.

Three years later, her brother, Panola Carter III, came to GBC after an administrative mix-up prevented him from enrolling in the college he planned to attend. The mistake turned out to be a blessing in disguise.

"I met friends that I still have to this day," Panola Carter said.

"When you go to college, you meet people who impact you for the rest of your life, whether you go your separate ways or you stay lifelong friends. As young believers, you want the influences you allow in your life to be positive ones that strengthen your faith and connection with Christ. A school like MACU allows for the development of intimate relationships that last."

The youngest member of the family, Karen Carter said she didn't have much of a choice when it came to following in her siblings' footsteps — and she's glad she didn't.

"I found my true path," she said. "If I had gone to New York [like I originally planned], I probably would've strayed from the church. MACU was good for me."

During her time as a student, Carter was one half of Something Special, a singing group that traveled across the country. She carries her love of music with her to this day, and hopes to one day combine it with her current job in the medical field.

In addition to the three siblings, their mother also took classes at MACU. So far, no other generations have come through the school, but Panola Carter said he wouldn't rule out the possibility of a future Evangel in the family — though the school might need a little more time to prepare before that happens.

"I think it's still recovering from us," he laughed.

Dr. Kimberly Thomas and Karen Carter reside in Oklahoma City with their families. Panola Carter III resides in Detroit, where he serves as an associate pastor at Joseph Campau Avenue Church of God.



JACOB POOL

LIKE MANY YOUNG BOYS, Jacob Pool grew up with dreams of one day becoming a police officer. He's spent most of his adult life making those dreams come true, working as an animal control officer and policeman at the Weatherford Police Department. Now, he's joined the MACU family as the campus's new Chief of Police.

Pool, who grew up in Clinton, attended Southwestern Oklahoma State University in Weatherford, where he remained after graduating with his bachelor's degree and marrying his wife, Jessica. A few years ago, he got the feeling that their plans in the western half of the state weren't as permanent as they once thought.

"We were kind of talking one night and we both felt very strongly that we wouldn't retire from Weatherford," Pool recalled. "We always knew mission work was in the picture, we just thought it was down the road after we retired."

As He often does, God had other ideas. As the couple prayed God would open the right doors, they were approached by two friends about starting a church in Mustang. After spending several days in prayer, the Pools accepted the offer and joined the church's formation team.

Since then, the church has grown from a few individuals meeting in the Pools' living room to groups gathering in the Mustang Community Center. Pool said the church focuses on small groups — called "well groups" — to build a sense of community. The congregation held their first bi-weekly meeting this summer.

"We don't want to rush," Pool said. "We want to have God's timing."

That's something Pool is familiar with. He knew leaving Weatherford probably meant the end of his career in law enforcement. He needed a normal 8-to-5 job, not one with rotating shifts and graveyard hours. He prepared to say goodbye to his passion if it meant fulfilling God's purpose for his life. But God had something else in mind.

After one disappointing job application after another — "[the jobs] just disappeared, or were filled before I got an interview" — Pool said he got discouraged. He didn't even consider applying for another law enforcement job until his wife found the opening for a police chief at MACU.

"MACU has been great," he said. "I've meshed really well here and I appreciate how well everyone has treated me."

Pool said the school blends his love of God, people and the sense of right and wrong. He hopes he will be able to leave a positive impact on the lives of the students he comes into contact with every day, especially in a time when some officers face harsh criticism.

"I see this as an opportunity to really build our relationships and show some of these students that police officers in general want to be your friend. They want to be there for you, they want to help you," Pool said.

He said with a school of MACU's size, there will always be students who have had a negative experience with police officers or other figures of authority.

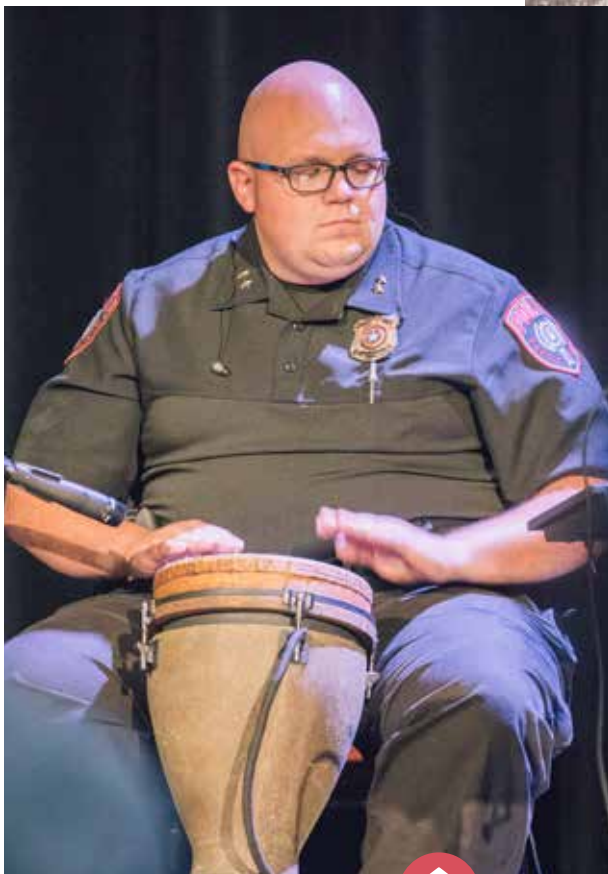
"There are people here who have had some sort of injustice done to them. I want them to know that at MACU, they are loved. They're loved by the faculty, by the police department, by everybody here. We care for them and we want to have a relationship with them so they realize they can rely on a police officer somewhere down the road," Pool said.

"[Police officers] aren't just there to arrest people or write them a ticket, they got into the field because they wanted to help people."

Jacob Pool and his wife Jessica are currently looking for a home in Mustang, where they plan to permanently reside. They have two daughters, Beth and Jane, and are expecting their third child in February.

Please join us in welcoming Chief Jacob Pool to the Evangel family!

**"I WANT THEM
TO KNOW THAT
AT MACU, THEY
ARE LOVED."**



JOINING IN WORSHIP

As a member of the worship team, Chief Pool uses his musical gifts to participate in chapel.

STANDING GUARD

Chief Pool and Police Officer Chris Byram are ready to serve.



DR. ADAMS

FOR MORE THAN 20 YEARS, Kathy Adams has worked with students of all ages as a teacher, principal and superintendent. Now, she joins the MACU School of Teacher Education as a full-time professor.

"I love to teach," Adams said. "It's so much fun — we're the foundation for everything that's out there. I think everybody can remember a teacher who changed their life."

She described her career as something she fell in love with in high school.

"I had some teachers that really made an impact," she said. "I felt that being a teacher was what I was meant to do — it was a calling."

Although this will be her first time teaching in a physical college classroom, Adams is no stranger to MACU. She served as an adjunct professor in the online program for about a year, teaching students across the U.S. and the world.

"I truly enjoyed it," Adams said. "It was great to meet adults all over the country. Even though I didn't see them, I got to know their background, their life experiences and help them."

She called her full-time position at MACU "a blessing."

"I'm excited to be able to create disciples that are going to give back to children," Adams said. "I hope I can be successful in making a difference and that we can increase the amount of teachers in Oklahoma. MACU teachers graduate with a Christian background, which I think is so much stronger."

It's that strength — like that described in Adams' favorite verse, Philippians 4:13 — that she hopes to impart on her students.

"I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me."

Dr. Kathy Adams and her husband, Greg, live in Norman with their three children. Her husband, whose military background first brought the family to Oklahoma in 1999, works at Tinker Air Force Base.

To ring in the fall semester, Dr. Adams provided her new students with a "survival kit" to get them through the first half of the school year. Some goodies inside the kit included:

- A **crayon**, to color students' days bright and cheerful
- An **eraser**, reminding students that everyone makes mistakes
- **Life Savers** candy, because teachers are lifesavers
- A **paperclip** to hold it all together
- And a **prayer** for students to say at the start of each day





DR. KIHEGA

IN HIS YOUTH, Harold Kihega found his love of science through the observation of horses and cattle on his parents' farm in Lawton. Now, he's bringing that passion to the classroom as a biology professor at MACU.

"I always prayed about getting a biology position at a Christian college," Kihega said. **"I know God had a hand in me coming here."**

In addition to teaching, Kihega hopes to build a biology degree program. He said the goal is to offer more biology courses every semester until a full curriculum is built.

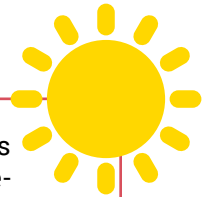
Kihega brings more than 20 years' experience from a diverse range of fields, including serving in law enforcement and teaching at both the primary and collegiate level. He's taught at seven colleges across Kansas, New Mexico and Oklahoma, including the University of Oklahoma in Norman and Oklahoma City Community College.

He said he plans to pick the best parts of the programs he's been a part of and blend them into a dynamic program for his students so they can "Dream Bigger" and "Do Greater" for their community.

"I want MACU students to have the highest acceptance rate into STEM (Science-Technology-Engineering-Math) graduate schools, like medical schools," Kihega said. "I think that Christian people make the best nurses and doctors — they care about the person, not just the job."

Dr. Harold Kihega is a member of the Otoe-Missouria Tribe of Oklahoma. He and his wife, Shannon, reside in Norman.

SUMMER CAMP



With the help of Dr. Kihega, MACU has established a partnership with the Otoe-Missouria tribe of Oklahoma and Frontier Public Schools in Red Rock to provide a summer STEM camp at MACU over the next three years. This will establish a bridge program for underrepresented minorities in STEM to receive instruction, mentorship and research training for STEM careers. This will also provide recruitment opportunities for STEM majors at MACU. The Otoe-Missouria tribe has graciously agreed to provide laboratory equipment in exchange for the 3-year STEM camp. Their involvement will help start the new biology program. MACU looks forward to creating other partnerships with various communities to continue the further development of the School of Math and Science.





From left to right: Dr. Eric Joseph, Vice President for Strategic Initiatives and Chief Diversity Officer, Mid-America Christian University; Marty Grubbs, Senior Pastor, Crossings Community Church; Dr. James Earl Massey, Dean Emeritus, Anderson School of Theology; Gwendolyn Inez Kilpatrick Massey; and the late Dr. David Grubbs.

DAVID GRUBBS

Dr. David Grubbs lived a true servant's life. Born into a family of Church of God pastors, Grubbs grew in the Lord from a young age. His parents, J.D. and Inez, served churches in much of the southeast as well as Indiana. There, Grubbs attended Anderson College — known today as Anderson University — and graduated in 1960. Fourteen years later, he was awarded an honorary doctorate by the institution.

As an ordained Church of God minister of more than 50 years, Grubbs served congregations in Tennessee, Ohio and California. In 1990, he founded David Grubbs and Associates, a consulting and fundraising firm specializing in raising major gifts for churches, schools, universities and civic organizations, as well as assisting in philanthropic endeavors. Because of Grubbs, hundreds of millions of dollars were raised for his clients.

His son, Rev. Marty Grubbs, Crossings Community Church senior pastor, said his father had a deep friendship with Dr. James Earl Massey.

“They had a commitment to serving the church,” Marty Grubbs said. “Together they formed a preaching clinic that, for years, taught ministers the art of expository preaching. This scholarship fund is one way to honor my father’s love for Biblical teaching and for the Church of God, as well as his deep appreciation for the leadership of Dr. Massey.”

That’s a decorated legacy that his family is keeping alive with the establishment of the Dr. David Grubbs Church Leadership Scholarship. Designed for the School of Wesleyan Studies within the Dr. J.E. Massey Center for Ministry and Leadership, the scholarship is designed to meet some of the school’s monthly subscription costs.

The scholarship can be applied toward tuition or fees associated with The School of Wesleyan Studies for an individual pastor or be used to enroll a church in the congregational subscription.



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*Dr. Paul Silvestri,
Associate Dean of CAGS*

NEW DEGREE: MBA WITH HR EMPHASIS

FOR MANY YEARS, human resources was regarded as a profession of file keepers and party planners. Now, it's gaining ground as highly defined departments within corporations with responsibilities that span legal, recruiting, corporate and human relations expertise.

Recognizing that need, MACU moved to fill the gap with a revolutionary new MBA emphasis program to help HR professionals stand out and be better prepared in their career field.

"The emphasis program is one of the first of its kind in the country," said Dr. Paul Silvestri, College of Adult and Graduate Studies associate dean.

Silvestri said the basic goal of the emphasis is to marry business acumen with a substantive human resource body of knowledge that embodies the crucial and strategic elements of the HR profession. The emphasis blends traditional business classes like marketing and finance with key elements of the HR discipline, creating a program emphasis unique to MACU.

The program, which was designed by business and HR professionals and entrepreneurs, was designed with an intentionality to prepare students to sit for one of the recognized certifications in the field.

"By combining the graduate level core business coursework with salient human resource skills and knowledge, a graduate will be well-prepared to pursue professional certification," Silvestri said. "This program is intended to prepare qualified graduates for ultimately assuming director and executive-level positions."

NEW CERTIFICATE PROGRAMS:

CHURCH STAFF LEADERSHIP

DO YOU DREAM OF BECOMING A LEADER in your church? MACU's new Church Staff Leadership certificate program equips church staff leaders with basic knowledge of the Bible, individual and collective leadership skills, management of self and others, effective communication skills and church tax and law standards.

Dr. Kimberly Thomas, Adult School of Christian Ministries chair, said the certificate is the answer to the many questions church leaders have.

"This certificate program will provide many answers to those questions by offering courses with case studies that address leadership and communication skills, as well as legal guidelines for churches," Thomas said. "It's a program that you and your church staff can't afford not to take."

A prerequisite of a high school diploma or certified GED is required.

WOMEN IN MINISTRY LEADERSHIP

ENCOURAGING AND EMPOWERING WOMEN within the church is the purpose behind the new Women in Ministry Leadership certificate program offered this fall at MACU.

"This program will change your life," said Dr. Kimberly Thomas, Adult School of Christian Ministries chair.

Over a 10-month period, certificate students will explore the unique roles of women in the Bible, investigate historical and contemporary influential female leaders and foster study skills to better prepare for teaching and preaching.

"The courses in this certificate program will not only help you explore the purpose and calling that God has given you, but you will gain greater levels of personal confidence applying Scripture to leadership in life, ministry and service," said Thomas.

Upon completion of the certificate program, credit hours may be applied to a bachelor's degree in Christian Ministries. A prerequisite of a high school diploma or certified GED is required.



*Dr. Kimberly Thomas,
Professor/Chair of Adult
School of Christian Ministries*

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Missions Possible

WHAT STARTED AS A MISSION to provide the Ecuadorian people with access to clean water turned into a life-saving journey to repair a major piece of a jungle tribe's livelihood.

For six days and five nights, a group of MACU missionaries worked to repair an air strip washed out by a major flood in Shell Mera, Ecuador. English instructor Beccah Bland, who accompanied five students on the trip, said the Achuar people were in desperate need when the Evangelists arrived in May.

"They didn't know what they were going to do," Bland said.

Having an air strip was incredibly important to the Achuar community, but they lacked the funds and supplies to repair its flood damage. That's where the Evangelist team came in.

For about half of their 12-day trip to Ecuador, five MACU students helped repair the strip so aircrafts could use it again. In addition to restoring the air strip, Bland said, students also participated in worship and held language classes with the natives. By the end of the mission trip, the group was able to communicate with the tribe using a combination of English, Spanish and their native language.

Bland said being able to communicate and work side-by-side with the Achuar people created an "incredible" environment.

"We weren't working for the community," she said. "We were working with them."

Without commodities like bathrooms and technology, Bland said, it was an eye-opening experience for the students.

"It made them open up and honestly realize how much God has done for them."

One of the missionaries, Laurel Church, exemplified Bland's words. She said the trip changed her life and helped her find the path God meant for her to walk on.

ECUADOR



Before leaving for Ecuador, she said she doubted that she had any specific purpose.

Then she became a missionary and realized that God had a purpose for her all along.

"I [learned] that I can show His love through my actions and words rather than waiting to have a 'purpose,'" Church said.

The students administered aid near some of the same areas where evangelical Christian missionary pilot Nate Saint transformed lives before his 1956 death at the hands of the Huaorani tribe.

"We are a part of that legacy," Bland said. "We are doing the same thing: flying into the jungle to help [the tribes], doing what those missionaries did."



KENYA

TO MANY COMMUNITIES in the East African country of Kenya, having access to clean water is paramount to having a healthy life. Together with Oklahoma's Water4 foundation and campus pastor Johnny Bland and his wife Beccah, MACU English professor, six students helped bring those life-saving water sources to several communities this summer.

During their time in Kenya, the group tended to multiple projects ranging from a geological survey and soil testing to drilling new wells and restoring and protecting old ones. Johnny Bland said working on the wells and the projects related to them showed students the variety of ways people can get water.

In addition to providing low-cost wells, Water4 and its volunteers train community members on how to maintain and repair the wells, providing a full circle opportunity to make a living and keep the clean water flowing.

"We're not just giving these communities wells, we're training them so it becomes a source of income for young men," Beccah Bland said.

She said MACU tries to partner with long-term mission organizations because of the lasting effect they leave on the communities they touch.

In addition to their hard work helping construct and repair wells, Beccah Bland said the MACU students faced a unique challenge and opportunity when they discovered one of the communities they worked with was of the Muslim faith.

"It was a really special experience," Beccah Bland said. "Even though we were of different faiths, everyone came together and at the end of the day we all got in a circle and prayed. It was very beautiful."

It all contributed to what Johnny Bland described as another important part of mission trips: individual growth in God.

"When you put people into settings that they're uncomfortable with, where things are out of their control, we can have conversations with them about their faith, about the role God plays in their lives and what they're learning on the trip," he said.

At night, the group held devotionals so the missionaries could share their individual stories and promote their relationships with one another and with God. Johnny Bland said watching students overcome and persevere through Christ in foreign situations is one of his favorite parts of the trips.

When they weren't working with Water4, the student missionaries had the opportunity to experience many different aspects of Kenya's rich culture. They visited an elephant orphanage as well as a giraffe sanctuary. In a traditional Maasai village, the Evangelists had their hair braided and traditional African jewelry draped around their necks. The Blands said it made for an unforgettable experience.

"The Lord was able to do some really wonderful things," Johnny Bland said.



to touch the most lives and further our students as they continue to "Dream Bigger" and "Do Greater" for the Kingdom of God.

Coach Adrian Savedra



SIX YEARS AFTER a tragic accident claimed the life of Yukon baseball standout Justin Sullivan, MACU baseball coach Adrian Savedra joined a group of coaches and pastors who wanted to make a legacy out of his life — a life that was “worth following.”

Savedra, who is about to start his second year at MACU, is the executive director of A Life Worth Following, a nonprofit organization built around Sullivan’s two great loves: God and America’s favorite pastime. A Life Worth Following weaves them both together with the Oklahoma City Ambassadors, the organization’s summer baseball team.

Designed for high schoolers who are hoping to play baseball at the collegiate level, the OKC Ambassadors spend two months together every year. Savedra has coached the Ambassadors since the team’s inaugural season in 2008.

He said the Ambassadors are a little different from most travel high school teams.

“We don’t ever have a formal tryout like a lot of teams do. Our two prerequisites are that you have a desire to play college baseball and a willingness to learn how to utilize the gifts God has given you so that you can use those gifts to share Christ with other people,” Savedra said.

“If they’re willing to learn and have a passion and an ability to play baseball, they’re probably going to be a good fit.”

Savedra said for eight weeks every summer, the Ambassadors host free clinics, play a lot of baseball and “put the Word of God into a lot of lives.”

It’s a season of fun and fellowship topped off with a mission trip. This year, Savedra and his team of 17 young men traveled to Nicaragua.

Although the Ambassadors have also visited the Dominican Republic and Mexico in previous years, Savedra said the team keeps going back to Nicaragua.

“We really feel the Lord opening up several doors for us there,” he said. “We sensed that instead of going to new places every year, the Lord wanted us to plant deep roots in one area and to build long-term relationships with different ministries.”

This summer marked the team’s fifth trip to the Central American country.

For a week, the coaches and players of the Ambassadors traveled to different Nicaraguan cities to promote local churches and ministries through the game of baseball. Savedra said it’s the highlight of the summer for his players.

“Many of our kids have never left Oklahoma or the U.S. before, or if they have it’s for vacation,” he said. “To go to a place where the average income is \$450 a year, to see the poverty, to be in a culture where most of our players don’t speak the language — it’s a life-changing experience.”

Although there is a verbal disconnect between the Ambassadors and the locals, Savedra said there is one language they all speak: baseball.

“We speak English, they speak Spanish, but there’s a natural bond,” he said. **“We’re brothers in baseball, but our goal is to share Christ with them so that we can also be brothers in Christ.”**



EVANGELS IN THE OUTFIELD

Savedra said the yearly mission trips have impacted and changed many lives — not just those of the Nicaraguan people, but the players' lives as well. He recalled one of his former players, Blake Stepanovich, who found his life's calling in the despair of a third world hospital.

"We were walking down the stairs and he turned and looked at me and said, 'I think God is calling me to be a doctor,'" said Savedra.

Stepanovich finished his residency program at St. Mary's Medical Center in Blue Springs, Mo., this year.

"He followed what God wanted him to do," Savedra said. And it all started in Nicaragua.

Over his nine seasons with the Ambassadors, he's seen dozens of baseball players dedicate their lives to serving the Lord. This summer, one of the young men felt the call to become a long-term missionary. Every player found a place to play baseball this fall, including one young man who received a Division I scholarship with Kansas State University.

"It's an impactful, life-changing trip," said Savedra. "We go there with the idea of wanting to help, but what happens is, the Lord changes us. He speaks directly to us and opens our eyes to a whole world that people don't often get to experience. It's an amazing trip."

As he heads into his second season with the Evangels, Savedra said it's something he wants to bring to MACU, too.

"I want Jesus to be a part of our dugout," he said. "I want our players to hear the truth of God's Word. I want

them to learn about how God has uniquely gifted them to play a sport. **We can either hold that gift and make it all about us or we can open our hands and say 'God, You've given me this gift — how can I use it for Your Kingdom?'**"

It's a question that Savedra once asked himself, and one that God answered through his call to minister through baseball.

"I view my job as a ministry and apart from my family, my baseball players are what's important to me. They're my ministry."

Just like Justin Sullivan before him, Adrian Savedra is creating a life that is certainly worth following.



MACU friends and family, we ask that you remember the loved ones of Kaylee Hamilton and David Vallerand in your prayers. They were killed in a car accident on Aug. 26 while trying to help the victims of a separate car crash. Vallerand, an OKC Ambassadors coach, was a dear friend of Adrian Savedra and other members of the MACU Athletics team.

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SEPT. 20-23



BISHOP TIMOTHY J. CLARKE

Senior Pastor & Author, MACU Board of Trustee Member | Speaking Spiritual Emphasis Week

Bishop Timothy J. Clarke is the visionary leader and Senior Pastor of First Church of God in Columbus, Ohio. Under his dynamic and prophetic leadership, First Church has become a spiritual beacon at the local and national level. Among his many honors and degrees for his service to the church and to the community, Clarke holds a Doctor of Divinity from Mid-America Bible College. He has written several books that minister to our hearts and encourage our souls, such as *Signs of His Coming* and *Celebrating the Family: Lessons from the Book of Ruth*.

OCT. 12



TODD BRASCHLER

Founder of Todd Braschler Ministries, MACU Board of Trustee Member

Todd Braschler is an ordained pastor in the Church of God (Anderson, Ind.) and served as an associate pastor in Worship, Christian Education, Equipping and Assimilation and Connecting Ministries in churches from 1985 to 2001. In 2001, he founded Todd Braschler Ministries, a 501c3 non-profit dedicated to excavating the potential God has placed in people.

OCT. 19



LAURA GREEN MCAFEE

Hobby Lobby, Director of Community Engagement

A third generation member of the Hobby Lobby Green family, Lauren Green McAfee is a connector and Museum of the Bible advocate with a heart to engage others in the Bible. She serves as a board member for The Eden Clinic, a free medical clinic in Norman and Midwest City that specializes in health services related to unplanned pregnancies.

NOV. 09



RAPHAEL MOFFETT

Langston University, Vice President for Student Affairs

Raphael Moffett is the V.P. for Student Affairs at Langston University. He is committed to supporting and challenging students to grow socially, physically, intellectually, culturally, educationally and spiritually. He speaks, consults, trains and coaches on a variety of topics including leadership, customer service, historically black colleges and universities, advocacy, spiritual enrichment, community uplift, professional development, health and wellness, organizational structure, cultural competence and communication.

NOV. 11



BRIG. GEN. (RET.) STAN SIEG

U.S. Air Force | Speaking Veterans Day

Brigadier General (Ret.) Stanley A. Sieg spent 30 years on active duty with the United States Air Force. His previous responsibilities included developing and implementing contracting and acquisition policies and processes, acquiring \$31 billion in research and development, production, test and logistics support for Air Force systems and infrastructure. Prior to that, he served as Director of Logistics for the Air Force Materiel Command managing more than \$10 billion annually in Air Force supply and depot maintenance activities for over 23,000 personnel. After his 2002 retirement, Sieg spent over eleven years as a Senior Executive with the Federal Aviation Administration in Oklahoma City, retiring in 2013. He currently serves as President of Victory Won, LLC.

Eternal INVESTMENT

OVER MANY DECADES, Dr. Robert and Dr. Juanita Adams built MACU's music program into what it is today. Now, as they move to Kentucky to be near their family, they've gifted the program they helped bring to life with something extra special.

On July 12, the Adamses donated their baby grand piano to the school. It's a gift that Chair of Music Dr. Christian Morren said would leave an indelible mark on the School of Music — much like the Adams did in their long and lively history with the university.

Morren said she felt the Adams' effect as soon as she joined the MACU family about five years ago. The couple worked at the school from 1957 to 1991 and saw it through many changes — including two names, three presidents and a historic move from Texas to Oklahoma.

"The music program wouldn't be here without them," she said. "Every music student we have is here because of them."

In addition to creating the program, the Adamses filled nearly every role in the School of Music. They worked as conductors, theorists, composers and professors of nearly every instrument. Now, their piano will continue to help students learn even as they move out of state.

"It represents something big," Morren said. "It represents quality, love, ministry, the church — it represents all these different students they had in the past and all the different students we are going to have in the future."

Because of the Adams' donation, Morren said more students will be able to learn, practice and perform on a piano of incomparable quality.

"We are so grateful for the people who have come before us, who made it possible for us to get here," she said. "The gifts they gave us over the years — there's not a way to properly show gratitude for that."

As a part of their lasting legacy, the Adams family also contributed a scholarship for music students. Right now, Morren said that five students — called Adams scholars — are in school because of the couple's generous gift.

We know that many of you have beautiful memories of your time with the Adams family. If you would like to share those sentiments or look through some old photos, we have created an album dedicated to the Adams on our alumni Facebook page at www.facebook.com/MACUMBCGBCAlumni/

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Oct. 25 - **NAIA MEN'S BASKETBALL NATIONAL CHAMPIONS SEASON OPENER**



OCT. 12

MACU Golf Classic



OCT. 27

MACU MASH



OCT. 28

NAIA Men's Basketball National
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