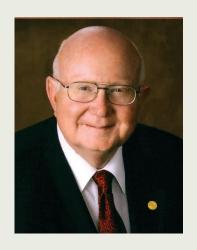


LETTERS FROM

CAREY



Dear Friends of Carey:

For well over a century, William Carey University and its predecessors have sought to prepare young men and women of integrity to influence our society and be the "salt and light" of which Christ speaks in the Sermon on the Mount. The catalog during the administration of President Johnson speaks of Woman's College as "the school with a mission." William Carey University continues to be mission driven. Our mission statement reads, "As a Christian university which embraces its Baptist heritage and namesake, William Carey University provides quality educational programs, within a caring Christian academic community, which challenge the individual student to excel in scholarship, leadership, and service in a diverse global society." We strive to fulfill this mission on a daily basis.

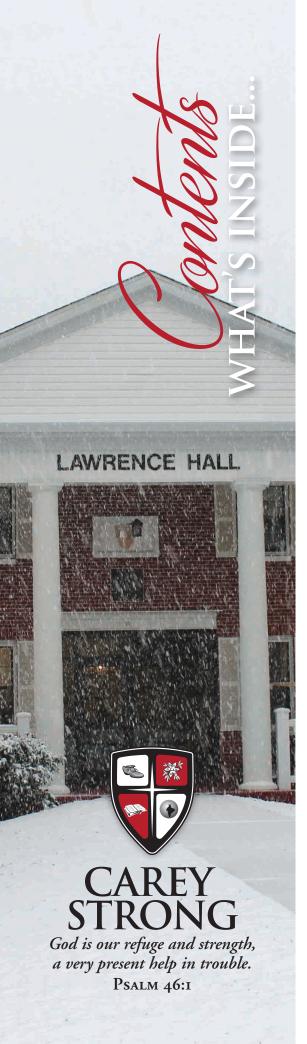
The past year has been a difficult one as we have been consumed with recovery from the January 2017 tornado which ravaged our campus. Amazingly, we have completed the repairs to about 50 buildings with damage ranging from moderate to major. All buildings except one had damage. Six buildings were totally destroyed, and we are in the process of building replacements for them. Projected completion dates for Ross and Johnson Halls, Asbury Academic Center and the addition to Tatum Theater range from early summer to early fall. The completion date for the new Tatum Court is December 2018. During this recovery, our enrollment has posted steady moderate increases thanks to the loyalty of our students and employees. In addition, the support of our alumni and friends (reported elsewhere in this publication) has been truly astounding. I cannot adequately thank all the Carey Family for your loyalty and support.

Despite the difficult year of rebuilding, the future looks bright for Carey. We are presented with new opportunities constantly. We have just signed a partnership agreement with Baton Rouge General Hospital to offer the BSN and RN to BSN bridge programs in Baton Rouge. There is also the opportunity to expand graduate nursing education at that site in the future. We anticipate accepting our first class of pharmacy students this summer, pending approval from the Accreditation Council on Pharmacy Education (ACPE). A building for the pharmacy school is under way on the Tradition campus, and an additional academic building to handle anticipated enrollment growth will be completed this summer. We are preparing for our 10-year accreditation reaffirmation by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC), and that will consume much of our time this year. With all of this activity, we are not neglecting our primary purpose: training young men and women to go out into the world with integrity and character and make an impact for Christ. We need your prayers and financial support to accomplish this.

God bless,

Tommy King

RF.





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Program in Austria

WILLIAM CAREY UNIVERSITY MUSIC
STUDENT NICK JOSLIN SPENT SIX
WEEKS LAST SUMMER PARTICIPATING
IN THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF
MUSICAL STUDIES (AIMS) IN GRAZ,
AUSTRIA. THIS IS THE LEADING SUMMER
MUSIC PROGRAM IN EUROPE AND
OFFERS STUDENTS A ONE-OF-A-KIND
EXPERIENCE AS THEY PREPARE FOR
CAREERS AS PROFESSIONAL MUSICIANS.

To qualify for the program, Joslin submitted a resume and application followed by an audition on March 4 at Florida State University. Based on his performance, he was awarded a scholarship

to AIMS to study collaborative piano, specifically German art song repertoire and the art of accompanying.

During the program, he had the opportunity to study with and participate in master classes, performances, and lessons with world-renowned singers, conductors, and collaborative pianists.

Joslin is a junior majoring in piano and vocal performance. He studies piano with Brian Murphy and voice with Connie Roberts. He has been playing piano for about 13 years and began singing when he was in junior high. Joslin attended Minden High School in Louisiana, and his music teacher in Minden was Alicia DuBose, a 1995 Carey graduate.



Carey students selected to perform with

SOUTHEAST TROMBONE SYMPOSIUM

WILLIAM CAREY UNIVERSITY WINTERS SCHOOL OF MUSIC STUDENTS TYLER **GREER (LEFT) AND KYLE DYKES (RIGHT)** WERE SELECTED AS PERFORMERS FOR THE SOUTHEAST TROMBONE SYMPOSIUM HELD LAST SUMMER AT COLUMBUS STATE UNIVERSITY IN GEORGIA. THEY PARTICIPATED IN LECTURES, MASTER CLASSES, AND RECITALS WITH SOME OF THE WORLD'S LEADING TROMBONE PERFORMERS AND EDUCATORS. DYKES IS A SENIOR MUSIC EDUCATION MAJOR FROM PURVIS AND GREER IS A SOPHOMORE MUSIC PERFORMANCE MAJOR FROM PHILADELPHIA, MISSISSIPPI. THEY ARE PICTURED WITH TROMBONE PROFESSOR ZACH JAMES.

Terrell presented Hub Award Leadership Scholarship



CAREY SOPHOMORE LACHAN
MICHELLE TERRELL WAS RECOGNIZED
AS THE 2017 RECIPIENT OF THE HUB
AWARD LEADERSHIP SCHOLARSHIP
AT THE 39TH ANNUAL HUB AWARD
DINNER IN NOVEMBER AT LAKE
TERRACE CONVENTION CENTER.

Terrell is a math major from Hattiesburg. She was selected as All-Conference in track and field and has been a soccer referee and a member of the basketball team. Terrell is also involved in Fellowship of Christian Athletes.

Track and Field Coach Blake Hegstrom said, "Lachan is an exemplary athlete of strong character, great coachability, amazing work ethic, and outstanding team

responsibility."

Terrell is a member of Grace Temple Church in Hattiesburg where she has been involved in mission projects and trips and sings in the church choir.

THE HUB AWARD LEADERSHIP SCHOLARSHIP

Each year a scholarship is awarded to a WCU and a USM student who have demonstrated leadership and community service. Since its founding in 1979, the Hub Award has generated scholarship funds totaling more than \$500,000.



INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS is growning

CHINESE PHILOSOPHER LAO TZU WROTE THE POPULAR CHINESE PROVERB THAT SAYS, "THE JOURNEY OF A THOUSAND MILES BEGINS WITH A SINGLE STEP." FOR MANY WILLIAM CAREY STUDENTS, THAT SINGLE STEP IS ONTO AN AIRPLANE TO TRAVEL TO HATTIESBURG AND BEGIN STUDIES AT AN AMERICAN UNIVERSITY. WILLIAM CAREY IS HOME TO OVER

160 INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS
FROM MORE THAN 40 DIFFERENT
COUNTRIES, INCLUDING AUSTRIA,
BANGLADESH, BELGIUM, BRAZIL,
BULGARIA, CAMBODIA, CANADA,
CHILE, CHINA, DENMARK, ETHIOPIA,
FIJI, FINLAND, FRANCE, GERMANY,
GHANA, HONDURAS, INDIA, INDONESIA,
IRELAND, ISRAEL, JAMAICA, KENYA,

KOREA, MALAWI, MEXICO, MOLDOVA, MOROCCO, NEPAL, NICARAGUA, NIGERIA, PAKISTAN, PANAMA, THE PHILIPPINES, RUSSIA, SPAIN, SURINAME, SWEDEN, SWITZERLAND, THAILAND, TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO, UKRAINE, UNITED KINGDOM, VENEZUELA, AND ZIMBABWE.

International student enrollment has grown from just 27 students in 2007 to more than 160 in 2018. While international students participate in a variety of majors, a large number of students study business administration, physical education, and biology. Many of the international students participate in collegiate sports, and their participation has led to many victories for the Crusader teams.

The international students take part in a variety of events sponsored by the university, including the International Welcome Celebration, International Food Fair, Christmas Around the World, Holi Festival (a Nepali tradition), and Language Exchange. The Office of International Admissions, Baptist Student Union, and International Student Organization plan events throughout the year that help international students share their culture with the campus while enjoying a taste of American culture.

The annual International Christmas
Tree Decorating Party allowed students to

decorate two Christmas trees in front of Missions Plaza on campus. Students are invited to decorate an ornament with their name, country, and Christmas greeting. This year, students were interviewed by the Hattiesburg American and shared about cultures and traditions in their home countries. Sari Lada of Palestine said, "On Christmas Eve, we have a big feast and then, on Christmas Day, everyone visits each other." Claresta Tasman, of Suriname, shared her traditions as well. "We go to church early in the morning Christmas Day, and we have lots of dinners with family and friends," she said. "We don't have real trees. We'd have to import them," shared Claresta.

Many of the international student alumni have gone on to find success. Alumnus Prashant Karki of Nepal was voted Mr. William Carey in 2017 and received numerous honors including the Gaston Smith Mathematics Scholarship, Senior Chemistry Award, Kappa Mu Epsilon Mathematics Award and Campus Who's



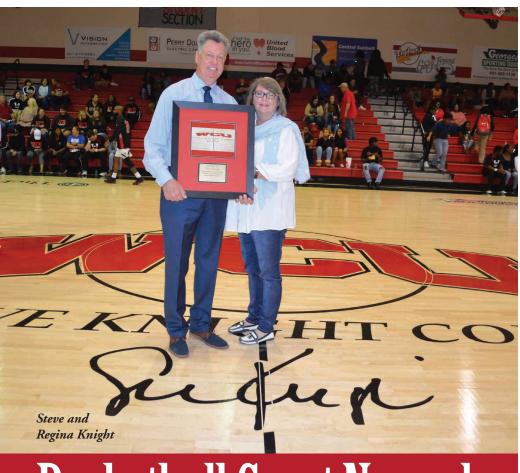
Prashant Karki of Nepal, voted Mr. William Carey in 2017, won many academic awards and is currently pursuing a Ph.D. in chemical and biomolecular engineering.

Who. Karki reflects fondly on his time at Carey. "Carey's cordial environment along with inspiring faculty and wonderful students allowed me to grow academically, socially and spiritually," he said. "Even as an international student, I felt right at home. Carey was everything I hoped for and more." Prashant is currently pursuing a Ph.D. in chemical and biomolecular engineering at the University of Houston.

More than 90 percent of the international students receive a scholarship from the institution, providing the means for many who would otherwise never be able to study in the United States. These scholarships, made possible by the generosity of alumni and donors, help offset the cost of attendance and allow international students to fulfill their dreams of an American education.

Thanks to the university vision to blend faith and learning with living, international students are exposed to the gospel during their attendance. Chapel attendance, convocation speeches, Campus Link (BSU sponsored Bible study), the core curriculum including Old and New Testament classes, and the yearly university theme verse allow international students insights into the Christian faith. Many times, these experiences clarify misconceptions about Christianity held by international students. Carey faculty, staff, and students have the opportunity to build relationships with international students and truly show Christianity in action. If Carey is anything, it is the love of Christ shown through the actions of its faculty, staff, students, and alumni.





Basketball Court Named

for Coach Steve Knight

CAREY OFFICIALLY DEDICATED THE COURT IN CLINTON GYM IN HONOR OF LONGTIME HEAD COACH STEVE KNIGHT IN A PREGAME CEREMONY ON SATURDAY, DECEMBER 2.

Knight began his coaching career as a graduate assistant coach at Carey in the spring of 1981 and was named head men's basketball coach in July 1982 at the age of 25. His Crusader teams have compiled nineteen 20-win seasons, captured six Gulf Coast Athletic Conference championships, six District 30 championships, two Southern States Athletic Conference regular season titles, one SSAC tournament championship and have competed in 11 NAIA national tournaments. Knight has coached nine NAIA All-Americans including one NAIA National Player of the Year, Jarekus Singleton. Knight was named NAIA-NABC Men's Basketball

National Coach of the Year in 2014, NAIA District 30 Coach of the Year three times, GCAC Coach of the Year five times, and SSAC Coach of the Year four times.

"I appreciate very much the honor of having my name on the basketball court at Clinton Gym. William Carey University has been great to me, and coaching basketball has provided my family and me with a lifetime of wonderful memories. I am most fortunate to have been able to spend my entire coaching career surrounded by such outstanding people," said Knight.

In 2015, Knight was inducted into the Mississippi Sports Hall of Fame and is the state of Mississippi's all-time winningest basketball coach with 659 career wins. He currently ranks fourth nationally among NAIA active coaches.

Knight also served as the director of intercollegiate athletics from 1987-2016.

Archery Tournament

CAREY HOSTED ITS FIRST STATE 3D ARCHERY TOURNAMENT ON SEPTEMBER 23. 3D ARCHERY FOCUSES ON SHOOTING AT LIFE-SIZE MODELS OF ANIMALS.



Carey sophomore Mack McElveen of Franklinton, Louisiana, focuses on his target.

During his tenure, the Carey athletic program more than tripled the number of sport offerings from five in 1987 to 17 in 2016. Since 1987, Carey athletic teams have captured 33 GCAC championships, four SSAC championships and have earned more than 40 trips to NAIA national tournaments.

"There is no one more deserving of this honor than Coach Knight," said WCU Athletic Director DJ Pulley. "His record speaks for itself, and the impact that he has had on William Carey University and all of the student-athletes he has coached is truly remarkable."

ATHLETIC DIRECTOR

TO THE CAREY FAITHFUL,

The athletic department is off and running in the 2017-18 season.

MEN'S CROSS COUNTRY won the SSAC Championship on November 2, and the women's cross country team finished in second place. Jaden Russell was the individual champion, and Ariel Jones finished in second place on the women's side while Geoffrey Kipchumba led the way for the men's team as Carey runners swept the top three spots. At the national championship, the Crusaders and Lady Crusaders competed very well, and Kipchumba was individual runner up for the second straight year.

THE WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL team took a big step forward in their second year as they posted a 22-12 overall record and finished second in the SSAC.

MEN'S SOCCER spent seven weeks ranked number one in the country, finished the year with a record of 18-2-1 and made it to the quarter finals of the NAIA National Championship for the second year in a row.





Members of the Walter Clinton family donated a new portrait to replace the one destroyed in the tornado.

THE WOMEN'S SOCCER team was also ranked number one and made it to the semi-finals of the NAIA National Championship for the first time in program history. The Lady Crusaders finished the year at 19-3.

The fall season was truly special as WCU finished with 22 All-SSAC first team selections, seven All-SSAC second team members, and seven SSAC All-Freshman team selections.

Geoffrey Kipchumba, Jaden Russell, and Joaquin Ruiz Cabello earned SSAC Player of the Year honors while Blake Hegstrom, Barry Farrell, Kelsea Weldon, and Danny Owens earned Coach of the Year honors.

In the classroom, WCU athletes continue to excel as 12 earned NAIA Daktronics Scholar Athletes honors and 31 earned SSAC All-Academic team honors. Joaquin Ruiz Cabello was named the Musco Lighting SSAC Men's Soccer Scholar Athlete of the Year.

Our student- athletes have also been very active in the community, completing more than 950 hours of community service this fall.

Another big event this fall was the return of the Carey basketball teams to Clinton Gym in early November and the official dedication of the court. On November 14, WCU played its first true home basketball game since early January 2017, and officially reopened Clinton Gym with members of the Walter Clinton family donating a new portrait of Mr. Clinton for the gym lobby. Then on December 2, WCU President Dr. Tommy King officially named the court after our long time men's basketball coach.

The Carey cheerleaders are doing a fantastic job on the sidelines, and the Pep Band is rocking, so we look forward to seeing you at an upcoming game.

Also, this fall we officially opened the doors to the Clinton Gym Annex. The two-story structure located next to Clinton Gym features a weight room, athletic training room, basketball locker rooms, and coaches' offices. Another addition to Clinton Gym is a computer lab located on the second floor that features a dozen computers and space for our study hall program.

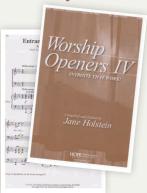


Carey Strong, DJ Pulley

FACULTY AWARDS & PUBLISHINGS

WES CAMERON

Instructor of Music



Wes
Cameron
had his
choral work
"Behold the
Savior of
Mankind"
published
this fall
through Hope
Publishing
Company. The

work "An Easter Celebration" for choir, brass, organ, timpani and hand bells will be out in 2019.

Cameron's first published piece, "Entrance into Jerusalem," has been included in a book of successful introits for church services.

DR. LISA CUMMINGS

Associate Professor of Psychology

Dr. Lisa Cummings received the Addiction Counselor of the Year award for the state of Mississippi at the Mississippi Association of Addiction Professionals in Jackson.

DR. MARK HUGH MALONE

Professor of Music



In celebration of the two-hundredth anniversary of Mississippi Statehood, December 10, 2017, Dr. Mark Hugh Malone wrote "Mississippi History through the Arts: A Bicentennial

Curriculum." The 20 lessons use visual art to trace the history of the development of the Magnolia State from Pre-Statehood through the 21st century.

Malone also co-authored "Mississippi Blues Trail and Beyond," a curriculum geared to present the blues to fourth grade students. Dr. Malone is a 40-year veteran teacher and in his 12th year as coordinator of music education at Carey.

TERRY INGRAM

Assistant Professor of Education



Terry Ingram has been named to the Lamar County School District's Board of Trustees. Ingram has worked in education for the past 30 years, having been teacher and administrator

in both Lamar County and Petal school districts. He currently teaches courses at Carey and also serves as graduate recruiter for the School of Education.

DR. RICHARD Strebeck

Assistant Professor of Counselor Education and Psychology and Program Coordinator for Counselor Education

Dr. Richard Strebeck was appointed by the governor to serve on the Mississippi State Board of Examiners for Licensed Professional Counselors.

DEWEY DOUGLAS

Artist in Residence for Vocal Arts

and

DR. KIM MOON

Assistant Professor of Theatre and Communication

Dewey Douglas and Dr. Kim Moon both received Albert Nelson Marquis Lifetime Achievement Awards.

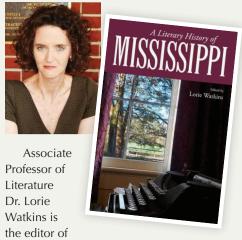
DR. ALLISON CHESTNUT

Professor of Literature

Dr. Allison Chestnut, along with Pam Shearer (director of alumni relations) and Laura Scovel (graduate student and records specialist), presented original poetry and critical papers at the 2017 Southern Atlantic Modern Language Association's annual conference in Atlanta.

DR. LORIE Watkins

Associate Professor of Literature



a new book, "A Literary History of Mississippi." The book is being promoted as the "first comprehensive history of literature from a state with perhaps the nation's richest literary lode."

The book is a compilation of contributions by scholars from Mississippi or intimately connected to the state, but Watkins said the book is not intended solely for scholars.

"It's for the general reader, one who knows that Mississippi has this rich literary legacy and wants to learn about it," she said. "Our state has a literary history that should make every Mississippian proud, and this book celebrates that tradition."

Watkins is from Seminary and is the author of "William Faulkner: Gavin Stevens, and the Cavalier Tradition" and editor of the annual "Publications of the Mississippi Philological Association."

"A Literary History of Mississippi" is available from the University Press of Mississippi, Lemuria Books in Jackson, and on Amazon.



DR. KAREN SICARD AND DR. ALICIA LUNDSTROM PRESENTED "INCREASED DIVERSITY IN DOCTORAL NURSING EDUCATION: A SUCCESSFUL TWO-YEAR MODEL" AT THE NURSE EDUCATOR CONFERENCE IN THE ROCKIES. THE PRESENTATION EXAMINED STUDENT AND FACULTY BARRIERS TO DOCTORAL EDUCATION IN NURSING, THE GUIDED DISSERTATION MODEL, AS WELL AS INCREASED MINORITY ENROLLMENT IN DOCTORAL NURSING EDUCATION. SICARD AND LUNDSTROM ALSO EXPLAINED CAREY'S NURSING DOCTORAL PROGRAM IN ITS DESIGN AND IMPLEMENTATION.





Dr. Karen Sicard and Dr. Alicia Lundstrom

SCHOOL OF ARTS & LETTERS



DEPARTMENT OF THEATRE AND COMMUNICATION

The WCU Theatre Department celebrated the ground breaking of an addition to the Joe and Virginia Tatum Theatre. The addition will replace spaces lost during the tornado that destroyed Tatum Court, including the theatre's costume shop, classrooms, laundry, and workshop space. Keone Fuqua, chair of the department, said, "While we are still feeling the loss of our past home, it is very exciting to think about the benefits of this new addition. This wing being linked to the Joe and Virginia Tatum Theatre will keep our work in one area without the obstacles of being in separate buildings.

The annual children's show, "The Emperor's New Clothes" directed by Obra Quave, professor emeritus of theatre, opened to sold out audiences in December.

In October, Fuqua directed "The God Committee", as Carey's entry into the Kennedy Center American College Theatre Festival Region 4 festival. Several student actors and designers were nominated for their work on the show and will display examples of their designs, or perform scenes at the regional festival in Americus, Georgia.

ART DEPARTMENT

Mrs. Chatham Kemp, Dr. Ed Ford, and Dr. Read Diket provide faculty expertise across the art majors and are excited that new students are choosing to study art.

Campus administrators are helping the art department come back strong after the tornado last year. The Lucile Parker Gallery collection is coming back on campus in a new space in the academic building currently under construction. Despite losing the departmental office space and a major classroom, art students and faculty enjoy



A Petal Elementary student works on her art project with the Carey about Art program.

welcoming spaces in which to produce work. A large new classroom to replace the one lost in the tornado is on the way to becoming reality. The new space will accommodate the studio needs for the department in foundation courses, ceramics, and photography.

DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY AND SOCIAL SCIENCE

The Department of History and Social Science at Carey continues to present high-quality and innovative study of the past, as well as demonstrating the relevance of historical studies for understanding the contemporary world. Recently the department has instituted a number of "hands-on" study opportunities. These opportunities include a course on the Life and Work of William Carey, which affords students the chance to engage with archival material and artifacts found in the Center for the Life and Work of William Carev. The department also offers an array of "field experience" courses, which take history majors to sites related to specific aspects of study. Dr. Myron Noonkester annually leads both Civil War Field Experience and Mississippi History Field Experience. Dr. Mark Nicovich regularly leads a Religious Architecture

Field Experience. The most recent addition to our repertoire has been the Mississippi River Wars Field Experience course, which combines elements of geographical study of the Mississippi River valley with the history of warfare aimed at controlling that valley.

DEPARTMENT OF LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE

Professor of English Dr. Allison Chestnut had four poems published with two forthcoming. For the third year in a row, she is the Mississippi University for Women representative in the journals project of the Association of Writers and Writing Programs (AWP), and she was selected as Carey's Humanities Teacher of the Year by the Mississippi Humanities Council.

Professor of English Thomas Richardson continues to serve as chair of the department, and he completed an essay on "The Sahara of the Bozart: Reading Mississippi Literature 1890-1920" as a chapter in Dr. Massey's comprehensive text on Mississippi Literary History.



"William Carey's commitment to the development of professional health science programs has definitely exerted a positive impact on enrollment"

Dean Frank Baugh



GOUUG in enrollment

DESPITE THE TEMPORARY CHALLENGES CREATED A YEAR AGO BY THE TORNADO, THE SCHOOL OF NATURAL AND BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES (SNBS) HAS MAINTAINED ITS SUCCESS OF ATTRACTING NEW STUDENTS. THE DEPARTMENT OF BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES HAS HEADLINED THE SIX DEPARTMENTS OF THE SNBS BY REALIZING THE MOST SIGNIFICANT TRAJECTORY OF ENROLLMENT GROWTH. OVER THE PAST 10 YEARS, THE NUMBER OF BIOLOGY MAJORS HAS GROWN MORE THAN 240 PERCENT.

Dr. Frank G. Baugh, dean of the school, said, "The university's commitment to the development of professional health science programs has exerted a positive impact on enrollment across all programs, especially with the biological science major. We anticipated a renewed interest in the science majors with the development of the medical school. Our biological science faculty took advantage of this opportunity to recruit students interested in healthcare professions and shepherd them through a rigorous undergraduate curriculum."

One unique experience afforded biology students at Carey is the opportunity to study anatomy and physiology at an advanced level. Premedical students complete two



courses in human anatomy followed by a third course dedicated solely to human physiology. The three-course sequence allows biological science faculty to teach human anatomy at a much higher level and incorporate laboratory sessions in the cadaver laboratory located within the College of Osteopathic Medicine. Premedical majors are then able to complete the Advanced Human Anatomy course during their fourth year, which provides students the experience of dissecting a cadaver on their own. These advanced courses in anatomy and physiology offer our students an advantage not found at many other institutions.

Consistent enrollment increases in the science majors have necessitated the expansion of laboratory facilities. A new Biology Lab Annex, under construction prior to the tornado, was on track to be ready for the summer trimester. While the storm did not inflict significant damage to the annex, the Green Science building, which serves as home to four departments of SNBS, did suffer severe damage. Crews worked throughout the summer to restore Green Science and complete the Lab Annex. When the 2017-2018 academic

year began, the departments of biological sciences, chemistry and physical science, mathematics, and psychology were able to reoccupy Green Science. The SNBS also took possession of the Biology Lab Annex and began facilitating lab courses in the building during the winter trimester. The annex, located behind the Green Science building, adds three biological science laboratories, faculty offices, and storage space.

"The annex provides much needed laboratory space for our growing programs. Our students and faculty appreciate the support of the university's administration and all of the donors who made the building a reality," said Dr. Tommy Rauch, chair of biological sciences.

Students, faculty and staff of the School of Natural and Behavioral Sciences are optimistic about the future. "The Lord blesses us daily, so we will continue to attempt great things for Him in the new year," said Dean Baugh.





THE BEATLES SONG, "I GET BY WITH A LITTLE HELP FROM MY FRIENDS"
DESCRIBES HOW THE OFFICE OF ADMISSIONS ACHIEVES ITS VISION AND GOALS FOR RECRUITMENT. IN 2017, CAREY SAW THE ADDITION OF NEW PROGRAMS, CONSTRUCTION OF NEW BUILDINGS, AND AN INCREASE IN ENROLLMENT DESPITE A DEVASTATING TORNADO. THIS GROWTH AND SUCCESS IS DUE TO THE OVERWHELMING SUPPORT FROM THE COMMUNITY AND THE CAREY FAMILY, INCLUDING CURRENT STUDENTS, STAFF, FACULTY, AND ALUMNI.

In fall 2017, WCU enrolled the largest number of Carey Scholars in University history, among them the first freshman with a perfect ACT score, Connor Dunlap of Marshall, Missouri. The recruitment season began by welcoming the new 2017 class with Carey WOW (Welcome and Orientation Weekend). During the fall, the admissions staff recruited at college fairs, high schools and community colleges in Mississippi, Alabama, Texas, Florida, Georgia, Virginia, and Colorado.

The admissions office also hosted several on-campus events allowing prospective students and families to visit campus. Open House events were held in October and November. The Pine Belt College Fair, Mississippi's largest college fair, was also hosted on campus in November. This event included 27 area high schools and academies, 34 university and military representatives, and had more than 3,000

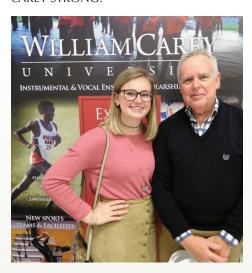
ABOVE: "Back to the 90s" competition winners show off their trophy at Carey WOW.

prospective students in attendance. The Admissions Scholarship Brunch was held in December and recognized freshmen with high ACT/SAT scores and transfer students with high grade point averages. Also in December, homeschool students were treated to a Preview Day with financial aid presentations from Karen Golson, financial aid and endowed scholarship coordinator, and testimonies from current home school students: Chloe Wicker of Pearl River, Louisiana; Paola Villegas Gomez of Mexico City, Mexico; Will Kelly of Aberdeen; Alexandra Phillips of Tuscaloosa, and Pankaj Bhatta of Kathmandu, Nepal.

The new year is off to a busy start with Careers in Healthcare events in January and February. These events feature presentations from WCU's College of

Medicine; College of Health Sciences including physical therapy, nursing, health information management, and health administration and education: the new WCU School of Pharmacy; WCU's music therapy program; and the University of Mississippi Medical Center. More than 500 students from 12 high schools, academies, and community colleges attended. In March, students students will attend Super Saturday, an early registration event held at both the Hattiesburg and Tradition campuses. To wrap up the academic year, the recruitment staff will hit the road in April and May to recognize our best and brightest students at award ceremonies and welcome the newest members of the Carey family!

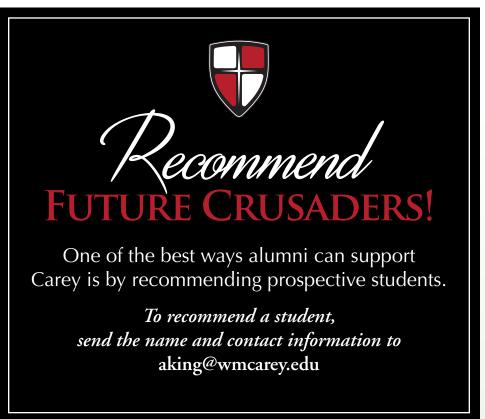
Enrollment increases would not be possible without the help of our Carey friends and family. Please assist with recruitment by sharing the names and contact information of your children, grandchildren, siblings, spouses, church family, and friends who are interested in attending William Carey University. Please email those referrals to Alissa King, Director of Admissions, at aking@wmcarey.edu. The recruitment staff looks forward to contacting the referrals and sharing all of the exciting opportunities at WCU. Together, we are truly CAREY STRONG!



ABOVE: Carey alumnus Quinn Houchin ('86) brought his daughter Olivia, a senior from Picayune, to the Scholarship Awards Brunch. Olivia's mother Wendy is also a Carey grad, class of '86.

BELOW: Deanna Graves, admissions counselor for transfer students; Jason Douglas, graduate office manager; Brandon Dillon, associate director of admissions/director of international admissions; Alissa King, director of admissions; Brennan Pitts, admissions counselor; Kelsie Smith, admissions counselor; Kelly Champagne, data specialist; Kerry Cameron, assistant director of student marketing and admissions, Tradition Campus; Kristina Wheat, admissions counselor/campus tour coordinator; Madison Peyton, admissions counselor; Christy Johnsey, administrative assistant; not pictured: Erin Austin, admissions counselor









Caleb ('17) and Taylor Clifton ('17) Rawls, pastor and wife at Pleasant Home Baptist Church in Laurel, taught these children about Carey's Bible translation work and that many people in the world still do not have scripture in their language. Maybe some of these children will be Carey students in a few short years!



Lora Toney's second grade class at Hawkins Elementary celebrated Carey's birthday. Lora said, "We learned a new vocabulary word: cobbler (not the pie). Lora is a 2012 and 2016 Carey grad.



38th Avenue Baptist welcomed a missionary speaker from Central Asia and held a fundraiser lunch for missions.



Teresa Dickens ('80) and Brittany Bullock ('16) Sumrall celebrated at First Baptist Petal.



Dr. Jim Futral and staff at the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board in Jackson enjoyed a visit from Dr. William Carey himself (played by Roger Orman).



Anton Klochkov ('13) celebrated Carey's birthday on the job in Poland. Since earning his business degree from Carey, he has worked in the import/export of heavy mining machinery in Russia and Poland.



Main Street Baptist Church Carey connections group remembered Carey's birthday.



Faculty and staff on the Hattiesburg campus gathered to hear Dr. Bennie Crockett talk about two rare grammar textbooks recently acquired by the Carey Center. We were also privileged to hear Dr. Subbro Sircar speak about Serampore College.

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Tradition Campus faculty and staff enjoyed birthday cake, too.



Lisa Bunn ('13, 17), far left, hosted a celebration at the Tradition Campus.



Serampore College in India celebrates Carey Day each year with a procession to the cemetery where Dr. Carey is buried and a lecture at the college along with many other events honoring his contributions. We were honored to have Dr. Subbro Sircar from Serampore in Hattiesburg this year on August 17. He shared with us the many ways Serampore College celebrates Carey Day and reminded us of Dr. Carey's tremendous work in Bible translation and his profound effect on Indian society.



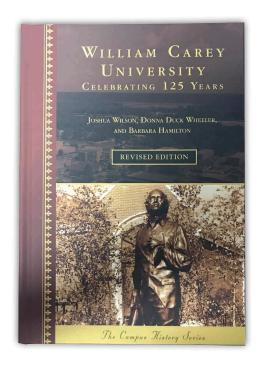
Coaches and athletes enjoyed birthday cake in the new addition to Clinton gymnasium.

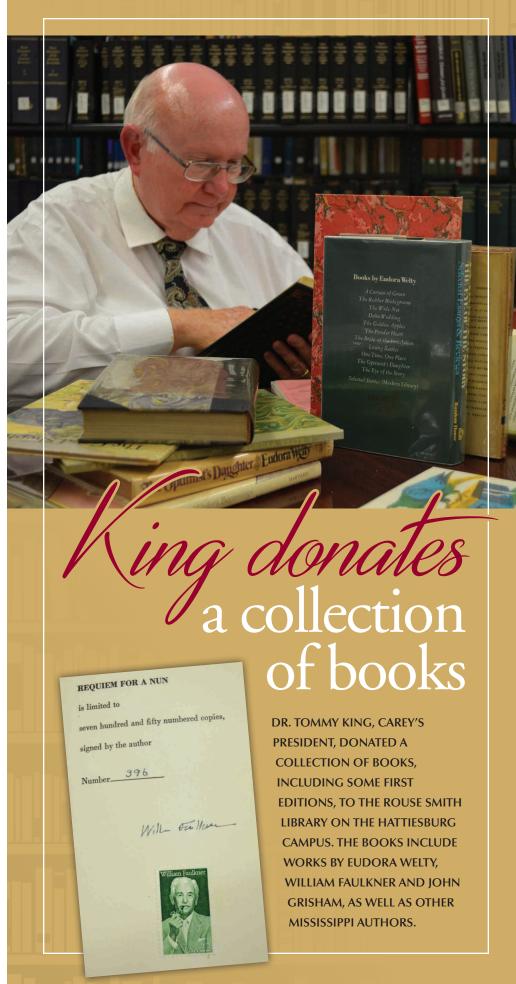


The Carey Chorale sang "Happy Birthday" to William Carey then enjoyed birthday cake during choir camp the week before classes began.

CAREY HISTORY BOOK

CAREY HAS A NEW HISTORY BOOK
AVAILABLE. JOSHUA WILSON ('12, '14)
AND BARBARA HAMILTON ('58)
COLLABORATED TO ADD THE
REVISIONS TO DONNA DUCK ('65)
WHEELER'S "WILLIAM CAREY COLLEGE:
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CELEBRATING 125 YEARS" AND MAY
BE PURCHASED AT THE CAMPUS
BOOKSTORE OR ON AMAZON.







Dyslexia

Program In the News

THE WCU DYSLEXIA PROGRAM
RECEIVED AN INTERNATIONAL
ACCREDITATION FROM THE
INTERNATIONAL MULTISENSORY
STRUCTURED LANGUAGE
EDUCATIONAL COUNCIL.

Research says between 70 and 80 percent of people with poor reading skills are likely dyslexic.

Dyslexia therapists say that students struggling with dyslexia might not be getting the individualized attention they need. At specialized academies, teachers use creative methods to help students visualize what they're learning.

"These are bright children who just learn differently so they need to be taught differently," said Gina Englund, founder of the Bright Beginnings Academy in Mobile. "They're 3-D thinkers. They think in pictures. They don't think in words. So they need to be taught in a multi-sensory way and when they are, they truly excel."



Updates from the

COLLEGE OF OSTEOPATHIC MEDICINE

CHILD ADVOCACY ELECTIVE

COM faculty members, Dr. Melissa Stephens and Dr. Carol Morreale created a clinical elective for WCUCOM students. The course deals with child abuse and maltreatment and is the first four-week osteopathic elective rotation using a condensed Child Advocacy Studies Training curriculum designed to meet the educational needs of osteopathic medical students.

BETTY FORD INSTITUTE



WCUCOM student doctor Kisha Burgess attended the Hazelden Betty Ford Summer Institute for Medical Students in Minnesota this past summer. She learned about the disease of

addiction, the neurobiology of addiction, co-occurring disorders, medications used in treating addiction, motivational interviewing techniques and navigating the stages of change. She also learned about many administrative aspects of the Hazelden Betty Ford Foundation as it relates to various modes of treatment practiced, screening methods, opioid response and healthcare professional programs.

MAYAN BONE SCANS

Dr. Jennifer Hotzman, assistant professor of anatomy at William Carey University College of Osteopathic Medicine, needed a CAT scan of Native American bones from the time shortly after Columbus arrived. With a limited research budget, she put out a call

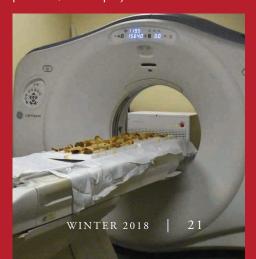
for assistance, and Singing River Hospital stepped in to help.

Hotzman explained, "Tipu is a unique Mayan archeological site in Belize that dates to the 1500s. It contains about 600 burials. Of course, everyone knows Columbus came to the new world in 1492. The major question I want to answer is how the native population was influenced by their contact and interaction with the Spanish."

"We have the bones of about 249 juveniles, and several have been chosen for this examination. Since rapidly growing bones are most affected by nutrition and living conditions, these will be used for the CAT scan. The scans will be compared with other databases to see if the Mayan children reached their developmental milestones appropriately.

Karen Ehlers, chief technician of the Radiology Department, said, "Singing River Hospital Radiology Services is pleased to help out with this research project. It is not every day we get to work with 500-year old bones."

Hotzman is collaborating with Dr. Kamal Abouzaid, also a WCUCOM anatomy professor, on this project.





Carey's RN-BSN Program Ranks as One of MOST AFFORDABLE IN NATION

BEST DEGREE PROGRAMS RANKED CAREY'S ONLINE RN TO BSN NURSING PROGRAM AS #6 ON THE LIST OF 30 MOST AFFORDABLE PROGRAMS AT PRIVATE UNIVERSITIES.

Earning a bachelor's degree in nursing from an accredited institution often increases earning potential for registered nurses. The Bureau of Labor Statistics reports a 20 percent expected employment increase over the next five years, which means nurses with advanced degrees like a BSN will be in demand.

"Many working registered nurses do not have time to return to the traditional classroom," said Dr. Karen Sicard, dean of the Joseph and Nancy Fail School of Nursing. "Our RN-BSN program is completely online, making it convenient for working professionals who want to continue their education."

The 30 credit hours of nursing courses required for the degree can be completed in 12 months, and there is no chemistry requirement.

"The tuition for the nursing portion of the courses is \$8,500, making our program very competitive with other schools around the country," said Sicard, "especially since we do not charge out-of-state tuition."

To determine the rankings, Best Degree Programs reviewed 158 accredited private colleges and universities listed by the National Center for Education Statistics College Navigator that offer online bachelor's in nursing or online RN-BSN degree programs. From the list, they selected schools with an undergraduate tuition under \$25,000 per year and ranked the 30 most affordable programs at private colleges.

For more information about the RN-BSN program offered at William Carey University, please call (601) 318-6147.

THE GREAT PHYSICIAN SCULPTURE



ARTIST BEN WATTS OF COLUMBIA CREATED THE BRONZE SCULPTURE AT THE REQUEST OF DR. TOMMY KING AND JUDGE CHARLES PICKERING WHO WANTED A SCULPTURE DEPICTING THE HEALING POWER OF CHRIST IN THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF THE CAMPUS, NEAR THE SCHOOLS OF PHYSICAL THERAPY, NURSING, OSTEOPATHIC MEDICINE, AND OTHER HEALTH PROGRAMS. HATTIESBURG PHYSICIAN RANDY ROSS AND HIS WIFE, BRENDA, ALSO CONTRIBUTED TO THE SCULPTURE.

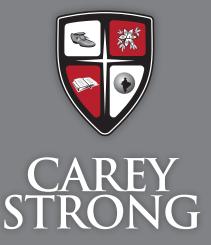
"They were gracious enough to let me form the design from an artist's point of view, not simply a traditional healing Jesus scene," said Watts. "I also wanted it to be thought provoking and unique.

Watts said most traditional art, whether painting or sculpture, captures a moment in time with the viewer having to determine what is transpiring, what has transpired or what is about to transpire. In "The Great Physician" two men are seen, one has just been healed of blindness and the other is a cripple, not yet healed.

"It is up to the viewer to believe in the healing power of Jesus and to ask the question of whether Jesus will heal the cripple," said Watts. "It was my aim to put into a permanent record the verses in Matthew which say that Jesus healed the blind and the lame. My aim was also to convey two thoughts, one to show the power of Jesus healing and the other the hope of Jesus' presence."

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Psalm 46:1

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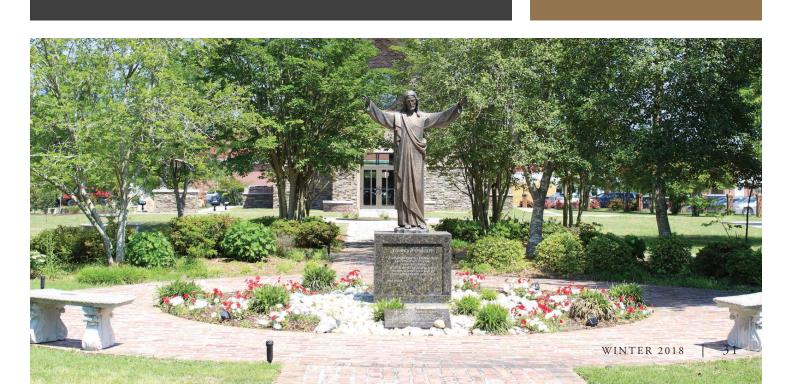
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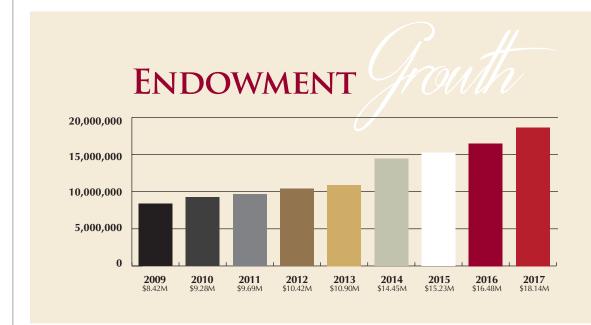
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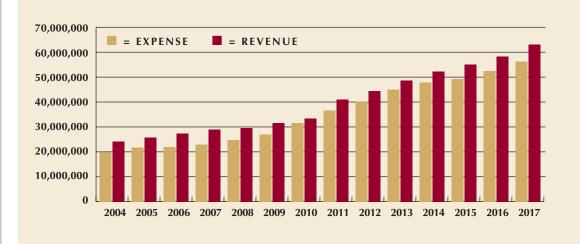
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\$3,945,000 TOTAL



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by State

31% 69%

Out-of-State Mississippi

8,237 18,534

by County

by Country







SETS DONATION RECORDS

"Over the past seven years, more than \$3 million has been given to the university, much of which has gone to support current scholarships and endowments for permanent scholarships"

TOMMY KING, WCU PRESIDENT

ORMER U.S. ATTORNEY GENERAL **JOHN ASHCROFT WAS THE GUEST SPEAKER FOR THE** SEVENTH ANNUAL WILLIAM CAREY UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIP DINNER HELD SEPT. 12 AT SOUTHERN OAKS HOUSE AND GARDENS. THE ANNUAL **DINNER PROVIDES THE FOCUS FOR** CONTRIBUTIONS TO SCHOLARSHIPS FOR CAREY STUDENTS, IN ADDITION TO THE SCHOLARSHIP DONATIONS, **JOHN HAIRSTON OF HANCOCK BANK** AND JOE CANIZARO, DEVELOPER OF THE TRADITION COMMUNITY, EACH CONTRIBUTED \$125,000 TO THE WCU SCHOOL OF PHARMACY AT THE TRADITION CAMPUS IN BILOXI.

"It's a special kind of institution that will equip the whole person to do what's needed in our culture. I think that our society would be in bad shape if we didn't have institutions like William Carey University."

John Ashcroft, Former U.S. Attorney General



SCHOLARSHIP PRESENTATIONS

Carey raised \$751,191 for scholarships during the past year. More than 90 percent of Carey's students receive scholarships or financial assistance, and more than \$9 million was awarded in 2016-17. The following students received scholarships at the dinner.

- Anna Sanford, a senior biology major from Picayune, received the William Winter Endowed Scholarship.
- Sofia Morales, a senior nursing major from Carriere, received the Charles Pickering Endowed Scholarship.
- Jonathan Watt, a sophomore elementary education major from Semmes, Alabama, received the Robert Khayat Endowed Scholarship.

- Melody Davidson, a senior elementary education major from Saucier, received the Trent Lott Endowed Scholarship.
- Janell Goff, a senior business administration major from Moss Point, received the Phil Bryant Endowed Scholarship.
- Kyra Mickens, a senior speech communication major from Hattiesburg, received the Roger Wicker Endowed Scholarship.

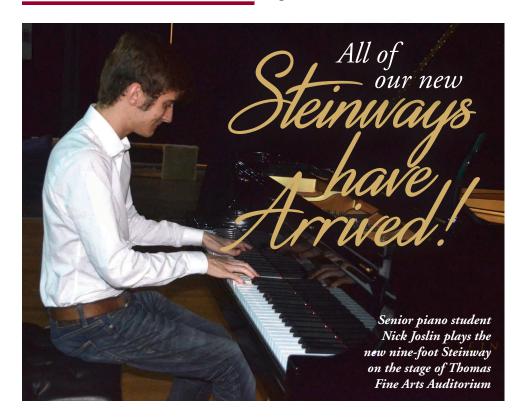
JOHN ASHCROFT

John Ashcroft served as the 79th U.S. Attorney General and led the Department of Justice through the transformational period following the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks. He reorganized the department to focus on

its number one priority: preventing terrorism. Prior to serving as attorney general, Ashcroft served as a U.S. Senator from 1995-2001 and governor of Missouri from 1985-1993.

He is the founder and chairman of The Ashcroft Group and the Ashcroft Law Firm, which focuses on issues dealing with integrity and consulting services, and provides compliance advice, legal counseling, and consulting services to clients, including Fortune 500 companies, multi-national corporations, and corporate executives. He is married to Janet E. Ashcroft and has three children and one grandchild.

In keeping with the tradition of creating a scholarship in honor of the guest speaker, an endowed scholarship has been established in Ashcroft's name.



CAREY SUPPORTERS DON AND MONA STEWART HELP SCHOOL OF MUSIC AND MINISTRY STUDIES REACH GOAL OF ALL-**STEINWAY SCHOOL**

Plans are underway to celebrate our designation as an All-Steinway School. Of course, this could not have happened without the vision of Dr. Don Odom, the leadership of Brian Murphy, and the amazing generosity of many Carey alumni and friends. Among those we cannot thank enough are Carey alumni Don and Mona Stewart who provided funds for the new Steinway grand in Bass Chapel and also a significant contribution toward the Steinway concert grand for the auditorium.

Don Stewart received his BA in English in 1957. He was a member of the Carey Chorale, was elected Mr. Carey College, and president of the BSU. He joined the Alumni Hall of Fame in 1987. Don was a member for 20 years at First Baptist Church, New Orleans, and served as interim pastor of more than 30 churches in Mississippi, Alabama, and Louisiana. He chaired the department of philosophy at Carey and served on the Hattiesburg campus for 15 years. Following his tenure at Carey, Don taught New Testament and Greek at New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, served as executive vice president and directed the

school's professional doctoral program.

"I believe in William Carey University," said Don, "and I have an intense interest in the kind of graduates it consistently turns out: graduates with a strong sense of responsibility and involvement in churches and with a commitment to global missions."

Mona Daughdrill Stewart graduated with a B.S. in secretarial science and a minor in music in 1956 and then completed a master of religion in 1959. She taught religion classes for 10 years at Carey's School of Nursing in New Orleans and taught Bible for students' wives at New Orleans Seminary.

Both Don and Mona have served as trustees and have provided much support for William Carey, including establishing a scholarship and leaving a great Carey legacy through their children and grandchildren.





On January 4, 2018, Mary Lois Burkett celebrated her 104th birthday and considers herself blessed to have lived with good health and happy adventures for over a century. Mary Lois' gentle voice and constant smile welcome all individuals she meets. Her career of 40 years as a medical technician on the Mississippi coast allowed her to also have time for her two beloved hobbies: daylilies and real estate investing in her hometown of Hattiesburg.

She retired in 1962, and in 1976, returned to property given to her by her parents, built a spacious home, and cultivates her award-winning daylilies there today. The garden is one of the largest in the Hattiesburg area and is planted with prized daylilies and companion plants. Her gardening assistant of 35 years welcomes her company as they walk around the grounds.

As a child of the Great Depression and one of three sisters, Burkett lives a simple lifestyle and has preferred to save rather than spend. One exception was her wise real estate investments which have allowed her to help individuals as well as organizations, including William Carey University where she is a member of the Covenant Society and supports the university through a planned bequest.

Burkett is matter-of-fact about her donations and said. "I try to follow a Christian faith, and I feel like if you're in a position to help somebody and if it doesn't hurt you, then you do it."

THANKS TO BIG LEVEL BAPTIST CHURCH in Wiggins for sending their VBS offering to Carey. Bro. David Perry ('66) is the pastor and his daughter Amy Perry ('06, '08) was the VBS Director.



Ron Herrod Evangelistic Ministries International (RHEMA)

TRAINS PASTORS in India

RON HERROD ('65) RECENTLY
RETURNED FROM RHEMA GRADUATION
CEREMONIES IN SEVERAL LOCATIONS IN
INDIA. RHEMA INTERNATIONAL TRAINS
PASTORS IN INDIA, FIVE ADDITIONAL
ASIAN COUNTRIES, AND VARIOUS
OTHER LOCATIONS ALL OVER THE
WORLD, INCLUDING NICARAGUA, EL
SALVADOR, LIBERIA AND KENYA. THE
PASTORS RECEIVE A TWO-YEAR COURSE
IN 10 WEEKS AND RECEIVE CERTIFICATES
FROM RHEMA INTERNATIONAL AND
WILLIAM CAREY UNIVERSITY.

Ron founded RHEMA in 1995 and began training pastors in India that

same year. Institutes are held in Delhi, Kolhapur, Manipur, Mumbai, Goa, Cochin, Trivandrum, Vijayawada, Hyderabad, Siliguri, and at the Carey Baptist Church in Calcutta. More than 5,500 Indian pastors have been trained, representing every Indian state and language. The institute also provides financial aid for the pastors to attend classes as well as helping with church-planting expenses.

Ron earned the Bachelor of Arts in religion from Carey, a Master of Theology from NOBTS and the Doctor of Theology from Luther Rice Seminary. He is the president and founder of RHEMA International, now in its 23rd year of ministry. He has been a vocational evangelist since 1995 and previously served as a pastor



ABOVE: Ron poses with RHEMA Institute graduates in India.

for 36 years.

He received the Alumnus of the Year award from NOBTS in 2013 and was inducted into the Carey Alumni Hall of Fame in 2017. "I am proud of the tradition and testimony of William Carey University," said Ron.

Ron and his wife Emily have three children and 11 grandchildren. A cancer survivor, Ron has devoted his life to ministry and training those called to serve.





LEONARD RAYBON, B.M. IN MUSIC EDUCATION 1992, ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR AND CHAIR OF MUSIC AT TULANE UNIVERSITY

While at Carey, this Mississippi Gulf Coast native was awarded a Rotary Ambassadorial Fellowship to study in York, England, where he earned his master's degree. Leonard holds the doctorate in conducting from LSU. He has been on the faculty of Tulane for 13 years, and currently serves as chair of the Newcomb Department of Music.

He is the director of choirs and resident musical director for the prestigious Summer Lyric Theatre. Leonard's choirs have performed in Rome and Florence, and he has served as a guest conductor in Tel-Aviv, Israel. As a singer, he was recently a featured soloist and chorister at the Monteverdi Vespers at Marigny Opera House in New Orleans. As a scholar, Leonard has been published in the American Organist and is active as a presenter. While in Rome in 2014, he presented a paper on his innovative voice teaching approach based on Aristotle. An article on the topic will be published in the "International Journal of Arts Education."

DON FRAZURE, B.M. IN VOICE PERFORMANCE 1996, DIRECTOR OF WORSHIP AT CHRIST CHURCH, FAIRVIEW HEIGHTS, ILLINOIS



A native of Pascagoula, Don studied both voice and organ at William Carey. Upon graduation he was accepted as Young Artist with the Julliard Opera

Center and afterward established a successful opera career throughout the United States including performances at the Metropolitan Opera in New York. For these achievements, Don was recognized as Carey's 2001 Distinguished Alumnus of the Year.

In 2006, Don felt God's call to full-time worship ministry and has served since then as director of worship at Christ Church in Fairview Heights, Illinois, where he leads a dynamic music ministry. Don and his wife Rachel ('96), also a music graduate from Carey, have two daughters, Juliana and Shelby.

BEN CASTON, B.M. IN CHURCH MUSIC 1996, ASSOCIATE DEAN OF UNDERGRADUATE MUSIC STUDIES AT SOUTHWESTERN THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

Ben teaches voice at Southwestern Seminary and also serves as associate dean under fellow Carey graduate, Leo Day. Prior to joining the music faculty of SWBTS, he served as chair of music and fine arts and director of choral activities at Truett-McConnell College in Cleveland, Georgia. A lyric tenor and active oratorio soloist, he has performed Mozart's Requiem and Mass in C Minor, Mendelssohn's Elijah, and Beethoven's Ninth Symphony among many other works.

Passionate about youth choirs, he directed the Georgia Baptist All-State Youth Choir in 2011 and 2014 on their tours to Kentucky, Baltimore, and Washington D.C. Ben and his wife, Rebecca ('98), also a Carey graduate in music, have two children, Clay and Sydney, and they live in Fort Worth.

EDUCATION ALUMNI: Paul Sousa and Barbara Hamilton

THE WILLIAM CAREY UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF EDUCATION HAS A LONG HISTORY OF PRODUCING TEACHERS WHO HAVE GONE ON TO SERVE SCHOOL DISTRICTS ALL OVER THE COUNTRY, AFTER GRADUATING OUR FIRST CERTIFIED TEACHER IN 1920, CAREY HAS GRADUATED MORE THAN 10,000 CERTIFIED TEACHERS WHO HAVE BEEN AN INSPIRATION TO HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS OF STUDENTS IN THE LAST 100 YEARS. WHILE WE ARE PROUD OF ALL OF THESE FORMER GRADUATES, WE RECOGNIZE THE FOLLOWING CAREY ALUMNI FOR GOING ABOVE AND BEYOND IN THEIR EDUCATIONAL CAREER.



PAUL SOUSA, originally from McKees Rock, Pennsylvania, graduated from William Carey College in 1962 with a degree in physical education and a minor in history. While at Carey, Paul was a member of

the baseball team. His wife, Judith Anne Evans, also graduated from Carey in 1963. His career in education led him to the superintendence of the Mobile County School System, a school system comprised of 93 schools during his tenure. After retirement, Paul became a consultant for school officials in the Alabama cities of Chickasaw and Satsuma. Eventually, he served as the interim superintendent for the Saraland City School System.



BARBARA LOUSTALOT HAMILTON graduated from William Carey College in 1958 with a Bachelor of Arts in English. She eventually earned two graduate degrees from Mississippi State

University and also completed additional graduate work at Mississippi University for Women. In addition to being chosen Miss Carey College in 1958, she was on the homecoming court, was active on the Crusader Staff, was sophomore class favorite, served as SGA treasurer, and was associate editor for The Cobbler.

In addition to her first job as a high school English teacher at Ellisville High School in 1959, she also held teaching positions at Jones County Junior College, Meridian Community College, Mississippi State University and West Point High School. She returned to her alma mater in 2002 where she has served as the executive assistant to the president since that time. She and her family also have an endowed scholarship which helps to fund tuition for a Hattiesburg area education major, as well as one for a married couple studying for ministry.

She is active in her community and her church and has been given many awards and honors including Teacher of the Year for West Point High School, Outstanding Educator for Meridian Community College, and selection to Who's Who in the South and Southwest.





THE GRADUATES OF MISSISSIPPI WOMAN'S COLLEGE ENJOYED A **REUNION LUNCHEON IN CHAIN GARDEN** IN OCTOBER. MRS. SANDRA KING **BLESSED US ALL WITH A MESSAGE ABOUT** PLANTING AND HARVESTING SEEDS.



CAREY ALUMNA SAVES SHOOTING VICTIM'S LIFE



BREE MORANG
('17), A FORMER
CAREY GOLFER, WAS
WORKING THE ROUTE
91 HARVEST MUSIC
FESTIVAL IN LAS
VEGAS ON OCTOBER

1, 2017, THE THIRD AND FINAL DAY OF THE FESTIVAL. TRAGICALLY, A GUNMAN OPENED FIRE ON THE CROWD, LEAVING 58 PEOPLE DEAD AND 851 INJURED.

Bree said, "I met a lot of great people at the festival who became my friends. Saving their lives was my number one priority when the gunfire started to go off. I got 250 people down and safe from the top deck section I was responsible for. I remember lying on a woman terrified because she could not find her husband. We could hear the bullets so close to us, hitting tables and metal bars around

us. Not one of my people got hurt, and I can praise the Lord for that."

When the shooting stopped, she took one more look around to make sure no one had been left behind and no one was hurt, then grabbed her bag and exited the section. She saw a group of people surrounding a victim who had been shot in the side. Bree went into action.

"I took my shirt off, covered the wound, and put my finger inside of her wound until the paramedics came," she said.

The emergency responders were able to save her life. The family thanked Bree, and the paramedics said that her quick actions saved this woman's life.

"I don't want anyone to experience what I went through, what we all went through, at the Route 91 concert. My prayers go out to family and friends. In addition, I want to give a big thank you to our men and women in blue, firefighters, and paramedics as well. I am so thankful to be alive today with my family and friends," Bree said.

CAREY ALUMNUS USES WOODWORKING SKILLS TO GIVE BACK TO THE UNIVERSITY

TED BOWER ('79, '97) RETIRED FROM HIS CAREER AT SOUTH MISSISSIPPI ELECTRIC POWER ASSOCIATION A FEW YEARS AGO WHICH ALLOWS HIM TO SPEND MORE TIME IN HIS WORKSHOP. IN 2015, HE AND HIS WIFE JANIE ('77, '80), A MATH INSTRUCTOR AT CAREY, REFINISHED THE DESK IN HER OFFICE. JANIE'S OFFICE WAS DAMAGED BY THE TORNADO ON JANUARY 21, 2017. FORTUNATELY, THE DESK FARED BETTER THAN OTHER FURNITURE IN THE BUILDING BECAUSE IT IS SOLID WOOD.

Ted said, "I asked permission to refinish her desk again and decided to offer to refinish other solid wood desks that some of the faculty and staff have been using for many years." His offer was quickly welcomed and approved by the university administration. The desks are legitimate antiques worth restoring, and they weathered the tornado better than much of the newer furniture, but years of use had taken a toll on the finishes.

"I took on this task to help restore William Carey University. I wanted to do what I could beyond monetary support, and this was something I could do with the skillset and tools that I have. Janie and I worked together to strip the old finishes and prepare the desks for the new finish.

Ted's curiosity led him to do some digging on the history of the desks. This desk was in a math department office when Janie was a math major at Carey College in the mid-1970s. It is solid walnut and is 60 or more years old. The desks range in age from about 60 to nearly 100 years old.

"As I witness the recovery, restoration and rebuilding of William Carey University after seeing the destruction first hand on January 21, 2017, I am reminded of the Chain Garden statue of Christ with his arms outstretched as if to protect and embrace the university family and of the Bass Chapel Bible open to Psalm 46 with those precious, encouraging words:

"God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

Therefore will not we fear, though the earth be removed, and though the mountains be carried into the midst of the sea;

Though the waters thereof roar and be troubled, though the mountains shake with the swelling thereof. Selah."

I thank God for the gifts he gave me and the skills he allowed me to use to restore these desks to a new and beautiful finish that will last for many years to come. And I thank Him for leading me to William Carey College 42 years ago," Ted said.

CAREY ALUMNUS FROM BRAZIL WORKS FOR HOMELAND SECURITY



EMERSON TOLEDO ('06, '08) MOVED TO HATTIESBURG FROM BRAZIL IN 2003 WHEN HE WAS 20, EARNED HIS BACHELOR'S IN PSYCHOLOGY, THEN A

MASTER'S IN BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION, BOTH FROM CAREY.

Today, he's an American citizen working for the federal Department of Homeland Security as a field representative for the Student and Exchange Visitor program, helping 325 schools in three states comply with immigration regulations.

His educational journey began in Rio de Janeiro, a city of over seven million, at the American School of Rio. He was able to attend only because his father was on the custodial staff of the school. He learned English, then worked as an interpreter for missionaries with Carey connections. Their influence led him to apply for and earn a good scholarship to Carey.

Emerson was one of about 20 international students then at Carey, but he had a vision for many more. He began working with university leaders to recruit and retain international students, and eventually, the Office of International Admissions was formed, with Emerson in charge. He worked in this position until 2011.

In addition to learning immigration policy, he had to learn about life in the U.S. On his first trip to Walmart, he had a shock as he checked out. He had carefully chosen his purchases in order to stay within his strict budget and had been calculating his total as he shopped. Surprised that the total was more than he had tabulated mentally, he discovered that in the U.S., sales tax is charged at the register. In Brazil, the tax is added to the price of the individual items, so the price on the item is the price you pay.

Driving in the U.S. also took some getting used to. "What does P, R, N, D mean, and what do I do with my left foot?" he puzzled.

"For several weeks, I pushed an imaginary clutch," he remembers.

Emerson is married to Ginger Reaves Toledo ('99, '08), former director of alumni relations at Carey. They live in Petal with their son.

CAREY GRADUATE MAKES DONATION TO THE SCHOLARSHIP FUND

CAREY GRADUATE MARIO BAEZ ('13)
VISITED THE CAMPUS TO PRESENT
DR. KING WITH A DONATION TO THE
SCHOLARSHIP FUND.

Mario came to Carey from Puerto Rico to play baseball and major in business. After graduation, he went to Los Angeles and worked in the car rental business. He found a niche in the market by helping area drivers obtain good used cars in order to drive for Uber. He now has more than 50 cars on the streets and is well on his way to a successful business. The entrepreneurial spirit portends a good future for this young man.

Carey classmates Lori Halford ('12) Stogner and Melissa Shearer ('12) Marsh remember Mario as a student and friend and are not surprised at his success. Melissa said, "He was so kind and had grit and drive to succeed."

Mario's example of giving back to Carey is an inspiration for other graduates. According to Dr. King, almost all Carey students receive financial aid because alumni and donors give to support scholarships and work-study programs. This assistance will be available for future students only if today's graduates continue to support student scholarships.



CLASS //oles

50'S

STEP ('56) AND PAT ('55) MARTIN recently celebrated their 62nd wedding anniversary.



LLOYD MOORE ('56) lost his 50 year medallion in the January 21, 2017 tornado. He and his wife searched and searched but only found the ribbon caught on a branch. He received a new medallion from the Office of Alumni Relations and wears it proudly.



60'S

VICTOR MARIDUEÑA

('67) received the Dr. Vicente Rocafuerte Congressional Medal for Service from the National Assembly of Ecuador as well as the Medal of Guayaquil, for his service to city and country, from the city of Guayaquil, his place of birth.

70'S

RON MELTON ('70) was inducted into the NAIA Hall of Fame. Dr. Melton has been educating and inspiring student-athletes and administrators at Brewton-Parker College for 39 years. Dr. Melton began his career at Brewton-Parker in 1976 as a faculty member and has held numerous positions on campus, including distinguished professor of history, vice president and dean for academic affairs, and provost.



CONNIE EVERETT ('77) was named as interim chief financial officer by Hattiesburg Mayor Toby Barker. Everett is also an instructor at Carey and handles business management for Richton School District.



BILLY BROWNING ('78) was named Ellisville's 2017 Citizen of the Year at the Ellisville Mayor's Christmas Luncheon.

80'S

BETTY KOONTZ ('80) lives in Roswell, Georgia and is grateful for her Carey education. She said, "As a wife and mother of three children, I went back to school in my 30s to get my BS in nursing at WCC. It was a huge boost in my nursing career. I went on to complete additional degrees, become a certified nurse midwife and a nursing professor. As a lifelong Baptist and devout Christian, I thought I knew the Bible well until I took the two semesters of Bible required by Carey. The atmosphere of Carey was loving and caring toward all students, and the education was first rate. I will always appreciate my decision to go back to school at Carey."



KEITH & KARLA MITCHELL ('81) welcomed their first grandchild, Toris D. Smith, Jr., on October 24, 2017.



TREY FOLSE ('82) was named the 2017 Superintendent of the Year by the Louisiana Association of School Executives (LASE). This award is given each year to a superintendent who demonstrates strong leadership and excellence in education.



ERIC WILLIAMS ('86, '07) was inducted into the 2017 Class of New Fellows for the American Academy of Nursing at a ceremony held during the Academy's annual policy conference in Washington, D.C. Of the 3.2 million nurses nationwide, fewer than 200 are inducted yearly. Dr. Williams was inducted into the WCU Alumni Hall of Fame in 2015.



90'S

CRYSTAL HOPKINS ('99)

BREWER was named 2018 School Counselor of the Year finalist by the American School Counselor Association. She has been a school counselor for 16 years and has been at Simpson Central since 2001, where she supports more than 500 students in K-8th grade. Brewer and the other five finalists were honored at a black-tie gala in Washington, D.C.

00'S

MELANIE INGRAM ('02, '09)

was named South Mississippi State Hospital's first quarter 2017 Employee of the Quarter. Melanie began as a music therapy intern and is now a full-time recreational therapist. Melanie has two children: Meredith, 12, and Micah, 10.

TONY& LARISSA BASS ('05)

announce the birth of their daughter, Adrianna Nichole Bass. Adrianna was born on June 12, 2017, at Merit Health Wesley in Hattiesburg. Adrianna has two older siblings, Bella (4) and Bo (3).



MATTHEW ('05, '09) AND SARAH PITTMAN ('06, '09,

'13) welcomed Phoebe Michelle Robinson on December 13, 2016. Phoebe joins her older brother, Samuel, who is six.



10'S

ANDREA MCSWAIN ('11,

'15, '17) was selected as Teacher of the Year at Perry Central High School for the 2016-2017 school year. She also recently completed the Leadership Management Seminar through Delta Kappa Gamma Teacher Honor Society.



ALAN SUDDUTH ('11) was

recently named Mississippi
Manufacturers' Association
Secretary-Treasurer. At Chevron
in Pascagoula, Sudduth
manages public and government
affairs activities, including
media relations, community
engagement, political advocacy,
crisis communication, external
and internal communications,
and business development. He is
a member of the Carey Board of
Trustees and was inducted into
the Alumni Hall of Fame in 2016.

SHAUNA BARNES ('12)

recently joined the team at Sanderson Farms as a teacher in the child care center. Shauna is married to George Keys, and they have three children.

JOSHUA WILSON ('12,

'14) has begun a new job as marketing manager at Munn Enterprises, Inc. in Hattiesburg.

LORA ('12, '16) and WILL TONEY welcomed Maddux Reid Toney on May 19, 2017. Maddux has a big brother, J.D., who is 10.



BRANDY CRAMER ('13)

placed third in the Young Professional Artist category at the John Alexander Vocal Competition. Brandy, along with the other winners, performed at the Awards Concert in Jackson in October.

TAMMIE JAMES ('13) has been employed at FBC Laurel as the ministerial assistant to Jonathan McKenzie, minister of music and Cindy McKenzie, children's minister. "I stay very busy, but it's so rewarding to be such an integral part of these vital ministries at FBC of Laurel".

JENNIFER H. LOWERY ('14)

was a part of the first Ph.D. graduating class at William Carey University. This fall, Jennifer assumed the position of supervising principal at Northeast Jones High School in Laurel. She is the first female supervising principal at Northeast Jones.

MEAGAN DUCKWORTH

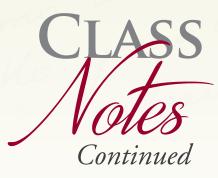
('15) was featured in the "Up and Coming" section of the Hattiesburg American. Meagan is the events coordinator with the Area Development Partnership and coordinates more than 75 events a year. She and her husband Jason have a one-year-old son, Jude, and live in Petal.

TINA MAGERS ('15)

received the 2017 Nurse of the Year award for Baptist Health System. Dr. Magers is the nursing excellence and research coordinator at Baptist Health System in Jackson and enjoys mentoring others in evidence-based practice. Her leadership helped Mississippi Baptist Medical Center earn the Magnet® designation for nursing excellence.



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CHRIS ('15) AND MIRANDA RESTER ('17) PERMENTER

completed the alternate route to teaching at Carey. Chris teaches theatre in Ocean Springs, and their fall show earned several awards, including All-Star Cast, Best Director, Best Costumes and Best Non-Human Characters. His department was one of only 40 high schools across the nation chosen to perform internationally at the High School Theatre Festival in Scotland. Miranda teaches 5th grade in Ocean Springs and helps Chris with his High School theatre program as an acting coach.



ANGELA HAWKINS ('16)

has been promoted to a national position with the Department of Veterans Affairs in Washington, D.C. As the National Designated Learning Officer Coordinator, Dr. Hawkins is responsible for national policy, planning and oversight of mandatory training and coordination of the learning officers throughout the Veterans Health Administration.



SELIM SHEIKH, DO ('16) and his wife Lisa Pabst, MD, welcome their son Raihan Edward Sheikh, born November 13, 2017.



LARSON BARKURN ('17) was promoted to national sales representative at the corporate office of Sanderson Farms.

Larson enjoys hunting, fishing, and watching baseball at Carey.

Alumni & Faculty Alumni & Faculty ASSINGS

BILLY WAYNE MURPHY SR. ('68)

Died June 30, 2017

CLARK ADAMS ('69, '72)

Died July 5, 2017

GLENDA MOTES COOLEY ('87)

Died July 18, 2017

BOBBIE JANE FREEMAN ('58)

Died August 5, 2017

ALICE MARIE LOPER ('13)

Died September 1, 2017

ANNIE VERA MAJOR ('51)

Died September 3, 2017

MILLY "JEAN" BERRY KING ('77, '80)

Died September 12, 2017

IAN HOUGH ('80)

Died September 17, 2017

DR. DONALD RAY ODOM ('78)

Dean, Winters School of Music and Ministries Died November 7, 2017

DR. JERRY NORMAN BARLOW ('67)

Died November 11, 2017

DR. WALTER BUTLER

Retired professor and dean

Died November 13, 2017

DR. SIDNEY BUTLER ('59)

Died December 1, 2017

STEPHEN REYNOLDS ('75)

Died December 25, 2017

YVONNE SANFORD DAVIS ('55)

Died December 30, 2017

ANTONIO PASCALE ('70, '75)

Died January 25, 2018

QUENTIN BENEDICT

Former faculty
Died January 27, 2018

DR. DONALD RAY ODOM

Dr. Donald R. Odom, 61, of Hattiesburg went to be with the Lord on Tuesday, November 7, 2017. Dr. Odom was Dean of The Winters School of Music and Ministry Studies at Carey.

Don grew up in Pascagoula and Vancleave, Mississippi. He was a graduate of Vancleave High School ('73), Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College ('75), William Carey University ('78, '80), and New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary ('91).

He began his ministry career as minister of music and youth at several different churches in Mississippi, Alabama, and Louisiana. He served First Baptist Church, Bayou La Batre, Alabama; First Baptist Church, Sumrall, Mississippi; First Baptist Church, Houston, Mississippi, and Lakeview Baptist Church, New Orleans.

His academic career began in 1991 as professor of voice at the Baptist College of Florida in Graceville. In 2000, he became the chair of the music and worship division. In 2010, Dr. Odom returned to his alma mater to become dean of the Winters School of Music and Ministry Studies at Carey.

Dr. Odom is survived by Sarah, his wife of 38 years, daughter, Ashley, of Tallahassee, and son, Jarrod, of Hattiesburg. He is also survived by his mother, Lochia Odom, of Vancleave, and brother, Mark (Kristine), and nieces Olivia, Emma, and Maggie of Palm Beach Gardens, Florida. He was preceded in death by his father, Doyle Odom, and his sister, Amy.

A celebration of life service was held at the Thomas Fine Arts Building on the Hattiesburg campus on Thursday, November 16, 2017.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made to the Steinway Piano Project at Carey. Donations can be mailed to Mr. Dean Pace, the Annual Fund Director, to the following address: WCU Box 141, 710 William Carey Parkway, Hattiesburg, MS 39401



DR. WALTER BUTLER

Dr. Walter Butler, 92, joined his beloved wife in heaven on November 13, 2017. He was born in Centerville, Mississippi, on March 25, 1925, and



married Annie Pearl Smith in 1950. They were married 57 years before her death in 2007.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Pellie Estelle Pitts; his father, Russell Patrick Butler; his brothers, Stanley, Oscar, Roland, Ray, Pete, Dan, and Burl; and his sisters, Velma, Elma, and Ollie.

He is survived by his children, Walter David Butler, Dwight Fleming Butler, and Cynthia Ann Butler; six grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; his sister, Nell Moore and brother, Bill Butler; many nieces and nephews; and many other adoring family members.

After graduating high school, he served in the U.S. Navy during World War II. After discharge from military duty, he returned home to resume higher education. He is a graduate of Jones County Junior College, Millsaps, and the University of Mississippi. Along with teaching, he pursued and earned a doctorage in educational administration and counseling and did post-doctoral study at the University of Hawaii, Southeastern Louisiana University, and William Carey University.

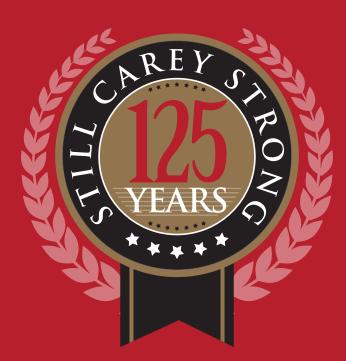
His career included positions as an elementary and secondary school teacher and principal; public

school superintendent; a junior college professor and department head; director of two university laboratory schools; and a university professor and administrator. His last administrative position was as Dean of the School of Education at Carey. Dr. Butler filled a 15-month top secret position as a chemist at Oak Ridge, Tennessee. In addition to his work as a chemist, he taught chemical operators who were working on the atomic and hydrogen bomb projects. His work there remains classified.

Dr. Butler was also an author. He wrote more than two dozen articles for state, regional, and national professional journals as well as conducted several research projects. He has published several non-fiction Christian books including: "A Mansion in Glory Land," "The Journey of Mankind," and "Rules to Live By."

In lieu of flowers, contributions to the Annie P. Smith Endowed Scholarship would be an appreciated tribute to Dr. Butler. Contributions can be made online mailed to Mr. Dean Pace, WCU Box 141, 710 William Carey Parkway, Hattiesburg, MS 39401

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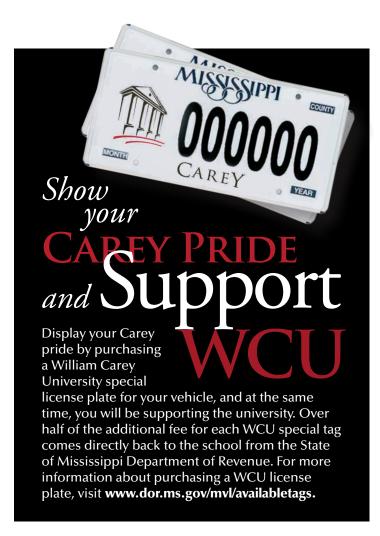
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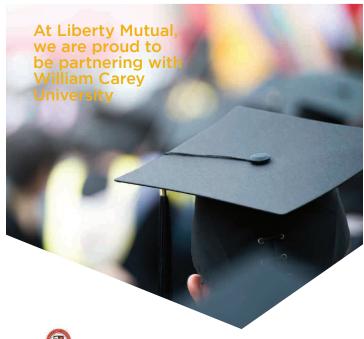


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