

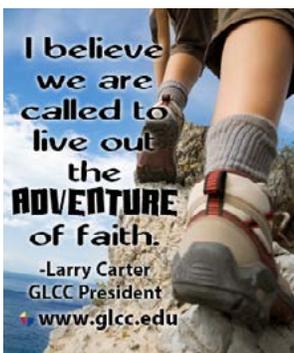
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I often tell people that Great Lakes Christian College is a faith-based organization. We exist because of God's faith in us and our faith in God. It's all about faith. But, sometimes we get confused on the issue. Things get complicated. Problems mount. Crises loom. Failure or success seems to hang in the balance. Livelihoods depend on our response. Where do God's provision and our responsibility meet? Where do His power and our efforts intersect? Where do our faith and His faithfulness coincide? I've been around long enough to see God at work in so many situations. His actions seemed almost independent of anything we did. But, other times it seemed like He was leaving us to work out the problems and experience His presence as if He were a "silent partner."

What happens in my world, the world of the Christian non-profit, is that people can become somewhat leery when it comes to being truly a faith-based organization. The tendency is to try avoid those times when a dependence on God is all you've got going for you. What you want is a healthy bottom line and rather robust endowments. Now, those things aren't bad, but it does seem to move one further from the necessity of looking to God for the answers. It also tends to eliminate the need to step out on faith. Decisions are made on the basis of affordability and being fiscally responsible. Our future depends on it – the reasoning goes.

I don't think we are much different than many other colleges or churches. The goal is to become so financially secure that there is no sense of risk or danger when decisions have to be made or steps have to be taken. But, at that point is it still true to think of oneself as a faith-based organization? According to the writer of

Hebrews, "Faith is being sure of what we hope for and certain of what we do not see. This is what the ancients were commended for." The ancients were sure of God's promise and certain that He would provide.

I am not saying that we shouldn't "count the cost". I think it's more a matter of emphasis. What do we emphasize more – faith or sight?

Edwin Friedman, the author of the excellent book, "A Failure of Nerve", writes about our tendency today to avoid all risk and opt for safety. We are almost obsessed with "anything related to safety: product safety, traffic safety, bicycle safety, motorboat safety, jet-ski safety, workplace safety, nutritional safety, nuclear power safety, toxic waste safety, and so and so on. This focus on safety has become so omnipresent in our chronically anxious civilization that there is real danger we will come to believe that safety is the most important value in life. It is certainly important as a modifier of other initiatives, but if a society is to evolve, or if leaders are to arise, then safety can never be allowed to become more important than adventure. We are on our way to becoming a nation of 'skimmers' living off the risks of previous generations and constantly taking from the top without adding significantly to its essence. Everything we enjoy as part of our advanced civilization, including the discovery, exploration, and development of our country, came about because previous generations made adventure more important than safety."

I believe we are called to live out the adventure of faith. Not foolishly, but opting for the adventurous path through the woods rather than the safety of a fenced in backyard.



We are pleased to be a member of the **Evangelical Council for Financial Accountability (ECFA)**. This means that there is tangible evidence that our ministry is complying with the highest standards of Christian ethics in its governance, fund-raising, and financial accounting and reporting.

ECFA is comprised of over 1,300 Christian organizations which qualify for tax-exempt, nonprofit status and receive tax-deductible contributions. Their purpose is to maintain and enforce a code of financial accountability. We display the seal on our materials because we have complied with this code of financial ethics.

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- know what the programs you support are accomplishing.
- know that the organization complies with federal, state, and municipal laws.

- restrict or designate your gifts to a particular project within the organization's mission objectives.
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- **visit office and program sites of an organization to talk personally with the staff.**
- give cheerfully without being pressured by the organization.
- **obtain a copy of the organization's most recent audited financial statements.**
- know that there is a responsible governing board providing oversight to the organization's mission.
- know that all appeals for funds are truthful and accurate.

Thank you for supporting us and believing in us. Click on any of the links above to receive the information you have a right to or visit www.glcc.edu/Advancement/GivetoGLCC.aspx.

*- Phil Beavers
Vice President of Institutional Advancement*



Great Lakes Christian College is proud to present the 2013 Summer Outreach Teams. Their summer has begun as they travel to camps and CIY conferences near you. Some camps and conferences that they will be traveling to this summer include: Wolverine Christian Service Camp, Rock Lake Christian Assembly, Michiana Christian Service Camp, Lake James Christian Assembly, Round Lake Christian Camp, CIY –MOVE Indiana, Ohio, and Michigan 1, 2, 3.

The Summer Outreach Teams will travel to 13 different locations in three different states, leading worship and teaching, playing games and building relationships with an estimated 5,000 high school students - and they will do this all in 6 weeks.

Besides attending weeks of camp they will also lead small groups, be cabin leaders, share their testimonies, preach and lead recreation times, just to name a few.

Our Summer Outreach Teams have put in an enormous amount of time and effort in

preparing for their summer of ministry. They have proven themselves time and time again through an extensive training process and we have every confidence in this group of students and are excited to see what the Lord is doing through them this summer.

This year's Summer Outreach Teams are comprised of Ali Belsky, Sarah Sager, Danny Buegar, Matthew Brooks, Jonathan Elliott, Ryan Steere, Kevin Scharer, Allen Ruhf, Stacy Fowler, and Clayton MacDonald. Please join with us in praying for our students and the ministry that the Lord is using them for this summer.

If you would like to request a GLCC Summer Outreach Team for next summer click here.



Update

Expanding the Capacity for Learning



The campaign to raise funds for the **Knowles Learning Center** continues. Our cash has reached \$1,003,977 as of June 6, 2013. We will continue to seek pledges and support for this building until it is feasible for us to launch the construction of the second phase - the Library. Phase one, faculty office suite, is completed and paid for and our efforts are now directed toward the relocation of the Louis M. Detro Memorial Library into the new library wing of the Knowles Learning Center.

Visit our website to print out a **pledge form** or you can contribute directly by clicking the **Online Contributions** button [here](#).



Summer Events



Once again the College will sponsor the Lugnuts Christian Family Night in downtown Lansing on Sunday evening, August 18, 2013. The 2:05 p.m. Lansing Lugnuts game will be followed by a free Christian concert by Julian Drive. This will be the final concert of their week-long tour raising money for charities all over the state of Michigan. GLCC has sponsored this concert tour and the Lugnuts Christian Family Night for the past three years.

Faculty and staff will be in attendance at the game. Join us for an afternoon of fun in the sun. Tickets for the baseball game range from \$8-11 each or you are welcome to come in free after the 8th inning to attend to concert.

GREAT LAKES CHRISTIAN COLLEGE

20th ANNUAL GOLF BENEFIT

August 10, 2013

Centennial Acres Golf Course
12485 Dow Road
Sunfield, Michigan

8:30 a.m. shotgun start

Special Features:

- **Hole-in-One second chance raffle**
Buy a ticket for the Hole-in-One Contest (\$10 donation) and get entered for the second chance raffle
- **Team Discount for First-Timers**
Teams with two or more players who are new to the event get \$100 off registration
- **Great Prizes, Free Golf, Great Meal at the course**
- **Meet our 2013 coaches** -All proceeds go to underwrite the athletic budget of Great Lakes Christian College and ultimately train students for Christian leadership

Muirfield Village Golf Club Package

A golf club package which includes golf for two, caddies, and lunch at Muirfield Village Golf Club in Dublin, Ohio, has been donated for a silent auction. Date for the package is TBD.

If you have ever wanted to golf at a premier, private golf course, here is your opportunity! Muirfield Village Golf Club in Dublin, Ohio is where the prestigious Memorial Tournament takes place. This could be a once in a lifetime experience on a golf course you can't play without a member invite.

Bidding starts at \$1000. **Bids will be received through email until August 9 (pbeavers@glcc.edu, subject line: Golf Benefit Auction).** Place as many bids as you would like. Time stamp on the email is used if there are duplicate bids. Bids will be accepted by benefit players on golf day at the registration table, but no email bids will be accepted after August 9.

Living Memorials 2012

Memorial gifts are a way to honor and remember a loved one, while also furthering the mission of Great Lakes Christian College. Many also honor and recognize key people in their lives who are still living and want to bring recognition to their significance. You can choose to honor a particular faculty member, classmate, parent, friend, church worker, or anyone who has inspired or challenged you. We ask that you give us their full name and address so we can notify them of your kindness. A memorial gift requires a name and address of a person close to the deceased.

We want to thank the following for giving honor and memorial gifts in 2012 to GLCC.

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Donations listed are from January 1, 2012 - December 31, 2012

Company	Amount
Auto-Owners Insurance Co	2050
Coca-Cola Company	600
Consumers Energy	37.50
Dominion Foundation Matching Gift Program	100
Kellogg's Corporate Citizenship Fund	100
Merrill Lynch	7500
Nationwide Foundation	50
Pfizer Inc.	750
Scripps Howard Foundation	100
2012 Total	11,287.50



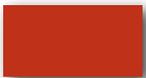
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BUY A BRICK For the Knowles Learning Center Memory Garden

The opportunity is once again available for alumni and friends of the College to show their support by buying an engraved brick that will display the names of donors or of those memorialized or honored.

Each brick will be neatly engraved and displayed in an attractive manner in the courtyard between the wings of the Knowles Learning Center.

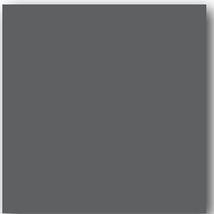
Your donation is tax deductible (excluding the cost of the brick and engraving).



4"x8" brick - \$75
(additional replica for you to keep - \$50)



8"x8" brick - \$125
(additional replica for you to keep - \$50)



12"x12" stone - \$250
(additional replica for you to keep - \$75)



The beautiful memorial garden in front of the Doty Center.

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone () _____

Bricks _____ 4"x8" \$75 each Replica \$50

_____ 8"x8" \$125 each Replica \$50

_____ 12"x12" \$250 each Replica \$75

Total \$ _____

My check for \$ _____ for _____ bricks is enclosed.

Please charge to: Visa Mastercard Discover

Card No. _____ Sec. Code _____ Exp. _____

Signature _____ Date _____

My company will match my contribution

Name of Company _____

4"x8" brick: 14 spaces per line x 3 lines

8"x8" brick: 14 spaces per line x 5 lines

12"x12" stones: message can be custom designed and can include company logo.

Check here if this contribution is in honor or in memory of a loved one.

Please provide information if you want them to be notified of your gift.

Name _____

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Upcoming Events

July

18 - New Student Registration

20 - New Student Registration

August

1-3 Women of the Word

10 - Golf Benefit

19-23 - New Student Orientation

26 - Classes Begin

October

7 - Madrigal Tickets on Sale

9 - Stratford Trip

12 - Chicago Institute Trip

15-17 - Missions Emphasis Week

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