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Taylor's Seal

A symbol of Taylor University's mission

Adapted from the original 1922 Taylor seal, the current design provides a visual reminder of the mission of Taylor University. Its symbolic features represent key elements of the University's heritage.

The world background represents the continents on which Taylor alumni serve. The lighted torch symbolizes the light of learning and the fire of the Holy Spirit carried into the fields of service and into all corners of the world.

The Latin words "lux et fides" or "light and faith" communicate the commitment to faith and learning. The date, 1846, records the founding of the Fort Wayne Female College which later became Taylor University.

Note also the "T" or "cross and crucible" on the torch. This logo was created by Dr. Wilo Rediger and officially adopted as the Taylor University logo in 1986. The "T" symbolizes the cross of Christ. The "U" represents a crucible in which metals are purified. This alludes to the "refining process by which God turns the 'base metal' of a human being into a person of His own image," according to Chancellor Jay Kesler ’58.

The seal, used to communicate the official Taylor University identity on diplomas, certificates and official publications, has gone through several design variations over the years. Many of the older versions are available for viewing in the Taylor University archives located in the Zondervan Library. Currently there are several variations of the seal that differ only slightly. Two campus-specific seals include either "Upland" or "Fort Wayne" along with the year 1846. One variation displays only 1846 on the lower portion, while another variant has only "lux et fides" at the bottom.

The University seal differs from the president’s seal in that it represents the entire University while the president’s seal represents the president’s office specifically.

The Taylor University seal provides a visual reminder of our mission and heritage.
Taylor impacted by attacks on nation

The Taylor community has responded to Sept. 11 by praying, sending a team to New York City to assist in the recovery, raising funds, holding special services and discussions around campus to deal with the issues that have been raised and encouraging thoughtful written responses to the recent events. Many alumni emailed their thoughts to campus shortly after Sept. 11 to respond to the events occurring in the nation. Several letters are excerpted below.

“We live in Arlington, Va., less than one mile from the Pentagon. I work about a mile west of the Pentagon. It took hours to get home. We went to bed that night with the smell of the Pentagon burning permeating our entire home. We were awakened throughout the night to the sounds of low-level fighter jets screeching across the sky. And we were the very, very lucky ones — blessed by God with our lives and the lives of our loved ones.” — Justin L. Powell ’96

“We are thankful and praise God for his grace and mercy in keeping this from being an even more tragic event. Among those who might have been killed but were spared was my wife’s niece. She is a flight attendant for United and was a part of the flight crew that took off from Boston and struck one of the towers in New York. However, she and another attendant were pulled from that flight and put on the next flight out due to the lack of passengers on their flight.” — Greg Roth ’85

“Greetings from New York, about 50 blocks north of Ground Zero. My friends in the city and my colleagues here at Good Housekeeping Magazine are experiencing this tragedy the same way most of the world is — through television. But because we’re so close, we have learned an additional lesson: evil has an acrid smell and it coats the throat and leaves a bitter taste.” — Lee Quarfoot ’72

“I read Dr. Gyertson’s written response and was encouraged. I have felt like a tired firefighter, putting out fires of fear, anxiety and worry among the over 600 children in our school, Walton Charter Academy, Pontiac, Mich. They have been very much affected by all that has happened and because I am the school counselor, I have had to be strong for them.” — Bonnie Bliszack TUFW ’65

“We in the Philippines were very sad to hear of the events of Sept. 11. My co-worker, Shirley Abbott, and I completed the Ata Manobo New Testament, which has just recently come off the press. Dedication celebrations have been postponed during this period of potential instability in the southern Philippines. Please pray that the political climate will soon stabilize and distribution of the New Testament is expedited.” — Pat Hartung TUFW ’61
Taylor gets involved in disaster relief

They saw truckloads of twisted steel and pulverized concrete that used to be the gleaming World Trade Center. They smelled the smoky, burning ash even while visiting Queens, a borough of New York that is ten miles away from Ground Zero.

One hundred ten Taylor University students and staff members journeyed to New York City Sept. 27-30 to participate in the relief efforts. The trip was the idea of sophomore Leandro Montoya, who lobbied the Taylor administration, the Red Cross and Campus Crusade with his proposal and received final approval just three days before the scheduled departure.

Arriving on a Friday, following a 16-hour, all-night bus ride from Upland, Ind., the group went to work immediately. Many went to the emergency headquarters of Campus Crusade in Manhattan where they received T-shirts and memorial booklets. In the coming hours, they gave away hundreds of booklets with many New Yorkers coming back to ask for additional copies.

One group of students gave a homeless woman a copy of the Campus Crusade memorial booklet, "Fallen But Not Forgotten." In the ensuing 30 minutes, she poured out her heart before tearfully saying, "I'm sorry, I just haven't had anyone to talk to about this." After the students held hands and prayed with her, they opened their eyes to see that nearly 60 New Yorkers had gathered around them, listening, some praying themselves, many crying.

The Taylor group worked for the Red Cross on Saturday. While part of the group worked at the Family Assistance Center on Pier 94, others delivered food to rescue workers and some of the nearly 40,000 people who were displaced by the disaster.

The group returned to campus changed. Many plan to go back to New York City to volunteer more time, Taylor World Outreach is sponsoring a work trip there during Taylor's spring break, March 23 - April 1, 2002. —JG

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Taylor students discuss the recovery efforts in New York

"Even with little to no sleep in a 48-hour period, the TU group kept the needs of the New York City populace in their sights. After a 16-hour bus ride, the group was welcomed with open arms by the Chapel of the Redeemer Lutheran Church and School in Bayside, N.Y. By the end of the trip all had served with the Red Cross, either in a kitchen for the victims, a respite center for the workers at Ground Zero, at kiosks designed to gather information about possible missing people or in various other ways." —Heather Barnes '03

"It was hard to see a wall that had hundreds of pictures of missing people and notes to those who were lost." —Noah Dennis '05

"New York City is filled with a burnt thick smell, rubble and groups of silent people in disbelief and mourning. And I join them." —Danara Schurch '03

"Our team worked at Pier 94, where those who had lost or are missing family members could come for legal assistance, information and counseling. We worked in food lines, stocked fridges, refilled coffee containers and unloaded pallets of food supplies. Many who don't know Christ would sit down with us and discuss spiritual matters, demonstrating their eagerness just to talk. One verse seemed especially appropriate to me: 'Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness for they will be filled.'" —Dan Matheson '03

Read about Taylor's response at www.tayloru.edu/taylor/911/.
Students reflect on Sept. 11 through writing

Students were invited to participate in an essay competition in response to Sept. 11. Selected as the best essays were the following:

1st place: “An Old Problem, God’s Omniscient Answer.” by Ryan Pfum’04
2nd place: “September 11th and Its Aftermath: A Grief Observed.” by Drew Moser ’02
3rd place: “God and Tragedy.” by Brendan Lee ’02

The essays are available online at www.tayloru.edu/taylor/911/.

Web cam tracks construction progress

Visitors to the Taylor website can stay updated on the work being done on the new Modelle Metcalf Visual Arts Center. The new visual arts center will house all the programs currently located in the Ayres Alumni Art Building and is scheduled for completion in early 2003. Snapping a picture every 60 seconds, the Construction Cam displays images of the building site at www.tayloru.edu/taylor/tonight/.

Taylor mourns death of student

On Oct. 20 the body of Katrina Wahl ’04, an art major and music minor from Cut Bank, Mont., was discovered by a campus safety officer. The Grant County coroner’s office ruled the death a suicide. Dr. David Gyertson discussed the death with the student body saying, “God promises to equip us with all that is necessary to pass through this valley.” Gyertson’s complete address and a memorial to Wahl can be found at http://www.tayloru.edu/upland/campus/news/2001-2002/wahl10-22-01.html.

U.S. News again ranks Taylor in top ten

Taylor University received a second place ranking in the Midwest division of comprehensive colleges in the 2002 U.S. News & World Report America’s Best Colleges survey.

This is the third consecutive year Taylor has placed second in its division of the survey, which started in the late 1980s. In the past, Taylor consistently has been ranked in the top five. The criteria for the ranking includes graduation rate, alumni giving, academic reputation, financial resources of the institution, retention rates and student profile. Of all 322 schools in the liberal arts comprehensive college category, Taylor had the highest graduation rate and second highest selectivity rate this year.

“It’s exciting to be so well-recognized,” said Steve Mortland, director of admissions. However, “we don’t want to make it the reason people think Taylor’s a good place. It’s just a confirmation of that.”

“We thank the Lord and all those who work so hard to make this type of recognition possible,” said Dr. Gyertson. “Taylor University remains firmly committed to the core values that brought it into being nearly 16 decades ago — academic and vocational excellence, spiritual vitality and a commitment to serve the needs of society both faithfully and effectively.” –KM

Midwest division of comprehensive colleges

1. St. Mary’s College, Ind.
2. Taylor University, Ind.
5. Ohio Northern University
6. Simpson College, Iowa
7. Wartburg College, Iowa
8. Augustana College, S.D.
8. Central College, Iowa
8. Millikin University, Ill.

Magers awarded at Parents Weekend

Connie Magers was thanked for her investment in the lives of Taylor students at this year’s Parents Weekend. Recognized publicly during the Friday Parents Weekend chapel service, Magers was given the Student Friend Award for her work as the service manager in Taylor University’s food service and for the love and respect she shows each student with whom she works.

The weekend festivities also included well-attended performances by pianist Randall Atcheson, humorist Ken Davis and many of Taylor’s musical ensembles. Families had the opportunity to hear messages by President David Gyertson, Dr. Richard Allen Farmer and Chancellor Jay Kesler ’58. A family dinner, silent auction, general store and several sporting events were also part of the activities.
Taylor enjoys strong ties with CCCU

“Wherever I go among council campuses, inevitably someone mentions Taylor as one of the models in Christian higher learning. It is one of the best ‘balanced’ campuses in relating biblical faith to learning and service,” says Robert C. Andringa, president of the Council for Christian Colleges and Universities (CCCU). “That is a wonderful testimony to the board and senior leaders who have helped create a very positive climate for Christian growth.”

Taylor University, one of over 100 members of the CCCU, not only benefits from the public support of the council, but also helps provide the personnel necessary for the organization to fulfill its mission. Jocelyn Falek ’99 works as publications coordinator, while Kimberly Spragg ’94 works as student programs manager. Chancellor Jay Kesler ’58 is the chair of the United Christian College Fund for the CCCU.

Dr. Dwight Jessup, provost and dean of the University, serves as chairperson of the CCCU’s student academic programs commission. “Taylor’s membership and active participation in the CCCU strengthens our programs for faculty and professional development and gives us representation in the wider field of Christian higher education,” states Jessup. “It allows us to collaborate with over 100 sister colleges and universities in the U.S. and Canada, and expands our curricular opportunities for students,” he says. This fall Taylor students participated in off-campus CCCU study programs in Washington, D.C.; San Jose, Costa Rica; Cairo, Egypt; and Oxford, United Kingdom.

Through participation, cooperation and service, the Taylor community helps the CCCU achieve its stated aim of advancing the “cause of Christ-centered higher education.” Taylor University will host three CCCU-affiliated conferences this summer. The faith and learning retreat for new faculty will be held June 6-9, 2002, the Latin American Studies Program runs July 5-7, 2002, and the alumni directors’ retreat takes place July 23-26, 2002.

Comparison of various types of institutions of higher education

Sports update

Women’s basketball opened its season with a win and a loss. The team lost to Ohio Dominican, 67-63, but returned the next day to defeat Robert Morris College, 85-64. The Taylor women were ranked 18th in the NAIM Div. II pre-season poll.

Men’s basketball was rated 10th in the NAIM Div. II pre-season poll.

The men’s cross-country team placed third in the Mid-Central Conference meet, and fifth in the NAIM Region VIII meet. The Trojans, with no seniors on the team, ran well throughout the season.

The football team defeated Olivet Nazaréne on Parents Weekend, 21-14. The team ended their season with a record of 2-8.

Sports update

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The Lady Trojan volleyball team won eight matches in a row to earn a ninth-place ranking in the NAIM with a 37-4 mark. They defeated Grace for the MCC regular season.
Baseball players spend evening at Riley Hospital for Children

Ryan Rupp '03 and Chris Beebe '05 are used to working on a team to earn a victory. On Oct. 25, their teammate consisted of singing duets for a severely handicapped child.

During their three-hour stay at Riley Hospital for Children in Indianapolis, Ind., Rupp, Beebe and the rest of the Taylor baseball team spent time visiting the children. One child in particular, Heather, stood out to Rupp and Beebe.

"We didn't ask Heather how long she had been a patient at Riley, but everything from her expressionless face to her slender and frail body suggested that she had spent a large portion of her 14 years in hospital rooms," shared Rupp. "At first Chris and I were unsure of what to do," he added.

"Shortly after we sat down with her, Heather paused and asked us to sing the 'I Love You' song from Barney and Friends," continued Rupp. "We followed that song with 'Jesus Loves Me,' and then for about 30 minutes we sang different songs that Heather requested, including some country music - we even tried to accommodate a request for us to 'sing Vanilla Ice.'"

The baseball team continued to take advantage of opportunities to do volunteer service during the first semester. They spent a full day working with Habitat for Humanity on Nov. 10. Their regular season of ballgames begins at home on March 5, 2002, against Indiana Tech.

Lacrosse captures campus attention

Expect big things from the Taylor men's lacrosse team this spring.

The club team was voted this year into the highly selective Central Collegiate Lacrosse Association (CCLA), which includes NCAA teams such as Illinois State University, Calvin College and Ball State University. Their spring schedule includes tournaments with several Big Ten schools such as Northwestern, Purdue and University of Iowa.

This is also the first year the team had a full coaching staff. "I think we can compete in this league and do very well," says Head Coach Nate Bates '00.

The five-year-old team consists of about 40 men, some of whom never played the sport before coming to Taylor. In the fall preseason, Steve Green '04 was nominated for first team all-CCLA; Brookes Odle '03 and Brian Hill '03 received nominations for all-CCLA honorable mention. The men practiced successfully during the fall and had tournaments at Indiana State University in October and at Ball State University in November.

According to Bates, "The new guys are picking it up, and the returning guys are better than they were last year."

As a club, the team is not supported financially by the University. Each member of the team is required to pay over $100 to cover equipment, uniform and transportation costs. However, "the additional costs of participating in this league are outweighed by the gained exposure we'll receive both for the team and the University," said Bates. —KM
Taylor prepares to test satellite

Kosmotros, the Russian company supplying the launch vehicle for the TU Sat 1 project, has recently informed Taylor they will push the launch date back from May 1, 2002, to Fall 2002. As a result, TU Sat 1 will not need to be delivered until Spring 2002. The extra time will be used by the physics department to conduct more rigorous tests and make improvements to the project.

Currently, the aluminum framework of the satellite is finished and the electronic boards are under assembly and revision. The HCJB World Radio Engineering Center has joined the effort and is aiding in the design of the communication antennas. The TU Sat 1 team intends to complete the basic satellite unit by the end of 2001 and then enter a testing phase. Details are available at www.tayloru.edu/sat1. –AB

Burden named 2001 Distinguished Professor

Taylor University honored Dr. Stanley L. Burden as the 2001 Distinguished Professor on May 14, 2001. Throughout his 35 years of faithful service to his alma mater, he wrote numerous papers and grants and earned respect on and off the Taylor University campus through leadership in statewide organizations and affiliations with national research projects. The sciences have come alive in his classrooms through the use of his expansive knowledge and experience, ranging from electrochemical methods of analysis to atomic absorption instrumentation.

The recognition honored and surprised Burden. “I had no indication at all that I would receive this,” Burden said. “I was obviously thankful and grateful for the honor.”

Burden’s love for Taylor and the students goes beyond the chemistry lab. “Working at Taylor for 35 years has been a rewarding experience.” Burden said. “To see students grow academically is good, but to see them grow spiritually is great.” –BJ

Taylor alumnus serves as New York City Fire Department chaplain

Amidst the multitude of tragic stories to emerge from the terrorist attacks on Sept. 11, millions of Americans were saddened to hear the story of Father Mychal Judge, a chaplain with the New York City Fire Department, who was killed by falling debris while ministering to a dying firefighter. Al Thompson ’52 now fills Judge’s post. While attending Taylor’s Homecoming, he spoke soberly of the difficulties faced by many in New York and his commitment to continue sharing Christ’s love with those he serves.

C.S. Lewis & Friends Alumni Retreat

The date has been set for the next C.S. Lewis & Friends Alumni Retreat. Taking advantage of Taylor’s collection of books and various manuscripts by C. S. Lewis, Dorothy L. Sayers, Charles Williams, Owen Barfield and George MacDonald, which is described as the third best such collection in the world, the gathering will be held on the Upland campus May 31–June 2, 2002. More information on the conference or Taylor’s collection of the writings of Lewis and related authors is available at http://www.tayloru.edu/upland/programs/lewis/ or by calling 1-800-882-3456 x5245.

Youth Conference

Youth Conference is April 19–21, 2002. Registration will be available online at www.tayloru.edu/upland/studentlife/two/yc/ starting in January or by calling 1-800-882-3456 x5394.

Fitness Center expanded

A wall was removed to double the size of the Odle Gymnasium fitness room and additional equipment was purchased. Student workers in that facility must now be wellness and sports management majors, first aid and CPR certified, and trained in how to use the equipment and design personal fitness programs. –KM

Listen to chapel online

Taylor’s chapel services are broadcast on the web and available anytime at http://www.tayloru.edu/interact/. All that is necessary to listen is RealPlayer, version 5 or above and some computer speakers. RealPlayer can be downloaded for free at www.real.com.
Alumni were "Continuing the Journey" at the 2001 Homecoming. For those who returned for the October 5-7 weekend, the University provided many opportunities to reconnect with the campus and other alumni. Events included the Homecoming chapel service, a collage concert that featured the many ensembles in the music department, a retirement dinner for Dr. Fred Shulze, a 10th anniversary celebration at the International Soup House, a 40th anniversary reading for the Parnassus literary magazine, the 5K walk/run, the alumni brunch and alumni awards ceremony, football and soccer games, a concert by the Pacifica Quartet, five-year class reunions, meetings with departments and professors, and a Sunday morning worship service.

The class of '51 returned to their alma mater to celebrate their 50th class reunion.

Some with dogs, some with strollers and some with quiet determination – alumni enjoyed the annual Homecoming 5K walk/run. Pictured here is Lynn McBride. Paul Ritchie '99 won the race for the third year in a row, this time completing the 3.1 miles in just over 15 minutes.

See additional pictures at http://www.tayloru.edu/upland/alumni/.

Learn more about the awards or nominate someone at http://www.tayloru.edu/upland/alumni/awards/ or 1-800-882-3456 x 5115.
2001 distinguished alumnus for professional achievement

“In my eyes, my wife is the real distinguished alumnus in our family.”
— Steve Amerson ’76

2001 distinguished young alumnus for professional achievement

“I accept this award as a representative of the many Taylor alumni who serve in extraordinary ways. Politics won’t change the world. That only happens one heart at a time.”
— David Thompson ’91

2001 distinguished friend of Taylor University

“As John 1 says, ‘through him all things were made. Without him nothing was made.’”
— Dr. Larry Fisher

2001 distinguished alumnus for professional achievement

“I’ve pledged to God to be a good steward of the talents I’ve been given.”
— Dr. Charles Ridley ’70

Legion of Honor award for Taylor University

“The Taylor University experience, however it may be described, is eternal business — Kingdom work if you will, and it is my privilege to be part of it. Many people could be recognized, and I am deeply grateful for this honor. ‘Soli Deo Gloria’ — to God alone be the glory.”
— Walt Campbell ’64

2001 honorary alumni of Taylor University

“Even more than we appreciate this award, we appreciate being a part of the TU community.”
— Dr. Mark and Jo Ann Cosgrove HA’91

2001 distinguished alumnus for personal achievement

“I am thankful to be able to serve with Youth for Christ and to work with troubled youth.”
— Irv Polk ’61

2001 distinguished alumnus for service to Taylor University

“I want to give more to the world than I take away. We are all custodians of God’s money, and we should use it well. I also want to recognize my wife and the many Taylor alumni who serve in extraordinary ways, day in and day out with no brass bands or awards.”
— Bob Gilkison ’57
“Taylor University is a covenant community on a journey of Christian discipleship that is Christ-centered, biblically anchored, Liberal Arts grounded, whole person focused, vocationally equipping, world-engaging and servant leadership motivated. The goal of the Taylor Experience is to produce disciples able to do God’s work throughout His creation, ministering the redemptive love of Christ to a world in need through lifetimes of learning, leadership and service.”

This visioning statement, designed to guide the twenty-first century implementation of Taylor University’s mission, contains a list of seven core values that make up the Taylor Experience. This issue of Taylor magazine examines the first of those seven values, Christ-centeredness, in detail. In the following pages President David Gyertson, Dr. Richard Allen Farmer, a few Taylor students and several Taylor alumni explain why it is critical that Taylor remain Christ-centered. Future issues of Taylor magazine will explore each of the remaining core values in depth. The seven core values logo, designed to highlight the need to keep Christ central in all our endeavors, will be included on each page that focuses on the core values in this issue and in the ones to come.
To lay Christ as the only foundation:
Heads first and hearts fast discipleship
— President David Gyertson

Let every student be plainly instructed to consider that the main end of life is to know God and Jesus Christ and therefore to lay Christ as the only foundation of all sound knowledge and learning. So declares the founding purposes of Harvard University. Over three centuries later, Taylor University unapologetically embraces this view of higher education that stretches the mind and cradles the heart. To be intentionally Christ-centered is our most important commitment as we prepare twenty-first century Christians for the challenges before them. A singular priority guides my commitment to lay Christ as the foundation for all we do: Taylor must be a place of Christian discipleship that is both heads first and hearts fast.

Those who nurtured my faith believed that Christ-centered discipleship requires a heads first journey. They understood that, having come to Christ as a sinner saved by faith, I must become next a faithful follower through the transformed mind. Effective discipleship is driven by the Great Commission mandate to make disciples, teaching them to observe all that Christ commanded, Matthew 28:20. Jesus spent the majority of His time teaching. The primary means He used to turn the least, the left and the lost into world-changers was the reshaping of their worldview punctuated by the outpouring of the Holy Spirit. While the disciples marveled at our Lord’s miracles, they were enlisted by His revolutionary message of a Christian counter culture that lived differently because it reasoned divinely.

I was taught to embrace Paul’s exhortation not to be conformed to the world but transformed by the renewing of my mind, Romans 12:20. The Scripture written in my Bible as I left for college was Study to show yourself approved unto God, a workman that needs not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the Truth, 2 Timothy 2:15. This heads first, Christ-focused priority of biblical discipleship influenced much of the western world for seventeen centuries and was at the center of Harvard’s educational mission. Learning was anchored to the belief that followers of Christ should be skilled beyond as well as in the teachings of Scripture. The intellectual enterprise was guided and guarded by the conviction that all that is True belongs to God, finding genesis and sustenance in the One who is the way, the Truth and the life, John 14:6 – that in Him we live and move and have our being, Acts 17:28.

Milton emphasized that the end of learning is to repair the ruins of our first parents by regaining to know God aright, and out of that knowledge to love Him, to imitate Him and to be like Him. C.S. Lewis challenged students of his day to take time for a thorough education even in periods of national turmoil. To be ignorant now would be to throw down our weapons and betray our uneducated brethren who have, under God, no defense but us against the intellectual
attacks of the heathen. Good philosophy must exist, if for no other reason, because bad philosophy needs to be answered. In light of the recent tragedies in our nation, his words are profoundly prophetic as we faithfully perform our Taylor mission of heads first discipleship.

We must reach for the highest levels of intellectual achievement so that we are grounded in the deepest levels of understanding. We must lay Christ as the only foundation for sound knowledge and learning across every discipline and within every vocation. With the revelation of Jesus Christ as both Rabbi and Redeemer, we must emphasize studying to show ourselves approved unto God so that new generations are able to accurately discern and effectively declare the glorious truths of God.

One of the great challenges, however, of heads first discipleship is that, alone, the euphoria of learning can lead to arrogance, limited specialization and self-preoccupation. The greater the knowledge we acquire, the more critical it is that we discover wisdom. Knowledge is the blossom of the exercised mind, but wisdom is the fruit of the circumcised heart. The Great Commission focuses on the heads first of teaching them to obey. Jesus' Great Commandment. Mark 12:30-31, provides the reason for our knowing – to be anchored to the hearts fast command of loving God with our total being and our neighbors as ourselves. The Great Commission's heads first is the methodology of informed discipleship. The Great Commandment's hearts fast is the motivation that produces connected and serving disciples.

Learning is designed to maximize our capacity for loving – loving God fully and serving others freely even as Christ loved and served us. Hearts fast disciples are those whose knowledge wisely leads them to an ever-deepening communion with God and an ever-increasing commitment to sacrificial community with others. I am drawn regularly to this biblical benchmark for Christ-centered learning that is both heads first and hearts fast.

Who is wise and understanding among you? Let him show by good conduct that his works are done in the meekness of wisdom. But if you have bitter envy and self-seeking in your hearts, do not boast and lie against the Truth. This wisdom does not descend from above but is earthly, sensual and demonic. For where envy and self-seeking exist, confusion and every evil thing are there. But the wisdom that is from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, willing to yield, full of mercy and good fruits, without partiality and without hypocrisy.


No matter how much we learn, we see through a glass darkly. No matter how deeply we probe the mysteries of life, we know only in part. The tough mind requires the tender heart – heads first creates effective disciples only if they are hearts fast in communion with God and community with their neighbors. At Taylor we strive to minister God’s redemptive love to one another as well as to a world in need through the disciplines of both learning and loving. At Taylor we seek to guard the cornerstone of such discipleship by daily laying Christ as the only foundation.

Dr. David Gyertson is in his second year of service as president of Taylor University. Gyertson holds a doctorate from Michigan State University with a major in higher education administration and management. Before coming to Taylor he served in a variety of leadership roles, including president of Asbury College and president of Regent University.
To lay Christ as the only foundation: Christ as our all
— Dr. Richard Allen Farmer, dean of the chapel

W hen I was a senior at New York City’s High School of Music and Art, I knew what my major would be in college. I wanted to polish my musical gifts. I was not wandering, searching or crying to the heavens for help. I had been given the gift of playing the piano and singing, and I knew I was to use that gift for the rest of my days. What I didn’t know was what college I would go to for training.

My high school guidance counselor was a Jewish woman who knew of a Christ-centered college. One of my friends showed her the catalog of Nyack Missionary College. He wanted to go there and needed help in the processing of the application. When I went to Mrs. Klinger shortly thereafter, she said, “I just heard about a college that you might like. It’s religious.” I went to check it out, and there I spent four of the most formative years of my life.

While I would have enjoyed the Juilliard School or the Manhattan School of Music, both of which were attractive to me, these would not have given me the Christological perspective for which I longed. As a student at a Christ-centered college, both the opportunity and challenge of blending my faith with my academic field were mine. In the words of Harold Best’s provocative book, I saw “music through the eyes of faith.”

Fast forward with me to the year 2001. Here at Taylor University, 800 miles from my native New York City, the same emphasis is made. We train women and men to see their academic discipline through the eyes of faith. What a joy it is to invest in my colleagues here. Each time I stand in chapel to preach or sit at the piano to play, I am aiming at something very specific. I am asking one question: “How may I blend homiletical and musical skills in such a way as to serve as a mouthpiece for the living God?” Our love for and commitment to the Lord Christ should never be seen as some inconvenient add-on. Rather, it ought to be central.

A portion of the prayer of St. Patrick comes to mind here, as I think of my personal goal and our corporate goal at Taylor University.

Christ be with me, Christ before me, Christ behind me, Christ within me, Christ beneath me, Christ above me, Christ at my right, Christ at my left, Christ in the heart of every man who thinks of me, Christ in the mouth of every man who speaks to me, Christ in every eye that sees me, Christ in every ear that hears me.

Dr. Richard Allen Farmer has served Taylor University as dean of the chapel since 1999. He is a graduate of Nyack College where he earned a bachelor of music degree in 1975 and Princeton Theological Seminary where he earned a master of divinity degree in 1980.
Why we must remain Christ-centered: Taylor Student Organization
— Andrew Fennig '02, student body president

The question of why the Taylor Student Organization (TSO) must remain Christ-centered is not difficult to answer. For in my mind I can think of no reasonable argument for why TSO, or my own personal life for that matter, should be anything but centered on the Christ who legitimizes both. Wouldn't a tool designed for a specific task be discarded if it was ineffective in doing that for which it was created? Should a pet rescued from death by his master then give and walks in the fullness and power of the Lord because of the knowledge of his identity in Christ and the power of the purpose He has placed on his life.

TSO has a role in developing students into the people they were created to be, and it is imperative that Christ be at the center of every decision made and every event planned. If He is not, then we are lost in the world to which we are called to minister.

“Taylor University has been charged and entrusted with developing and training Christian men and women for a life of service to Christ.”

his love and affection to someone else? So the obvious answer to the question of why TSO must remain Christ-centered is because we have been created for this very thing.

Taylor University has been charged and entrusted with developing and training Christian men and women for a life of service to Christ. TSO’s role in that call is to develop a unified community among students and to create an atmosphere where people are challenged and learn to have fun.

Our goal is to help the student body realize that they have been called to be average Christians. This call to be “average” is challenging when we remember that we were originally created and designed to live forever, walking intimately with our Creator in the garden. This is how God envisioned His interaction with us. The average Christian is one who is consistently led by the Holy Spirit and walks in the fullness and power of the Lord because of the knowledge of his identity in Christ and the power of the purpose He has placed on his life.

Student Body President Andrew Fennig '02 was raised on a farm just outside of Portland, Ind. An international business major with minors in political science and economics, he plans to use his major to work in business and use those opportunities for world missions.
Imagine trudging over a snow-covered field in the middle of a blizzard. Driving wind whips sleet and ice against your face. No matter how tightly you clutch your jacket, the cold wind finds its way inside. You push forward with reluctant feet. Suddenly, you see a flicker of light miles ahead — a home, warmth, security! You press on toward the light with renewed vigor, forgetting the resistance from the wind and snow around you, desiring only to gaze at the goal ahead.

This scene parallels our spiritual journey through life; it depicts the importance of centering on Christ as Lord of our lives. Though the blizzard may rage around us, if our hearts are centered on our Father, we will not be shaken because He is “our Rock and our Salvation,” Psalm 62.

As a student leader on campus, I have found the only way to press on through the storm is to keep my eyes focused on the Lord. Although it takes much discipline, I have learned the best way to focus on the Lord is through consistent times each day alone with God. When I am in connection with the Lord each day, I am far more able to keep my perspective in line with God’s perspective and live for an audience of Him alone. In keeping Christ-centered, especially as a leader, I have learned that I must be so grounded in who I am as God’s child that I am not swayed by others’ opinions. Additionally, surrounding myself with people who are running the same race, inspired by the same vision, encourages me to keep Christ at the center of all I do.

My prayer is that the discipleship coordinator program, along with the many other facets of the Taylor community, will encourage students to live lives centered on Christ. As the campus discipleship coordinator, I have a passion to equip and motivate the students on this campus to realize our total dependence on the Lord, and thus the need to develop intimate relationships with Him. It is my prayer that through the influence of spiritually solid, passionate discipleship coordinators in the dorms, each person at Taylor will fall more deeply in love with God and will intentionally seek to place Him at the center of his or her life.

As Paul declared in Philippians 3:13, we must “forget what is behind, and strain toward what is ahead” as we seek to keep our lives centered on the Lord in all we do.

Michelle Toy ’02, from Mason, Ohio, is majoring in elementary education and minoring in Spanish. She spent part of the fall semester student teaching eighth grade in Hartford City, Ind., and enjoys investing in students’ lives.
Why we must remain Christ-centered: Rigorous academics
— Marian Derby ’31 and Rob Wiley ’96

There are many colleges and universities which are called Christian schools. They emphasize Christian ideals and values as well as the academic preparation for successful careers. Taylor’s emphasis on Christ-centered lives is a plus that is especially needed now.

Those who have Christ at the center of their lives not only have His guidance but His power, His motivation for action. It is the self-giving Christ living in them that makes the difference.

During recent weeks the strains of “God Bless America” have been heard at community gatherings, on the radio and TV wherever Americans have met in response to the disastrous history-changing events of Sept. 11, 2001. As Christ-centered Christians, can we also sing “God Bless Afghanistan, Iraq, and Pakistan” or “God Bless the crowded nations of Asia, the new nations of Africa, and the economically depressed nations of Latin America”?

Surely there is no time in history when Christ-centered lives have been needed more. As Taylor remains Christ-centered, it can make a difference!

Marian Derby ’31 served for 40 years as a missionary and a mission executive of the United Methodist Board of Missions. Derby was one of four members of the class of 1931 who served with that body. Ralph and Eunice Dodge and Marguerite Deyo were the other three members.

I tutored calculus for three years while I was a student at Taylor; as you might imagine, the experience has scarred me for life. Even though I haven’t taken a derivative since my junior year, I still love the subject – its order, power and complexity demonstrate the magnificence of God’s creation. However, it wasn’t just the subject that I loved while I was tutoring, it was the people to whom I was able to minister. Helping pre-med, business and computer science students understand how calculus worked, or at least how to do what would be on the test, was a chance to show Christ’s love to them.

I see Christ in calculus. I see Christ while working at a Fortune 500 company. I see Christ in the teenagers with whom my wife and I work at our church. I see Christ while tickling my two-year-old.

Understanding who Christ is and what He did on the cross dramatically affects the way I live my life every day. Whether I realize it or not, my relationship with Christ permeates every aspect of my life – how I think, what I do, who I am.

Being Christ-centered causes me to see the world around me differently; that is why the Taylor experience was such an important part of my life – it taught me to see and analyze the world differently because of my relationship with Christ.

Why should Taylor remain Christ-centered? Because, just as Christ differentiates Christianity from other religions, Taylor’s Christ-centeredness differentiates it from other universities. It teaches those who come in contact with it to see the world differently.

Rob Wiley ’96 (rwiley@yahoo.com) lives in Indianapolis with his wife Jennifer (VonEschen ’96) and daughters Grace, age two, and Madeline, four months. He is an IT team leader at Eli Lilly and Company and is active at College Park Church as a youth group sponsor and family care deacon.
Why we must remain Christ-centered:
The well-educated mind
— Clark and Heidi Hewitt '84

In an age of relativism and postmodernism, it is vital that not only values be taught but absolute truths. These absolute truths are the foundations that must be given to the future generations if the gospel of Christ is going to be spread. As Christian educators, we have a tremendous opportunity and an awesome responsibility. We believe there are ways in which these truths can and should be taught in the educational environment.

A teacher is very influential in the lives of those whom he or she teaches. Teachers not only teach the subject, but their lives become living texts through which students learn principles and morals about life that can and will direct them in the future. Luke 6:40 states, "... everyone who is fully trained will be like his teacher." Lasting impressions with the students we teach are instilled through the example of a life lived for Christ.

Furthermore, the importance of listening to the Holy Spirit is essential for guidance and discernment of young people. On a daily basis an educator has to make decisions involving such things as discipline, student conflict, parental involvement and relational issues that are a continuation of the learning process. God promises to give wisdom to those who seek for it in James 1:5 and promises to grant the Holy Spirit's presence to teach, counsel and remind us of His Word in John 14:26. What a blessing as an educator to rely on the greatest Teacher of them all.

Discipline is another important aspect of the job of a Christian educator. Righteousness and right living are not popular words these days, yet are so very important. Imagine trying to raise your own children without scolding, correcting and training them. Our children would never have otherwise learned "thank you" and "I am sorry." Training both as a parent and as an educator takes patience, time and diligence. 1 Timothy 6:11 states, "... pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance and gentleness." The cost of instructing these virtues may be strenuous, difficult and disappointing at times but so worth it.

As Christian education students, Taylor University instilled in us these life-changing truths. We are so thankful for the efforts of the University and the education department to keep these intangibles and ideals reachable and attainable. It is our desire to instill these same truths in every student we teach so they can be Christ-like and unshaken in their foundations.

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Clark '84 and Heidi (Ison '84) Hewitt have three children, Hannah, age 13, Kaylee, age 11, and Collin, age 8. They have served as teachers, coaches and administrators at Harbor Light Christian School in Harbor Springs, Mich., since the mid-80s.
My daughter Amy '99 TUFW and I are often told we look alike, but looks are not the only resemblances we bear. We are both Taylor alumni, we both work at vocations that require us to use our servant's towels daily, and we both had a teacher at Taylor named Mrs. Lee who mentored us through a challenge that set the course of our careers.

I graduated from Taylor Upland with a degree in elementary education. Amy graduated from Taylor University Fort Wayne (TUFW) with a degree in social work. My special teacher was Mrs. Jennie Lee. She coordinated my student teaching experience. Amy's special teacher was Mrs. Twyla Lee. She also coordinated Amy's internship experience.

Jennie Lee was unlike any teacher I have ever had. She was, and still is, vibrant and witty with a zest for learning and an undying passion for adventure. The year I did my student teaching, she initiated a pilot program in the Chicago area for elementary education majors. I was privileged to be chosen to participate in that project.

Mrs. Lee recalls, “Taylor had been making improvements in its teacher preparation program for some time. I believed we were ready to see how well our emerging Taylor teachers compared to those coming out of similar colleges and universities. The public schools in the areas surrounding Chicago were rated as some of the best schools in the country. They were also hosts to student teachers from the colleges we wanted to measure our program against. It seemed a natural pilot site for a select group of our elementary education majors.”
“Lynette was part of a group we placed in a particular host school that was transitioning from the traditional classroom model to an open classroom model. We were excited for our students to be engaged in an educational reform effort at the grass roots level. However, it did require them to stretch beyond Taylor’s basic expectations for student teachers. Most exciting to me was seeing our students rise to the challenge and succeed. There was no doubt that God was at work in them throughout the pilot.”

From my perspective, the experience began normally. However, within the first weeks of school the staff decided to make major adjustments in their curriculum implementation plan. Unexpectedly, I was challenged with helping to redesign the school’s curriculum framework as well as implementing it. In light of the additional demands, Mrs. Lee gave us the option to be reassigned to schools where we could get more traditional experiences. I chose to stay. I felt that I had been more than adequately prepared at Taylor, and I felt ready to take on the challenge. The insights and skills I gained from that experience have been invaluable to me.

Knowing how God used my Taylor experiences to set the course of my life, I was ecstatic when Amy chose Taylor as her college but devastated when God opened doors for her in Fort Wayne instead of Upland. Surprisingly, we found TUFW to be the same Taylor I remembered. We found the mission, the distinctive Christian emphasis and the godly models in the faculty and staff also present at TUFW.

“No sooner had I resigned myself to being at TUFW, and decided to major in social work, than I realized it was not offered there,” Amy remembers. “I was determined to graduate from my own Taylor campus, so my best friend, Amy Mendenhall Spallinger ’99, and I sought to find a way to bring our major to TUFW. God worked through Mrs. Twyla Lee to enable that to happen.”

Twyla relates, “I was excited about the Amys’ desire because I saw it from a social work perspective, that of the consumer expressing a need. Knowing how important it is to empower clients to speak for themselves, I sensed theirs was a grass roots effort that needed to be responded to. Their desire to graduate from their own campus with their chosen degree challenged the faculty and the administration on both campuses to think differently about a variety of things in order to help these young women reach their goal. They won the respect of other students as they modeled what they were willing to sacrifice for their major. The social work major was brought to TUFW several years ahead of schedule through God’s blessing on the girls’ efforts.”

“The process was hard and we had concessions to make, but we felt God was leading us to tough it out,” Amy recalls. “We definitely matured through the process, and we gained a better understanding of advocacy and what it means before we were through. We saw God clearly at work as we committed the process to His leading, believing that all parts of it, no matter how hard, were His plan. I thank God I was able to be part of it.”

Since graduating from Taylor I have gone on to complete a master’s degree and earn pre-K-Grade 9 administrative credentials. I am currently the director of a Head Start program for a public school district. Amy is an intake specialist for the Healthy Families program for a social services agency.

We continue to stay in touch with our Mrs. Lees, sharing our dreams and accomplishments with them and seeking their perspectives and advice on issues that sometimes seem a little beyond our scope. We count our Taylor heritage and the endearing friendships of these godly women among our most priceless treasures.

by Lynette Duplain ’72

Jennie Andrews Lee and Lynette Duplain ’72

Taylor, Winter 2002
Taylor students Jason Courter and Craig Miller spent their summer battling mosquitoes, bathing with alligators and piranha, and working among a tribe of Indians who up until 50 years ago killed every missionary who ventured into their midst.

It was the best summer of their lives.

Courter, a senior majoring in biology, and Miller, a junior physics major, spent six weeks in the Bolivian jungle working with church groups from Bloomington and Muncie, Ind., building a retreat center in the Andes Mountains and a playground in the village of Zapoco and conducting daily Bible schools.

Part of the time in Bolivia was spent living in Zapoco with the Ayore Indians. The Ayore, a tribe of over 2,000 nomadic people who once killed and sometimes cannibalized every missionary they came into contact with, are scattered throughout the Bolivian countryside. While they no longer eat their perceived enemies, alcoholism and prostitution problems run rampant. This is not the case in Zapoco, however, where the nearly 300 Ayore living there have forged their own industry and economy. A church, built two years ago by Miller and others from his church, serves as the village’s centerpiece.

Since Zapoco is surrounded by jungle and rugged terrain, the team could not leave the village until they left to return home. Baths were taken in a nearby river while watching the water for alligators and piranha.

Courter, an avid sportsman, became the hunter one afternoon when he and some Ayore spotted a pair of alligators sunning on the riverbank. Courter shot the smaller one and brought it back to Zapoco where it was cooked and served for dinner.

Miller’s early doubts about the usefulness of building a playground disappeared when he saw the interest the project generated in the village. “Building (the playground) ... and seeing the impact it was having, not just on the kids but everybody, showed me how important it was to meet their social needs,” he said. Still, the most moving moment came during the dedication service when adult Ayore villagers embraced and held hands in an uncharacteristic show of affection.

“It was amazing,” he added, “seeing children and adults who had never seen a swing set or teeter-totter playing on them for the first time. These kids had been playing with rocks their whole lives; they were very grateful for it. The playground equipment probably hasn’t stopped moving.”

Courter, who had read a book about the Ayore’s violent past before the trip, found them a changed people, “I never felt in danger when I was in Zapoco. God has truly done great works in the Ayore,” he said. “This work of the Holy Spirit has made (them) some of the friendliest and most mild-mannered people I have met.” — Jim Garringer
We’re striking for a goal!

A matching gift challenge from an anonymous donor has been given to encourage both new gifts and increased gifts to Taylor.

Help us meet the challenge and increase the Taylor Fund, the money used to offset the difference between the tuition that students pay and the actual cost of their Taylor education.

The challenge states that from Jan. 1, 2002, through May 31, 2002, compared to the same dates last year, every new, unrestricted dollar raised by Taylor will be matched - up to $60,000.

Get ready for Phonathon ’02!

Nearly 40 Taylor students will be calling Taylor alumni asking them to give toward the Taylor Fund. The Taylor Fund helps the University bridge the gap between what students pay and what it actually costs to educate a student at TU.

Every gift matters. Large ones make it possible to significantly strengthen the Taylor Fund and even the smallest ones help increase the University’s alumni participation giving rate. Currently at 39% versus a 32% national average, the Taylor alumni giving rate is good, but has room to grow.

Plan ahead for how much you can give when you get the Phonathon call from a Taylor student this year, and thank you in advance for helping Taylor fulfill its mission to prepare hearts and minds for a lifetime of service.

Thanks in advance for helping us increase the Taylor Fund and making good use of the match.

There are many ways to give, including:

1. Participating in Phonathon

2. Mailing a check to:
   Taylor University
   236 West Reade Avenue
   Upland, Indiana 46989-1001

3. Calling and giving your gift using a credit card: 800-882-3456 ext. 4956
1931
Rev. Fred E. Vincent died on June 28, 2001. Rev. Vincent was a retired United Methodist minister for more than 40 years. He lived in Anderson, Ind.

1948
Ray Stair went to be with the Lord on Aug. 27. Ray was a retired elementary school teacher. His wife Norma survives him.

1951
Betty Esau, wife of Daniel Esau, passed away on May 12, 2001. Daniel lives at 3805 Stratford Park Dr SW No 3, Roanoke, VA 24018. Email is desau@aol.com.

1952
Donald & Jean (Huffman) Granitz celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on Aug. 11, 2001. Their children honored them with a surprise celebration in July on Lake Michigan in Muskegon, Mich.  Former roommate Jim Norris ’51, Joe Haas ’52 and Billy Melvin ’52

Homecoming 2001 was once again a special time on Taylor's campus. The class of 1951 celebrated their 50th reunion in grand style, proudly wearing their Taylor medallions throughout the weekend. Victories by the soccer and football teams gave the enthusiastic crowds something to celebrate! Class reunions were held in every corner of the campus on Saturday afternoon, and on Sunday morning the words of Rev. Al Thompson ’52, senior chaplain for the New York Fire Department, inspired and challenged us as he told of his experiences at Ground Zero since Sept. 11.

Alumni who registered for Homecoming came from 27 states and five different countries, proving that ours indeed is a global community. If you didn’t have the opportunity to join us, plan to attend next year on Oct. 25-27, 2002. Marty Zenger

1960
Gordon & Judy (Weber ’59) Polsgrove have moved to 201 Henry’s Ln, Bristol, VA 24202. Gordon has retired from teaching and now works with son Scott ’87 as the assistant men’s basketball coach at King College. Judy continues with her Christian bookstore, Successful Living

1961
Joe & Judy (Boll) Brain live at 25 Hathaway Rd, Lexington, MA 02420 where Judy continues as a pastor at Pilgrim Congregational Church. Email is revbrain@aol.com.

1963
Bob & Dawn Larsen live at 10669 W Stockbridge Cr, Zeeland, MI 49464. Email is bob@faithre.com.  On Aug. 3 several elementary education majors from the class of 1963 met at the home of Verlis & Lois (McBride) Slusher. Pictured from left to right are Sandy (Gage) Peterson of Indianapolis, Ind., Marcell (Polk) Cathary of Cedarville, Ohio, Sherry (Murphy) Hubbard of Monroe, Ind., Mary (Baker) Whitehead of Grabill, Ind., Lois (Jackson) Austin of Marion, Ind., Verlis & Lois Slusher of Montpelier, Ind. All were students of Jennie Andrews Lee HA’77.  Lew Luttrell retired after working for over 30 years with the BertZDearborn div of Hercules. After serving months of winding down, golfing, playing tennis and traveling, he accepted the position of director of building and grounds at Naperville Presbyterian Church. Lew & wife Dottye (Hess x’65) continue to oversee the marriage ministry at their church, including premarital counseling, teaching classes in spiritual intimacy and leading some weekend marriage retreats. They sing in the choir and are part of the worship leadership team once a month. Email is LewDot33@aol.com.

1964
Jonathan & Dorothy Hildebrandt x have returned to the United States after 35 years in Kenya with AM Intl. They have taken the position of missionaries-in-residence at LeTourneau Univ. for two years, which allows Jonathan to teach anthropology and missions courses.
1966
Dee & Ruth Friesen reside at 408 Pebble Way #255, Arlington, TX 76006 where Dee is a captain for American Airlines. Email is friesen@aol.com.

1967
Timothy & Carol (Baudino) Battles live at 5104 Sapphire Dr, Marietta, GA 30068. Timothy is president of Array Marketing Group. Email is battles@attglobal.net.

1971
Earl & Angela (Snow) Alfredy reside at 2331 S Eagle Pt Ct, Grand Junction, CO 81503. Email is opaomaea@home.com.

1974
Thomas Bealle x lives at 65 S Julia St, Mobile, AL 36604 where he is president of Thomas Bealle Associates. Email is tbealle@cs.com. • Barry Moore earned his Ph.D. from Kennedy-Western Univ. this year and is a partner at P&R Associates, Inc. Barry & wife Soledad live at 285 Catawba Path, Doylestown, PA 18902, with sons Darren (18) and Ryan (16).

1975
Darrel & Bonnie (Elmer) Goad are the pastor team of a young and growing Vineyard Christian Fellowship Church. Darrel, Bonnie and children Danielle (20), Nate (18), Tiffany (15), Christa (10) and Michaela (7) live at 6214 Warren Ave, New Port Richey, FL 34653. Email is vcfmpr@juno.com. • Larry & Karen (Rudolph ’76) Taylor live at 1908 Buckingham Dr, Wheaton, IL 60187. Karen is the office manager for Oncology Joint Practice Associates. Children are Lindsay (20), Ryan (18) and Lauren (14). Email is ktaylorine@excite.com.

1976
John Davis works at Northeastern State Univ. as technology systems coordinator B.A. campus. Email is davishjr@cherokee.nsuok.edu.

1977
Wendy Sellers x has been working as a health educator for the past 16 years. During that time she co-authored and edited the Michigan Model for Comprehensive Health Education, the state’s model health curriculum for grades K-12. She received the “Healthy Children Award” in 1994 for this work. The curriculum has been cited as one of the best substance abuse and violence prevention curricula in the nation. She currently is developing a new curriculum titled “Puberty: The Wonder Years” and that will be published in December 2001. Wendy resides in Grand Ledge, Mich. Email is HLS4hire@aol.com.

1978
Elaine Sellhorn works as a curriculum and technology integration specialist at Region One Educational Service Center. Her address is 110W Williamson Ave, Harlingen, TX 78550. Email is esellhorn@aol.com.

1979
Brian Jones was awarded Teacher of the Year by Wal-Mart and is listed in “Outstanding Young Men of America.” • Jon Long is director of software development for CheckFree Corp. Children are Adam (19), Eric (17), Curtis (15), Robert (12) and Florence (7). He resides at 1548 Bandera Ct, Columbus, OH 43232. Email is if_mail@amindspring.com. • Thomas & Annette McCaughern live at 3314 Kearse Lake Blvd, Flint, MI 48506 where Thomas is a teacher for Lapeer Community Schools. Children are Aaron (19), Arie (19) and David (9). Email is thomasmcaughern@hotmail.com. • Lonnie & Debbie (Palacino ’78) Smith are happy to announce the birth of Olivia Grace on Sept. 6, 2001. She joins Lauren ’04, Alyssa ’16, Rebecca ’14, Katherine ’12 and Nicholas (5). The Smiths are mi-

Former Taylor University Chaplain Bill Hill reaches Heavenly home

Rev. William “Bill” Hill, who served God as a pastor, noted writer and University chaplain, passed away at age 73 on Aug. 17, 2001, after a courageous four-year battle with cancer. At the time of his death, Hill served as associate pastor of Central Baptist Church in Crossville, Tenn.

Hill’s ministry spanned 50 years as senior pastor of churches in Missouri, Michigan, Indiana and Ohio, and as campus pastor at Taylor University. He began his ministry in 1948 as pastor of the Free Will Baptist Church in Myrtle, Mo. Later he pastored Free Will Baptist churches in Nashville, Tenn., and Hazel Park, Mich., and Evangelical Mennonite congregations in Upland, Ind., and Wauseon, Ohio. He also served for 11 years as director of student ministries at Taylor. It was during this time at Taylor that he developed and expanded the Taylor World Outreach (TWO) student missions program and led student mission initiatives in the Bahamas.

Because of their extraordinary service to students, faculty and staff, Bill and Julia Hill were named honorary alumni of the University in 1981.

Surviving is wife Julia, who continues to reside at 1930 Ridley Drive, Crossville, TN 38555. Also surviving are daughter Debbie Butman ’74, son Jack ’79 and his wife Teresa Hill, son Tim ’80 and his wife Janet (Briggs ’80) Hill, daughter Becky ’82 and four grandchildren.

For those who knew Bill, it is not a surprise that he sought God’s will until the last moment of his earthly life. An essay containing Bill’s quest for answers was published in Sharing, a magazine for members of Mennonite Mutual Aid. And as Bill passed from this life into eternity, with his family gathered around him, he dialoged with them about the beautiful Heaven he saw. The last words uttered by this beloved man were, “God is merciful!” The Lord is merciful indeed.
Taylor alum finds coaching success in Pennsylvania

J.R. McFarland ’76 is living the coach’s dream. During his 24 years as head track and field coach for Wilmington High School in New Wilmington, Penn., McFarland has had over 30 state medalists, three state champions and one national champion. Former Lady Greyhounds Inge Jorgenson and Serene Ross recently finished fourth and sixth, respectively, in the javelin competition at the 2001 NCAA Championships in Eugene, Ore. Both women received All-American honors. Current Wilmington High School discus star Cassie Buckwalter (pictured next to McFarland) was the 2001 Pennsylvania State Champion in discus.

This October McFarland returned to Taylor for Homecoming weekend for the first time since he graduated. He participated in the 5K run and attended his 25th class reunion. The coach was impressed with the spirit on campus, as well as the physical changes that have occurred since he was a student.

McFarland says that his four years at Taylor impacted who he is both as a person and a coach. “I was influenced by the spirit and Christian witness and used it as a model for coaching,” he says. He cites former football coach Tom Carlson as an inspiration. McFarland says he tries to run his program with integrity, stressing that winning isn’t everything. To develop young lives, he says, “we challenge them to lead a life that’s worthy.” —KM
21030. Children are Ted (6) and Audrey (3).
Email is sjoe1265@hotmail.com. • Mark Stocksdale is an assistant professor at Earlham College. Mark & Carol (Neuhouser ’89), along with sons Joel (9) and Kyle (6), reside at 533 SW 19th St, Richmond, IN 47374. Email is stockma@earlham.edu.

1989
Mike & Kim (Whitman) Bushman have moved to 219 N River Rd, Naperville, IL 60540. Mike is a project manager with Kanbay Intl., and Kim enjoys staying home with children Megan (7), Tyler (4) and Katelyn (1). Email is kbushman@keonline.com. • Alan Cunningham lives at 1006 Reverie Way, Perkasie, PA 18944, where he continues to work for Motorola as a staff engineer. Email is ace9900@hotmail.com. • Troy & Katie (Hardin x’90) Mounsey have moved to 3136 Arctic Ave, Lewis Center, OH 43035, where Troy is field operations manager for Selective Insurance Co. Children are Megan (7) and Callie (5). Email is troymounsey@juno.com.

1990
Loy & Ruth (Coln) Carter happily announce the birth of Hudson Dean on Jan. 12, 2001. The family lives at 6830 Norway Rd, Dallas, TX 75220. Email is loye@swbell.net. • Rob & Jill (Herman) Hadley are the proud parents of Hannah Alexandria, born on June 13, 2001; she joins Robbie (7). Jill is an elementary school teacher and Rob teaches high school art. The family resides at 1002 Sugar Maple Dr, Greenwood, IN 46143. Email is rjhadley612@msn.com. • Terry & Elaine (Thayer) Johnson joyfully announce the arrival of Mallory Grace on March 21, 2001. Siblings are Taylor (9) and Alison (5). Their address is 1018 Denton Dr, Euless, TX 76039. Email is mustard5@att.net. • Jack & Melissa (Egolf) Wilson proudly announce the birth of Kate Elizabeth on March 14, 2001. Sisters are Meredith (4) and Hannah (1). The family resides at 122 Prosser Dr, Monongahela, PA 15063.

1991
Joel & Tammy (Gerstung TUFW ’92) Brown welcomed Joel’s, Kersten into their family on Feb. 17, 2000. She joins sisters Haley (4) and Savannah (3). Joel is a therapist at Teen Ranch and Tammy enjoys staying home with the children. Their address is

1818 Decker, Decker, MI 48126. Email is joeltamx3@yahoo.com. • Patty Carroll is a lecturer and marketing specialist at the Univ. of Southern Californian Language Academy where she is teaching Intl. students, developing marketing strategies and traveling to represent USC in Asia and Latin America. Email is pattycarroll7@hotmail.com. • Matt & Dorothy (Ensinger) Friedman joyfully announce the birth of Nathan Elias on Feb. 1, 2001. Dorothy teaches third grade at Calvary Christian Academy and Matt continues to make custom handcrafted bass guitars. Their address is 344 New Rd, Southampton, PA 18966. Email is stefano@acaciainstrument.com. • Doug & Lisa (Marker) Mader, along with big brother Trent (3), joyfully welcome their double blessings Sydney Michelle and Caleb Marker on Aug. 20, 2001. The family resides at 7620 Harbor View Ct, Mason, OH 45040. Email is lisa_mader@hotmail.com. • David & Mari-anne (Koop) Orme are celebrating the adoption of son Daniel, born on April 10. The family lives at 1345 Wayne Dr, Des Plaines, IL 60018, where David works for Empower Geographics. • Rev. Brent C. Williams died on July 23, 2001. He was an associate pastor for 10 years at Christ Fellowship of Indianapolis, Ind. He is survived by his wife Christi and children, Wesley (6) and Olivia (5), who continue to live at 1708 Maynard Dr, Indianapolis, IN 46227.

1992
Lisa Curless married Steven Ford on July 7, 2001, in Wabash, Ind. Tu participants were David Phillips ‘67, Lori (Daves ’91) Heath, Cheri (Armstrong) Sigler, Brent Daves ‘80, Sharlee (Stoner ’93) Lyons. Marc Curless

‘94, Jeannette (Hawk) & Forrest Miller, Heather (Myers) Day, Mary (Barnes ’91) Wilkemeyer. Mark & Emily (Bailey) Vanest. Travis Vanest ’94, Doug Woodward. Lana (Agness ’94) Barnhisel. Colleen (Wehling ’77) & Mark Yordy ’78, Paul Sare ’93. Denise Stouffer ’82, Dr. Steve & Mrs. Artis Hoffmann (TUU faculty) and Derek Hoffmann ’98. The couple resides at 600 Bough Ct, Wabash, IN 46992. Steve works for The Ford Meter Box Co. and Lisa teaches seventh grade language arts at Peru Jr. High. • Bonnie Houser has moved to 38355 Tamarac Blvd, Apt 111, Willoughby, OH 44094, where she works at the Cleveland Institute of Music as a reference/electronic resources librarian. Email is pmozbach@hotmail.com. • Michael & Tricia McGee are the proud parents of Reiley Paige born July 26, 2001. Their address is 310 Innisbrooke Ave, Greenwood, IN 46142. • Jeffrey & Becky (Franz) Neu joyfully announce the birth of Jakob Andrew on June 22, 2001. Brother Joshua is 5. The family lives at W140 N4918 Somerset Dr, Menomonee Falls, WI 53051. Email is jhnew@ispnet.net. • Tim & Lynn (Warden) Nygaard rejoice in the arrival of son John Timothy born March 26, 2001. The family resides in Waconia, Minn., where Tim is a systems controls engineer and Lynn

Lisa (Curless ’92) & Steven Ford
enjoys being a stay-at-home mom. Email is nyga@earthlink.net. • Gary & Anne (Johnson) Phillips joyfully announce the birth of Jaden Wesley on May 18, 2001. Their address is PO Box 117, Converse, IN 46919. Email is anne.phillips@rainbowcamp.org. • This group of TC friends recently had a reunion. “Taylor dads” pictured from left to right are Jason Block ’94, Steve Kersten ’97, Sean McHugh, Kirk Newcomer ’93, Lynn Kinsman ’93, Brian Scott, Kirk Luttrell, and

Tigard, OR 97223. Email is marcilee@mindspring.com. Marcie would love to hear from Taylor friends! • Scott & Michelle (Hollar ’89) Sanchez are proud to announce the birth of Morgan Renee on Nov. 30, 2000. Big brother Grant is 2. Email is scottsan @bmin.net. • Taggart x & Sharilyn (Ehresman ’92) Smith proudly announce the birth of Shelby Anna on June 30, 2001. The family lives in Waterford, Mich. Email is sharilynsmith@yahoo.com. • Reynolds & Donna Yordy live at 509 Stanford Village Ct, Antioch, TN 37013. Email is ryordy@digitalSneeze.com.

1993

Michael & Rebekah Alexander reside at 10546 N Loomis Rd, Clare, MI 48617, with children Rachel (6), Hannah (4) and Joel (1). Michael is the senior pastor of Loomis Missionary Church. Email is mralexanders5 @juno.com. They would love to hear from TC friends! • Jon Filka works in accounts payable at H.H. Gregg in Indianapolis, Ind. Email is jfilka@hhgregg.com. • Lori Red married Michael Luckner on June 30, 2001. She is a secretary at Wright State Univ. Email is loril4306@wright.edu. They live in Dayton, Ohio. • Tim & Dawn (Russo ’94) McDaniel joyfully announce the birth of Rebekah Grace Marie on Sept. 4, 2001. Brother Brennan is 2. The family lives in Cincinnati, Ohio.

1994

Chris & Deborah Baldwin live in Uniontown, Ohio. Chris is with Christian Financial Planners in Akron. Deborah is an accountant for All-State. Plus the couple is operating two businesses! They have formed Graham River Productions, a video production company in all realms of video media. Email is Grahamrivervideo@aol.com. • Amy Barnett is coordinator of student services in the admissions office at Taylor. She lives in Upland and her email is amibarnett @taylor.edu. • Jon & Shelly (Lenger x) Bergeron live at 2005 Woodville Rd, Bryan, TX 77803. Jon completed his doctoral training in clinical psychology and is in a 1-yr post-doctoral fellowship in child and adolescent psychology with the Scott & White Clinic. Shelly is now able to work part-time from home as a telecommuter and is looking forward to volunteering in animal assisted therapy with their basset hound. If anyone is ever in central Texas, they’d love to see TC friends! Email is bergerons @hotmail.com. • Jeff & Krista (Hasenmyer) Burden live in Goshen, Ind. Jeff graduated from the IU School of Dentistry and has joined his father in practice. • Chad & Alison (Rollins) Martinson are the proud parents of Austin Connor born June 28, 2001. The family lives in Naperville, Ill. • Brent & Annette (Larsen) Rudin live in Rockford, Mich. Email is brudin @cornerstone.edu.

1995

David & Anne (Lee) Boyer joyfully announce the birth of Abigail Elken on Jan. 11, 2001. David is an attorney with Helmkem Beans Boyer and Wagner. Anne is an English teacher at Wayne HS. The family lives at 9824 Winchester Rd, Ft Wayne, IN 46819. Email is hbbwdb@aol.com. • Olivier & Esther (Kroeker) Engels are the proud parents of Chloe Charlotte born April 8, 2001. Esther is in a doctoral program in philosophy and a teaching assistant at USC. The family lives in Los Angeles, Calif. Email is kroeker@usc.edu. • Jeffrey Foo is doing postgraduate studies at the Univ. of Sydney in Australia, majoring in information systems. Email is fooj@pacific.net.sq. • Matthew & Dee-Ann (Welch) Martin proudly announce the birth of Kiersten on Aug. 3, 2001. The family lives in Plainfield, Ind. Email is dmartinn@juno.com. • Gary & Carrie (Pigott) Ross are pleased to announce the birth of Noah Frederick on March 21, 2001. The family
resides at 2 Lakota Ct, Cody, WY 82414. Email is Cody652@vcm.com. • Kevin Shafer lives in North Canton, Ohio, and is a software engineer at etc. Computers, Inc. Email is egnis@danichamos.net.

1996
Jason & Kaitlyn Fisher reside in Muskegon, Mich. Jason is an insurance agent for Light House Insurance. Email is kajay13@aol.com. • David & Jennifer (Horton ’97) Isgitt live in Fort Worth, Texas. David is a teacher at Keller Independent School District. Email is ds10001@unt.edu. • Casey & Joanne Kolkman live in Fort Wayne, Ind. Children are Josie (2) and Alexander (1). Casey is a social studies teacher, assistant football coach and head softball coach at North Side HS. Joanne is a special education teacher at Crossroads Children’s Home. Email is casey.kolkman@fwnes.k12.in.us. • Sharon Michaelaen married Scott Ruotolo on July 18, 2000, in Milford, Ohio. Sharon teaches eighth grade science. Scott works for GE Aircraft Engines as an engineer. They reside at 4314 Grove Ave, Cincinnati, Ohio 45227. Email is ssruotolo@yahoo.com. • Elizabeth (Germann ’97) & Kevin Lewis (Hable ’98) Frew reside in St. Petersburg, Fla. Email is kristinalfrew@yahoo.com or kevinfrew@yahoo.com. • Elizabeth Ger- mann and Kevin Lewis were married on March 17, 2001, in Indianapolis, Ind. TU participants included Jennifer (Feldmann ’98) Rice, Kristen (Haas ’96) Conley, Shannon (Scott) Wanner, Betsy (Kim) Ball, Heather (Martindale) Elen, Rachel (Furge- son) Lazor and Erin (Dryden) Bronson. Kevin is a pharmaceutical sales rep for Boehringer Ingelheim and Elizabeth teaches second grade at Danville Community Schools. The couple may be reached at 3440 Windham Lake Rd, Indianapolis, IN 46214. • Racquel Lightbourne works for AT&T Global Services as a data sales executive. She lives in Chicago and her email is racquel_lightbourne@yahoo.com. • Jeff & Lori Lovell have moved to 832 S 4th St, Stoughton, WI 53589. Jeff is pastor of student ministries at LakeView Church and Lori teaches fourth grade. Email is jalovell@yahoo.com. • Kristian & Bridget Morales live in East Lansing, Mich. Email is kristianmorales@yahoo.com. Kristian is an agent for New York Life. • Joseph Toren is working on a masters in clinical psychology at Abilene Christian Univ. Email is cowboyjoet@juno.com. • Joshua & Rebecca (Barnes) Wekesser are the proud parents of Elijah born July 31, 2001. The family lives in Littleton, Colo. Email is rwekesser@cs.com. Josh continues his studies at Denver Seminary.

1997
Nathan & Beth (Yoder) Dominguez live in Fishers, Ind. Email is bethdominguez@hotmail.com. • Kevin ’97 & Kristina

Chad ’98 & Julie (Palm x’97) Frizzell joyfully announce the birth of Marilyn Rose on April 28, 2001.
grad studies at Azusa Pacific Univ. She is also a resident director at California State Polytechnic Univ. Email is thermanson@apu.edu. • Andrea Hoffner married Jared Hook on July 21, 2001, in Madison, Wis. TU participants were Erin (Stepp) Krupp.

Jared ’98 & Andrea (Hoffner ’98) Hook

Heather (Roberts) Diller and Tiana Coles ’97, Andrea is a first grade teacher and Jared is a financial analyst. Their new address is 1526 Kenilworth Ct, Stoughton, WI 53589. • Ben & Lindsay (Pool ’99) Hotmire are the proud parents of Grace born Dec. 1, 2000. Ben teaches Jr. High science and math at Crestview Local Schools. He is also assistant cross country coach, Jr. High boys basketball coach and assistant athletic director. Lindsay teaches English part-time at Van Wert HS. Email is rerimtoh@hotmail.com. • Rebecca King married Michael Craig on June 24, 2001, in Ft. Meyers, Fla. They now reside at 4660 Chesapeake Ct, Columbus, OH 43220. Michael is a manager for Abercrombie & Fitch and assistant men’s basketball coach at Wittenburg Univ. Rebecca is a nanny. Email is raking12@aol.com. • Megan Linton is now living at 6611 Brigh Square #6, Centerville, Ohio 45459. Email is mnmlinton@yahoo.com. • Susan Littleton and James Allen ’00 were married Nov. 18, 2000. TU participants in the wedding were Christine (Poosawtsee) Vlietstra, Amy (Steinfield) Rowell, Hank ’99 & Johanna (Thalacker) Voss, Tania Elsesser, Jeremy ’00 & Jodie (Allen ’97) Flynn. Jeremy & Lorie (Allen ’97) Diller, Sally Evans ’97, Isaac Voss ’00 and Walker Cosgrove ’00. Susan is a teacher at Upland Elementary School and James works in human resources for New Horizon Youth Ministries. The couple’s address is PO Box 582, Upland, IN 46989. Email is james_allen59@hotmail.com. • Mike & Charis (Loga) Mohrland reside at 3369 College Ave #98, Davie, FL 33314. Email is mohrland@nova.edu. • Jayson & Mindy Schoeberlein joyfully announce the birth of Genevieve Mercy on Sept. 3, 2001. Email is JaysonSchoeberlein@msn.com.

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Carrie (David '99) & Jim Norton

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Steve ’90 & Sara (Henley ’99) Baarendse

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David Myers ’87, Josh Rugema ’02, Leslie Clarke, Christie (Almond) Negley, Lori Nye ’00, Kellie O’Connell and Jodi Oppenhuizen ’98. Steve teaches English and humanities at Columbia Intt. Univ. Sara teaches in an elementary school. The couple may be reached at 1010 G Bent Tree Ln, Columbia, SC 29210. • Emily Jones married Michael McCann on June 30, 2001. Emily is a teacher at Darby Woods Elem. School. The couple lives in Columbus, Ohio. Email is emilyanemccann@hotmail.com. • Joseph & Julie (Dause) Jones joyfully welcome Wesley Neal born Feb. 1, 2001. The family lives in Marion, Ind. Email is julieandjoe@yahoo.com. • Brian & Amy (Kraus) Lovell reside at 5616 N Plymouth Ct, McCordsville, IN 46055. Email is lovells@hrtc.net.

2000

Alan Ball lives at 1710 S Center St, Plainfield, IN 46168. Email is aball@indot.state.in.us. Alan is an environmental specialist for the State of Indiana Dept. of Transportation. • Leigh Anne Dexheimer and Matt Roeber ’02 were married on Aug. 4, 2001, in Dallas, Texas. The couple is living in Upland, Ind., where Matt is a senior sociology major. Leigh Anne teaches music at Riverview and Frances Slocum Elem. Schools in Marion, Ind. Email is leighanne98@earthlink.net or matthew_roeber@tayloru.edu. • Laura Mullen is senior photo researcher for Jim Whitmer in Wheaton, Ill. She lives in Wheaton and can be contacted at laura_mullen00@hotmail.com. • Jayson Palm married Tarrah Saff er on Sept. 2, 2001. Jayson is director of alumni relations for Reign Ministries and Tarrah is assistant youth director for Minnetonka Community Church. Their address is 10110 38th Ct N, Plymouth, MN 55441. Email is jptu@hotmail.com. • Katie Porter married Josh Maggard on July 14, 2001, in Muskegon, Mich. The couple lives in Chicago where Katie teaches at Lakeshore Prep School and Josh works at the Kirkland & Ellis law firm. • Laura Rupp is in grad school at Indiana Purdue Univ in Fort Wayne. She also works at the YMCA teaching swim lessons and lifeguarding. Email is laura_rupp@yahoo.com. • Laura Sergi and Jeremy Waterfall were married on March 18, 2001, in Bethlehem, Pa. TU participants were Josh Sandoz, Matt Guilford, Andrew Draper, Jesse Puttananickal and

Laura (Bayes ’01) & John McConda ’01


Laura (Sergi ’00) & Jeremy Waterfall ’00

Mike Boring ’98. Jeremy is a sales rep for Cintas Corp and Laura is a copywriter for Shindigz.com. The couple resides at 10015 Acorn Ln, Fort Wayne, IN 46835. • Allison Stevens married Sam Kraft x on Aug. 11, 2001. The couple lives in Columbus, Ohio. Email is emily_one@netzero.net.

2001

Justin Woodward is a systems analyst for Accenture. He lives in Arlington Heights, Ill. Email is Justin.r.woodward@accenture.com. • Laura Bayes and John McConda were married on June 16, 2001, in Marshall, Ill. TU participants included Sarah Hunt, Pam Bayes ’03, Kristy O’Neal x’00, Josh Zimmerman, Chris Schwab, Jodi Brooks, Amber Aulen, Sarah Schoolcraft, Audrey Liljestrand, Tara Hodapp, Keva Taylor and Carol Hahnstadt. John is an associate software engineer at Interexchange Digital and Laura is an analyst at Accenture. Their address is 1349 Wyndam Cir, Apt 105, Palatine, IL 60074.
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Christine (Skorburg '01) & Justin Michels '01

Memorials and Honorariums
July 18 – Oct. 31, 2001

Baker, Sarah Culp, Kara Gratz, Angela Swartzendruber, Shelley Stonecipher and Amanda Gonzalez. Karin teaches English at Concord HS and Colin attends Notre Dame Law School. They live in Mishawaka, Ind. Jaime Holzworth and Brian Heeck were married on April 7, 2001. Jaime is director of public relations at ICTV Channel 19. Their couple lives in Noblesville, Ind. Email is Jaime@theheteckocks.com. Sarah Hunt teaches English at an Intl. school in Tegucigalpa, Honduras. Email is sarah_hunt2001@yahoo.com. Austin Klein is a management trainee at Wisconsin Electric. He lives in Waukesha, Wis. Email is klein_austin@hotmail.com. Julie Lutkevich is orchestra director at Pike IHS in Indianapolis. Email is julielutkevich@aol.com. Dinty Musk lives at 305 S Country Fair Dr, Apt 78, Champaign, IL 61821. Email is dinty_musk@hotmail.com. Christine Skorburg married Justin Michels on July 14, 2001, in Wheaton, Ill. TU participants were
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