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Emmanuel has a rich heritage with alumni serving in a myriad of ministry opportunities spanning the globe. In the past several issues of the Envoy some of those different alumni have been featured, ranging from preachers to church planters to missionaries, and now campus ministers. Many Emmanuel alumni have chosen to serve God through campus ministry, but this article will feature two campus ministries: Christian Student Foundation (CSF) at Ball State University in Muncie, Indiana, and Christian Student Fellowship (Campus House) at East Tennessee State University in Johnson City, Tennessee.

A Depth of Impressions



*Mark Pike
Muncie, Indiana*

Campus ministry for Mark Pike (MAR '90) is a serious endeavor that is his lifelong calling. Twenty-five years ago he began as the Associate Campus Minister at Christian Student Foundation (CSF). After seven years serving in that

role he took on the Senior Campus Minister position and has been doing it ever since.

CSF functions as a campus church for students by providing a worship service on Sunday mornings while Bible studies, small groups, and service events occur throughout the week. Mark's focus in campus ministry is to gather students together to present the Gospel of Christ and help them become disciples of Jesus. He says, "It is rewarding to see students begin to reflect on their life and calling in godly terms rather than what they may have ab-

sorbed through the culture. One of our students recently changed her major so she could prepare and position herself to serve in a mission effort of some kind. She hears God's call to missions and is seeking clarity on that call."

Mark's time at Emmanuel helped inform him to pursue campus ministry. He comments, "The faculty and administration demonstrated academic excellence, involvement in the life of the church, and vibrant Christian faith. The combination of academic challenge and pastoral ministry helped me see that through campus ministry I could serve both callings in the context of a university." Through his education at Emmanuel he developed the confidence to engage any line of thinking and read any author. He says, "I came out of Emmanuel secure in my faith, and I have not been intimidated by any question or argument I have encountered in campus ministry."

Mark believes that Emmanuel exposed him to a broader and richer view of the Stone-Campbell Movement, which he says, "solidified the Christian Churches as my spiritual home." He did not expect to gain a deep love for the church in seminary, but Emmanuel did just that. This love for Christ's church now helps him when he encounters students who do not share that same love. Mark says, however, "The greatest benefit I received from Emmanuel was spiritual depth." For Mark, Emmanuel has been a supportive Christian family as he has engaged in the work God has called him to do in campus ministry. ✠



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Campus Ministers



The Campus House at East Tennessee State University

In-House Empowerment

“Campus ministry is about being in the right place (the university) at the right time (transition from adolescence to adulthood) in order to provoke conversations with men and women who question spiritual things, particularly their Christian heritage, and to encourage their maturity in a relationship with Christ,” says Mike Luzadder, Campus Minister at East Tennessee State University (ETSU) for fourteen years. Mike is a 2011 graduate of Emmanuel Christian Seminary who is passionate about ministering to young adults and empowering others in their pursuit of this valuable ministry. Mike believes seminary education, “better prepares a minister to provide substantive conversations [because] the setting of campus ministry invites a re-analysis of all things previously learned... campus ministry is ministry to adults who have not yet closed the door on change.”

The heart of this belief is bolstered in the work of former Campus House student turned fellow campus minister, Trivia Riddle (MDiv '12). Trivia began working at Campus House while doing coursework at Emmanuel, noting that this combination of work and study was influential to her education. “My master’s education taught me how to ask questions... the right questions, and how to seek good answers,” Trivia tells her students at ETSU.

In the last seven months, ETSU’s Campus House has made a concerted effort to reach out to international students through the leadership of another Emmanuel graduate, Katie Selby (MDiv '12). This ministry revolves around welcoming international students through authentic friendships. Campus House hosts World Cafe, a time of fellowship without agenda, as well as invites students to dinners, contra-

dancing, sporting events, and provides transportation services.

According to Katie, Campus House transforms to a place where “the Kingdom of God is coming to earth, a place where every tongue, tribe, and nation is here, in the presence of God.” Katie remarks that it is through the intentional effort of Emmanuel to come alongside local churches that prepared her most for campus ministry: “education should always be paired with life application outside its own walls... This is why I believe that the connection between Emmanuel and the local church community is so wonderful, and so unique.” ✝



*(L-R): Trivia Riddle, Mike Luzadder, and Katie Selby
Johnson City, Tennessee*

Ross Lectureship Broadens Its Holistic Approach to Care



*Deborah van Deusen
Hunsinger*

The inaugural lectureship of the Ross Lectures in Pastoral Care will be held in Emmanuel’s Mildred Welshimer Phillips Memorial Chapel October 17 and 18 at 11:00 a.m. An evening lecture will be held October 17 at 7:00 p.m. (location TBD). The speaker will be

Deborah van Deusen Hunsinger, Charlotte W. Newcombe Professor of Pastoral Theology at Princeton Theological Seminary. She is greatly interested in educating clergy and laypeople on theological and psychologically informed pastoral care in the church and brings outstanding credentials as a pastoral practitioner and educator.

Dr. Calvin and Nancy Ross established the biennial Ross Lectures in 2012 as a legacy of their ministries and in memory of Calvin’s parents, Walter and Mardel Ross. Through their abun-

dant generosity, the best in scholarship and practical perspective on pastoral care is being discussed at Emmanuel. The lectureship is for students, educators, ministers, and medical personnel who desire to expand and integrate the discourse among faith, medicine, ministry, and concerns for peace and justice.

Dr. Ross is delighted that the inaugural lecturer comes from the seminary where he first began his journey in pastoral care. For more information contact Dr. Jack Holland at 423-926-1186 or jholland@ecs.edu. ✝

Tools that Stick: Emmanuel Institutes Events



Chap Clark

Dr. Chap Clark, a nationally known cutting-edge writer and speaker on youth

The Emmanuel Institutes has taken on a new format with two major sessions a year that will generally be full-day events. The next event will be held on September 28th and will feature

in today's churches. Emmanuel will co-sponsor this upcoming event with First Christian Church of Johnson City, Tennessee, and Milligan College. The event is called "Faith that Sticks" and is aimed at those who work primarily with children and youth.

Earlier this year, the Institutes featured Dr. Kevin Boll, president of MinistryConnect and former president of DisciplePath. Dr. Boll's passion has long been to help churches live out the Great Commission by not just simply making converts but by mentoring people in ways that help them submit every part of

their life to the lordship of Jesus Christ.

In an ever-changing world, Emmanuel is trying to help equip churches and church leaders with the tools to handle the many challenges that confront those in ministry as they attempt to become even more effective at being Christ's representatives in this needy world.

For more information contact Dr. Mike Sweeney at 423-461-1510 or msweeney@ecs.edu. A selection of past events is available on the Emmanuel Institutes channel on YouTube and can be found at www.youtube.com/EmmanuelInstitutes. ✝

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People in the News



Dr. Jason Bembry spoke at St. Anne's Catholic Church (Bristol, VA) on July 17 as part of their three part series entitled, "Saints, Scholars and Social Justice." He was asked to lecture on Dorothy Day and her paper "The Catholic Worker." The title of his lecture was "Dorothy Day -- Prophetess and Saint."



Dr. Kip Elolia and Dr. Phil Kenneson (Milligan College) went to Eldoret, Kenya, to teach at Kao L Amani College for two weeks in June. Dr. Elolia taught Intro to Theology and Dr. Kenneson taught Intro to the Bible. They also preached in local churches in Eldoret and Kerio Valley while there.



Dr. Jack Holland will spend a portion of his sabbatical (during the 2013-2014 academic year) teaching in The Certificate of Graduate Study in Counseling Ministry that was recently created between Milligan's Master of Science in Counseling program

and Emmanuel's Christian Care and Counseling emphasis. After devoting the last three years to serving as academic dean, his sabbatical time will also contain a period of focus on reacquainting himself with counseling. ✝



Dr. Paul Blowers' book *Drama of the Divine Economy: Creator and Creation in Early Christian Theology and Piety* (Oxford, 2012) explores the pre-Christian roots of cosmology; normative Christian discourse about Creator and creation; patristic interpretations of Genesis



Bob Hall became Chief Operations Officer on July 1, in addition to his ongoing role as Associate Director of Development. He says, "I am honored to continue helping Emmanuel move forward in my new role. Emmanuel has a lot to offer the wider Kingdom of God, and I believe some of our best days are ahead of us."

and other relevant texts; ideas of the "beginning" and creation ex nihilo; the Trinitarian dimension of creation; and how the "drama" of the Creator's economy of creation and redemption played out in Christian worship and devotional practices.



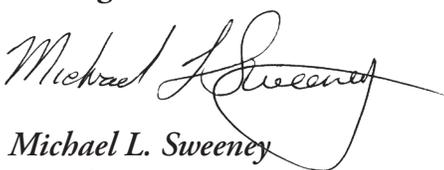
Annual Report - Fiscal Year 2012-2013

Dear Friends of Emmanuel,

It is nice to produce an annual report that is full of good news! We were able to reduce our debt by over \$3 million, our loan payments are down, and giving is up! Our 2013 audit was the best in the history of the school. We have much to be thankful for.

With the help of God and His people, Emmanuel Christian Seminary can look forward to a long and bright future! We are very grateful for your prayerful and faithful support.

Blessings!



Michael L. Sweeney
President



Summary of Operations Fiscal Year Ending May 31, 2013

Income

Tuition	\$917,440
Less: Student Aid	(462,331)
Auxiliary Income	340,427
Campaign	1,178,278
Endowment Earnings	340,174
Gift Income – Bequests	12,000
Gift Income – Churches	355,726
Gift Income – Endowments	331,582
Gift Income – Individuals	3,361,596
Gift Income – Other	18,192
Institute Contributions	3,828
Miscellaneous Income	222,506
Total Revenues	\$6,619,418

Expenses

Institutional Support	979,533
Public Relations & Development	377,994
Recruitment	89,233
Instructional	971,438
Library	257,257
Student Services	14,790
Auxiliary Expenses	580,858
Total Expenses	\$3,271,103
Net Assets Increase	\$3,348,315

Statement of Financial Position (Audited) Fiscal Year Ending May 31, 2013

Assets

Cash & Cash Equivalents	\$356,210
Accounts Receivable	29,540
Other Receivables	23,523
Inventory & Other Assets	161,523
Pledges Receivable (net)	1,554,013
Land, Buildings & Equipment (net)	8,680,931
Collection–Christian Education Library	1,497,674
<u>Long-term Investments & Endowments (at market)</u>	<u>5,454,679</u>
Total Assets	\$17,758,093

Liabilities

Accounts Payable	199,294
Long Term Debt	5,654,652
Accrued Liabilities	598
Deferred Credits	49,602
Pass-through Grant Payable	115,041
<u>Annuity Obligations</u>	<u>501,048</u>
Total Liabilities	\$6,520,235

Net Assets

Unrestricted	(886,675)
Temporarily Restricted	1,452,693
<u>Permanently Restricted</u>	<u>10,671,840</u>
Total Net Assets	\$11,237,858
Total Liabilities & Net Assets	\$17,758,093

39 Years of Bearing Fruit for Emmanuel

"He who guards the FIG TREE will eat its fruit, and he who watches his master's interests will come to honor." Proverbs 27:18

The mission of bearing fruit has been at the core of Fig Tree Fellowship (FTF) since its inception in 1974, with Hylda Smith leading women from around the country in service and generosity to Emmanuel. Hylda and her husband, Frank, are among the founders of Emmanuel and believe in the seminary's purpose strongly.

In 1974 during a time of nationwide economic recession, Hylda, with simple resolve, saw the financial needs at Emmanuel and encouraged others to help. Enthusiasm and support of FTF started simply through word of mouth, spreading as one woman after another passionately explained Emmanuel's need and sacrificially gave in creative ways. Beginning with the support of Hylda and four friends, FTF now has supporters across

the country. A program of monthly pledges allows FTF to support Emmanuel through gifts of books for the library and hymnals for the Chapel, gifts of technology such as the installation of a sound system and projector for the Chapel in 2009 as well as computers for the library, and (most connected to the heart of Emmanuel's mission) through the financial support of students in the form of scholarships. As of 2013 FTF has supported 73 students since 1980, maintaining four endowed scholarships on a rotating basis. These scholarships not only cover part of tuition but also cover book expenses for recipients. Under its current president, Adele Spurgin (2008 - present), Fig Tree Fellowship continues to confidently trust that God will bless the gifts of faith entrusted to them in order



New scholarship recipient, Amanda Sils, meeting Fig Tree Fellowship board members Shirley Marshall and Joy Lawson

to promote Emmanuel, empower women through fellowship events, and prepare men and women for a lifetime of ministry. ✝

2013 Alexander Campbell Scholarship Recipients

This scholarship is awarded to newly enrolling Master of Divinity students each year. Students applying for this scholarship must complete a separate application, which is reviewed by the Alexander Campbell Scholarship Committee.

This year, Alexander Campbell Scholarships have been awarded to (L-R):



Garrett Harper - Fayetteville, Georgia

Garrett, a graduate of Georgia Institute of Technology, is interested in youth ministry or college ministry.

Jacob Luallen - Salem, Illinois

Jacob feels called to teaching and discipleship in both the local church and in the classroom. He is a graduate of Johnson University.

Adam Proffitt - Jonesborough, Tennessee

A graduate of Milligan College, Adam's ministry interests are in student/youth ministry.

Elizabeth Reid - Bremen, Georgia

Elizabeth is interested in teaching and discipling the next generation of ministers in a college setting. She is a graduate of Point University.

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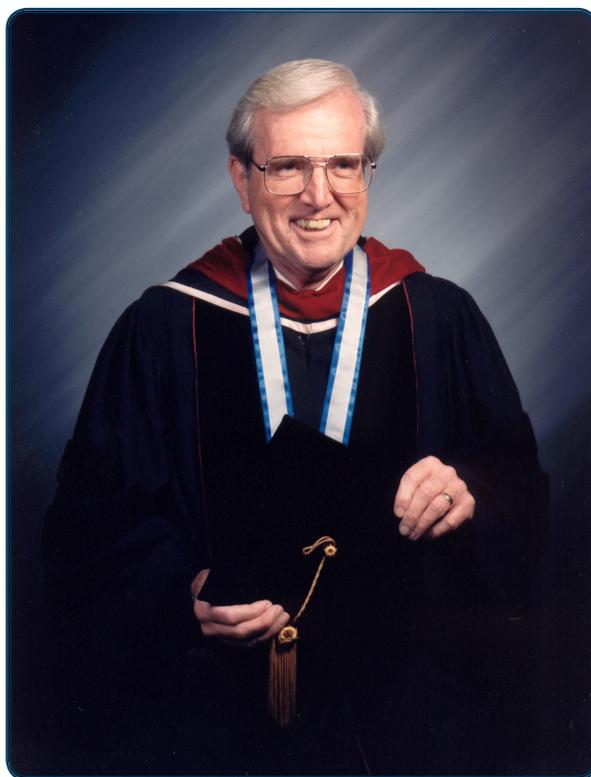
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It is with sadness that we announce to the Emmanuel community the death of Dr. Calvin L. Phillips. Dr. Phillips served as Emmanuel's third president from June 1984 through June 1994. He brought to Emmanuel a strong appreciation for the Restoration Movement. His ancestral roots go back to near the beginning of the movement. A great-grandfather and three great-uncles graduated from Bethany College during the presidency of Alexander Campbell.

Dr. Phillips brought to Emmanuel in 1984 the distinction of a 34-year ministry with the South Side Christian Church in Munster, Indiana. This long ministry with the same congregation provided Dr. Phillips a "pastor's heart" which greatly benefited the seminary.

During his administration at Emmanuel the Supervised Ministerial Experience (SME) and the Doctor of Ministry Degree program were initiated. Significant growth in the Emmanuel library and the school's endowment were realized. He led the school through a period of strong enrollment of students and vibrant and stable economic growth.

The seminary honored Dr. Phillips upon his retirement by naming the road that goes through the Emmanuel Village as Calvin Phillips Drive. One of the Courts in this student housing complex is Calvin Phillips Court. Also in his honor the seminary faculty



Dr. Calvin L. Phillips

President 1984 – 1994

Chancellor 1994 – 2005



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September 11, 2013

established "The Calvin L. Phillips Award for the Outstanding Doctor of Ministry Project." Emmanuel was blessed for years after his presidency with continued financial gifts from Dr. Phillips. His name appears on Emmanuel's Founders Plaque that lists the names of individual donors who helped to establish the seminary in the 1960s. His name also appears on Emmanuel's Wall of Honor for donors who have contributed over \$100,000 during their lifetime.

Emmanuel Christian Seminary is indebted to Dr. Calvin L. Phillips for his service of distinction for Christ and His church. We are grateful for his leadership as a founder, Associate, Trustee, President, and eventually Chancellor of Emmanuel.

Dr. Phillips died on September 11, 2013, in Elizabethton, TN, at the age of 88 after a long battle with Parkinson's disease. In his book *...But I Love You*, Dr. Phillips reflects on where he will be laid to rest in Ohio:

"They will dig a grave beside a tombstone that already has my name on it. Then, as Arthur Holmes used to say at Butler, they will pat me in the face with a spade, say a few nice words over me, and go on their way. And I will be gathered unto my people. And that will only be the beginning." ✠