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CENTRAL CHRISTIAN
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# DR. FINCHER'S ARTICLE

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## COVER OR INTRODUCTORY THOUGHTS

The Board of Directors has added several new members in the past few years. There are now 14 members, representing various occupations and locations in their service to the College. Their oversight, generosity, and prayers are an important part of the College's ministry. Eight new members have joined the group since 2015, each bringing different areas of competency and a high level of commitment to Central Christian College of the Bible.

Four newer members committed to attending a series of "Excellence in Board Governance" seminars sponsored by the Association of Biblical Higher Education (ABHE). The first event was held October 3-4 at the home offices of ABHE in Orlando, Florida. It included workshops offered by several veteran leaders in Christian higher education. CCCB is one of 10
These Board members have also been named the Board Planning Team, working together to identify strategic action steps to advance the quality of our Board, all its members, and the institution as a whole. The Board members were joined for the training by President David Fincher and are being coached throughout the year by Dr. John Derry, President Emeritus of Hope International University. Dr. Derry's insight and investment into these members will increase the understanding of Board governance and leadership at Central Christian College of the Bible.

# OUR WORK IN CINCINNATI

Since early October 2019, the Trustees and Employees of Central Christian College of the Bible led by President David Fincher, have been working to establish legal authority, hire professional personnel, and identify financial resources to continue the legacy of ministry education in Cincinnati after the closure of Cincinnati Christian University (CCU).

These efforts resulted in CCCB establishing the Christian Church Leadership Foundation (CCLF) on December 12, 2019, as an Ohio LLC. Dr. Fincher serves as the CCLF's President, with seven CCLF trustees to oversee its formation and finances. CCCB provides a management contract with CCLF to maintain and operate three unincorporated ministry enterprises during the final days of CCU: the Christian Church Leadership Network (formerly the Center for Church Leadership), the Russell School of Ministry, and the George Mark Elliott Library collection.

CCCB is bringing these three entities into the CCLF to facilitate their immediate survival and ongoing work. This allows CCCB to both operate these ministry enterprises and establish a collaborative model that will benefit other participating Christian church colleges and universities.

THE CHRISTIAN CHURCH LEADERSHIP FOUNDATION

**THE CHRISTIAN CHURCH LEADERSHIP FOUNDATION (CCLF) EDUCATES CURRENT & FUTURE CHURCH LEADERS IN THEORIES, PRACTICES, AND DOCTRINES THAT CONTRIBUTE TO HEALTHY, EFFECTIVE, AND RELEVANT MINISTRY.**

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# CINCINNATI BIG BOLD STATEMENT ABOUT SOMETHING REALLY REALLY IMPORTANT

RUSSELL
SCHOOL OF MINISTRY

## THE RUSSELL SCHOOL OF MINISTRY (RSM) PREPARES MINISTRY LEADERS BY PROVIDING INNOVATIVE COURSES AND EXPERIENCES.

Ministry students have the opportunity to enroll as online students with Central while using the RSM training methodology to gain practical ministry experience. The Russell School of Ministry is an exempt Bible College, not certified by the Department of Higher Education or by the state of Ohio. Students in the RSM can enroll at the same time in an accredited online degree program with a university or college like Central.

The leadership team of RSM has been identified and are working with our VP of Academics, Dr. Jim Estep, to recognize the RSM program and make continuing a Christian Church Bible College in the Cincinnati area a reality.

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**FOR INFORMATION ABOUT HOW TO GIVE TO THE WORK IN CINCINNATI, VISIT CCCB.EDU/CINCINNATI OR THE BACK PAGE OF THIS NEWSLETTER.**

THE GEORGE MARK
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**GE MARK ELLIOTT LIBRARY (GMEL) PROVIDES ACCESS TO
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ntire Restoration Movement. We are working with the current librarians to
n for the library's future footprint and long-term location.

# EMPLOYEE APPRECIATION

The staff, faculty, and Board of Trustees at Central are excited, intentional, and expectant about doing God's work. They work tirelessly behind the scenes to provide a high-quality Biblical education for our students.

At the end of January, a special lunch was hosted in appreciation of our hardworking employees and trustees. It was a time of fellowship, food, and thanksgiving for all God has done and will continue to do through CCCB. Please join us in praying for His continued guidance and blessing of our school.

## ANNIVERSARY EMPLOYEES

***Pictured from left to right:***
*Richard Koffarnus, Jack Defrietas, Jason Poznich, Brandon Bradley, Walt Harper, Christina Nipper, Lara Lawrence, Veronica Hamblin*

***Honored Tenure***
**5 Years -** Brandon Bradley, Walt Harper, Christina Nipper, Jason Poznich
**10 Years -** Jack Defreitas, Kelly Harding (not pictured), Lara Lawrence, Brian Sevits (not pictured)
**25 Years -** Veronica Hamblin, Ed Lewis (not pictured)
**40 Years -** Richard Koffarnus, William Walton (not pictured)

**ABOVE:** Four senior students shared meaningful experiences with the staff.

**TOP RIGHT:** Staff, faculty, and the Board of Trustees ate lunch together.

# JOIN US ON CAMPUS THIS SPRING!

## SOLID Men's Conference

**Thursday, April 2, 2020**

### "Messy Community"

**Caleb Kaltenbach**
**messygrace.org**

**4:00 Featured Workshop**
*"Solid Answers About Biblical Sexuality"*

**6:30 Meal & Main Session**
*"Solid Answers About Faith"*

**SOLID Conference Schedule**

9:00 Special Pre-conference*
3:00 Informational Sessions
4:00 Featured Workshop
5:00 SOLID Workshops
6:30 Meal & Main Session

**SOLID Workshop Leaders**

**David Duncan**

**Dr. Billy Strother**

## Shine Women's Conference

**Thursday, April 16, 2020**

### "Living Beloved"

**Erin Hawley**
**erinmhawley.com**

**4:00 Featured Workshop**
*"Biblical Rest"*

**6:30 Meal & Main Session**
*"Living Beloved"*

**SHINE Conference Schedule**

2:00 Informational Sessions
3:00 SHINE Workshops
4:00 Featured Workshop
5:00 SHINE Workshops
6:30 Meal & Main Session

**SHINE Workshop Leaders**

**Dr. Karen Estep**

**Tanya Rhine**

Adults and teenagers of all ages are invited to attend these conferences designed to help men and women grow in their faith. Registration will begin an hour before the conference begins at the following prices: $20 for each adult, $10 for each teenager, and $200 for a reserved table for up to 8. **A special offering will be taken at the main session of each conference**.

You may pre-registration online by visiting **www.CCCB.edu/events**, by emailing **publicrelations@cccb.edu**, or by calling **660-372-2512**.

*The Christian Church Leadership Network presents *RePosition: Strategic Shifts for Your Congregation.* For more information, go to www.CCCB.edu/reposition.

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We need to prepare the way for more students to become mature in their faith and knowledge of Scripture so they might make a real difference in the world around them - whatever location that might be and into whatever profession the Lord leads them. The solution lies in three major areas, and the twelve projects within those areas, all of which require additional funding.

## ECONOMIC SECURITY

**In order to strengthen the College's economic position, we will reduce debt obligations, grow enrollment, and increase gift income.**

1. Reduction of Debt ($1 million)
2. Expanded Marketing ($250,000)
3. Scholarship Funding ($100,000)
4. Fundraising Expenses ($150,000)

## CAMPUS INFRASTRUCTURE

**In order to better recruit and serve students, we will make key improvements to the College's buildings and grounds.**

5. Outdoor Campus Improvements ($250,000)
6. Residence Hall Improvements ($350,000)
7. Indoor Campus Improvements ($100,000)

The "Lift the Torch" campaign will fund key strategic initiatives identified in the CCCB institutional plan for 2018-2022. This $2.8 million campaign (beyond regular gifting) started May 1, 2019. In the first seven months, $2 million of commitments were identified. In 2020, the remainder of the goal will be identified. Gifts to this campaign will allow the following important projects to be accomplished.

**LIFT**
the banner in the name of our God.
(Psalm 20:5)

## PROGRAM IMPROVEMENTS

**In order to help students prepare for ministry, new programs will be created to develop success skills and specific ministry experiences.**

8. Scholars Program ($200,000)
9. Discipleship Program ($10,000)
10. Placement Program ($150,000)
11. Ministry Program Upgrades ($40,000)
12. New Degree Credentials ($200,000)

## WAYS TO GIVE

As you prayerfully consider making a personal intention for the Lift the Torch campaign, please consider how you can give generously.

Most supporters make their gifts through cash gifts. You can choose to give by check, credit card, or bank EFT with one-time, monthly, semi-annual, or annual gifts between now and 2022.

**To set up your giving plan, visit us online at www.CCCB.edu/LIFT.**

*To discuss creative generosity options, contact Phil Marley, Vice President of Advancement. PhilMarley@cccb.edu*

**DR. BILLY STROTHER**
Description of Billy's Credentials

His favorite pastimes include dates with his wife and best friend, Carol (an adjunct professor of sociology at Georgetown College, KY), and spending time with two young grandsons. He also enjoys reading, writing, fishing, hunting, motorcycles, and muscle cars. Most of all, Dr. Billy loves the privilege of encouraging volunteer church leaders, mentoring ministers and missionaries, sharing how Jesus can heal the broken-hearted and rebuild shattered lives, and showing church leaders and members how God can use them as agents in their churches and communities.

The Master of Arts in Ministry Leadership (MAML) is designed to further develop servant-leaders beyond the four-year college experience, as well as form their spiritual lives as they make practical use of God's Word while serving in the local church. As a student in this program, you will develop your personal leadership skills, be equipped to lead congregations toward health, and be capable of forming personal and pastoral development plans for your teams. The Master of Arts in Ministry Leadership is accredited by the Association of Biblical Higher Education.

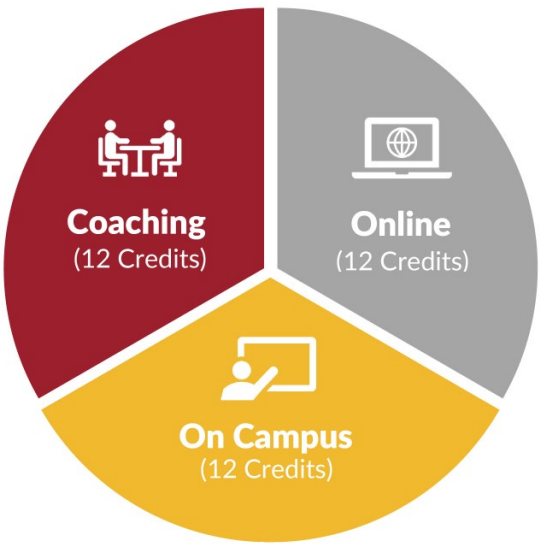
## PROGRAM INFORMATION

- 36 credit hours = 2 years at 9 credits per term
- Can be combined with one of CCCB's certificates
- High-quality professors, including Dr. Gary Johnson, Dr. David Roadcup, and Dr. Jim Estep
- Select master's-level courses may be transferred into the MAML program

## CAREER OPTIONS

- Leader in a church, community, or social service agency
- Executive, manager, or director in non-profit and for-profit organizations
- Administrator of a para-church organization or missions agency

**TUITION AND FEES FOR THE ENTIRE PROGRAM IS $10,000. FIND MORE AT CCCB.EDU/COST.**




## LEARNING FORMAT

- **Online:** 8-week online courses offered in partnership through Hope International University
- **On-Campus:** A week-long intensive course on CCCB's campus in Moberly, MO allows for you to work collaboratively with your peers and network within your constituency
- **On-Site:** Coaching and mentoring at your place of ministry

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**IN FOCUS**
AT CCCB

## UPCOMING VISIT DAYS

MARCH 6
APRIL 3
APRIL 17

**CCCB.EDU/VISIT**

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FIND **LIFELONG FRIENDS**
FIND **MORE** AT CENTRAL CHRISTIAN COLLEGE OF THE BIBLE

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The Jerusalem Center for Biblical Studies

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Professor Walt Harper ('06)

# MEMORIAL GIFTS

The **following people** have been remembered with a **Memorial Gift** to support Central Christian College of the Bible.

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Charlie Pittman
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**Lillie Railey**
Martha Railey
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Patty Wolfe
**Mary Wolfe**
Jason Wolfe
**Matthew Wolfe**
Jason Wolfe
**Bob Ham & Debra Ham Zuleger**
Virginia Trusty

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The **following people** have been honored with an **Honorary Gift** to support Central Christian College of the Bible.

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**Leon Moore**
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**Taylor, Tianna, & Tressa Terry**
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Rita Carter
**Don Stoll**
Ryan & Lori Eidson
**Marilyn Mehaffy**
Madison Park Christian Church
**62 Years of CCCB**
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**Your honorary or memorial gift will be indicated to the honoree (or family) and publicized annually. If indicated, your gift may be kept anonymous.**

**Honorary or memorial gifts may be given online at cccb.edu/give-now or mailed to CCCB.**

**Please make checks payable to Central Christian College of the Bible or CCCB. Mail the check and this response piece together in the enclosed envelope.**

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## CELEBRATING THE CLASS OF 2020

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6 PM | FERNEAU CENTER

**SPEAKER**
JASON POZNICH

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