# LEAD ME TO THE CROSS

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#### CENTRAL CHRISTIAN COLLEGE OF THE BIBLE

## WHAT IS YOUR AUTHORITY IN FAITH AND LIFE?



Dr. David Fincher president@cccb.edu

Cover photo and cross photos courtesy of everythingfluffyblog.com You may have noticed that today's society is skeptical of most authority figures. That makes the concept of authority itself difficult for people to accept. But at Central Christian College of the Bible, **authority** is one of our core values. Like you, we want our students to know about true authority in faith and life.

We aren't presuming an authoritarian position for ourselves. Instead, we help our students learn about the authority of the Lord Jesus Christ (Matthew 28:18) and the written Word of God (2 Timothy 3:16-17). This allows them to see the authority of Christ and the Word above any human authority.

As we submit to His Word, we also learn the true nature of authority in the church and in society today. We are to "be subject to one another out of reverence to Christ" (Ephesians 5:21) and "submit ourselves for the Lord's sake to every human institution . . . to a king as one in authority" (1 Peter 2:13-14). Whether it is the primary authority of Christ and the Word or the secondary authority of the church and the government, we want our students to know how to live as "one under authority."

The core value of authority is applied in several ways at Central. Our standards for student and employee behavior derive from Christ's example and biblical principles. Our choices for programs and activities equip the body of Christ by recruiting and training leaders for the church. Our positions on cultural issues are based on the eternal Word of God, above modern opinions. And our policies follow requirements established by the Department of Education, the State of Missouri, and applicable accrediting agencies, under whose authority we fall.

Our very identity as a Christian college and a Bible college displays our belief in the core value of authority. We are proud to serve the Lord's church in this vital role of teaching students the importance of authority in times of confusion, rebellion, and disobedience.

(This is the first issue of our newsmagazine, *theTORCH*. We hope it will help you better see God's work through Central. You can look forward to receiving it from us every four months.)



During February and March, seven senior men will preach a series of chapel sermons at Central. Our preaching professor, Jason Poznich, will work together with them to develop the theme, **"Lead Me to the Cross."** Each sermon will describe a different place Jesus visited during his final week of ministry, reminding us of specific ways that we can follow Christ to the cross.

One of the distinct features in Luke's gospel is his clear focus on Jesus' journey to Jerusalem. Reaching that city would symbolize His commitment to fulfill the Messianic prophecies given in the Old Testament. It also represents the truth that He would be rejected, killed, and ultimately resurrected in the sight of all Israel. But another value of His Jerusalem journey is to teach followers like us that we must also allow Christ to lead us to the cross.

At the height of his success following the Feeding of the Five Thousand (Luke 9), Jesus tells his disciples, "The Son of Man must suffer many things and be rejected by the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed and be raised up on the third day" (Luke 9:22). While they were still absorbing the news that their Teacher would be cruelly killed, Jesus made the truth even more personal in verse 23, "If anyone wishes to come after Me, he must deny himself, and take up his cross daily and follow Me." At this point in the gospels, the demands on Jesus' disciples grow greater and the crowds become smaller.

Many of us enjoy certain aspects of following Jesus. His companionship is comforting when we are alone. His teaching is clear in the midst of a confusing time. His provision is abundant to meet our needs. However, it is rarely enjoyable to follow Christ to the cross. Yet that is a daily decision we must be willing to make in order to be His true followers.

During the weeks leading up to Easter, we invite you to listen to our graduating students help us explore what it means to follow Christ to the cross. You can watch chapel services either live

or on replay at **cccb.edu/events/chapel**. Perhaps you will be able to pray: "God, lead me to the cross, whatever that might mean for me." Christ was willing to give everything, even his life on a cross. May we be willing to do the same.

Jason Poznich teaches Bible and preaching on the faculty of Central Christian College of the Bible. He is teaching *Life of Christ III* this semester after first team-teaching it last year with Professor Emeritus Gareth Reese. Jason is a graduate of Pittsburg State University, Ozark Christian College, and Lincoln Christian Seminary. Jason and his wife Kayla have a daughter named Zoe. Jason is currently pursuing a doctorate in preaching from Talbot School of Theology in Southern California. Jason's email address is **jasonpoznich@cccb.edu**.



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## SERVING TOGETHER FROM ALASKA TO AUSTRALIA

Rob Branham ('95) grew up in Moberly, Missouri, and was friends with Jon and Tim Reese, sons of Gareth and Kathy. Lynne Swan is from Newcastle, Australia. Rob and Lynne ('86) met at Central in 1984. They served on the same outreach team in 1985 and became good friends. Thirty years later, they are still serving the Lord together.

Rob and Lynne continue to use the education they received at CCCB. They list Gareth Reese and Dan Schantz as their most influential professors. Mr. Reese's classes gave them a solid understanding of New Testament history, doctrine, interpretation, and why we believe what we believe...fundamentals in our Christian walk. Mr. Schantz's classes opened their eyes to teaching creatively, understanding your audience, giving criticism using the love sandwich, thinking big then modifying your teaching approach based on your budget, practical tools that can be applied in all aspects of our Christian walk.

Rob and Lynne have ministered together since they were college students. Their first full-time ministry was in Unionville, Missouri. They left Unionville to serve in Australia. They returned to the states in the mid-90s and Rob completed his degree while serving at Blue Ridge Christian Church in Columbia, Missouri. From Missouri, they moved to Fairbanks, Alaska, where they served at the Farewell Avenue Christian Church for 12 years. Ministry in Australia called them again, and they moved back in 2007. The Branhams are church planters in Australia and directors of Australian Christian Mission. Together with another family, they planted the Northlakes Christian Church. Rob and Lynne are the youth leaders, and deans of Quest Youth Camp. Rob also teaches scripture in the public schools and serves as chaplain at the public school and for the Belmont Baseball Club. Lynne has taken on the roll of administration and photographer for the church. She has found that posting pictures of church activities offers their members joy and encouragement. A year ago, Jennifer Reynolds ('97) joined their team.

Rob recently preached a sermon on "Targeted Retail." He encouraged the church members to shop at the same stores at the same times and begin to see the people as more than just a face, get past the "hi, how are you" and get to know them, develop relationships with them and ask God to provide time and space for you to speak the love of Jesus into their hearts. Rob tried this and has seen success.

Rob and Lynne have three children. They have 2 older sons, Andrew and Josh who are married to Amanda and Shaina respectively. They are serving together at the same church in Boise, Idaho, in youth ministry. Their daughter, Katie, is 15 years old and lives with them in Australia.



"I'm learning that no matter what age I am, I can still be of service to the King. What that looks like may change with time, but the talents He gave me are there all the days of my life for His glory," commented Lynne. Rob continued, "When Jesus called us to His mission it was about people. Don't get sidetracked by other things. May God grant you the peace and vision to continue to help God's kingdom grow."

## TROY EASLEY

Hometown: La Plata, Missouri Years Attended CCCB: 1994-1998 Degree Earned: Bachelor of Science, Major in Youth Ministry & Minor in Missions Current Ministry: Student Minister at Capital City Christian Church (Jefferson City, Missouri) Email: troy@capitalcitychristian.net



#### Who was your most influential teacher and why?

Although I only took a few classes with Mr. Bob Stacy, his impact on me was tremendous. He and I would often meet in his office or for lunch. While these casual visits were about life and ministry, I found that I gained as much from those visits as I did in any class. I can safely say that if it were not for Mr. Stacy, I would not be in ministry today.

#### What activities were you involved in as a student?

While at Central I was a member of Harvesters, Year Book, Student Council, and the Men's Basketball program while serving in local churches in weekend ministry. I also had the great honor of representing Central for 17 weeks of summer church camps throughout the mid-west.

#### Tell us about your family:

I am engaged to be married to Kiesha Daulton, a music director at Jefferson City Public High School. Our wedding will be on August 6, 2016.

#### Describe your current ministry position:

I have served as the Student Minister at Capital City Christian Church in Jefferson City for the past 15 years. I oversee the spiritual growth of youth from birth-12th grade.

#### Previous ministries: Milan Christian Church, 1997-2000

#### What is an example of a recent ministry success you would encourage others to try?

In the past five years we have developed a very active student missions program where we have partnered with several existing ministries in Guatemala City, Guatemala. Each year we send a team of students to work alongside ministries located in the ghettos, slums and city dump. We have seen this not only change our team members and our student ministry, but also our entire church as well. Now besides sending a team once a year, our student ministry also works to raise support for the ministries in Guatemala City. So far we have helped to build a school; we have funded a community building, and now provide regular support for a feeding program for children in impoverished areas of the city.

#### How have you changed since being at Central?

Since my time at Central I have continued to grow personally and spiritually. There are so many things that the current me would like to go and share with the younger version of my-self. However my greatest area of growth has been in my ability to communicate and to be a part of a team. I look forward to the challenges that lie ahead of me as God continues to shape and mold me.

#### What final message would you like to give to other alumni?

It is my honor to represent Christ and to serve in His ministry. I would have never imagined on graduation all opportunities that would lay ahead and positions that I would be in to influence so many. I am very grateful for my alma mater for giving me the tools to continue in my life of ministry.



## WARM YOUR BODY AND YOUR SOUL

With your monthly financial support of Central, you can receive a free pullover with our new college logo. While supplies last, we are pleased to send you a G.H. Bass & Co. fleece pullover (pictured) when you set up a new

recurring monthly donation. Not only will it keep you warm on the outside, but knowing that you are helping us train the next generation of servantleaders for the church will warm your soul as well.

Featuring Central's new logo embroidered on the chest, this zippered pullover is our way of saying thank you for making a new monthly gift commitment (\$30 suggested, \$10 minimum). New donors who would like to request a second pullover for a spouse or a friend may do so with an additional one-time donation of \$30. Any supporter who already has an automatic monthly donation may also request a pullover for a one-time gift of \$30 or by increasing their monthly support by at least \$10.

Your monthly gift helps support the Full-Tuition Scholarship and provide Central students the opportunity to receive a quality education at an affordable price. An electronic recurring gift may be set up from a checking account or credit card on our website at **CCCB.edu/giving**. A recurring gift may also be created by phone. Simply call our Director of Stewardship, Alan Wilson, at 660-372-2484 to set up your gifts.

These fleece pullovers are embroidered with Central's logo. You can choose to have the logo alone or add the word ALUMNI at no extra cost. With a retail value of \$50, this fleece has a high level of comfort and quality. Featuring an attractive maroon color, these pullovers are available in sizes from Small through 2XL.

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Supplies are limited, so set up your recurring gift as soon as possible to take advantage of this special offer.

## **UPCOMING ACTIVITIES - FC**

#### FEBRUARY 2016

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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7	8	9	10	11	12	13
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		Campus Revival	Campus Revival	Day of Service Campus Revival	Campus Revival	
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
					Board of Directors Meeting	
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
					No Classes Midwinter Break	Midwinter Break
28	29					
Midwinter Break	No Classes Midwinter Break					

#### **MARCH 2016**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturo	lay
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13	14 Spring Online Session Begins	15	16	17 Men's Day & Banquet Jon Ralls, speaking	18		19
20	21	22	23	24	25 Good Friday (No Classes) Outreach Week	Outreach	26 Week
27	28	29	30	31			
Easter Sunday Outreach Week	No Classes Outreach Week	No Classes Outreach Week	No Classes Outreach Week	No Classes Outreach Week			

## OUR MONTHS AT A GLANCE

#### **APRIL 2016**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	y Friday	Saturday
					1 Missouri Christian <u>Convention</u> No Classes Outreach Week	2 Missouri Christian Convention Outreach Week
3 Outreach Week	4 Outreach Week	5	6		7 8	9
	11 Protecting Religious Freedom Conference 55+ Ministers & Wives Conference	12 55+ Ministers & Wives Conference	13 55+ Ministers & Wives Conference	1	.4 15 Crazy Days Jr. High Event	16 Crazy Days Jr. High Event
17	18	19	20	Women's Day Banquet Lindsey Bell, speaking		23
24	25	26	27	2	8 29 Board of Directors Meeting Spring Student Leadership Retreat	30 Spring Student Leadership Retreat

#### MAY 2016

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	<b>3</b> Kiamichi Clinic Honobia, OK	<b>4</b> Kiamichi Clinic Honobia, OK	David Fincher preaching in afternoon session at Kiamichi Clinic Honobia, OK	<b>6</b> Last Day of Classes	7
8 Spring Online Session Ends	9	10 Final Examinations	11	Honors Chapel Final Examinations	Commencement 6:00 p.m.	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	<b>30</b> Memorial Day	31				

## JOIN US AT OUR EVENTS

## "Restored" Men's Day & Banquet



Join us for our **Men's Banquet**, held on Central's campus **March 17, 2016.** Our speaker will be **Jon Ralls**, former Central professor and missionary to Taiwan.

He will speak on how the church is "**Restored**" when people are restored to a relationship with God. Jon now serves as a Field Coordinator & Trainer with Team Expansion in Louisville, KY.

"Fíll My Cup" Women's Day & Banquet



We invite to attend our **Women's Day & Banquet**, to be held Thursday, **April 21, 2016**. The program will feature author & minister's wife, **Lindsey Bell** (lindseymbell.com).

She will develop the theme, **"Fill My Cup."** It is easy to seek other things to "fill us" when what we really need to do is look to God to fill the voids we have in our lives. Workshop: 4:30 pm

Banquet: 6:30 pm

Cost: **\$20 each (\$15 for alumni) \$150 for a table of 8** 

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Protecting Religious Freedom A conference for ministers and church leaders Monday, April 11, 2016 (10:00 am - 2:30 pm) Hosted at Forum Christian Church | 3900 Forum Blvd, Columbia, MO

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Schedule							
9:30 am	Registration						
10:00 am	Welcome and Introductions						
10:15 am	Session 1: Religious Freedom and the Constitution Session 2: Religious Freedom of Churches and Ministries						
11:00 am							
12:00 pm	Meal						
12:45 pm	Session 3: Religious Freedom of Christians in Society Session 4: Questions and Answers						
1:45 pm							
2:30 pm	Dismissal						
Cost (inclu	iding meal):	Register online at					
	e-registered by April 8	cccb.edu/events					
\$25 if registered after April 8							
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Joshua Hawley, J.D.

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## MEET AN ONLINE STUDENT



#### Chad Schramm

Student Ministries Pastor / Whitehouse Campus / CedarCreek.tv



I originally attended a local private college to pursue my education. However, the cost of tuition was beyond what I could afford. So my wife and I began looking online for affordable options. One of the colleges we found was Central. Upon looking into the school's beliefs, areas of study, and the type of professors I would have the opportunity to learn from, the decision was heavily favored toward Central. After looking at the degrees available, I realized Biblical Studies not only would be in my areas of interest but would benefit all ministry areas where God might put me.

Being able to study online has done wonders for my

family. It allows me to schedule class hours and my school work around the needs of my family. During my last semester of my current degree we had our first child, which caused a whirlwind at home. I am blessed to have been able to have the flexibility to fulfill my school requirements around the demands of a growing family, full-time work, and serving within my ministry.

The online education at Central has provided a saturation of quality courses. One class I think really aided me in finding my passion was *Basic Biblical Theology*. I realized that Theology, the study of the nature of God and religious beliefs, is at the very center of what most of us desire. To know truth is central to many of the questions asked in today's world in and outside the church.

#### My favorite aspect about all of my professors is their desire and willingness to assist me as much as possible. Every question I asked was answered quickly and accurately. For that, I thank and applaud the professors at Central.

I have been employed at CedarCreek Church for the past year and a half. My role is Student Ministries Pastor at one of our campuses. I have the honor of serving middle school, high school, and college age students. I also have a creative role by helping to write curriculum, planning attractive atmospheres, and creating services for these ministries. The magnitude in which my education has helped is hard to measure but can be clearly seen. In writing curriculum, I now have education in how to study scripture and ability to present this information in creative ways. There are many other dynamics that I am leaving out that I don't realize come easily for me due to the time spent at Central.

I think that an online education is something easily overlooked. At first I was weary of not setting foot in a classroom. However, Central addressed and took care of all my concerns. Missing out on an opportunity to learn from gifted professors from home and around a life that can get busy would be a mistake. Don't miss this opportunity.

(You can learn more about our online program at cccb.edu/future-students/online-education.)

#### Central Christian College of the Bible

## ACCREDITATION UPDATE

#### Dr. Eric Stevens, Academic Dean



Central has always been proud of the education provided in our classrooms. While we emphasize Biblical studies, we also provide quality instruction in Ministry Studies and in General Studies. Students receive a well-balanced undergraduate education here.

Our quality has been recognized by the Association of Biblical Higher Education (ABHE) since 1982. ABHE provides standards for faith-based colleges and also sends teams of experienced educators to document that the standards are being met. Our last visit from ABHE was in 2012 and our accreditation with them

was approved to continue. The approval stands for a period of ten years. However, we periodically make updates in between visits. One of our recent updates about the online program was accepted and approved in 2014.

For several years Central has been pursuing regional accreditation with the Higher Learning Commission (HLC, formerly North Central Association of Colleges and Schools). While ABHE accredits over one hundred faith-based institutions across the country and in Canada, HLC accredits hundreds of colleges in a nineteen-state region of the central United States. To be accredited by HLC is to be recognized as maintaining a high level of education.

In 2012, Central submitted its first Self-Study to HLC and hosted its first visit from an HLC team. That visit was a success in regards to determining that we were headed in the right direction of being able to demonstrate the quality of our education. The Commission of HLC approved Central in 2013 for Candidate status. This status gave us four years to fully demonstrate our compliance with HLC standards. In 2014, a team visited our campus for an intermediate visit to see how we were doing and to make suggestions for improvement. That team's recommendation that we continue in candidacy status was accepted by the Commission.

We are currently scheduled to have our final site visit in November 2016. The Commission wants to see that we have a system that continually evaluates what we do in every area of the college and that works to implement improvements. Professor Anne Menear has organized four assessment teams (Academic, Administration, Admissions/Student Development, and Business). These teams are working hard to document that Central is meeting the standards of HLC. We expect to learn the outcome of that visit in May of 2017. Join us in praying and anticipating the final decision of HLC that will determine if we receive regional accreditation.

(You can find more information about our accreditation status on our website at **CCCB.edu/about/accreditation**.)

### LEARNING BY FIELD EXPERIENCE Dr. Micheal Curtice

One of the great opportunities that Central requires students to complete is a Field Education Experience or an internship. Each student seeking a Bachelor of Science or Bachelor of Arts degree is required to complete an internship where they will serve in a located ministry under the supervision of an experienced leader. Field Education Experiences provide a way for students to really experience what it is like to be in ministry and be in the behind-the-scenes work. Professors prepare students with helpful tools to use in ministry in the classroom and the internship gives the student the chance to put that knowledge into use. Each field experience can look different from the next, as no two students are the same. These internships are an opportunity for students to really find where they best fit and how they best work.

The variety of opportunities that students can choose from is abundant, so we try to fit everyone where they feel they would best serve. Below are reports from three senior students who recently completed their internship requirements.







**Ian Costandi,** from Clinton Township, Michigan, completed his internship last fall at Forum Christian Church in Columbia, Missouri. While there, Ian said, "I was treated as a priority during my time here. Before the internship began, we had a conversation about the experience I was looking to gain, and they designed the internship based on how I answered." He felt that business administration experience was the most helpful aspect for him because he had little training in that area before he served with Forum. Ian finished his education at Central in December 2015.

**Elise Ehresman**, from Quincy, Illinois, interned last summer at Discovery Ministries in Eminence, Missouri. She said, "Discovery Ministries was an eye-opening experience that challenged and prepared me for living life in ministry. DM's purpose is to use God's creation as a classroom to introduce people to God and help them mature spiritually, intellectually, and physically." Elise is completing her final semester at Central and has accepted a position with OceanPointe Christian Church in Rhode Island.

Adam Kissinger, from Columbia, Missouri, served in India with South India Gospel Mission in Action. "Soloman organized my trip to India very well and made sure that i was always taken care of. He didn't just want me to see one area of ministry in India, but through him I was able to see how ministers were planting churches in poor villages to large cities." From his time in India, Adam found that one of the most helpful things was that a lot more was expected of him than he was predicting. Adam commented, "While it was quite a challenge, I was strengthened in my speaking, preparation, and even improvisation skills."

## MY JOURNEY TO CENTRAL

#### by Abigail Lara, Freshman

From a very young age I knew that I wanted to become a psychologist. The human race is a very intriguing subject, for me anyway. But I soon found out that, for the most part, this world wants nothing with Christ. I desperately wanted to continue my research of the human race but I knew that it would be difficult for me



to integrate Christ into my work. After much prayer and waiting on God, I received a letter in the mail from Central telling me that I had been accepted into the school and that they offered a counseling program. At first I doubted that His answer could be that straightforward so I looked into other colleges. It took me almost a month before I finally realized that Central was where God wanted me to be.



I first learned about Central from a summer camp team member. My father went to speak to the teens about the ministry he does in Des Moines. I don't remember why I went exactly, but I think it was because he needed me to sing for him while he played the guitar. (My father is a minister for the Latino community in Des Moines, Iowa.) Afterwards, I remember sitting and waiting for my father to finish talking when a student from Central came over and started talking to me. That is where I was first introduced to Central.

At home I was heavily involved in the youth ministry. We didn't have youth group nights on Wednes-

day like most churches. Instead, every Monday we would meet together, and I would sometimes give devotionals. Because most of us didn't go to the same school, I would think of different ways that the group could be in fellowship with one another.

I am majoring in Christian Counseling because I want to help people as much as I possibly can. After college I plan on getting my doctorate in Psychotherapy. I want to move to a third world country. I'm not sure where God wants to send me yet, but wherever He sends me, I pray that I am willing to go. Wherever I am sent I want to open up a home for girls who have been a part of sex trafficking. I want to be able to counsel them and help them become strong enough to be able to go back into society and stand on their own.

Your generous gifts make the Full-Tuition Scholarship possible for students like Abigail and Jared. Please consider making a generous gift to support our ministry. You may give online at **CCCB.edu/giving** or by mailing a check to our Moberly address. Because friends like you support Central, we can prepare more servant-leaders for the church.

## MY CENTRAL STORY

#### by Jared Delagrange, Senior

I grew up in northeast Indiana in a family of six, and was raised up attending Cedar Creek Church in Leo, Indiana. My faith never really became personal until my senior year of high school. That was when I was called into ministry, started dating my future wife, and was able to throw off sins that I had been holding on to.



I had plans to go to the University of Indianapolis to pursue athletic training when I started to get a tug to pursue youth ministry. I looked at a few different Bible colleges and became very discouraged with the expenses. I heard about CCCB from my sister, Jenna. The more she talked about it, the more excited I got. I really felt like it was the perfect place for me to go, but several circumstances held me back and I decided to enroll at Indianapolis. After one semester, I transferred to Central.

Central has turned out to be the perfect place for me to grow spiritually, relationally, and educationally. Adelina, my girlfriend, transferred at the same time. We both quickly discovered community with our peers and formed close bonds with several students through dorm life. Several upperclassmen who were strong leaders in the community were able to disciple us. We also loved the passion that we saw from the professors. In just the first few months, I was able to fall in love with what I was getting at CCCB. I knew that I was going to graduate from here, and I also recruited a few other close friends from back home to give Central a try.

Adelina and I got plugged in at Crossroads Church in Macon during our second semester and worked with junior high students for a year. We greatly enjoyed the opportunity to learn, gain experience, and pour into students' lives. The following summer we got married. Within a month, I received a call from Madison Park Christian Church. They brought me on to be an apprentice to Tyler Myers for the first year of our marriage. This was one of the most beneficial experiences I could have possibly had. That apprenticeship served me in more ways than I could ever possibly repay. They encouraged and challenged me in my marriage, leadership abilities, speaking abilities, knowledge, philosophy of ministry, and my character. My wife and I couldn't have asked for a healthier ministry to grow in.

I will graduate in May 2016 with a Bachelor of Science in Youth & Family Ministry. I am now the youth minister at Phillipsburg Christian Church. We are serving on weekends until we graduate, and then we will move and begin working full-time with the church.

It is an extraordinary responsibility and privilege to be a servant leader for His Church. The Full-Tuition Scholarship at Central has played a major role in developing me and equipping me to serve His Kingdom. Without this scholarship, I am unsure if I ever would have decided to pursue youth ministry. I greatly appreciate your willingness to help equip students for servant-leadership for His church. Thank you for playing such a major role in advancing His Kingdom!



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