Over 330 alumni gathered at Columbia International University for the FAITH MIGHTY FAITH homecoming celebration Sept. 21-23. They represented 19 states, four countries and 65 class years ranging from 1930 to 2006. You can view and download free photos on our website www.ciu.edu/alumni.

Mills House — On Thursday evening, legacy era alumni (1956 and before) toured the Mills House and recalled fond memories of when it was a part of the downtown CIU campus over 50 years ago. Today the Mills House is an historic landmark preserved by the Historic Columbia Foundation.

Two recent alumnae, Venice Inabinet (CBC ’02) and Stephanie Ott (CBC ’05) enjoy some laughs together in the student center.

April Heflick and Joice Gouw Smith, CIU students, enjoy some great food at the Homecoming Banquet.

The Rev. Steve Estes (on right – CBC ’74), pastor of the Community Evangelical Free Church in Elverson, Pa. and speaker for this year’s Christian Life Conference, sits with his mentor Larry Bateman (CBC ’56) at the Homecoming banquet. Larry first introduced Steve to CBC.

Morgan Jones (CBS ’74, CBS ’93), and 1976 Class Coordinator Bill Almack (CBC ’76) prepare for a great barbeque lunch under the “Big Top.”

AALC Student Representative, Cathy Watts, volunteers at registration.

Outgoing Alumni Association Leadership Council President Domna Colepaugh (on left – CBC ’82) welcomes new AALC members Joan Dorman (CBC ’86), Betty Jackson (BC ’96, CBS ’00) and George Cail (CBS ’88).

More on Homecoming 2006 on page 5.
In 1982, CIU (then CBC) conferred a degree on me “with all honors”; at least that’s what my diploma says. For years, I worked as an accountant in the marketplace and didn’t feel that CIU still meant the part about “honors.” It seemed that I was second best unless I was in ministry or on a mission field. Many years passed before my perspective changed and I realized that the marketplace is a “ministry” and it sure is a mission field, because people there need to see Jesus too! I also realized that CIU sees the marketplace as a position of “honor.”

During the Baccalaureate service this May 2006, CIU President Dr. George Murray cited historical trends that 50 percent of CIU graduates will end up in the marketplace, with 25 percent serving on the mission field, and 25 percent in full-time ministry in North America. These trends occur “regardless of stated vocational intent” at graduation.

After Dr. Murray explained those statistics, he said something that really encouraged those of us in the marketplace. “I want to make it absolutely clear that no one of these categories — marketplace, domestic ministry, international missionary service — is more spiritual than the other. No one of these categories is better than the others.”

As he further explained, “A Spirit-controlled, biblically informed believer in Christ, which we hope describes every CIU graduate, will go where she goes and will do what he does, based on a prayerful conviction that God wants you there doing that in order to accomplish His worldwide redemptive purposes in you and through you. As you go through life, the vocation may change and the location may change, and probably will, but the motivation will always be the same. We go there and we do that for God, for His redemptive purposes, and for His glory.”

Praise the Lord for Dr. Murray’s words which had a real healing effect for many of us CIU alumni in the marketplace.

I want to ask more marketplace alumni to dialogue with CIU. No, we aren’t asking for your money. The CIU Alumni Ministries office is just that; we desire to minister to all alumni. As a fellow alumna in the marketplace, I’d love to hear from you. My e-mail address is PHILIPdomna@carolina.rr.com. Tell me what you’ve done since you left CIU, and how God has used you in the marketplace. We want to represent the 50 percent segment of marketplace alumni, just as we do the other 50 percent in full-time Christian service.

By the way, we have revised the Alumnus of the Year process, so that at least once every five years, the Alumnus of the Year recipient will come from marketplace ministry. This change is permanent and positive, and you can be a part of the process. If you know any alumni in the marketplace who feel distant from CIU, please give them this issue of Upward and the Fall issue of Connection, which focuses on marketplace ministry. Let them know that we do indeed value them as CIU graduates “with honor!”

Finally, with a new school year, CIU students face the usual list of challenges and prayer needs, much like we did when we were students: finances, relationships, papers and exams, unsaved relatives, career guidance. Would you consider participating in the Alumni-Student Prayer Partnership this year? We need alumni who will covenant to pray for a student during the school year.

Please visit www.ciu.edu/alumni to sign up. We’ll provide you with the name and personal information of a student, along with the student’s prayer requests for this year. You may even offer to meet the student for lunch if you are in the Columbia area, or send a card of encouragement. But the only requirement is that you pray. Remember if 50 percent of CIU students will end up in the marketplace, we need the 50 percent of you marketplace alumni to help with this vital prayer support.

Because He lives,
Domna V. Colepaugh, CBC ‘82
The sheer immensity of the Willow Creek Leadership Summit is hard to fathom. For two and a half days in August, 60,000 leaders were connected via satellite in 130 sites across the USA focused on high powered leadership development. The event is produced annually by The Willow Creek Association in Illinois. In the weeks following, Willow Creek presented the Summit on DVD to 30 cities worldwide. It was uniquely reproduced to match various cultural contexts. By next year, Willow Creek is hoping to engage 100,000 people in the best leadership practices of the church and the marketplace.

The potential Kingdom impact is mind-blowing! Thousands could enter the Kingdom. Resources could be redirected to those elements that really need them. Leaders could be called into new ventures that creatively invade the enemy’s territory. The world would be different. Literally!

This is why I feel privileged to have been the promotional coordinator for the Willow Creek Leadership Summit at CIU this past year. Now, I understand some of the questions that a church like Willow Creek raises. I have some of the same concerns. Yet, to be able to draw in leaders to a setting where God can capture and recalibrate their hearts is a ministry with massive implications.

Sure, there may be speakers who are “duds.” Sure, there’s the potential high which can spark a leadership coma after a conference like this. Most of us have been to conferences where these fears were realized. I’m firmly committed to cease being involved in anything that doesn’t have the unmistakable fingerprints of the Father on them. However, this was not the case at the Summit this year. God moved. Here are some of my observations, applications and supplications. If you attended the Summit this year, we’d love to hear about how God moved in you too. Please drop us a line at alumni@ciu.edu.

Bill Hybels must fake bake. He’s way too dark to be Dutch and live in the Midwest! In his talk on the life cycle of a leader, his final category was the transcendent leader who is looked to by a community for guidance. Billy Graham was one such example. Even with the tan, Bill is slowly becoming such a leader. His final session was one reason. More later.

James Meeks shouldn’t give up his day job as pastor of Salem Baptist Church, but he could. He was one of the funniest people I’ve ever heard. Not that he needs to be. I’ve driven through his south Chicago commun-
nity. Any pastor in “da hood” who dries up a five mile radius around his church of alcohol simply by mobilizin-g prayer has my attention!

Pastors are never called to love the church, but they are supposed to love their spouse. Christ said that He would build His Church and never assigned humans that task. Many pastors confuse the two by loving the Church and asking God to build their families. Andy Stanley’s response to this confusion, “Never violate the principles of God in order to gain or maintain the blessings of God.”

Ashish Nanda is way too Harvard for my small town brain. But I did get one incredibly profound take away from him. Great companies spend a lot of time transitioning people into and out of their organizations. This helps with chemistry upon entry. It also helps build a network of loyal former employees who remain connected longer than their employment. CIU needs to do a better job of this, both for our employees and for our graduating students. How would our university change if we saw those entering the school as future alumni, more than students? One way is to see graduation as a transition, not an end.

Jim Collins described his ultimate “Good to Great, Level Five Leader” as “building enduring greatness through a blend of personal humility and professional will.” The more I mull on this, the more amazing it becomes. Collins stumbled upon Jesus through honest, empirical research. He mentioned a quote from a mentor. “Spend more time being interested than interesting.” His passion is definitely interesting. May he be interested in the ultimate Level Five Leader!

So Bill Hybels and Bono, lead singer of U2 and global AIDS activist, have been hanging out. The result seems to have been Hybels embracing the need for the Church to be active in the AIDS pandemic and Bono embracing the need for the Church. The result: Hearts are reformed around God’s heart for all people, resources are refocused on His agenda, and the unity of the Body comes alive. WOW! God is truly at work.

“Dead Leader Running.” What an incredible session. God has obviously done quite a work in Hawaiian pastor Wayne Cordiero. Around two years ago, Pastor Cordiero hit an emotional wall that put him flat on his back. Physiologically, he learned that his pace was depleting his serotonin levels at an alarming rate. When humans run out of serotonin, we use the next best thing to keep moving, adrenaline. This caused him to have physical symptoms similar to a heart attack! After much rest and reorganization of life, Pastor Cordiero is back in ministry. But the lessons he learned through his crisis are messages all Christian workers need to hear.

I would never have guessed that the final session of the Summit would be a basic message on substitutionary atonement. Bill Hybels has guts! He took snapshots from Genesis to Revelation which illustrated this principle. At CIU it’s called the “scarlet thread of redemption.” The Summit ended with such clarity of purpose. We are here to lead others into a life changing encounter with the living God through the substitutionary death of His Son. This is what Christian leaders must declare with laser clarity! It’s also why, Lord willing, I’m committing to attend the Summit in 07!

John Heflick is the Events Coordinator in Alumni Ministries. John is also a recent CBS graduate (’06).
Homecoming 2006 Special Events

The 2006 CIU Homecoming featured many memorable moments including a tour of the historic Mills House, which was a part of the CIU downtown campus in the 1940s and ’50s. Honored in a ceremony at the Mills House was 1930 CIU graduate Dr. Arthur Barnett. Another highlight of Homecoming was the announcement of the 2006 Alumnus of the Year, Dr. Titus Kivunzi (CBS ’76).

Kent & Julie Irwin (BC ’00) Boilingbrook, IL
Kent and Julie are excited about the purchase of their first home! Julie writes: “Look forward to hearing the latest in your corner of the world! Hope you will come visit us in our new home!” You can write to them at kentandjulie02@yahoo.com.

Christine “Chris” Lockwood (CBS ’00) Bolivia
Chris asks for prayers as there is a growing anti-American sentiment among the drug growing population. The future of missionaries is uncertain right now. To ask about specific prayer requests, write to Chris at chris.louise@scbbs.net.

Will Harrison (BC ’04) Grand Rapids, MI
Hey! WILL IS ENGAGED!!!! Find out more about his exciting news. Log onto his Web page (www.xanga.com/wolfiswill) or e-mail him at wolfiswill@yahoo.com.

Ben Byxbe (BC ’05) Columbia, SC
Ben is the Minister to College Students and Young Professionals at his church. Ben says, “I look forward to hearing from you!”

Erich (BC ’05) and Kelley Bennage Schindler (BC ’06) Taiwan
Erich and Kelley would be happy to hear from you. See what good things the Lord is doing in their lives. Drop them a line! krschindler30@hotmail.com

Brian and Marci (Bennett) Johnston (both BC ’05) Columbia, SC
Guess what?! Brian and Marci are expecting a baby girl on December 1! Pray for them as they count down these last days. Send them some “luv,” encouragement, and blessings! gorillas_r_loved@hotmail.com

Daniel (CBS ’06) and Tina McGregor Columbia, SC
Daniel is slated to make a presentation at a conference sponsored by the Notre Dame Center for Ethics and Culture. The conference dates are Nov. 30-Dec. 2, 2006. Please pray with Daniel as he completes and polishes his paper, “The Modern Assumptions Underlying American Evangelical Aesthetics.” Pray also for provisions for airfare and lodging accommodations during his trip to South Bend, IN.

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WHERE IN THE WORLD IS...?
(Send a classmate a note!)
Virginia Beneditti (CBS ’30)  Los Angeles, CA
At the age of 17, Virginia turned down a full tuition scholarship to a state school to come to CBC. The Kimbers (teachers at CBC) attended her home church in Los Angeles, and invited her to attend CBC. She recalls when missionary Joyce Ridderhoff spoke on Psalm 37:4, “Delight thyself in the Lord.” She also remembers DR – Robert C. McQuilkin, about whom she says, “Knowing DR … McQuilkin would change anyone.” Virginia lived in the Colonia Hotel, and remembers Miss Carey, the dean of women. “She was just like Moses!” Her fondest memories of CBC were the chapels, visiting the mill villages, and teaching children in the nearby African-American community.

Fannelle Shepperson (CBC ’35)  El Dorado, AR*
“April spoke with Miss Shepperson on April 10, 2006, about two weeks before Fannelle went to be with the Lord on April 23, 2006. April was impressed by Fannelle’s spunkiness and detailed memory as she recorded some of Fannelle’s most memorable recollections of her days at CBC.

Fannelle remembered the year she did not have money for school. Someone anonymously gave her money for her to remain at CBC. Other memories include:

- Hermeneutics: “Dr. McQuilkin taught me Bible. It was like walking on air.”
- Senior Chapel Service – “I spoke on Hebrews 4. Dr. McQuilkin sat in the front row. He was a receptive man. I wore a navy blue dress and held a red handkerchief. I was so nervous. Later, everyone laughed about my red handkerchief.”
- Ministry Assignments (Field Ed- taught once a week): Bible Class for African-American children; Door of Hope (pregnant teens); Detention Center; Community Evangelism; and OSME Bible club-Eau Claire High School Students.
- Roommate Virginia McQuilkin: “Virginia was so smart!!”
- “I would tell students now, ‘Be sure and apply yourself and get everything you possibly can from the teaching.’”

Robert King (CBC ’35)  Waxhaw, NC
Mr. King attended CBC for one year, where he lived in the Colonia Hotel. He left CBC to work on Wall Street, becoming one of our “marketplace missionaries.” He has served with the Gideon Ministry, and now cares for his wife. These are some of his memories of CBC:

- “I had some ‘first experiences’ while at CBC. I sang in a duet at a church service for the first time. I had no business singing, and I experienced an outdoor baptism for the first time.”
- “Dr. McQuilkin had a great influence on my life.”
- He recalls Mrs. McQuilkin having the first “black mission” to black families (about 30 people) on Sunday afternoons.
- He and Frank Sales were close friends.
Carter Morgan (CBC '35)  Westminster, SC
Carter, an “MK,” studied under Dr. McQuilkin in January 1939. He enjoyed winter conferences, which had “a cumulative impact.” Carter notes that he was challenged by Dr. McQuilkin as he “clarified who was Christ.” Remember “green hole?” It was a quarry filled with deep water in which students would swim. “It was at the green hole, [while] I was sitting on the edge, and realized the value of the OT, it cleared up my understanding of Christ.” Carter has many memories of the sun parlor of the Colonia where lifetime friends and relationships were forged. He contends that by having the “same visions made the relationships strong. We were all unusual persons (go-getters) not pushy. It was (our) character. These were friendships where we recognized what God is doing in each life.” cmorgan@innova.net

Albert Golfinch (CBC '36)  Asheboro, NC
Albert passed away April 15, 2006. His wife, Melda requests that the following information be shared:
• Albert was friends with John Heyl
• Albert’s mother was Margarite McQuilkin
• Written in Albert’s old Bible: “I surrendered my life to Jesus. November 10, 1935 – Young People’s Conference, CBC.”

Elizabeth Armfield (CBC ’37)  Greensboro, NC
Elizabeth graduated from Wheaton in ’33, then CBC. She recalls, “My mother had sent me to a Presbyterian college in Georgia, but I didn’t like it at all!” Other recollections include:
• Playing with the McQuilkin children. She grew up listening to Dr. McQuilkin, and came to know the Lord through his teachings. “Dr. McQuilkin made salvation very clear.”
• She remembers Emily Dick as an “evangelist” and a close friend to her aunt, Margaret Childs. Elizabeth lived with Margaret, who was like a mother to her. She remembers her Aunt Margaret as a “prayer warrior.” “Aunt Margaret was very interested in CBC. I remember them praying. They would meet at our house.” Elizabeth got to see the answered prayers that became CBC with Dr. McQuilkin as president!
• “I wanted to go on to the mission field. My family did not want me to. My mother was ill. I asked others and was encouraged to not put my family before God’s call. I applied to go to China. An elderly woman sent me a check. I was so disappointed when I received a letter refusing me from the mission field. I went to church the next day. I heard the Lord say, ‘Offer me a sacrifice of Thanksgiving.’ It was obvious the Lord didn’t want me on the mission field. I thanked the Lord, and started to work with the young people at a church in Tennessee.”
• To the current students: “Tell the Lord ‘I am willing to go,’ when the Lord says ‘no’ it’s hard, but other things will open up. The Lord speaks to us; it’s not just a voice in our head.”

Iris Alexander (CBC ’37)  Harrisburg, NC
Iris’s husband died five years ago. Although she is in a church that was helpful when her husband was ill, she misses the spiritual food of CBC. She longs for the fellowship and love she found at CBC. In a bit of nostalgia, she recalls the “wonderful experience” of living in the Colonia Hotel, where she helped in the kitchen and enjoyed working with others there. She remembers visiting elderly women in the community. And chapels: “I feel like the Lord was really working then. Chapel and classes were so wonderful. We were like family, it was wonderful. I think about it every day. CBC showed me how to grow.” She also recalls spending time with Dr. McQuilkin’s family: “My family was different. My father was ill, and my mother was busy working to provide for us. The McQuilkins were a different family.”

Edith French (CBC ’37)  Sheffield, MA
Edith worked and lived at the Westervelt Missionary School and she was able to take some classes and attend chapels at CBC. She recalls a time in chapel when students went to pray, and prayed until 2:00 a.m. “It was a time of revival.” She missed the prayer time because she had to return to work. She speaks of her admiration for Dr. McQuilkin: “I admired Dr. McQuilkin so much and respected him and how he sent out hundreds of thousands of other missionaries through CBC.” Edith maintains, “The Bible college helped to put the Bible in a practical order for me. I understood the Bible a whole lot better. Those two years were two of the happiest years of my life.”
Bobbie Houser (CBC ’37) Greenville, SC
Bobbie remembers living in the Colonia Hotel, where the boys lived on the second floor, and the girls on the fourth floor. She also remembers Henry the elevator man. Other recollections include playing tennis at USC; the Literary Society, socials and board games. When the male students wanted to have a banquet for themselves, “Some of us girls borrowed a whole bunch of alarm clocks from all over. We hid them and then set them so that every five minutes one would go off during the banquet. We didn’t get into much trouble.” Oh, yeah, the Thanksgiving Dinners! Students remained at CBC and would put on a program, and a time of prayer. During chapel, boys and girls sat separately. Every morning there was a blackboard on the stage with a verse to read and meditate on before the service while someone quietly played piano in the background. Chapel was originally in the sun parlor at the Colonia Hotel. Bobbie recalls the picnics in the spring and fall, prayer days every month, and dating. “We would have to get permission to go on a ‘date’ for Sunday church services. We would choose to attend the church farthest away so we could have farther to walk (more time together).” Bobbie met her late husband, Gordon (CBC ’38) at CBC.

Kathy Finger (CBC ’38) Travelers Rest, SC
Kathy’s roommate was Rachel Spear. She, too, remembers the meetings in the music room and gatherings in the sun parlor. Kathy says of Dr. McQuilkin, “He had a profound impact on my life. [He was] the greatest Bible teacher that I ever knew.” Recollections also include the girls’ physical fitness regime. “Every morning they would ring a bell, and all of the girls would run to do exercises and we would look at the thermometer, hoping it wouldn’t be too cold.” Kathy’s legacy advice to current students: “Preserve and keep all of the notes that you take in class … it sums up all that you learned. It is good to have them on hand. I have all of my notes from Dr. McQuilkin’s class.”

Beulah Case (CBC ’38) Port Charlotte, FL
Beulah roomed with Ruth Richardson. Their Colonia room was over the auditorium, facing Pickens Street. She has many fond memories, and remembers the spring recitals, OT with Professor Frank Sells, and Dean of Women, Miss Walker. She recalls that the girls official church date attire was a hat, gloves, shoes, and a purse. “We were Southern ladies!” One of her cherished memories is meeting her husband, Milton (CBC ’41), and remembers her husband’s sermon for senior class. They got engaged in Georgia, and were married for 59 years before Milton went to be with the Lord in December 2001. Beulah’s advice to today’s students:

“Even though an assignment seems unnecessary, do it anyhow, because you will gain knowledge that you will need later. Scripture memorization and becoming grounded in the Bible will help you during the difficult times of life … Scripture means so much. During hard times you will have memories come back. The world is such a different atmosphere. You can’t study or read the Word too much. I could not have gone through two wars, polio, meningitis, cancer of the bladder (husband), and two deaths in the family without the Lord.” She remembers in 1952, when her husband was a military tank operator. She heard on the radio that some soldiers in tanks were killed. It was three weeks before she received word that her husband was OK.

Emily Lytle ’38 Ringgold, GA
Emily’s memories of the Colonia Hotel include waiting tables in the dining room and painting the staircases. She roomed with Madeline Hayes, Helen Dempsey, Martha Bigham, and Lois Dickinson. Emily met her husband, Phillip (CBC ’39), who is now with the Lord. They were married and went to South America for 10 years. Being at CBC were the best years of her life where she met many good friends. She remembers many missionary groups visiting. “Wonderful missionary stories came from CBC … Mary Beam was on a shipwreck during World War II on her way to Africa.” Other good memories include: Saturday night prayer groups, sunrise services on Easter morning, sing-alongs in the hall, and parties on Fridays when they played games. “One of the fun times was when the men had open house and [we could] see their dorm rooms.”
Florence (Weir) (CBC’38) and Harry Marshall (CBS’48)  Wilmington, DE

Harry and Florence have much to remember about CBC. Not only did Harry and Florence meet at CBC, three of their children also attended (Ruthie, Lois, Collin)! Also, they celebrated 64 years of marriage! Florence recalls their courtship. “I remember we would be assigned places to sit in the dining room. I found Harry very difficult to sit next to because he was quiet. Harry took me to the park and climbed the tree … I knew he was the one.” Florence and Harry wrote many letters. Florence had to leave because of her father’s death, and Harry was drafted. “Four and one half years of letters. Harry wanted to get married right away.” They spent the first three years of marriage apart due to the war. After the war, they returned to Columbia. Harry went to seminary, became a pastor, and later, the Marshalls went to Peru for 32 years in the High Andes. Florence also remembers, “I was independent at CBC, the rules upset me, they made the fellas wear pants on the tennis courts because a lady complained. I went to the dean of men and complained. He said ‘if it is the glory of the Lord, don’t you think it is worth it?’” Robertson McQuilkin was in Harry’s Bible club, and Florence and Muriel Webendorfer (McQuilkin) were in a singing group that did special music for chapel. weirmarshalls@aol.com

Irene Rhine (CBC’39)  Sebring, FL

Irene lived in the Westerveldt home, but attended CBC. She says that the “in depth Bible Studies prepared me for missions to Nigeria.” She is friends with CIU alumni, and advises today’s students to “study hard!”

Madeline (Hay) Hall (CBC’40)  Charleston, SC

“I got a new skirt and really wanted a new blouse to wear with it. Five dollars came in. I had always used the money for room and board. This time I went to buy my new blouse, and when I went to pay for the blouse I heard a voice which said, ‘That money is not for that, it is for room and board.’ I was afraid and too embarrassed when the cashier saw me, and I bought the blouse. When the next semester came, no money came in. Mrs. Walker came and had me pack my trunk. Mrs. Walker checked with the office. While she was gone I heard the voice again. The Lord said, ‘That money wasn’t for the blouse; it was for room and board.’” When Mrs. Walker came in she said, ‘I just don’t understand this. Money usually always comes in for you. You still owe the school five dollars.’ I cried and told her what had happened. I had to leave that semester. If you aren’t honest with God, how can He trust you? This was a great lesson for me.”

Legacy Class Notes

James (CBS’42) and Willette (Thomas) Smith (CBC’41)  Bradenton, FL

James went to be with the Lord on Aug. 2, 2006. Please keep Willette and family in your prayers. Pray that they will come to know the unsurpassable peace that only the Lord, through His Holy Spirit, can bring.

Don Rulison (CBS’48)  Thailand

The Rev. Rulison has returned to Thailand to resume his ministry to the Hmong people. He asks for prayer that he will “be able to be an effective servant in this ministry of leading needy men into eternal life.” Pray also for God’s help to cope with physical difficulties involved in such traveling to and from the provinces.
dkarulison@juno.com

J.T. and Sarah Midyett (both CBC ’49)  Columbia, SC

J.T.’s sister, Marie, died on Aug. 7, 2006. She was an avid prayer partner and supporter of J.T. and Sarah’s ministry. Pray for their peace and other prayer partners to continue to stand in the gap with the loss of Marie. Also, J.T. and Sarah are on their way back to Australia – to live! Pray for smooth logistical matters, good health and strength, and many ministry opportunities.
SOMidyett@watchdog.isp.com

Mary “Helen” Perkinson (CBC ’49)  Orange, VA

Miss Perkinson passed away on June 7, 2006. In January 2006, she was diagnosed with lung cancer. When doctors gave her the report, she replied with a big smile, “So this is how the Lord chooses to open the gates of Paradise for me!” Miss Perkinson graduated Cum Laude with a degree in education from CBC. She later received her Masters in Education from the University of Virginia. Miss Perkinson went on to achieve many great things in the public, private, and Christian educational fields. Please pray for peace and comfort for her family.
Columbia International University’s New Identity

CIU’s new identity is a move into the future, with an eye toward the past. It is designed to highlight our long heritage as a leader in biblically-centered, Great Commission-focused, transformational education.

This identity marks the seventh logo, and third seal the corporation has had in its 80 year history.

During that time, no image has come to mean more to the university than the towers of the Colonia Hotel. They have become so embedded in our minds, that they appear in our art, in our songs, (the CIU Alma Mater says that “her towers are pointing upward”) and in our hearts.

This image meant so much to Mrs. John Hehl, that in 1987 when she chose to commission the construction of a building in honor of her husband’s long commitment to CIU, it was this image that she chose … and the Victory Prayer Towers were born. These towers are iconic in what they have come to represent. As R. Arthur Matthews writes in his book *Towers Pointing Upward*, “underneath her towers are doors that open wide to a confused and troubled world and through which streams of students move out to the ends of the earth spiritually and professionally qualified ‘to make Him known.’”

Note - the six stars represent the six praying ladies of CIU
It is this image that we chose as the anchor, and representation of our past, present and future.

This image will lead the way as we move into the future. It will tell the story of a long heritage of biblical education and great commission leadership. Once more, our towers will be “pointing upward toward God and heaven and Light.”

A new look, with a lot of heart, a long heritage, and an incredible story to tell.

It is this image that we chose as the anchor, and representation of our past, present and future.
’50s

Grover (CBC ’54) and Nancy DeVault
Lancaster, PA

Grover and Nancy’s ministry is to military and law enforcement personnel in Pennsylvania. His ministry takes him all over the state. As a chaplain for the Pennsylvania State Police, Grover was recently congratulated for a “job well done.” Nancy spends much of her time teaching the Word. Please pray for contacts and prospects for their ministry with the military.

’60s

Byron and Mary Lou Backer (both CBC ’60)
Greenville, SC

Find out about the exciting things that the Lord is doing with Byron and Mary Lou’s international prison ministry! Write to them at: Faith Enterprises, Inc., 31 Moutague Circle, Greenville, SC 29617.

Robert “Bob” and Noreen (Dawkins) Vajko
(both CBC ’62)
Bloomington, IN

Bob and Noreen are excited about the opportunities that the Lord has provided for them to minister. See what’s going on in their lives now! Write them at robertvajko@cs.com.

Dick (CBC ’63) and Mary Ann McCloy (CBS ’64)
Lexington, SC

Dick and Mary Ann celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary on Aug. 20, 2006! May the Lord continue to bless you with many more! To find out what they are doing to stay young at heart, and how you can pray for them, e-mail dick.mccloy@gmail.com.

J. Clyde (CBC ’66) and Naomi Dodson (CBS ’66)
Hiestand
North Africa

Clyde and Naomi rejoice as the Lord continues to open doors to minister through an after-school ministry. Pray that the Holy Spirit will draw many hearts to Christ.

Jay (CBS ’67) and Carolyn (BC ’94) Sensenig
Madrid, Spain

The Sensenigs have had a busy summer and ask for your prayers.

’70s

Georgianna “Georgia” Allcott Cuxill (CBS ’70)
Monrovia, CA

Georgianna’s husband, Juan, went to be with the Lord in August, 2006. Juan had cancer, and was given four weeks to live, but died just four days after that diagnosis. His last words were “to God be the glory forever and ever.” Juan taught at a Christian school for 24 years. Please pray for Georgia and her family. Pray for their strength, peace, and comfort. georgiacuxill@verizon.net

Robert “Bob” (CBS ’74) and Ann Watson (CBC ’68)
Henriques
Guatemala

Bob and Ann write of the need for younger career missionaries. Pray that the seeds previously planted at their “Missions Exposure Adventure” conferences will produce many dedicated young missionaries.
bhenriqu@guate.net

Herbert “Bert” (CBS ’78) and Elaine (Ritter) Haaga
(CBC ’78)
Africa

Bert and Elaine are praising the Lord for His protection of their son, Ritter. Ritter was wounded in Iraq. Please pray for his complete healing. Pray also for the peace
of the Lord to sustain Bert, Elaine, and other family members during this time. Drop them a line to find out the latest news on Ritter. bert.hagga@sim.org

Tim and Christine Huber (CBC ’79) Japan
Tim and Christine are excited about what God is doing in Japan! People are more receptive to hearing and reading about the gospel. Many are in desperate situations and readily seek prayer. Mothers are even seeking God’s help in rearing their children! Please pray for salvation of the Japanese people as they draw closer to receiving Jesus. Also, pray for the Huber family as they all pitch in to help Tim’s father, Melvin, recover from surgery.

Jim (CBC ’79) and Jennifer Bowers Mali
Jim and Jennifer have just finished a “Mini-Home Ministry” in the United States this summer. How did it go? Ask them at malibowers@cheerful.com.

Lawrence “Larry” (CBS ’80) and Debbie (Nehlson) Peck (CBC ’76) Germany
While Larry has been doing some extensive traveling teaching and forging new ministry partnerships, Debbie has been busy mentoring younger women with her “Apples of God” mentoring group. Their children Nathan and Andrea have been busy as well! Find out the latest on the Pecks by writing lpeck@gemission.com.

Mary Ann Steffy (CBS ’82) Dublin, Ireland
Join Mary Ann as she praises the Lord for His faithfulness! She is able to continue her ministry. After a chemotherapy port replacement, cancer treatments are easier, and the cancer remains dormant! Find out more exciting news – drop her a note at maryannsteffy@.ie.

Darrell and Ruth (CBC ’82) Racey Amman, Jordon
Pray with Darrell and Ruth for their monthly support, for their work fund deficit to be eliminated, and for Ruth’s expensive dental work. Pray also for the ministry opportunities in the midst of the Middle East’s turmoil.
raceyrun@myrealbox.com

Paul (CBS ’83) and Violette Bridgman Japan
Pray with the Bridgmans as their oldest son, Jeffrey, starts his freshman year at Arkansas Tech University. Pray for his adjustment to college life in the United States. Find out other prayer requests by writing them at pbridgman@teamjapan.org.

Robert “Bob” and Karen (Gerald) Barnes (both CBS ’84) Chimoio, Mozambique
As Bob and Karen minister, pray with them that the Ndau people will realize that the blood of bulls and goats can never take away sin, and that they will come to trust in God alone as their all sufficient protector. Pray that the Lord bless them as they continue to do His Kingdom work. E-mail brief notes of encouragement (no images) to bkbarnes@aimint.net.

Mervin “Merv” (CBS ’86) and Valerie “Val” Lambright Wyomissing, PA
Pray with Merv and Valerie as they “plead with God for more churches planted among more of the least-reached.” Pray for them as they travel this fall and for opportunities to present their ministry. Find out more of their prayer requests and about their ministry. Contact them at merv@imi.org and valerie@imi.org.

Brian (CBS ’86) and Tita Avery Nicaragua
Brian and Tita ask for prayer for their children Ana-Lucia and Samuel. Ana-Lucia has started her freshman year at Liberty University. Please pray for her transition to living in the United States, and for finances for school. Pray for Samuel to be less focused on sports, and for the Lord to guide him as he looks at colleges to attend. bavery@uwm.org

Andrew “Andy” (CBS ’88) and Esther Schaeffer Burkina Faso
Andy and Esther are praising the Lord for many blessings! Write him and see how things have come together for the glory of God! aeschaeffer@gmail.com

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Roberta Peabody (CBS ’90) J
Japan
Pray with Roberta as she visits churches in the United States that she missed on her previous home assignment. Pray for her ministry, travel, health and support. Find out more: fujinote@aol.com.

John and April McDuffee (CBS ’90) Madrid, Spain
John and April have much to be thankful for, and they also have much to pray for as well. Learn about their praise reports and prayer requests. Ask them about their three beautiful children! johnapril@telefonica.net

Paul and Nancy Griffin (both CBS ’90) Dalton, GA
Please pray with Paul and Nancy as they work out details for their return to Asia. Pray that the government will give the church its registration papers. They also need prayer for their missionary visas and to resolve their children’s educational issues. PNGriffin@pmbx.net

Cherie Rempel (CBS ’92) Springfield, VA
Find out about Cherie’s ministry to those who minister to the Kurdish population worldwide. Ask her about her monthly Kurdish e-magazine! cjrempel@cs.com

William “Bill” (CBS ’92) and Linda (McCowen) Huff (CBC ’92) Japan
After a short visit to the United States, the Huffs are back “home” in Japan. Please pray for more monthly support, and also for those who expressed an interest in going to Japan on short-term trips. Pshepard@aol.com

Daniel “Dan” and Devri (Brownell) Wickwire (both CBS ’94) East Asia
Dan and Devri are praising the Lord for the abundance of visitors this summer that came to do evangelism at their church for two weeks! Pray for the three ongoing court cases that Dan is involved in. To find out more, contact them at danwickwire@gmail.com and devriw@gmail.com.

Judy Hardin (CBS ’94) Greensboro, NC
Judy would love to hear from you! Find out how you can pray for her. Drop her a line at judyehardin@yahoo.com.

Please join us for a “Gathering of Alumni, Friends and Parents” in your area. Visit www.ciu.edu/alumni for details as they become available.

Friday, Nov. 17
Washington, DC

Saturday, Nov. 18
Bluefield, WV

Tuesday, Nov. 21
Orlando, FL

Friday, Dec. 8
Nashville, TN

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II. Alumni Project 2006-2007: New CIU Sports and Fitness Center
In case you haven’t heard, ground has been broken for a $3 million Sports and Fitness Center at CIU on the hill between the McQuilken building and the women’s dorms. For some time alumni have expressed the need for a campus athletic center for our students. This dream is now being realized. Imagine seeing your children or grandchildren as CIU students playing basketball or volleyball in the gym and keeping healthy on the treadmills! This facility will not only provide a venue for our students, faculty and staff to keep fit — it will be a vital tool in training the whole person. Those who attended the Alumni Association Business Luncheon at Homecoming in September were able to see some of the equipment that will be installed. If all goes according to plan, you’ll see the new building at Homecoming 2007!

Here is how you can help: Our new Alumni Project is to raise funds to equip the Sports and Fitness Center with top-of-the-line cardio and strength training equipment designed to last for many years with very heavy usage. The Alumni Association goal is to raise $150,000 by the end of this school year. As an incentive, there is already a seed gift of $25,000 toward the project. To view more photos or to give to the project online, please visit www.ciu.edu/alumni/project. You may also contact the Alumni Ministries office at (800) 777-2227, ext. 3500.
We would like to know!

Alumni Ministries is receiving an increasing number of calls from alumni asking if CIU has RV hookups. Some are traveling and want to stop by. Others work for volunteer organizations that travel in RVs. Some mission agencies are even providing RVs for their missionaries on furlough. So we are trying to determine the level of interest among our alumni for RV hookups on the CIU campus.

If you RV, please fill out this form and mail it in, or respond online at www.ciu.edu/alumni/RV.

• Number of days per year you would visit CIU: _______

• Check the required hookups for your RV:
  ❑ Sewer  ❑ Water  ❑ Electric  ❑ TV cable  ❑ High speed connection

• Type and Length of your RV: __________________________________________

• Surface you require:   ❑ Gravel  ❑ Concrete is needed  ❑ Either is OK

• Circle the services you prefer:
  ❑ Bathhouse  ❑ Playground  ❑ Picnic tables
  Other ____________________________________________________________________________

• Reasonable site fee you would be willing to pay per day: ____________________________