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*Thy tow'rs are pointing upward toward God and
heaven and Light. - CIU Alma Mater*

Upward

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Alumni and Students
Celebrate the Power of One**

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UP! Living with Distinction



By Shirley Moreland,
President, Alumni Association
Leadership Council

We are called to live our lives as a tribute to our Maker but are we truly living with distinction and excellence each day to God's glory? Delta Airlines' advertisement campaign says: "UP. A short word but a tall order. Stand up, get up, step up. UP demands you rise to the challenge, up your game, up the ante and if you stumble get back up. It's not easy and not everyone is up to UP."

Columbia International University is also in the business of "UP" as campus facilities are improved, distinguished faculty hired and upgrades are made to academic programs to meet the challenges of the changing world.

Individually we are to be in the business of "UP" Living life to the fullest (more abundantly) and with distinction every day in service to the Lord as ministering professionals in the marketplace or professional and vocational ministers.

So as alumni, take the "UP" challenge and reconsider what it looks like to raise the bar and live with excellence and distinction every day. ♦

— Shirley



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Know someone

who can make an impact in Business & Organizational Leadership?

CIU has the program.

By Dr. Benjamin Dean

CIU Business & Organizational Leadership Program Director

Dr. Benjamin Dean is an attorney with a Ph.D. in organizational leadership. He has extensive experience with for-profit enterprises and not-for-profit organizations. In the public sector he served as a military officer and at the White House in the administration of President George H.W. Bush. Dean also served internationally with missions organizations, including six years as the director for global partnerships for Pioneers USA. Dean recently lived and worked in Europe where he helped organize and conduct outreach and educational initiatives that engage government and business leaders within the international community.



The Business & Organizational Leadership (BOL) program at Columbia International University responds to an ever-increasing need for men and women who are equipped to serve as salt and light both in the marketplace and in ministry and ministry organizations. The program prepares undergraduates to lead effectively and manage efficiently in both domestic and international businesses and organizations. The BOL program holds enormous potential for significantly increasing CIU's global impact by expanding CIU's ability to produce professionals in multiple spheres of society who are well-grounded in a biblical worldview.

Our BOL graduates will also have the option to pursue further professional education at other institutions.

Through this program, CIU is increasing its capacity to serve three broad groups of organizations and institutions: the business community, domestic and international nonprofit organizations, and schools and educational institutions. Potential roles for BOL graduates in for-profit entities range

from new entrepreneurial startup ventures to small-to-medium enterprises, and on up to transnational corporations. BOL graduates can also fit well in ministries, churches, and humanitarian relief and development organizations. Private and public schools and other educational institutions can also benefit from the influence of CIU's BOL graduates.

The curriculum immerses students in the principles and processes that will enable its graduates to create and operate successful business enterprises, lead and fully develop people, and form and build high-performance teams and organizations. The program lays a foundation of practical business acumen, financial and legal knowledge, and organizational leadership competencies. Our BOL graduates will also have the option to pursue further professional education at other institutions.

CIU received academic accreditation to elevate the program from a minor to a major at the start of the 2012-2013 academic year. The program already has 14 students studying in the BOL major, plus 25 in the BOL minor — a remarkable start for such a new program.

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Business & Organizational Leadership Program

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What sets the BOL program apart from similar programs is the way it integrates professional competencies with time-tested biblical values and people-oriented skills, thereby uniquely building on CIU's longstanding strengths. The BOL program purposefully integrates several of CIU's best distinctives as a biblical university.

First, the program equips students with a worldwide perspective and the cross-cultural leadership skills required for effectiveness in an interconnected and interdependent world, thereby emphasizing the importance of global mission. Further, the program comprises the ethical and values-based perspective of business and leadership. Lastly, the program's curriculum requires students to put their emerging managerial and leadership skills to practical use through internships and practica. Long before joining the CIU faculty in January 2012 as the program's director, my years of professional experience as both an attorney in the private sector and as an organizational leader in various forms of Christian ministry had convinced me of the importance of these three components.

As the BOL program grows, we will soon need more partnerships with companies and organizations that can offer on-site opportunities for capable students to further develop their professional skills and experience. I can personally attest to the value of such partnerships. As an undergraduate student (many years ago!), I was the grateful beneficiary of that type of internship.

My years of active law practice also influence my teaching style, integrating teaching and mentoring in ways that help students develop their critical reasoning abilities and their skills in oral and written communication. We also want to equip BOL graduates to engage and respond effectively to rapid change and increasing complexity within the business world.

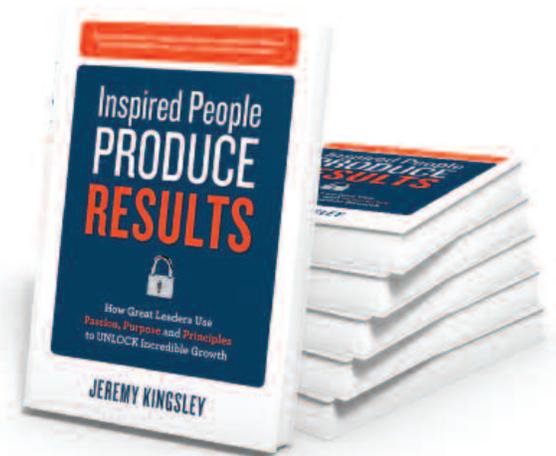
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Even as the BOL program continues to take shape, it already affords important benefits to CIU. The God-given talents and unique abilities of those students we already have in the BOL program enrich many diverse aspects of CIU life. In addition, by opening up this area of study to prospective students, the program helps CIU to remain competitive by attracting candidates who otherwise would have to go elsewhere to acquire business management and organizational skills.

Having now achieved a successful liftoff for this new initiative, we are looking ahead to the challenges of guiding the trajectory of this excellent start. In whatever contexts or locations they may serve in the future, CIU's BOL graduates who have acquired and honed their talents and skills in business and organizational leadership will undoubtedly be more effective in leveraging those skills to impact and transform all the institutions of society and ultimately to use their leadership influence for the glory of God. ♦

Coming Soon

Jeremy Kingsley's ('98) new book, "Inspired People Produce Results," offers practical leadership insights with an eye on the mainstream business market. Due for release in March 2013, the book offers a step-by-step path to effective leadership that is based on passion, purpose, patience, loyalty, understanding, communication and integrity, creating a culture of caring for both the physical and social work environments — all of which lead to inspiration. McGraw-Hill Companies, Inc. Pre-order at www.jeremykingsley.com.





Engaged in the World

Several CIU alumni, faculty and staff attended the International Consultation for Theological Educators (ICETE) in Nairobi, Kenya, Oct. 15-19, 2012. The conference gathered leaders in evangelical theological education from all parts of the world for professional interaction and reflection.

Pictured above, (l-r): Paul Bowers ('63), Ronald Kroll (former staff), Bryan Beyer (CIU Associate Provost), Traugott Hopp (Faculty at Korntal), Paul Sywulka ('61), Bernhard Ott, Les Crawford, James Lanpher (CIU Provost). Present at the conference, but not in the picture were Ralph Enlow ('72/'82) and Robert Ferris (former faculty member).

Alumni Center Guest Rooms Receive a Face-Lift



We are pleased to unveil a new look to the guest rooms located on the lower level of the Alumni Center! Just before Thanksgiving the rooms were refurbished with a fresh coat of paint, new furnishings, wood blinds and new flooring, giving them an updated and cozy feel. Please come and visit us soon! Reservations may be made by calling (800) 777-2227, ext 5525 or emailing alumniguestrooms@ciu.edu. The cost is \$45 per night for alumni. Remember that you can also use your complimentary night's stay as part of your alumni benefits! ♦



Classes of 1940s & 1950s



Class of 1952



Class of 1962



African American Alumni Network



Class of 1972



Class of 2002

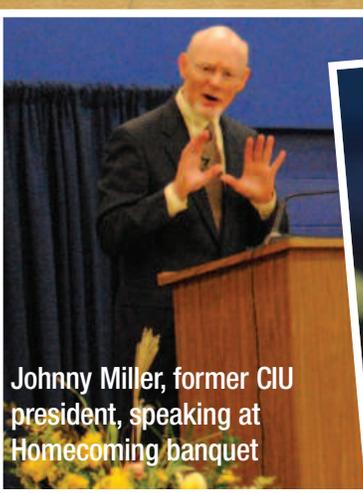
Homecoming 2012 Reunions

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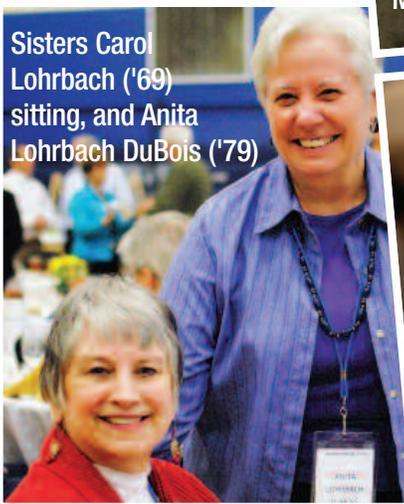
Johnny Miller, former CIU president, speaking at Homecoming banquet



Margo Williams ('10)



Sisters Carol Lohrbach ('69) sitting, and Anita Lohrbach DuBois ('79)



Sarah Nixon ('09, '10)



Rigma and Ruth Wolfe (former staff) provided the creative touch for decorations



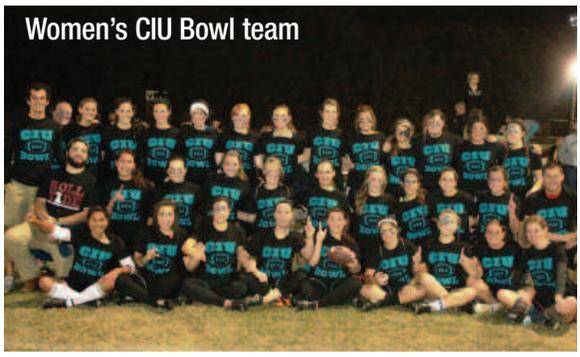
Alumna of the year, Jean Takeuchi ('78)



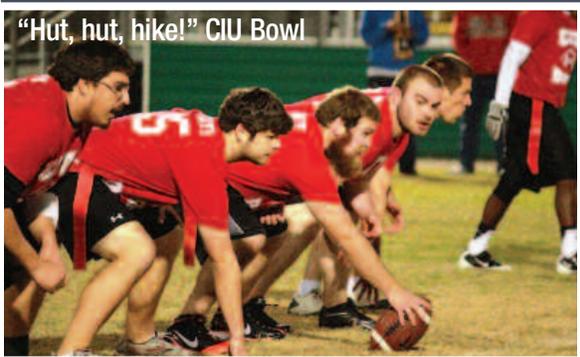
Chocolate fountain! Yay!



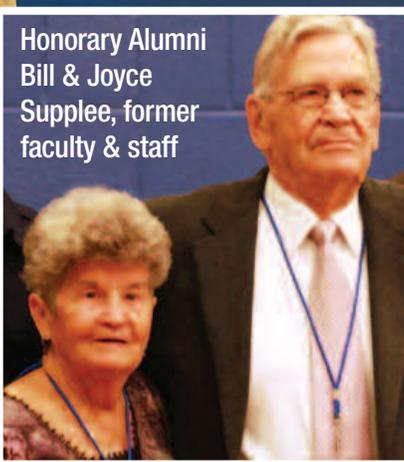
Women's CIU Bowl team



"Hut, hut, hike!" CIU Bowl



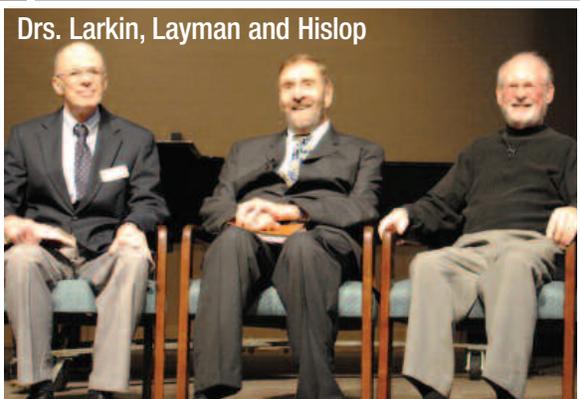
Honorary Alumni Bill & Joyce Supplee, former faculty & staff



David Osterlund (Doc 0)



Dr. Larkin, Layman and Hislop



ECOMING



CIU Alumni vs. Rams



Ambassador Choir



Alleene Petty Kracht ('68) and Claude Lopez ('94) share a hug

Let's Get Acquainted— and Hurry Up!

By Cara Evans ('13)

CIU students and alumni shared coffee, a chocolate fountain and a lot of laughter at CIU's first ever "Speed Dating Meeting" during Homecoming 2012. It was a unique opportunity for students and alumni to get acquainted using a "speed dating" concept. Alumni were matched with students for five-minute periods and asked to recall their favorite CIU memories; from favorite professors to pranks pulled on roommates. The evening concluded with a few hymns and a time of prayer.

"This school changed my life," Robert Vetter ('58) reminisced at the event. "It established my Christian walk and taught me to study. I love coming back." ♦



Class Notes

'30s

Janet Robertson ('39) Gerow, celebrated her 95th birthday on Sept. 11, 2012. She and her late husband, **C.D. "Jerry" ('40)** served in Argentina for over 33 years. Janet is grateful that God has given her a measure of health; she teaches a Bible study in her home and loves to sing. She has five children, six grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren. Four of her children attended CIU and one granddaughter is a current CIU student.

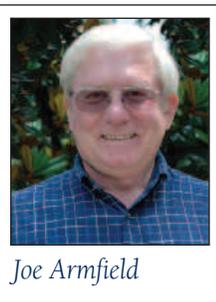


Front row: Betty Gerow ('77), Jim Gerow ('79), Janet Gerow ('39); Back row: Charlotte G. Douglas ('68), Margaret G. Copa ('69), Bob Gerow

'60s

Anne Childs Blodgett ('64) founded and leads Anajali Ministries in the United States, working in conjunction with the Anajali Primary School located in the Kibera slum of Kenya. Meeting in corrugated metal buildings, the school reaches children not only with education but also with the gospel of Jesus Christ. ecarg@worldnet.att.net

Joe ('66) and Elise Armfield - Joe was stationed in New Zealand with the U.S. Air Force for four years, then worked at the Kennedy Space Center on the Shuttle program for over 25 years. In 2003, he and Elise joined Wycliffe Bible Translators in Orlando, Fla. They helped plant a new PCA church Titusville, Fla. where Joe is serving as an elder. joe_armfield@wycliffe.org



Joe Armfield

Robert ('66) and Debbie Hale have been serving with Mission to the World as translators since 1990, including 11 years in Cote d'Ivoire and Mali. They are now working from Miami as the West Africa Project funding liaison for Wycliffe. Debbie is a certified educational therapist. dadatsil@hotmail.com

Fred Merritt ('66) retired from Goodyear Tire in 1996 and then became assistant administrator at Malone University for six years. He is a deacon at the Chapel in Akron, Ohio. He enjoyed visiting CIU recently and walking down memory lane. God has blessed him richly. fbmerritt@gmail.com



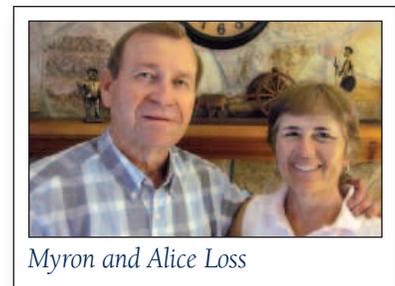
Fred Merritt

'70s

Henry ('77) and Jane Mallon - Henry is the associate pastor of biblical counseling at the Phillips Temple church, a CME congregation in Trotwood, Ohio. Henry recently received his Ph.D. in Christian counseling with a concentration in marital and family counseling. They have three grown children and three grandchildren. pastorhcmallon@frontier.com

'80s

Alfred ('83) and Pauline Horsford - Alfred served for 12 years in the pastorate in St. George's, Grenada. He also has been an acting president of a mission board and currently serves as superintendent of churches in the southeast Caribbean and French Guiana. Pauline teaches English Literature and Language at a private high school. alphors6zero@yahoo.com



Myron and Alice Loss

Myron ('83) and Alice ('82) Loss live in Ocala, Fla. After serving in Bolivia, Paraguay and Uruguay for over 30 years they are adjusting well to being back in the States. They would love to hear from classmates and friends. myron.loss1@gmail.com

Dr. Will ('39) and Colene Woodard Norton ('39) have been married 73 years. Dr. Norton received the Honorary Doctor of Divinity degree at CIU's December 2012 commencement exercises.

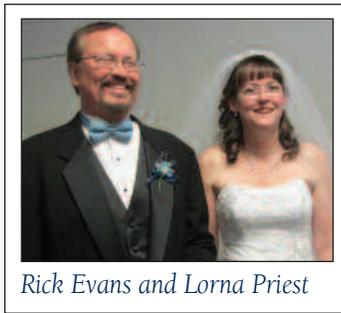


The Nortons

'50s

Josephine Manning ('52) has retired from nursing after 18 years as a nurse practitioner.

Lorna Priest ('83) married Rick Evans on Nov. 17, 2012. Lorna has served in a support role with Wycliffe Bible Translators for 27 years in England, Kenya and now Dallas, Texas. Rick teaches middle school. You can contact them at lornapriest@gmail.com.



Rick Evans and Lorna Priest

Greg ('83) and Connie Gallaher - Greg is in his sixth year as senior pastor of the Georgetown First United Methodist Church in Georgetown, Ky. Before moving to Kentucky, he was the pastor of the International Christian Fellowship in Phnom Penh, Cambodia for two years. greg.gallaher@gmail.com



Jonathan Penland

Jonathan Penland ('87) has been appointed dean of the School of Christian Ministries at Toccoa Falls College. After completing studies at CIU in 1987, he served 13 years in the Dominican Republic as an instructor and director for Dominican Alliance Associates. He joined the faculty of Toccoa Falls College in 2000. penland@tfc.edu



The Horne Family

'90s

Bryan ('90) and Janet ('89) Thompson just celebrated 20 years with OMF International in Japan and 25 years of marriage. Bryan is the director of the East Japan region at OMF. thethompsons@omfmail.com

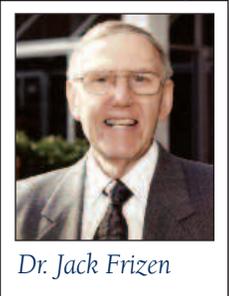
Bill and Alida de Forest ('91) Leino serve with SEND North in Anchorage, Alaska in the area of Human Resources. SEND North has missionaries serving in Alaska and Northwestern Canada and is looking to move east through the 60 degree-70 degree window across Canada toward Greenland. alileino@ak.net

Shirl Schiffman ('93) was among the honorees at the 2012 Tribute to Women in Industry (TWIN) banquet sponsored by The Palmetto Center for Women in Columbia, S.C. The Center recognizes women whose outstanding achievements mark them as leaders and role models in business and in the community. sschiffman@ciu.edu

Jeremiah ('93) and Grace Gado ('94) - Jeremiah was elected president of the ECWA Church in Nigeria. Several of the Gados' children attended Ben Lippen School, including Samkon Gado who recently retired after playing nearly six seasons in the National Football League (NFL). rgado@hotmail.com

Dr. Edwin "Jack" Frizen, a 1992 Columbia International University Distinguished Alumnus and missionary statesman died on Dec. 22, 2012. He was 87 years old.

Frizen's extensive missionary experience included executive leadership with the Interdenominational Foreign Missions Association (IFMA), the launch of SEND International and acting U.S. director for Pioneers-USA.



Dr. Jack Frizen

Dave ('94) and Dina ('91) Horne - Dave is the Europe area director for Global Partners. Dave and Dina oversee Wesleyan missionaries and local churches in the region. Their oldest two children remain in the United States attending college, while their youngest, Emma, completes high school in Vienna, Austria. dinahorne@mac.com

Timothy J. Nielsen ('95) and his wife, Adina, are the proud parents of Tilba Garrett Nielsen, born on Aug. 8, 2012. Fraternal grandparents are Kenneth L. and Doris Garrett Nielsen ('53). Tim is the president of the Keystone Regional Council of Leaders of the American Camp Association and has served as the director of Camp Sandy Cove since 1989. He also assisted in the founding and operation of camps in Russia and Australia. ice55@tds.net

Bill Corbin ('98) joined the staff of Coalition for Christian Outreach in northwestern Ohio, ministering to students at Findlay University, Bluffton University and Owens Community College. He and his wife, Heidi, are raising five children. bill.corbin@me.com

Yvonne Derrick-Mebane ('98) married Dr. Warren Wilson Mebane Jr. in June 2012. They are living in Texas where they will be serving the Lord. yvonnemebane@gmail.com

'00s

Scott and Christa ('00) Dysart

welcomed James Lawrence to their family on Aug. 3, 2012. James joins his brother and sister, Edward and Kara. christa_dysart@sil.org

Martin and Laura Story ('03) Elvington

welcomed Josephine Grace to their family on Sept. 14, 2012. Jo is already a seasoned traveler! elvingtonjm@hotmail.com

Meredith Pritchett ('04) - After graduating from CIU in 2004, Meredith co-led a team of conversational English teachers at a university in the Kurdistan Region of Iraq and later worked for the Kurdistan Regional Government (KRG) as an English consultant. After her contract expired with the KRG, Meredith moved to Europe and earned a master's degree in Political Science from the Florence, Italy campus of James Madison University. meredithlp@me.com

William Fisher ('05) is the dean of students at Westminster Catawba Christian School in Rock Hill, S.C. He also serves as the interim athletic director and oversees student activities. wfisher@wccs.org



The Elvington Family

Luke ('06) and Becca Dwinells Perkins ('06) moved to Dallas where Luke began the Master of Theology program at Dallas Theological Seminary (DTS). Luke works as an admissions counselor at DTS and hopes to return to full-time ministry in Haiti. perkins.luke@gmail.com

Daniel ('09) and Samantha ('10) Barth live in Leland, N.C. where they are helping to plant Reach Community Church outside of Wilmington. They have

two sons, James and Silas, and are expecting their third child. You can see pictures and read updates at www.thebarthblog.blogspot.com



The Barth Family

'10s

Staff Sgt. Thomas and Jareé Isa Cotton ('11)

Conklin were wed in October 2012. Thomas has been enlisted in the Air Force for eight years including a tour in Iraq. Jareé Isa is dean of student life and instructor at Kingdom Preparatory Academy in Lubbock, Texas. jaree.cotton@mailbox.ciu.edu



The Conklins

Andrew and Karen Cook ('11) Bastian were married in May 2012 and are living in Columbia, S.C. where Andrew is working toward his Master of Divinity degree at CIU Seminary & School of Ministry. klcookster@gmail.com

With the Lord

- Edward Sywulka '32 – October 2012
- Florence Marshall '38 – September 2012
- E. Elizabeth Weeks '42
- Iva Permar Moore '43 – December 2012
- Edward Robeson III '43 – August 2012
- Mildred Kohn '47 – February 2009
- Rogers Chenault '47 – September 2012
- Fred Manning '47 – May 2012
- Richard Wakefield '48 – 2012
- Edwin "Jack" Frizen '50 – December 2012
- O. Jennings Hill Jr. '50 – October 2012
- Arthur Wiens '50 – December 2012
- Fronsie Keiter '51 – September 2012
- William Russ '51 – August 2012
- Donald Taber '52 – November 2012
- Elmer Bonnette '53 – June 2012
- Robert Klett '55 – November 2012
- Virginia Catherine Patterson '56 – September 2012
- Arthur George '62 – 2010
- Sara Salyards Hathaway '64 – November 2012
- Minnie, wife of Harold Von Nessen '65
- Carol Howe Whiteside '66 – August 2012
- Richard David Floyd '77 – August 2012
- William Walsh '79 – May 2012
- Jeff Salyers '88 – October 2012
- Linnea Anne Wheeler '91 – January 2012
- Leslie Allen Daugherty '03 – December 2009



The Childers

Alan and Stephanie Korb ('06) Childers married at Church of the Saviour in Wayne, Pa. on Aug. 31, 2012. They reside in Alan's hometown, Huntsville, Ala., and hope to serve

together overseas in the future. stephkorbg@gmail.com

William J. Larkin Faculty Fellowship to Receive Financial Boost

A professional development fellowship named for long-time CIU professor Dr. William J. (Bill) Larkin is receiving a financial boost. The William J. Larkin Faculty Fellowship, established in 2010, promotes academic research among the faculty in CIU Seminary & School of Ministry and CIU as a school where academic excellence is pursued.

An anonymous donor has promised to match a minimum of \$10,000 in gift income toward the fellowship. An additional \$2,500 will be matched by an employer.

Dr. Larkin is retiring this year from his teaching responsibilities at CIU. Our hope is to announce the total amount raised for the fellowship at his retirement in late spring. At that time



Dr. Larkin will be presented with a list of the donors (without mention of the gift amount).

Gifts may be made online at www.ciu.edu/support. Click on "Donate." Or send them to:

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CARE CIU

Alberta Kinnard ('56) was visited by several of our alumni recently via CARE CIU. It meant a lot to her and to us as well. Thank you **Andrew Webb ('10), Dwight Ringdahl ('82), Robert ('95) and Shelley Hill ('95) Keatts, Brantley and Helen Knight, and Gary ('84) and Cheryl Elliott ('85) Greene.**

If you would like to reach out to alumni in your area, please contact us at alumniare@ciu.edu.

On the Road with CIU Chancellor George Murray and President Bill Jones **THEY MAY BE VISITING YOUR TOWN**

- Feb. 16-17** Dr. George Murray at Harvest Community Church in Kittanning, Pa. www.harvestpa.org
- Feb. 24** Dr. George Murray at Bridge Point Bible Church in Houston, Texas www.bridgepointbible.org
- March 1-2** President Bill Jones, keynote speaker at 65th Annual Gideon Convention at Doubletree Hotel and Convention Center in Columbia, S.C. Contact: Woodie Dixon at dixonww1@toast.net or (803) 243-9593
- March 1-3** Dr. George Murray at Eastern Shore Presbyterian Church in Fairhope, Ala. www.easternshorepca.org
- March 5-7** Dr. George Murray at Washington Bible College, Washington, D.C. www.bible.edu
- March 10** Dr. George Murray at Calvary Church in Lancaster, Pa. www.calvarychurch.org
- April 5-7** Dr. George Murray at CAM Guatemala Fellowship Conference www.caminoglobal.org
- April 20-21** Dr. George Murray at First Chinese Baptist Church, Virginia Beach, Va. www.fcba-va.org
- April 26** Dr. George Murray at Calvary Fellowship Home, Lancaster, Pa. www.calvarychurch.org
- May 18** Dr. George Murray, CIU commencement speaker
- May 24-26** Dr. George Murray at Word of Life Founder's Day in Schroon Lake, N.Y. www.wol.org
- June 20** Dr. George Murray at Reach Global Proclamation Academy in Dallas, Texas www.ministrywatch.com



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Honorary Alumna Bonnie
Barrows Thomas

