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# Pressing On!

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"Lift up a standard for the people."  
 (Isaiah 62:10)

During the Christmas break, I read an interesting book titled *Good To Great*, by Jim Collins. It opened my eyes to a number of good ideas. As I read it, I realized that I had taken, and was taking, some of the steps that the author observes and documents. A couple of those steps were getting the right people "on the bus" and getting the right people in "the right seats on the bus." The book states and substantiates that process which enables the company, institute, organization, etc., to arrive at its desired goal(s).

To accomplish our desired long term goals at Southeastern, we needed an individual who was extremely familiar with the college, had invested in the college, and had the capability, by God's help, to challenge others to invest in our college. It is my privilege to introduce you to that man. Brother Rick Cash is a personal friend from college days, a seasoned pastor, a great preacher, one who has a passion for the local church and missions, and was the Executive Secretary for the state of Alabama Free Will Baptists for sixteen years. Brother Rick was an early Southeastern Board Member, and has seen all four of his children graduate from Southeastern and enter full time ministry. Further, the spouses of his four children are Southeastern Graduates as well. After much prayer, Brother Rick joins our Southeastern staff as the Director of Development. We at Southeastern are excited about him joining our work, and welcome him and his wife, Mrs. Sally, with open arms. Please put Brother Rick and Mrs. Sally on your prayer list as they re-settle in North Carolina and get acclimated to the work.

During the last couple of years, I have written much about our need to become accredited and what it will take to reach that goal. Presently, Brother Rick has already mailed a letter (by standard mail and email) regarding our financial need to accomplish this step in attaining accreditation, and has met with a number of business men. The critical and present goal of reaching accreditation involves being in the black financially for two years. We have completed one year in the black, and, as I write this, are now less than two weeks away from completing our second year in the black. (You can read how, by God's grace, we have reached that goal on page 7!) I am so excited for our school, our students, and our future prospects. Please pray for us as we pursue this needed goal. We need our Lord's help and your help as we press on.

## Join Our Cooperating Board!

Southeastern has always relied on a group of men made up of Pastors, Evangelists, Associate Pastors and Laymen who believe in the mission and founding principles of our college and pledge to support us with prayers, encouragement, finances and students.

This "Cooperating Board" is also constitutionally provided the authority and responsibility to elect the rotating members of the Board of Directors. To become a member of this group you must sign the "Statement of Cooperation" and be voted in by the Cooperating Board at its annual meeting held during our Spring Conference.

To learn more of this board and how you can help go to [www.sfwbc.edu/cooperating](http://www.sfwbc.edu/cooperating).

# GRADUATION 2015



Andrew Aycock



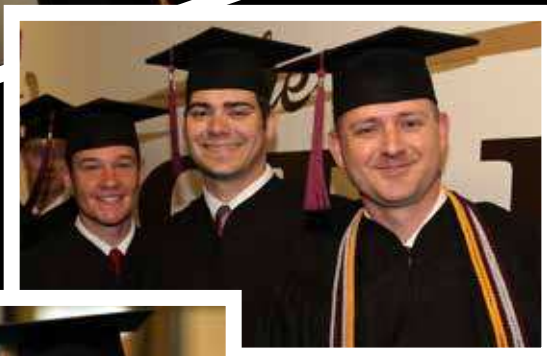
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Rebecca Collier



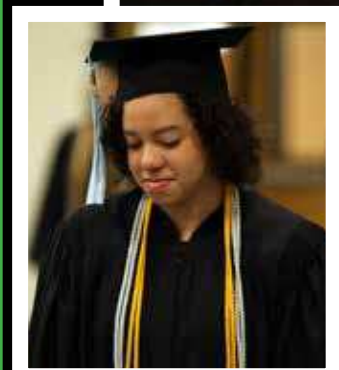
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Ashley Peoples



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# Alumni News

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## ALUMNI SCHOLARSHIPS

At the recent Spring Conference, the Alumni Association awarded \$500 scholarships to the following students: Zack Leonard (Religious Arts); Dylan Persinger (Pastoral Theology and Music); Caleb Wilburn (Pastoral Theology and Music); Rebecca Hall (Business); Nathan Peoples (Pastoral Theology); Tori Jefferis (Education).

These Alumni Scholarships were funded from the Dolly Stox Memorial Scholarship, the Walter Berry Scholarship, the Curtis White Memorial Scholarship, the William Wooten Scholarship, and from the Alumni Fund, which is supported by Alumni who give through the Nehemiah Club.



## Alumni Personals

**Jay Baines ('87) and Annette (Smith) Baines** are moving to Richmond, VA, where Jay will be the Pastor of First FWB Church. Matthew, their youngest, recently graduated high school and will be attending Liberty University in the fall. Caleb and Missy, their middle son and his wife, just gave them their first grandchild, Kenlee Marie, born on March 5, 2015. Jonathan and Janie, their oldest son and his wife, now live in Nashville, TN.

**Josh Baer ('98)** is now the Pastor of Cramerton FWB Church in Cramerton, NC, where he previously served as Associate and Music Pastor for the last ten years. He and his wife, **Kristie (Bell) Baer ('97)** have three children: Meredith (15), Jackson (11), and Madison (5).

Chad and **Katie (Jamison) Sanders ('04)** welcomed their first child, Daisy Kathryn, on February 24, 2014. They live in Coweta, OK, and attend First FWB Church in Haskell, OK.

**Aaron Pendergraft ('05) and Jessica (Brown) Pendergraft ('05)** have moved to Cramerton, NC, where Aaron is now the Music Pastor at Cramerton FWB Church and Cramerton Christian Academy. They have three children: Kylie (8), Kenzie (5), and Korie (2).

**Adrian Nottonson ('09) and Ashley (Jefferson) Nottonson ('08)** welcomed their second child, Lincoln Claire, on May 20, 2015. Their oldest, Paisley Harper, will be 2 on August 7. They serve at Hamilton FWB Church in Hamilton, AL.

**Joe Ange ('11) and Stacie (Jones) Ange ('11)** have moved to Chocowinity, NC, where Joe serves as Associate Pastor at Union Chapel FWB Church.

**Ryan Taylor ('12) and Rebecca (McNeese) Taylor ('14)** moved to Erwin, TN, where Ryan is now the Youth Pastor at Evergreen FWB Church.

Don't be left out!

Sign up at [www.sfwbc.edu](http://www.sfwbc.edu) to receive email updates from the Alumni Association.



*Nick and Noharis McCuiston*

*Taylor and Katelyn Stocks*

*The Gene and Leslie Williams Family*

*The Tim and Stephanie McCreight Family*



## Personnel Leaving



### Bobby Aycock

We have been blessed to have former Missionary to Brazil, Brother Bobby Aycock teach our missions courses for a number of years now. However, Brother Bobby has decided that it is time to move on. We are ever grateful for his service.

### Jennie Rager

Mrs. Rager has served faithfully as Dean of Women and "Dorm Mom," but for health reasons is not able to continue in her position. She will be missed. Her husband, Bill, continues to serve as our maintenance director.



## New Director of Development

Brother Rick Cash and his wife Sally came to Southeastern from their native Alabama. Rick was saved in 1970 and called to preach a year later. He is a 1977 graduate from Free Will Baptist Bible College and has pastored in Mississippi, Tennessee and Alabama where he pastored in Fayette for 18 years. In 1998, he became the Executive Director of the Alabama State Association of Free Will Baptists, a position he held until the end of May.

The Cash's have been married for 43 years. They have seen their four children, Mike, Mark, Beth and Billy, graduate from Southeastern, marry a Southeastern classmate and begin serving in full-time Christian service. They have blessed Rick and Sally with 11 grandchildren.

Brother Rick has held numerous denominational positions and has been involved in a number of mission trips primarily to Russia and Mexico.

Please pray for Brother Rick as he embraces this new ministry.

# SPRING 2015 DEAN'S LIST

## "A" HONOR ROLL (4.0)

**SOPHOMORES**  
MORGAN COOPER  
MICHAEL COX  
CONNER HARRIS  
JENNIFER MARSHALL

**JUNIORS**  
DESTANIE AYCOCK  
JOSHUA FARLEY  
KEITH HOLMSTRAND  
ALLISON RAGER

**SENIORS**  
LEAH BATTON  
REBECCA COLLIER  
TORI JEFFERIS  
DOMINIQUE WARD  
AUTUMN WELCH

A STUDENT MUST BE  
TAKING AT LEAST  
12 SEMESTER HOURS  
WITH NO FAILURES  
OR INCOMPLETES TO  
BE ELIGIBLE FOR THE  
DEAN'S LIST.

## "B" HONOR ROLL (3.0 & ABOVE)

**FRESHMEN**  
AUSTEN EATON  
MICHAEL GRANT  
ABBY HARMON  
KIMBERLIN  
HONEYCUTT  
CLARA MCFARLAND  
TRAVIS RAGER  
CATHERINE WILLIAMS

**SOPHOMORES**  
HEATHER AMMONS  
AARON BAILEY  
REBEKAH CASH  
NATALIE CRUMPLER  
MEREDITH HOWARD  
JEREMY HUFF  
MEGHEN MELENEY  
ROBERT MOORE  
DIANA NIETO  
RACHEL OST  
SEAN SMITH

**JUNIORS**  
KEVIN BANBERGER  
JOSHUA BUTLER  
FUAD FARHAT  
KAYLA LILLY  
RUDY MANRIQUEZ  
NATHAN PEOPLES  
BRIANA PHILLIPS  
CAMERON SPAIN  
MATTHEW TILGHMAN  
KENDAL TUTOR

**SENIORS**  
ERIN BARRETT  
ASHLEY PEOPLES  
DYLAN PERSINGER  
HEATHER ROWE  
BRITTANY ROYSDEN  
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## IMPORTANT DATES

### 2015-2016 SCHOOL YEAR

<b>AUG</b>	<b>22</b> .....	<b>NEW STUDENTS ARRIVE</b>
	<b>26</b> .....	<b>FALL SEMESTER BEGINS</b>
<b>SEPT</b>	<b>14-16</b> .....	<b>CAMPUS REVIVAL</b>
<b>OCT</b>	<b>6</b> .....	<b>GOLF TOURNAMENT</b>
	<b>12-13</b> ..	<b>MISSIONS CONFERENCE</b>
	<b>14-16</b> .....	<b>MISSIONS RETREAT</b>
<b>NOV</b>	<b>2-3</b> .....	<b>BOARD MEETING</b>
	<b>5-7</b> .....	<b>ALL ACCESS DAYS</b>
	<b>19-21</b> ...	<b>TIP OFF TOURNAMENT</b>
<b>DEC</b>	<b>10</b> .....	<b>LAST DAY OF SEMESTER</b>
<b>JAN</b>	<b>13</b> ...	<b>SPRING SEMESTER BEGINS</b>
	<b>21-23</b> .....	<b>GRAD DAYS</b>
<b>FEB</b>	<b>2</b> .....	<b>PRINCIPALS CONFERENCE</b>
<b>MAR</b>	<b>7-14</b> .....	<b>SPRING BREAK</b>
<b>APR</b>	<b>11-13</b> .....	<b>SPRING CONFERENCE</b>
	<b>14-15</b> .....	<b>BOARD MEETING</b>
<b>MAY</b>	<b>6</b> .....	<b>COMMENCEMENT</b>

# CONTEND FOR THE FAITH

April 13<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup>

## SPRING CONFERENCE 2015



*Jim Marcum*



*Sounds of Praise*



*Myron Scott*



*Josh Baer*

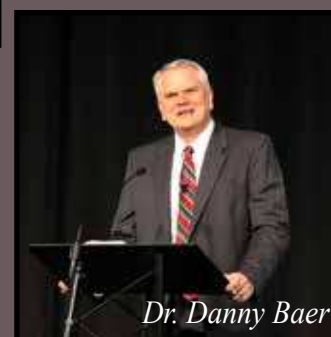


*Glenn Johnson*



*Rick Cash*

One of the highlights of our year is *Spring Conference*. It has been known as *Conference on Revival and Soul Winning* and *Camp Meeting*, but it has always been dedicated for the same purpose--to provide a time when pastors and lay folk can gather together with the college family for inspiration and encouragement. This year we featured our own supporting pastors, alumni, staff members, and students. We were challenged to stand firm in the faith, continue in the battle, and rely upon the power of God.

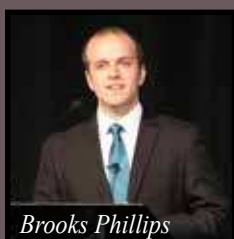


*Dr. Danny Baer*

Our featured speaker was Brother Rick Cash, newly named Director of Development. In addition, we offered some "Breakout Sessions" that dealt with current topics and provided practical advice. As always, on Wednesday morning four of our students preached sermons that were short on time, but not short on power.



*Matt Berry*



*Brooks Phillips*

Please mark you calendar for April 11-13 for our Spring Conference 2016!



*Johnathan Washak*



*Ricky Garner*

# “Miracle on Eagle Rock Road!”

One month ago, a huge deficit loomed before us and our dream of accreditation seemed all but vanished. God performed a miracle!



## I. The Unpleasant Reality

Led by President Jim Marcum, Southeastern is committed to begin the process of accreditation later this year. However, one condition that must be met before we can make application is for us to operate in the black for two consecutive years. With difficult cuts and the help of God, we were able to do that last year. However, because of a dip in outside giving in recent months, we were facing a deficit of almost \$100,000 this fiscal year as of the first week of June.

## II. The Urgent Request

On June 11th, a plea for funds was made by Rick Cash, Director of Development. In a letter to our friends and supporters, he said, “The FWB landscape is filled with Southeastern alumni that are making a difference for the cause of Christ. For example, six of the nine new Home Missionary couples who are presented in the recent issue of The One Magazine are Southeastern alumni. The need for a college such as Southeastern is greater now than ever before as the climate in our country is becoming more anti-Christian.”

## III. The Incredible Response

It did not take long for the money to begin arriving. Gifts came from many sources including churches, pastors, alumni, businesses, and lay folk. At a prayer breakfast on June 30th—the last day of our fiscal year—the Chairman of our Board of Directors, Brother Jeff Jones, announced that we did indeed receive the \$100,000 needed. To God be the glory!!!

## What is next?

We continue to need funds.

Our budget is based on \$800,000 of outside giving annually. In addition, we will need \$60,000 the first year and \$120,000 in subsequent years just for the accreditation process. We will need gifts that are both consistent and sacrificial in the days ahead.

Yes, we need money, but much more than that, we need the hand of God upon this ministry.

To quote the invitation letter to the June 30th prayer breakfast, “Right now at Southeastern we feel like Moses at the Red Sea. Money is needed, but we cannot proceed another step without the power of God.” Please join us in prayer as we move forward to fulfill our mission of “preparing men and women for the work of the ministry.”



**Without the power of God,  
we have nothing.  
If we have the power of God,  
we have everything!!!**

*Our next major hurdle is to find someone with a degree in library science to help us on a part time basis. If you would like to read more about the process of accreditation please visit our website.  
[www.sfwbc.edu/accreditation](http://www.sfwbc.edu/accreditation)*



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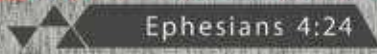
## YOUTH AFLAME 2015

Youth Aflame is always an exciting event and this year was no exception. Over 300 teens (almost 400 including sponsors and college personnel) attended and heard sermons from some of the best evangelists that Free Will Baptists have to offer. There were dozens of decisions for salvation and many answered to a call to full time Christian service.

*Wow!!!! Youth Aflame exceeded all my expectations. The Lord met. Thanks, Southeastern for the best FWB conference that this old man has ever attended. -- Rick Cash*



made new



Ephesians 4:24

