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From the President...

God is at work at Holmes Bible College. “The best is yet to come.” The College begins the 127th term on August 1st, the first day of class.

Betty and I are thrilled to be participants in that journey. Both of us graduated at Holmes. We met at Holmes. We both have served over ten years at the College. Our ministry now leads us away again, but we will continue to pray each day for the College and support the College monthly. We can do no less.

I do not think that I have used these verses for the College before. Yet I feel compelled to mention them now:

*“Do not remember the former things,
Nor consider the things of old.
Behold, I will do a new thing,
Now it shall spring forth;
Shall you not know it?
I will even make a road in the wilderness
And rivers in the desert.
The beast of the field will honor Me,
The jackals and the ostriches,
Because I give waters in the wilderness
And rivers in the desert,
To give drink to My people, My chosen.
This people I have formed for Myself;*

*They shall declare My praise.”
Isaiah 43: 18-21 (NKJV)*

The Lord is saying these verses for the new 127th term. We do not forget our past, but we cannot be bound to the past. We must look with high expectations to the future. The Word has not changed. Holmes should always be a school of one book – The Word of God.

These are positive verses for the future. Betty and I feel this so strongly. The best days of Holmes are ahead. There will be “a road in the wilderness and rivers in the desert.” “This people, they shall declare My praise.” I know these verses primarily refer to Israel, but I hear the prophetic voice for Holmes as well.

Review this newsletter, my last at Holmes. See the new campus, See the new president and staff. See the potential! Hear the voice of God for prayer and financial support. Become a Sustainer (*Prayer and Monthly support of at least \$100 per month.*) Do a visit and prayer walk at the Campus. Connect! Connect! Connect!

- With God
- With the New President
- With the staff
- With the students

In Jesus' Name! Amen.

Special Note:

Chris and Betty may be reached at...

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Their emails will be changing!

New President:





The Sneed Family
President Elect Kevin Sneed, Summer, Abby, and Nate



Here they come!

New Academic Dean & Dean of Students:



Rev. Ken Young

New Music Instructor:



Rev. Barbara Hancock

Holmes Bible College Campus:



The HBC President's Home















Jack Kelly Memorial Flag Poles and Brick Garden



Prayer Needs:

HOLMES BIBLE COLLEGE

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Holmes was founded in 1898 on Paris Mountain
in Greenville, SC.

**Holmes is the oldest continuing Pentecostal college
in the world.** The 2024 fall semester begins the **127th
term**. Holmes is a non-profit, independent institution
incorporated under the laws of South Carolina. The
college is affiliated with the International Pentecostal
Holiness Church. It is authorized to grant degrees of
Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Science, Bachelor of
Practical Theology (BEAM), Associate of Arts, and a
Certificate of Bible and Related Studies.

PRAYER REQUESTS –

#27, 7/10/2024

- Total enrollment of 100 students minimum
- Need full dormitories
- Present Faculty/Staff-26 individuals
- Launch & Birthing of new BEAM Program (Biblical Education for Adults in Ministry) – BTh degree
- 20% increase in operating budget
- A new music ministry minor and one additional teacher
- New Endowments of \$650,000/new donors
- Outreach and college expansion
- The 127th Term –
- Open Doors for the President/Promotion
- Some Married Student Housing
- New Carpet – Administration Building
- Presidential Transition:
New – Rev. Kevin Sneed

Alumni Testimonies:



Rev. Jeraldine & Rev. Francis Posey
Holmes Graduates

Sister Katie Campbell from the Virginia Conference was at our church in Hopewell, Virginia preaching a revival. Her son, Carl, was with her in the meeting. My mother invited them for a meal, and during the conversation at the table, Carl mentioned something about Holmes that got my attention. I had never heard of the school before, but after he started talking about it, I began to

feel that I needed to get more information. I know the Lord was in it even though I was just a teenager and still in high school with plans to go into the military upon graduation.

I know God directed my life then and led me to apply for admission to Holmes. My first sight of the school was in October 1949 as a 17-year-old. The discipline at the school was a major factor in molding my life. The strict routine that the Lord was using taught me a lot that prepared me for the 74 years that followed. My love and appreciation for the Word began there through the teaching and preaching of Dr. Paul F. Beacham. The work there taught me responsibility.

God prepared me at Holmes to be a minister of the gospel, a teacher, a counselor, a missionary, a writer, and a musician. At 91, I'm still teaching a Bible study group at a church I formerly pastored. I've devoted about 14 years to this ministry.

I was also privileged to teach Latin and European History at the College from January 1953-May 1954.

To God be the glory for Holmes Bible College and its influence on my life.

Jeraldine Tew Posey
Class of 1952
(written October 24, 2023)

I was saved in October of 1947 at the age of 20. I was raised in a Christian home but was late accepting Jesus as my Lord and Savior. After that glorious experience, I felt I should prepare for Christian service. I didn't know of a school to attend for that sort of training until Rev. M.L. Canady suggested Holmes. I became a student there in 1948 and graduated in 1951.

My field of ministry was Sunday School, which covered a span of 50 years. In addition to my teaching, I also served on the deacon board under seven pastors. Some years later I became a minister and pastored three churches in which I continued teaching Sunday School as well as preaching.

Holmes was such a wonderful influence on my life, especially the expert and anointed Bible teaching from Dr. Paul F. Beacham. What an inspiration! I owe a great debt of gratitude to that grand institution.

Francis Posey
(written June 13, 2024)

To God be the glory!



D. Chris & Betty Thompson,
President & First Lady of
Holmes Bible College

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