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President's CORNER

As I read through my journal, one of the questions I wrote was, "When was the last time my 'blessings' made me feel uncomfortable?" This question came after traveling with students, faculty and other health care providers on the College's international mission trip to the Dominican Republic.

I have always considered myself a grateful person and appreciate all the blessings in my life like faith, health, family, education, friends and a fulfilling career. But these have been accompanied by a certain degree of comfort. While I've experienced health challenges and tragedy in my family, I've always had the essentials to create a comfortable life for myself and my loved ones.

Unfortunately, all around the world people struggle to find food, shelter and love. However, when you leave all that is familiar and travel to serve those in a different country and culture, God can use that experience to show us what we fail to see or feel while we are in our familiar comfort zones.

The beautiful people we served in the small villages of the Dominican Republic did not have the same level of material things we often take for granted in our communities. Access to housing, food, education and even clean drinking water is limited for most. But they are beyond rich in gratitude, generosity and hospitality. While the language difference made conversation a bit challenging, it did not stop us from connecting with each other. You would be so proud of the care our students gave. They, too, come from different backgrounds and experiences; yet they all served and connected compassionately with each person who came to the clinic. They represented our mission, their respective professions and our alumni in powerful ways.

Special thanks to Karen Smith, director of campus ministries, who serves as the College's leader for the trip. Other team members from the College were Dr. Chris Church, professor of philosophy and religion; Kira Anderson, program chair & assistant professor of respiratory care; and Shannon Davenport, assistant professor of nursing. I appreciate each of them using vacation time to serve our students and the people of the Dominican Republic.

In addition, our alumni, Kira and Shannon were joined by Sarah Craig, a graduate of the diagnostic medical sonography program. We are always looking for alumni who would like to join us on our annual mission trip. Drop me a note at bettsue.mcgarvey@bchs.edu if you would like to learn more about future trips. From personal experience, God will use it to change and grow you in surprising dimensions.

Warmest Regards,

Betty Sue McGarvey, Ph.D., RN
President

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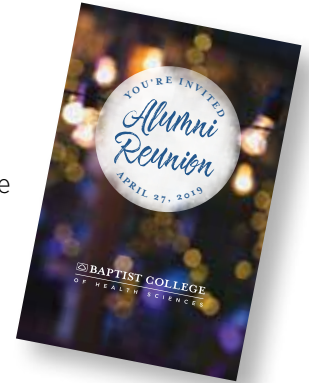
2019 Annual Alumni Reunion Weekend

The annual alumni reunion was held on April 27, 2019. Approximately 80 alumni participated in the reunion this year with the class of 1969 celebrating their 50 year anniversary, and the class of 1994 celebrating their 25 year anniversary.

The reunion kicked off on Saturday at noon with a luncheon held at the Baptist College Collaboration Building. The evening continued at Loflin Yard for a night of networking and mingling with friends.

Each year special awards are presented to alumni who have achieved significant accomplishments in their profession or

provided exemplary service to the College. The Service Award was presented to Sarah Jennings, a 2004 graduate of the Diagnostic Medical Sonography program. The Distinguished Alumni Award was presented to Mitzi Roberts, a Medical Radiography graduate from the class of 1993, and Diagnostic Medical Sonography graduate from the class of 1994.



LEFT: Alumni making smores at the Loflin Yard event

ABOVE MIDDLE: Distinguished Alumni Award winner, Mitzi Roberts

ABOVE RIGHT: Alumni Service Award winner, Sarah Jennings



Nursing, class of 1957



Nursing class of 1994 celebrating 25 years



Nursing class of 1994 celebrating 25 years



Alumni Board of Directors at the Loflin yard event



2019 Alumni Homecoming

The 2019 Alumni Homecoming was a treat! Alumni and their guests enjoyed an evening of trunk or treating and a special viewing of the movie Aladdin (2019 live action version) at the Children's Museum of Memphis - Carousel Pavilion.





December 2018 Commencement

The 35th commencement of Baptist College of Health Sciences was held on December 13, 2018, at First Baptist Church in Millington, Tenn. Dr. Betty Sue McGarvey, president of the College, presided over the ceremony. Mrs. Denise Burnett Stewart, chair of the College Board of Directors, introduced the distinguished speaker, Reverend David Leavell, Ph.D.,

Senior Pastor at First Baptist Church Millington. Mrs. Stewart presented diplomas to 61 graduates earning baccalaureate degrees, and one graduate earning an associate degree. Of the 61 baccalaureate degrees, 45 graduates earned a Bachelor of Science in Nursing and 16 earned a Bachelor of Health Sciences degree.



Denise Burnett Stewart presented the Board of Directors award to Diamond Daniels.



Sherita Martin presented the Joseph H. Powell award to Leland Williamson.



Sherita Martin presented the Dr. Thomas McColl Chesney and the Sarah Ainsworth awards to Sidney Long.



Sherita Martin presented the Elizabeth Farnell Achievement award to Jennifer Michelle DeShazo.



Spring 2019 Commencement

The 36th commencement ceremony of the Baptist College of Health Sciences was held on April 11, 2019 at Bellevue Baptist Church. President Betty Sue McGarvey, Ph.D., presided over the ceremony. Anita Vaughn, chair-elect of the College Board of Directors, introduced the featured speaker, Don Hutson, CSP, CPAE, CEO and President of U.S. Learning, LLC. Vaughn presented diplomas to 109 graduates at the ceremony. This included 42 baccalaureate degrees for the Bachelor of Science in Nursing and 66 diplomas in the Bachelor of Health Sciences, and one diploma in the Associate of Science.

Dr. Loredana Haeger, provost of Baptist College, recognized special honors including graduates for magna cum laude, summa cum laude and cum laude, and those students who served in leadership roles at the College.

Vaughn presented the Board of Directors award to Edgar Cruz. The award recognizes a graduate who has demonstrated

outstanding academic performance, leadership skills, commitment to community service, commitment to Christian principles and potential for leadership in the health care professions.

Sherita Martin, director of development for the Baptist Memorial Health Care Foundation, presided over the presentation of the remaining special awards.

The Elizabeth Farnell Achievement Award was presented to Anna Clark. This award is named in memory of Miss Elizabeth Farnell. The Dr. Ling H. Lee Achievement Award was presented to Kayla Rush. The Joseph H. Powell Award was presented to Isaac Lies. The Sarah Ainsworth Award was presented to Jonathan Hernandez. The Dr. John F. Rockett Award was presented to Katelyn Westbrook. The Dr. Emmel Golden Award was presented to Marysol Vazques.



Anita Vaughn presented the Board of Directors award to Edgar Cruz.



Sherita Martin presented the Sarah Ainsworth award to Jonathan Hernandez.



Sherita Martin presented the Joseph H. Powell award to Isaac Lies.



Sherita Martin presented the Dr. Ling H. Lee Achievement award to Kayla Rush.



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Twenty-fifth Founder's Day Anniversary



A special celebration was held on December 6 for the College's charter 25 years ago. Founders and others who served at the College during this time were invited back to renew friendships, reminisce about the beginnings of the College, and take campus tours. At noon, the Founders, special guests, faculty, staff and students gathered for a special time of celebration. Dr. Betty Sue McGarvey, president and Founder, along with Dr. Barry Schultz, dean of general education & health studies and a founding faculty member, facilitated a panel discussion of the history and founding of the College. The distinguished panel included Dr. Rose Temple, founding president & president

emeritus; Mr. Stephen Reynolds, president emeritus of BMHCC; Dr. Dan Champion, founding dean of general education; Ms. Denese Shumaker, founder & former director of the School of Nursing; and Ms. Lori Turpen, founder & Director of cardiopulmonary services at BMH-DeSoto. Mr. Ray Hatton, who wrote the College' alma mater, provided special music.

Dr. William Cochran and Mr. James Ainsworth, Board members, also attended. Mr. Jason Little, president and CEO of BMHCC, gave the closing prayer acknowledging the past and asking God's continued blessings for the future.





Summer 2019 Commencement

On Thursday, August 15, 2019, the Baptist College of Health Sciences held its 37th commencement ceremony at Bellevue Baptist Church. President Betty Sue McGarvey, Ph.D., presided over the ceremony. The commencement address was given by Dr. Diane Berty, Vice President of the Tennessee Independent Colleges and Universities Association. As a nurse for many years, Dr. Berty shared words of wisdom for the graduates in beginning their health care careers.

Mrs. Denise Burnett Stewart, chair of the Board of Directors, presented diplomas to 55 graduates; 45 Bachelor of Science in Nursing and 10 Bachelor of Health Sciences. As part of the ceremony, all graduates were pinned with the College pins by a program chair or faculty member from their respective programs. The College pins, gifts from the Alumni Association, are a representation of the official seal for Baptist College of Health Sciences.



Denise Burnett Stewart presented the Board of Directors Award to Markela Albright.



Sherita Martin presented the Elizabeth Farnell Achievement Award to Markela Albright.



Sherita Martin presented the Sarah Ainsworth and the Joseph H. Powell Awards to Andrienne Robinson.



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Stewart presented the Board of Directors award to Markela Albright. The award recognizes a graduate who has demonstrated outstanding academic performance, leadership skills, commitment to community service, commitment to Christian principles and potential for leadership in the health care professions.

The Elizabeth Farnell Achievement Award was also presented to Markela Albright. This award is named in memory of Elizabeth Farnell, vice president of nursing for Baptist Memorial Hospital from 1971 to 1991. The recipient of this award has attained the highest cumulative grade point average among the nursing graduates.

The Joseph H. Powell Award was presented to Andrienne Robinson. The award honors Powell, former chief executive officer of Baptist Memorial Hospital and Baptist Memorial Health Care. Powell has provided a noteworthy legacy of leadership in health care and

community service. The recipient of this award has demonstrated outstanding academic performance and the potential for advanced studies in the health sciences.

The Sarah Ainsworth Award was presented to Andrienne Robinson. Established by a gift from her husband, Jim, this award honors the dedication and commitment Mrs. Ainsworth made to helping her students learn and grow as health care professionals. The recipient demonstrates leadership potential, commitment to Christian values and is ranked in the top 25% of the graduating class.



2019 Alpha Eta Honor Society Induction Ceremony

On March 25, 2019, the Alpha Eta Honor Society, Baptist College Chapter held their Induction Ceremony and Reception in the Baptist College Collaboration Building. The induction ceremony was led by Ms. Kira Anderson, Assistant Professor and Program Chair, Respiratory Care and outgoing President of the Baptist College Chapter of Alpha Eta.

The purpose of the Alpha Eta Honor Society is the promotion and recognition of significant scholarship, leadership, and contributions to the Allied Health professions. Inductees include 15 senior students from the Division of Allied Health and the Division of General Education and Health Studies who have maintained an overall scholarship average of 3.5 or better (on a 4 point scale); have shown capacity for leadership and achievement in their chosen Allied Health field; and have been recommended by members and approved by the dean. Also inducted was faculty member, Mrs. Abby Johnston, Instructor of Sociology from the Division of General Education and Health Studies.



Mrs. Antionette Beckley, Assistant Professor and Clinical Coordinator, Respiratory Care gave the keynote address with the message of "Following Your Calling". Offering the closing remarks was Mr. Thomas Wolfe, Assistant Professor and Program Chair, Medical Radiography and incoming President of Alpha Eta, Baptist College chapter.

2019 Scholarship Luncheon

On October 7th, more than 380 people attended the annual scholarship luncheon recognizing the scholarship recipients, their families and donors. A total of 219 awards in the amount of \$860,514 was given for the current academic year. Ms. Emily Hassell, current student, opened the event with a beautiful prayer of thanksgiving. The program also included five current student speakers, Mrs. Erika Divelbiss, Ms. Jasmine Dunn, Mr. Marcus Pyland, Ms. Madison White and Mr. Douglas Woodward.

They spoke about their journey to the College and their gratitude for the support and encouragement demonstrated through the generosity of the donors. Alumnae Dr. Laritha Sweet, associate professor, spoke about her journey after nursing school, the importance of giving back and the many reasons why she remains dedicated to her alma mater. The luncheon was a wonderful time of fellowship for both donors and students.



Mrs. Anne Powell with the recipients of the Joseph H. Powell Scholarship.



Lula Boone, recipient of the Sarah and Jim Ainsworth Scholarship, pictured with Sarah and Jim Ainsworth.



2019 Scholarship Luncheon *Continued*



Baptist Memorial Health Care and Baptist College colleagues pictured with student scholarship recipients.



Harry Smith pictured with the recipients of the Harry and Beth Smith Scholarship.

2019 Allied Health White Coat Ceremony

On October 18, 2019 the division of Allied Health held the seventh annual White Coat Ceremony for students entering the clinical phase of their programs. A White Coat Ceremony symbolically marks a student's transition from pre-clinical preparation to professional-level coursework and focuses on the professional standards expected of those in patient care careers. Forty-seven students, representing Medical Laboratory Science, Medical Radiography, Nuclear Medicine Technology, Radiation Therapy and Respiratory Care, were cloaked in white coats by their respective faculty representing the six Allied Health programs at the College: 11 Diagnostic Medical Sonography students; three Medical Laboratory Science students; 16 Medical Radiography students; six Nuclear Medicine Technology students; seven Radiation Therapy students; and four Respiratory Care Students.



Dr. Rose Temple, President Emeritus of Baptist College of Health Sciences, Nancy Averwater, Vice President-Chief Human Resources Officer for Baptist Memorial Health Care Corporation, and Dr. Betty Sue McGarvey, President of Baptist College of Health Sciences.



2019 Allied Health White Coat Ceremony *Continued*



Radiation Therapy



Medical Laboratory Science



Nuclear Medicine Technology



Respiratory Care



Medical Radiography



Diagnostic Medical Sonography



Alumni Awards Call for Nominations

DISTINGUISHED ALUMNI AWARD

The Baptist College of Health Sciences is pleased to announce that nominations are now being accepted for the 2019 Distinguished Alumni Award. The award will be given in late April during the alumni reunion luncheon. The award recognizes and honors alumni for distinguished personal and career achievements and for exemplary contributions to society that bring credit to the Baptist College of Health Sciences. One award is presented each year.

Criteria

1. Recipients must be of such integrity, stature and demonstrated ability that the award reflects positively on the Baptist College of Health Sciences.
2. Personal achievement through outstanding service to their community.
3. Achievements, patent on a new discovery or an innovation in a new technology.
4. Outstanding contribution to health care.
5. Regional, national or international reputation in the alumnus' field.

If you would like to submit a nomination, please complete the form below and return to Megan Bursi, director of marketing and alumni affairs, Baptist College of Health Sciences, 1003 Monroe Ave., Memphis, TN 38104. You can also email Megan at megan.bursi@bchs.edu. This is an excellent

opportunity to recognize our graduates who have had a very positive impact on their profession and their community.

ALUMNI SERVICE AWARD

The Alumni Service Award acknowledges significant contributions of time and energy on behalf of the College and the Alumni Board/Association. Award selections will be made by a sub-committee of the Alumni Board of Directors.

Criteria

1. Significant contributions — Recipients have shown dedication to their alma mater over time by volunteering their time to assist in whatever way they feel they can best serve. We acknowledge "significant" as meaning above and beyond the normal commitments. Finally, their dedication has been an inspiration to others.
2. The recipient may be a graduate of the Baptist School of Nursing, any of the Baptist schools and/or the Baptist College of Health Sciences.
3. Candidates must perform community service in addition to service at the College.
4. Candidates must possess the highest standards of integrity and character that reflect the College's values.

Selection Process

1. The Alumni office gathers recommendations made by alumni, faculty, staff or other students and passes the recommendations to the awards committee for review.
2. A letter must be submitted indicating the significance of the service rendered to the College by the nominee, along with a detailed list of accomplishments.

YOUNG ALUMNI AWARD

The Young Alumni Service Award recognizes a recent graduate (fewer than 10 years) whose early volunteer service for Baptist College sets an example for their peers, helps to keep other young alumni involved and shows promise for continued service and leadership in the future. Qualified candidates will also have made significant strides in their chosen profession.

Nominations can be made by alumni, faculty and staff. The nomination is in the form of a written letter to the Baptist College Alumni Office. Nomination forms for both the Alumni Service and Young Alumni awards are given to the alumni office and forwarded to the awards committee. Awards are granted on an annual basis and announced at the June alumni reunion.

Distinguished Alumni Award 2019

Please address nominations to: Megan Bursi, director of marketing and alumni affairs, Baptist College of Health Sciences, 1003 Monroe Ave., Memphis, TN 38104.

Nominated by: _____

Address: _____

Phone number(s): _____



I nominate: _____ Field: _____ Class of: _____

Address: _____

Phone number(s) _____

Reason for nominating the alumnus _____

Information regarding professional career _____

Information on other honors/awards _____

Note: Attach a current resume or biography to this form. You may need to contact the nominee for this information.



Baptist College Gives 4th Annual Spirit Award

Baptist College's fourth annual Spirit Award was presented to Karen Smith, director of campus ministries. The award is funded through an endowment fund established by an anonymous donor through the Baptist Memorial Health Care Foundation. Employees can be nominated by colleagues who provide examples of how the employee demonstrates selflessness, a mentoring attitude and is engaged in the College community as a team player, student advocate and College ambassador. The recipient receives a cash award and a beautiful acrylic statue.



Biomedical Science Program Hits the Six Year Mark

The Biomedical Sciences program started at the Baptist College of Health Sciences in the fall of 2013. After six years, the program has grown a great deal, attracting students interested in pursuing a wide variety of continuing education following graduation.

Lilian Ogari, Ph.D., MPH, chair of the Biomedical Sciences program and associate professor of biology, started with the College the same year.

“Over the last six years, our Biomedical Sciences program has become more recognizable,” said Dr. Ogari. “As the number of students grow, the more diverse our applicants have become and the more schools they’re getting accepted to for their graduate education.”

Typically, a Biomedical Sciences student is at the College for four years, completing 124 hours of coursework focused on biology and chemistry, in addition to volunteer hours, clinicals and shadowing. However, some students can fast track the courses and graduate in three years, like Isaac Lies, who graduated in April 2019 and plans to attend medical school starting in the fall of 2020 with an end-goal of becoming a cardiothoracic surgeon.

“I recommend to upcoming students to do the clinicals, shadowing and volunteer work earlier in their College career,” said Lies. “That way you can confirm your planned path by surrounding yourself in the work, and then devote more time to studying for entrance exams (like MCATs) later on.”

Lies shadowed Dr. John Craig, vascular surgeon at Baptist Memorial Hospital-Memphis, draping in for surgeries. He also volunteered on Fridays, nights and weekends in the Emergency Department at Baptist Memorial Hospital-Collierville.

Biomedical Sciences students go on to dental school, medical school, physician assistant school and pharmacy school. Some students pursue dental surgery, graduate research and chiropractic practice.

The benefit of the College’s Biomedical Sciences program is its small size and one-on-one interactions with professors, with a lot of things in place to help students succeed. Faculty advisors for professional programs are assigned to students based on their interests beyond graduation.

The Biomedical Sciences program also offers a seminar series, hosting recruiters from graduate schools to showcase what they offer, their admissions process and preparation for the first year of their programs.

“Early on, when the program first started, we saw a lot of program graduates taking gap years before applying to graduate schools,” said Dr. Ogari. “Our professors actively advise students to help avoid this gap year by taking graduate program entrance exams earlier, working backwards from a career timeline to meet their goals seamlessly.”

Juniors and seniors in the Biomedical Sciences program also act as mentors to underclassmen. The program started in 2018 and mentors are typically leaders in their class with good grades and are well-rounded students.

“The whole point of the student mentor program is to help students navigate the system because the application process to graduate school can be challenging,” added Dr. Ogari.

The program also offers mock interviews for those applying to graduate programs and entrance exam preparation classes.

While the plan is for the Biomedical Sciences program to grow, Dr. Ogari also wants to stay small enough to keep professors engaged. Most professors in her programs are published and regularly present original research. Her faculty is also involved in community service.

“Each month during the school year, the Biomedical Sciences program professors open up their labs to students at Memphis Academy of Health Sciences on a Saturday so they can get real-life lab experience,” said Dr. Ogari.

This summer, Biomedical Sciences program faculty hosted a camp for local 9th and 10th graders in collaboration with University of Tennessee Health Science Center, University of Memphis, Christian Brothers University and Southern College of Optometry to foster an interest in health sciences.



Collaboration in Practice Can Help Students Learn How to Collaborate at Bedside

In June 2019, a group of Baptist College of Health Sciences students from four different disciplines participated in a first-ever collaboration theater using real-life patient scenarios to solve a problem. The collaboration theater is part of the interpersonal education initiative PULSE (professionals united in life, service and education) led by Kira Anderson, Angel Boling, and Benjamin Roberts, faculty at the College.

Students in their junior and senior years in nursing, respiratory therapy, medical radiography and medical lab sciences participated in the exercise, in addition to College alumni, and faculty acting as patients. Professionals in these four disciplines are likely to work together in a hospital situation, so that is why faculty decided to start with this group for the first collaboration.



The scenarios involved an in-patient change of status, such as mental change or breathing change. The scenarios are realistic to what the students will encounter in the real world. While diagnostics and patient assessment were important in this exercise, the critical component was team work and communication.

The students participated in the patient-care exercise and then spent significant time to debrief from the scenarios; what should they have done differently, who should have been the lead care giver in any certain situation, and did they work well together or in silos?

“We want to better prepare students for a career where they collaborate well to help reduce medical errors and improve quality of care,” said Ben Roberts, a medical radiographer professor at the College. “Communications and collaboration are essential skills for the work force.”

Ultimately the College is working to build an interprofessional simulation center for students to learn how to interact with colleagues in different disciplines so they aren't learning how to collaborate for the first time at the bedside following graduation.

“We recognize that collaboration practice is a real need,” added Roberts. “Students need to learn at the right time how to communicate with other health care professionals. A bad communications dynamic can create real problems in medicine.”



2019 Student Honors Reception

On March 25, 2019, Student Services hosted the Student Honors Reception with a reception in the College Assembly Hall. Students were recognized for their academic, service, leadership and spirit within the Baptist College community. Three special awards were presented by Jeremy Wilkes, director of student services, and Sarah Biggs,

student services officer. The 2018-2019 Leadership Award was presented to Edgar Cruz; the Service Award to Rachael Hundhausen; and the Baptist College Spirit Award to Hadiya Garrett.

In addition, various faculty members presented certificates or special recognition to student leaders for their work as presidential ambassadors,

tutors, examples to other students, resident hall managers, and those in the Student Government Association and other student organizations who lead many events and activities for the entire campus throughout the year.

2019 Faculty and Staff Honors Convocation

On March 4, the College came together to celebrate the many accomplishments of faculty, staff, and students, in scholarly, professional and community service areas. The 2018 Rose Temple Distinguished Faculty recipient, Ms. Angel Boling, provided an inspirational address, and several faculty and staff who had completed either a doctorate or a master's degree were honored. In addition, the 2019 Rose Temple Distinguished Adjunct of the Year Award was bestowed on Ms. Robbie Lowery, an adjunct nursing faculty. Dr. McGarvey had the honor to congratulate Dr. Renee Parker for being selected as the 2019 Rose Temple Distinguished Faculty recipient, and likewise, Ms. April Tyson, for being selected as the 2019 Rose Temple Distinguished Staff recipient. The DAISY award went to Patricia Becker.

This was the second year that faculty who were involved in interprofessional education were acknowledged, along with students who had engaged in scholarly work, such as oral presentations at professional conferences.



Ms. Robbie Lowery



Ms. Patricia Becker



Dr. Renee Parker



Ms. April Tyson



Introducing the College's New Mascot – The Blue Healers

In the 107 year history of the College, the school has never had an officially-recognized mascot. The College recently changed its colors to shades of blue to identify more with the Baptist Memorial Health Care Corporation organization. Now with the new colors, comes a fun mascot.

“From talking with students, especially those straight coming from high school, we’ve found that by developing a sense of community and traditional branding we could make the College experience more relatable,” said Megan Bursi, director of marketing and alumni. “We want to give students a vested sense of pride in the College by introducing the Blue Healers.”

Bursi oversaw a strategic committee consisting of various stakeholders in the College including the Student Government Association (current students), alumni board of directors and faculty and staff members to help

develop mascot identities. After reviewing the most voted on options, the committee worked with Red Deluxe Brand Management, an outside branding agency, to bring the new mascot to life.

The winner is the noble blue heeler, an intelligent and devoted breed of canine who embodies the work-ethic and sense of purpose that define the College student body. “The blue heeler’s characteristics are a perfect mascot representation of the students who attend Baptist in order to live out their calling to become a health care professional,” stated Dr. Betty Sue McGarvey, president.



The physical characteristics of the blue heeler include alertly pronounced, triangular ears, a mix of three shades of fur, and a mask or “patch” of darker fur surrounding half of their face. Blue heeler are of medium size with an athletic build.

Supporting Scholarships Mean More Than You Can Imagine

The rapidly rising cost of education closes the door to students who seek to prepare for their chosen education. A scholarship can make the difference between a student choosing to pursue a college education, never enrolling or leaving once enrolled because of financial hardship. Increased scholarship support ensures that Baptist College remains accessible to promising high school graduates, transfer and graduate students.

Scholarships change lives both for those who receive them and for the donors who make them possible. Your support will enable students of every background, from first-time generation to dedicated graduate scholars, to reach their goal. Increased scholarship support

also benefits our community by adding dedicated health care professionals to the work force.

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ALUMNI PROFILE:

Aleshia Cox Magee, Nuclear Medicine Technology, Class of 2009

A Non-traditional Path to Medical School Can Be a Great Thing

For Dr. Aleshia (Cox) Magee, the Baptist College of Health Sciences offered her things she never imagined. Not only did she meet her husband Landon at the College, but she also earned her bachelor’s degree in nuclear medicine. After several years of working in nuclear medicine, Magee wanted to fulfill her dream of going to medical school. And she did. She graduated from Wake Forest University School of Medicine in Winston-Salem, North Carolina, in May 2019 and will start her anesthesiology residency with the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minnesota, in July 2019.

Magee’s path to medical school isn’t a typical one. She found herself interested in the College as a high school student in Greenville, Miss. because it was one of few programs in the country to offer a bachelor’s degree in nuclear medicine. As a student, Magee was always busy on campus, being involved in Student Government Association and serving as SGA president while pursuing her degree.

“Serving as SGA president helped teach me about leadership, a skill I will use as a doctor,” said Magee.

For several years after graduation, Magee worked in nuclear medicine. First she worked in Jackson, Tenn. in a cardiology office overseeing stress tests. She then transitioned to a hospital in Dyersburg, Tenn. and ultimately ended up at a hospital in McKenzie, Tenn. where she ran the nuclear medicine department. While working in McKenzie, Magee started taking additional pre-requisite classes for medical school at University of Tennessee Martin and preparing for the MCAT entrance exam for medical school. Magee knew she was interested in anesthesiology before starting medical school because she saw a parallel with nuclear medicine.

“As a nontraditional student taking pre-requisite classes, you have to be internally driven to succeed and keep the motivation alive,” said Magee.

In the fall of 2015, Magee started medical school at Wake Forest. Most of her classmates had majored in pre-med or



**“I think that nuclear medicine as a career really prepared me to be a great physician,”
– Aleshia Magee**

biology in their undergraduate study. But most also didn’t have real life health care and patient experience like Magee did.

“I think that nuclear medicine as a career really prepared me to be a great physician,” said Magee. “I had 11 years of experience of starting IVs, for example, and some of my medical school classmates had never even held a needle.”

Magee was also recently awarded the Arnold P. Gold Foundation Humanism in Medicine Award, voted on by her Wake Forest medical school peers, for her compassion with patients.

Magee, her husband and their three-month old daughter Mary Alice are moving to Rochester, Minn. in June 2019 before her residency begins.



Baptist Foundation Thanks You

The Baptist College of Health Sciences and the Baptist Memorial Health Care Foundation wish to thank the following alumni and friends for their generous support in the 2018-2019 fiscal year. These gifts allow us to offer student scholarships and awards in addition to enhancing our instructional activities. With your gifts, our students can fulfill their callings.

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Faculty and Staff Accomplishments (October 2018-August 2019)

KIRA ANDERSON, chair of respiratory care, conducted a Commission on Accreditation for Respiratory Care (CoARC) site visit on October 18 – 19, 2018 at the University of South Alabama.

CHRISTEN GANLEY, radiation therapy instructor, attended the American Society of Radiologic Technologists ASRT Radiation Therapy Conference in San Antonio, Texas, from October 21-23, 2018. She presented “Interprofessional Education Among Radiation Therapy and Nursing Students.” Christen presented with Kimberly Kennel Ph.D., RN-BC, CNE.

- **MS. GANLEY** participated in the Joint Review Committee on Education in Radiologic Technology (JRCERT) site visit of Kent State Radiation Therapy program October 24 – 25.
- **MS. GANLEY** completed her Masters of Science degree with a concentration in education from Southern New Hampshire March 2019.
- **MS. GANLEY** attended a site visit at Bergen Community College in Paramus, New Jersey July 22-23, 2019.

ABIGAIL KURTZ, diagnostic medical sonography assistant professor, participated in a site visit for the Joint Review Committee on Education in Diagnostic Medical Sonography (JRC-DMS) in Toledo, Ohio, October 31 – November 2, 2018.

DR. JULIE LASLEY, chair of radiation therapy, participated in the Joint Review Committee on Education in Radiologic Technologies board meeting from October 15-October 19, 2018 in Chicago, Illinois. She serves as the radiation therapy representative for the Standards Committee and the Executive Committee of the JRCERT Board of Directors.

- **DR. LASLEY** attended the American Society of Radiologic Technologists ASRT Radiation Therapy Conference in San Antonio, Texas, from October 21-23, 2018. She presented to the group of educators on revisions to the Standards for all accredited programs to include, radiography, radiation therapy, magnetic resonance, and medical dosimetry.

- **DR. LASLEY** attended an Experiential Learning Workshop at Middle Tennessee State on June 11, 2019. The workshop was designed to promote service learning within communities.

DR. MITZI ROBERTS, associate dean of Allied Health, received the 2018 Society of Diagnostic Medical Sonography Distinguished Educator Award. The award is presented to an exceptional educator in the field of diagnostic medical sonography who is driven to promote life-long learning in students and sonographers alike using innovative teaching methods. She received the award at the 2018 Society of Diagnostic Medical Sonography Foundations Awards Dinner on October 5, 2018, in Orlando, Florida.

- **DR. ROBERTS** served as the board treasurer at the Society of Diagnostic Medical Sonography Board of Directors and Foundations Board of Directors meeting in October 2 – 3, 2018.
- **DR. ROBERTS** participated as a subject matter expert during the Medical Society Liaison Meeting on October 3, 2018. The meeting consisted of approximately 30 liaisons from national and international medical society organizations.
- **DR. ROBERTS** served as a member and board of director’s liaison for the Conference Management Committee at the 2018 Society of Diagnostic Medical Sonography Annual Conference October 3 – 7, 2018. Dr. Roberts served as moderator and facilitator for the Student Education and OB/GYN tracks. The conference was attended by over 1000 medical professionals.
- **DR. ROBERTS**, along with Sally Miller, program director from Mayo Clinic, presented “Clinical Cases: Go Flight” on October 4 at the 2018 Society of Diagnostic Medical Sonography Annual Conference.
- **DR. ROBERTS** served as a site visitor Chair for the Joint Review Committee on Education in Diagnostic Medical Sonography, January 2019.
- **DR. ROBERTS** served as a manuscript reviewer for the Journal of Diagnostic Medical Sonography (Sage Publications) in Thousand Oaks, California, January 2019.

- **DR. ROBERTS** attended the Society of Diagnostic Medical Sonography Strategic Planning Meeting and Board of Directors Meeting in Dallas, Texas April 12-14, 2019. Dr. Roberts serves as treasurer on the board of directors and foundation board of directors for the society.

- **DR. ROBERTS** served as chair of the Minimum Education Standards Workgroup for the Society of Diagnostic Medical Society in Dallas, Texas on April 11, 2019. The workgroup is comprised of 10 medical professionals representing different health care facilities and colleges/universities across the country. The workgroup is working with 24 other health related organizations in the standardization of minimum educational requirements for diagnostic medical sonographers.
- **DR. ROBERTS** received the Baptist College Alumni Association Distinguished Alumni Award on April 27, 2019.

MS. ABBY JOHNSTON, sociology instructor, presented “ACEs: Impacting health and wellness across the life course, Changing the Discussion, Changing Lives” at the Saving Hearts & Minds EMS Symposium on October 11, 2018 at the Dr. H Edward Garret, Sr. Auditorium at Baptist Memphis.

- **MS. JOHNSTON** attended the Action to Access, 2018 ACEs Conference & Pediatric Symposium in San Francisco from October 15-17, 2018. The Conference is hosted by the Center for Youth Wellness and ACEs Connection.

CHRISTOPHER CHURCH, professor of philosophy & religion, Baptist College of Health Sciences, and Katherine B. Steuer, Senior Associate Counsel, St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital presented “Authoring research with adolescents: Assent, consent and parental permission” on October 19, 2018 as part of St. Jude’s 2018 Affiliate Program Nursing/Advanced Practice Provider Conference.

- **DR. CHURCH** served as a peer reviewer for the Journal of Adolescent and Young Adult Oncology in October.



Faculty and Staff Accomplishments *Continued*

- **DR. CHURCH** presented “Authorizing Research with Adolescents: Assent, Consent, and Parental Permission” (2019, February 19), at the Freeman Auditorium, University of Tennessee Center for Health Sciences, at the monthly Ethics Education Forum for research staff, sponsored by the Office of Research.
- **DR. CHURCH** sat and passed the Healthcare Ethics Consultant Certified (HEC-C) exam on May 28, 2019. The HEC-C program is the first-ever certification program to identify and assess a national standard for the professional practice of clinical health care ethics consulting. Established by the HCEC Certification Commission of the American Society for Bioethics and Humanities, the HEC-C credential endorses knowledge of key concepts in health care ethics and affirms expertise, competence, and skillset required of entry level consultants. Certification underscores the clinical ethics consultant’s ability to: “assess factual information about health care ethics concerns, analyze ethical questions at hand to resolve issues and conflicts, use consistent processes that adhere to health care ethics competencies, [and] evaluate the outcomes and implications of your health care ethics consultations.” Undergoing the certification process demonstrates “commitment to optimal care of patients and families facing ethical questions and critical decisions.” Dr. Church has served as an ethics consultant at St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital since he helped establish its ethics committee in April 2000. Dr. Church also serves on the Baptist Memorial Hospital-Memphis Ethics Committee.
- **DR. CHURCH** participated in a two-day “Introduction to Clinical Ethics Mediation & Conflict Resolution” on May 30-31, 2019 at St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital. The training was led by Dr. Autumn Fiester, Executive Director of the Penn Program in Clinical Conflict Management at the University of Pennsylvania. Dr. Church was one of four participants to play the role of bioethics mediator in the simulations on day two.
- **DR. CHURCH**, participated in the inaugural “Collaboration Theater” in the role of the standardized patient on June 11, 2019.
- CARYN SCHMITZ**, counselor, is on the protocol committee for the Tennessee Suicide Prevention Network Higher Education Task Force. The document the task force created was approved and available for all institutions of Higher Education in Tennessee. The link to the website is <http://tspn.org/hetf>
- DR. BETTY SUE MCGARVEY**, president, **Dr. Cameron Conn**, director of planning and institutional effectiveness, and **Dr. Lisa Hight**, professor and coordinator of the Quality Enhancement Plan, attended the annual meeting of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges for continuing education on regional accreditation requirements in New Orleans, Louisiana, December 9-11, 2018.
- DR. LILIAN OGARI**, associate professor and chair of biomedical sciences, is co-chairing the community engagement group with Mid-South Interprofessional Health Education Collaborative (MIHC).
 - **DR. OGARI** facilitated an IPE Future Health Professionals Summer Camp in conjunction with Southern School of Optometry and University of Memphis on June 10-13, 2019 at Baptist College.
 - **DR. OGARI** presented “Moving upstream: Economic Hardship and Life Expectancy in Shelby County Tennessee”, to 100 2nd year optometry students August 2, 2019 at Southern College of Optometry.
- DEBRA SMITH**, assistant professor and clinical coordinator of medical radiography, served as a site visitor for the Joint Review Committee on Education in Radiologic Technology (JRCERT) February 6-8, 2019.
 - **DEBRA SMITH** presented a poster titled “Roles and Responsibilities of the Health Care Team” at the Association of Educators in Imaging and Radiologic Sciences (AEIRS) Conference in Hawaii on July 11, 2019.
- CONNIE WILLIS**, chair of diagnostic medical sonography, attended the JRC-DMS Board of Directors’ winter meeting in La Jolla, California, January 24-26, 2019.
- DR. DARIUS WILSON**, chair of medical laboratory sciences, volunteered with the Neighborhood Christian Center and packed Christmas baskets on December 8, 2019.
 - **DR. WILSON** served as a peer reviewer for course evaluation for Dr. Floyd Josephat in preparation for his promotion at the University of Alabama-Birmingham on March 29, 2019.
 - **DR. WILSON** served as a committee member on the Medical Laboratory Technician (MLT) advisory board and attended meeting, May 14, 2019.
- DR. KIMBERLY KENNEL**, assistant professor of nursing walked in the University of Missouri-Kansas City, Missouri’s Commencement Ceremony, December 15, 2018 for which she was awarded the Nursing Doctorate. Dissertation Title: “The Effects of Career Commitment, Distress and Persistence on Academic Success Among Undergraduate Baccalaureate Nursing Students”.
 - **DR. KENNEL** has been appointed by the Board of Directors for the Tennessee Nurses Association (TNA) to serve on the Awards Committee. Dr. Kennel’s service to the Profession of Nursing at the State Level is to be commended.
 - **DR. KENNEL** published an article in the Journal of Nursing Education and Practice “*The Effect of Career Commitment on academic success among undergraduate baccalaureate nursing students*” 2019, Vol. 9, No. 8.
 - **DR. KENNEL** has been appointed to serve on the Tennessee Nurses Association Committee (TNA) Awards Committee.
- MEGAN BURSI**, director of marketing and alumni affairs, held an ambassador training session for Baptist College faculty and staff in January and on March 4, 2019.
 - **MRS. BURSI** received a 2019 Case District III Grand Award for the Because I Am Called to Baptist College recruitment piece.
 - **MRS. BURSI** received a 2019 Case District III Special Merit Award for the Let Us Be Your Guide recruitment piece.



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NIKKI ROBINSON, instructor for nuclear medicine technology, was nominated 2019 – 2020 President of the Nuclear Medicine Technologists of Tennessee, a professional organization representing nuclear medicine technologists across the state of Tennessee.

- **NIKKI ROBINSON** serves as the 2019 –2020 president of the Nuclear Medicine Technologists of Tennessee (NMTT). As president, she will preside over the Executive Council meetings and the annual NMTT meeting taking place in Memphis, Tennessee in 2020. The Executive Council of the NMTT met recently in Nashville, Tennessee on August 3, 2019.

DR. SUMEDHE KARUNARATHNE, assistant professor of physics, published a paper entitled “Modeling Initial Breakdown Pulses of lightning flashes using a matrix inversion method.” Karunarathne, N., Karunarathne, S., Marshall, T. C., & Stolzenburg, M. (2019). *Radio Science*, 54. <https://doi.org/10.1029/2018RS006695>

- **DR. KARUNARATHNE** participated in the Sigma Zeta national honor society’s Annual Convention in Canton, Ohio, on March 21-23, 2019.
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DR. JAN HILL, chair and assistant professor of health administration, presented a showcase exhibit entitled, TeenCHAT Peer-2-Peer Responsibility Program: Promoting Positive Youth Development through Service-Learning and Social Networking, at the 2019 Tennessee Conference on Volunteerism and Service-Learning in Franklin, Tennessee on February 11, 2019.

- **DR. HILL** attended the Professionals United in Life, Service, and Education Workshop on February 1, 2019.
- **DR. HILL** served as an Opioid Prevention and Education Work Group Committee Member, with the Shelby County Health Department in Memphis, Tennessee on March 7, 2019.
- **DR. HILL** conducted a presentation entitled, Diversity and Inclusion, during the General Education and Health Studies Division Meeting on March 11, 2019.

DR. ANGEL BOLING, undergraduate nursing program chair and assistant professor of nursing, has successfully defended her research proposal entitled “Interprofessional simulation among healthcare students: A randomized controlled trial to improve communication self-efficacy”. She received IRB approval to begin data collection towards her dissertation in summer 2019.

MRS. JULIE DARBY, assistant professor of nursing, has successfully defended her research proposal entitled “End-of-Life Care for Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer/ Questioning (LGBTQ) Patients: Self-Efficacy of Undergraduate Nursing Students.”

- **MRS. DARBY** has successfully defended her dissertation and is as a candidate for the doctorate in Nursing, Ph.D. Julie is continuing to work through the IRB process for approval to begin data collection.
- **MRS. DARBY** was inducted into Phi Kappa Phi, the University of Missouri-Kansas City Chapter. Phi Kappa Phi is the nation’s oldest and most selective all-discipline honor society. Membership is by invitation only to the top 10% graduate students. More info can be accessed at their website: <http://www.phikappaphi.org/home>.

TAMEKA GOODEN, assistant professor in medical laboratory sciences, presented Medical Laboratory Science information and a hands-on laboratory demonstration on the aseptic technique to approximately 60 students at Germantown High School on April 5, 2019.

- **MS. GOODEN** served as a Registrar for the Tennessee Association of Blood Banks 2019 Spring Conference in Chattanooga, Tennessee, April 11–12, 2019.
- **MS. GOODEN** served as a liaison between the Tooms’ planning committee and the Tooms’ guest lecturer, Dr. Thomas C. Laughner, Ph.D., Director of the University of Tennessee Health Science Center’s Teaching and Learning Center. March and April, 2019.
- **MS. GOODEN** served as a volunteer for the National Accrediting Agency for Clinical Laboratory Sciences (NAACLS) as a Self-Study Report Reviewer for the Medical Laboratory Science program at University of Wisconsin - Stevens Point, Wisconsin, May 27– June 17, 2019.

DR. CAROL WARREN, dean of allied health, was selected to the Board of Directors for Mustard Seed, Inc, an urban community improvement organization.

DR. MICHELLE MCDONALD, chair of population health, completed her Doctorate of Public Health (DrPH) with a concentration in Epidemiology from Capella University. Her capstone research and intervention: Improving Stroke Literacy in At-Risk Communities partnered with the Mobile Stroke Unit from UTHSC and targeted senior citizens residing in independent living facilities. Baptist College’s Nursing, Biomedical Science, and Population Health students volunteered to participate and were trained as stroke educators, providing one-to-one education on stroke symptoms and the importance of calling 911 at the first signs of these symptoms.

- **DR. MCDONALD** has been promoted from assistant professor to associate professor. The promotion will be in effect at the beginning of the 2019-2020 academic year.



Faculty and Staff Accomplishments *Continued*

▪ **DR. MCDONALD** presented: Genetics, the immune system, and the development of cancer: A 3-phase lesson. Workshop presentation as part of the Howard Hughes Medical Institute (HHMI) Faculty Mentoring Network (FMN) presented at the Human Anatomy and Physiology Society (HAPS) Annual Conference, Portland, OR. McDonald, M., May 2019.

DR. CATHY STEPTER, chair of the nursing graduate program and associate professor in nursing, participated in a local round table discussion with other local academic nursing leaders on "Nursing Profession's Evolving Role" and was highlighted in Memphis Medical News, May 15, 2019.

JESSICA WATSON, a Baptist College alumni of 2011, joined the Division of Nursing faculty May 20, 2019. Ms. Watson will be the nursing lab supervisor.

DR. RITA WEST, associate professor of nursing, received a promotion in rank from assistant professor of nursing to associate professor of nursing. The promotion will be in effect at the beginning of the 2019-2020 academic year.

DR. CAMERON CONN, director of planning and institutional effectiveness; **Megan Bursi**, director of marketing and alumni affairs; and **Dr. Julie Lasley**, chair of radiation therapy, attended the Tennessee Independent Colleges and Universities Association (TICUA) Advancing Leaders Summit July 10-11, 2019. Dr. Conn, Mrs. Bursi, and Dr. Lasley represented Baptist College among peers from Tennessee's 34 private institutions of higher education. The program focused on state and federal policy issues as well as provided an intensive leadership development curriculum from higher education consulting firm, Credo.

PATTI WAGGENER, associate professor of english, was announced as the new chair of general education on August 2, 2019. Ms. Waggener had been serving as interim chair since June 2019.

DR. LISA HIGHT, professor of biology, served on a mission trip to Gent, Belgium, July 18 – 27, 2019. The team facilitated ministry services to those attending the 2019 Gent Music Festival.

DR. MICHELLE MCDONALD, associate professor and chair of population health, **Dr. Sumedhe Karunarathne**, assistant professor of physics, and **Dr. Emmanuel Williams**, assistant professor of biology, facilitated hands on activities for the Future Health Professionals Summer Camp, June 10-13, 2019 at Baptist College.

DR. BILL TUTTLE, assistant professor of health administration, has agreed to serve on the search committee to name the next president and CEO for AUPHA (Association of University Programs in Health Administration).

DR. LOREDANA HAEGER, provost & vice-president of academic affairs, attended the second annual Tennessee Interprofessional Practice and Education Consortium (TIPEC) conference, on August 2, 2019 at Lipscomb University in Nashville, Tennessee. The mission of TIPEC is to improve the health and well-being of individuals, families, populations, and communities in Tennessee through interprofessional education and collaborative practice. Members of this consortium, of which Baptist College of Health Sciences is a part, represent state and private colleges and universities throughout the state of Tennessee, as well as professional organizations, health care providers, and Tennessee Department of Health.

DONNA MARS, associate professor and chair of nuclear medicine technology, presented "Interprofessional Education: Implementation in the Nuclear Medicine Technology Curriculum" during the Educator's Forum at the Society of Nuclear Medicine and Molecular Imaging (SNMMI) annual meeting in Anaheim, California, June 22, 2019.

▪ **MS. MARS** served as the team leader of a site-visit team evaluating the nuclear medicine technology program at Old Dominion University in Norfolk, Virginia, July 22 – 23, 2019. The evaluation visit was part of the accreditation review process by the Joint Review Committee on Educational Programs in Nuclear Medicine Technology (JRCNMT).

▪ **MS. MARS** serves as the 2019-2020 West Tennessee representative on the Nuclear Medicine Technologists of Tennessee (NMTT) Executive Council. The council met recently in Nashville, Tennessee on August 3, 2019.

DR. MAGGIE MARSH-NATION, chair and assistant professor of neurodiagnostic technology, served as a CoA-NDT (CAAHEP) site visitor July 29-30, 2019. in Detroit, MI.

▪ **DR. MARSH-NATION** presented Educational Technology Use in Neurodiagnostic Clinical Skills Training at ASET-The Neurodiagnostic Society's annual conference in Kansas City, MO, August 14-17, 2019.

BEN ROBERTS, assistant professor for medical radiography presented "Imaging Adverse Childhood Experience" to the Massachusetts Society of Radiologic Technologists, April 11, 2019.

▪ **MR. ROBERTS** received promotion in rank from instructor to assistant professor in the Allied Health's Medical Radiography department, June 2019.



Snow Ball 2018

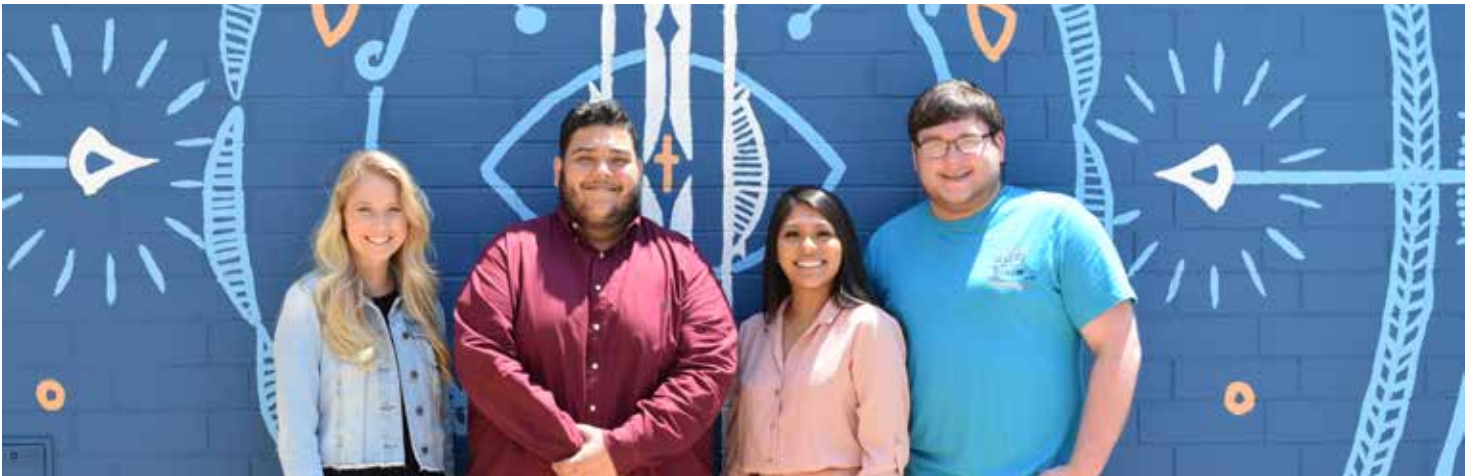


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CONGRATULATIONS

MEDICAL RADIOGRAPHY

Class of 1997

Amber Shantiel Kennedy is the lead technologist in the Interventional Radiography Department at St. Jude Research Hospital in Memphis, Tennessee.

Class of 2006

Debra Smith is a member of the Baptist College of Health Sciences Alumni Board of Directors.

NUCLEAR MEDICINE

Class of 2015

Ian Alexander and his wife, Lindsey Alexander, welcomed a baby Stephen Chase Alexander on September 26, 2018. (1, 2)

RADIATION THERAPY

Class of 2016

Morgan (Riley) Vaughn received her Master's of Health Science degree from Saint Francis University majoring in Clinical Education and Health Care Leadership in December 2019. She is currently is the lead therapist at Vanderbilt University Medical Center-Main Campus and manages 20 radiation therapists.

DIAGNOSTIC MEDICAL SONOGRAPHY

Class of 2012

Brittany (Gossett) Neumann is the department supervisor at Lucile Packard Stanford Children's Hospital in Palo Alto, California. Neumann moved to California in 2015 as a traveler after working at Baptist Memphis following graduation.

BIOMEDICAL SCIENCES

Class of 2016

William Curry was admitted to the Christian Brothers University PA program and started January, 2019.

Class of 2018

Sydney Russell was accepted to Union University College of Pharmacy and started in the Fall of 2019.

Class of 2019

Edgar Cruz was admitted to the University of Tennessee Health Science Center (UTHSC) Medical School, and started in the Fall of 2019.

Jonathan Hernandez has been accepted to Loma Linda University School of Dentistry and will be attending the Dental Surgery Program.

Mallory Tapp has been accepted into University of Tennessee Health Science Center (UTHSC) Pharmacy School.

HEALTH CARE MANAGEMENT

Class of 2015

Dominique Crutchfield is a member of the Baptist College of Health Sciences Alumni Board of Directors.





IN MEMORIAM

Mary Wofford, Nursing class of 1993, passed away in January of 2014.

Wilma Tiny Huffman, Nursing class of 1944, passed away on May 19, 2015.

Judy Nelson Johnson, Nursing class of 1964, passed away on July 24, 2018.

Woodine (Hill) Winn Wiley, Nursing class of 1948, passed away on November 22, 2018.

Ica Lee Lay, Nursing class of 1958, passed away on January 17, 2019.

Mary Alice Young, Nursing class of 1958, passed away on January 28, 2019.

Brenda Moore Osborn, Nursing class of 1964, passed away on February 1, 2019.

Zula Benson Bailey, Nursing class of 1963, passed away on June 16, 2019.

Virginia Imershein, Nursing class of 1949, passed away on July 6, 2019.

Mildred Louise Hornaday Brim, Nursing class of 1939, passed away on September 26, 2019.

Lou Hutchison Bell Rayburn, Nursing class of 1955, passed away on October 7, 2019.

Jenifer Currie, Nursing class of 2015, passed away on December 29, 2019.

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NURSING

Class of 1978

Vicki (Aubertine) Long is a member on the Baptist College of Health Sciences Alumni Board of Directors.

Class of 2016

Cayla Marie (Hobson) Edwards, married Anthony Lee Edwards on June 16, 2018 in Coldwater, Mississippi at Cedar Ridge Events. Cayla is currently working as a nurse at St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. (3)



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Class of 2017

Brittany (Wynn) Barnett married Ryan Barnett on April 22, 2017. Brittany currently works at Emory St. Joseph's hospital in Atlanta, Georgia on the surgical oncology floor. (4, 5)



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Class of 2018

Bretley (Agee) Francis married Bryce Francis on October 12, 2019. (6)

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