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Homecoming Weekend Expands

February 9 was a busy day, as alumni gathered for their annual Homecoming, and students enjoyed the annual Homecoming basketball game and Banquet. Over 120 alumni and spouses gathered for alumni chapel, annual luncheon, business meeting, and a reception.

Dan Woodroof, preacher for the Camel-

back Church of Christ, Phoenix, Arizona, and formerly Dean of Students at MCC, was the featured speaker for the group.

Over seventy alumni and spouses from the class of 1970 held their tenth anniversary reunion with a special dinner and other events.

The Warriors basketball team, under the

coaching of Garth Pleasant, played Jordan College, with a capacity crowd of alumni, students, parents, and friends.

Diane Conner of Gladwin, Michigan, was crowned Homecoming Queen. Others in the Homecoming Court were Kari Dorsey of Utica, Michigan; Debbie Shockey of Canton, Ohio; Pam Pierson of Grand Blanc, Michigan; and Willicia Payne of Bellwood, Illinois.

The annual Homecoming Banquet finished the day's activities with the theme, "An Old Fashioned Love Song." Queen Diane, her court and escorts reigned at this gala dinner.

Phon-A-Visit Raises \$175,000.00 for Salaries

More than doubling last year's level, the annual Phon-A-Visit telethon reached over 1,000 new donors, as 100 volunteers spent several evenings and Saturdays calling individuals in Michigan and surrounding areas. This Salary Sharing program helps pay the cost of instruction over that amount supplied by tuition.

Jesse Clayton, recently appointed Director of Development, commented, "When 1700 Christians commit themselves to support MCC during a seventeen-day Phon-A-Visit, you have a powerful message that Midwestern Christians want a great Christian school!"



From top, left: Tom Rellinger, Gladwin, MI escort, looks happy as his childhood sweetheart, Diane Conner also of Gladwin, is crowned Homecoming Queen for 1980 by President Walt Gilfilen. Mike Beeman, Cleveland Hts., OH "MCC Warrior," during a pensive moment of the Homecoming game. Dan Woodroof, former Dean of Students returns to speak to alumni. Alumni Chorus, under the direction of Randall Gill, '74, gives a brilliant performance to their fellow alumni.

"Preach the Word" is Lectureship Theme — October 6-9, 1980

Speakers scheduled for the fall lectureship are: Ernie Stewart, Indianapolis; Dr. John Stevens, Abilene Christian University; Tom Holland, David Lipscomb College; Phile Slate, Harding Graduate School; and Aaron Herron, Rockford, Illinois.

To reserve your place at Partnership Dinner IX contact the local chairman at your congregation, complete and mail this form to the college, or phone (313) 651-5800.

Your congregation will be given credit for any reservations made by phone or mail.

MICHIGAN CHRISTIAN COLLEGE PARTNERSHIP DINNER IX

(\$60 Adults, \$30 Students)

\$ _____ is amount of TOTAL PD IX gift enclosed.
 \$ _____ is amount of PD IX gift that is pledged, of
 which \$ _____ is enclosed, with the balance
 to be sent by June 30, 1980.
 _____ is the number of regular dinner tickets which will actually be used.
 _____ is the number of student tickets which will actually be used.

Name _____ Attend MCC? _____
 Spouse _____ Attend MCC? _____
 Address _____
 City _____ State _____
 Zip Code _____ Phone Number _____
 Member of which congregation _____
 Employed by _____ Matching: Yes _____ No _____

Dr. Baxter speaks at Partnership Dinner IX on "The Challenge of Our Times"



Batsell Barrett Baxter

Batsell Barrett Baxter returns to Detroit this April for Michigan Christian College's Ninth Annual Partnership Dinner.

For twenty years he has been the major speaker for the international Herald of Truth radio and television program. He began teaching Bible at David Lipscomb College in 1945 and is Chairman of the department. He preaches for the Hillsboro church in Nashville and has authored ten books. Recent publications include *Family of God*, *Guide to Bible Lands*, and *When Life Tumbles In*. Almost classics in the brotherhood are *Speaking for the Master*, *Heart of the Yale Lectures*, and three volumes of *Preachers of Today*. This past summer, brother Baxter and Harold Hazelip spent two months in the Bible lands producing a new Herald of Truth TV series.



President Walt Gilfilen and Director of Development, Jesse Clayton, review arrangements for Partnership Dinner IX. They work closely with 120 congregational Chairmen.

At a glance

Student Mission Activities

Mission Emphasis students have been actively taking God's word to others, in Michigan. The group has knocked doors in Alpena and Gladwin promoting gospel meetings and/or setting up Bible studies, and they have helped saturate Sault Ste. Marie with information advertising a "Moments of Meditation" telephone program. The group has varied in size from six to twenty willing students and is growing with each endeavor. They have plans for some one-day activities in Rochester and the surrounding area. Mission Emphasis is supported by the Rochester Church of Christ.

Church Leaders Workshop May 23 and 24

Cline Paden will return to MCC again in May to inspire and train Christian leaders. Paden heads the Sunset School of Preaching. Dr. James Baird, Chancellor at Oklahoma Christian, will also be part of the team. Both Paden and Baird have served as elders for years, and both are used heavily in the training of leaders.

The program will begin early Friday afternoon and continue through late Saturday afternoon. For further information, contact Jesse Clayton at the College.

Last June 150 midwestern church leaders had a highly productive time from the Workshop. Plan to be with them May 23 and 24.

Coming Events

"Celebration in Song"
and Senior Guest Night
April 11, 12

Graduation
May 3

Church Leader's Workshop
May 23, 24

Why Partnership Dinner IX?

For nearly a quarter century, God has worked through Christians to build MCC.

Thousands of you have participated in Partnership Dinner and Phon-A-Visit year after year. Led by the Board, the Associates, and some very generous donors, along with the prayers of thousands, you have all made MCC possible. Dedicated faculty and staff working together with some 2800 students and alumni have made a great impact on the church in the Midwest.

Without all these working together, the nearest Christian college would be 350 miles from Detroit and the nearest four-year degree program 600 miles away. Over 700 congregations are nearer MCC than to any other Christian college.

The purpose of Partnership Dinner is to make the annual \$138,000 payment on the Alma Gatewood dormitory. We must have 3,000 at Partnership Dinner IX April 19, to meet that commitment. In 1983 the dorm will be paid. For the eighth year,

Partnership Dinner tickets are being held at \$60 for adults and \$30 for students.

Midwestern Christians need MCC now — possibly even more than when it was started. Let us pray and work that God will continue to build it to serve our children in the future.

I hope to see you April 19.

Walter L. Gilfilen
President

The Future

As MCC prepares to further serve the needs of Christians in the Midwest, Partnership Dinner will continue to bring us together. Arrangements with Cobo Hall have already been made, as follows:

PD X — April 11, 1981

PD XI — April 17, 1982

Evening of Fellowship

April 19, Cobo Hall will be the setting for the largest annual gathering of New Testament Christians in the north. Midwestern Christians have long expressed the desire to have a great Christian college here like the ones that bless our brethren elsewhere. The response of area Christians to Partnership Dinner exceeds similar efforts by any other Christian college — anywhere!

History

Dr. Gardner developed Partnership Dinner I in 1972 to cover payment on the new Alma Gatewood Dormitory. 838 friends of MCC were served in the gym and made contributions of \$50 each. The seven successive dinners have been held at Cobo Hall, except for 1978 when 2600 were served at the Pontiac Silverdome.

Fellowship

An all-time record of 3,000 in attendance is expected for Partnership Dinner IX. There is power when 3,000 Christians visit, eat, laugh, pray and blend their voices in praise to God. You will never forget the thrill of singing together, as well as hearing three of the finest singing groups in the country. When brother Baxter speaks on "The Challenge of Our Time," you will thank God for being a part of His family in a time like this.

New This Year

A **Reception area** is planned for guests to relax and visit as we arrive at Cobo. Simply get there by 5:00 p.m. to enjoy a full hour of mixing with friends from throughout the area.

Reservations may be made for tables by Chairmen as they fill each ten place table. This is an option for you.

Partnership Dinner is a time for the MCC family to get together. There is no other group who so uniquely represent MCC as our 2500 Alumni. They are receiving a special invitation to attend.



Partnership Dinner VIII in 1979, Cobo Hall

SCHEDULE

Fellowship Period — 5:00-6:00 p.m.

Come when you like. MCC's Autumn will entertain you.

Dinner and Program — 6:00-9:00 p.m.

Menu: Broiled chicken with cantalope and grapes, roast potato, tossed salad, beans almondine, rolls and butter, beverage, and Cobo's popular walnut torte.

Speaker: Dr. Baxter — "The Challenge of our Time"

Entertainment: Silvertones of Clawson, Radio Singers of North Broadway Church, Mt. Clemens, MCC Alumni Chorus.

Your taxable income		\$15,000	\$20,000	\$25,000
PD IX Ticket	\$60.00			
Value of dinner	<u>-11.00</u>			
Your net gift	\$49.00	\$49.00	\$49.00	\$49.00
Federal income tax savings		10.29	11.76	15.68
Credit on Michigan income tax		<u>+24.50</u>	<u>+24.50</u>	<u>+24.50</u>
Total tax savings		\$34.79	\$36.26	\$40.18
From net gift of	\$49.00	\$49.00	\$49.00	
Subtract total tax savings		<u>-34.79</u>	<u>-36.26</u>	<u>-40.18</u>
Your actual cost of gift		<u>\$14.21</u>	<u>\$12.74</u>	<u>\$ 8.82</u>

The above information is based on current year tax rates for a joint return with itemized deductions. The Michigan tax credit is limited to the lesser of 50% of the gift, or 20% of the computed tax, or \$200 on a joint return. We assume your gift will qualify for the 50% credit. The above illustration does not consider any Federal tax consequences which might result from a Michigan income tax refund.

Stewart to head Admissions

Recent months have witnessed a major change in the Admissions Department. Larry Stewart, MCC Director of Admissions from 1973-1976, returned to his former position during November, after managing the College Bookstore and campus publications for the past three years.

Three new admissions counselors have also joined veteran staff member Karen Allen, the Associate Director of Admissions. Former MCC student David Allen is representing MCC in the metropolitan Detroit area, while David King travels in Ohio. Mike Wilson recently joined the staff after working with the Bristol Road Church of Christ. Mike represents MCC in Indiana and Illinois and Karen Allen works with prospective students in Michigan areas outside of Detroit.

Admissions personnel are now aided by a new slide-tape presentation about the college. The fifteen-minute presentation has already been met with a tremendous response.

Friends of the college are encouraged to identify seniors and to work with admissions in developing interest in potential students. Talk to seniors ... bring them to campus ... notify admissions of prospects so full information about the tremendous opportunities available at MCC can be known.

Dean's List Fall 1979

Allen, Doug	Dearborn, Michigan
Artibee, Janet	Flint, Michigan
Colebank, Rebecca	Mt. Pleasant, Michigan
Conner, Diane	Gladwin, Michigan
Debelak, John	Escoaba, Michigan
Dill, Tim	Huntington, Indiana
Echols, Cherry	Rochester, Michigan
Eckman, Julie	Toledo, Ohio
Evans, Sandy	New Haven, Indiana
Fields, Leann	Lincoln Park, Michigan
Fugate, Andrew	Jackson, Michigan
Gilfilen, Jan	Rochester, Michigan
Harlan, Kathleen	Royal Oak, Michigan
Hodson, Cheryl	Sterling Heights, Michigan
Howe, Terri	Saline, Michigan
Isenberg, Robert	Melvindale, Michigan
Keene, Barbara	Saginaw, Michigan
King, Jason	Pittsburg, Pennsylvania
*Lake, Michael	Madison, Illinois
Light, Michael	Pontiac, Michigan
McGhee, Terri	Roanoke, Illinois
Miller, Cathy	Ada, Ohio
Parent, Greg	Pontiac, Michigan
Phillis, Tamera	Columbus, Ohio
Pierson, Pam	Grand Blanc, Michigan
Pollock, Becky	Xenia, Ohio
Potter, Terry	Flushing, Michigan
Rellinger, Tom	Gladwin, Michigan
*Robinson, Ron	Toledo, Ohio
*Rose, Joberta	Mt. Clemens, Michigan
Sandlin, Kim	Union, Ohio
Schandavel, Paul	Sterling Heights, Michigan
Siwecki, Kathy	Washington, Michigan
Stockberger, Rae Jean	Franklin, Indiana
Sturgeon, Clay	Claypool, Arizona
Summerhayes, Julia	Mt. Vernon, Ohio
Thompson, Barry	West Mansfield, Ohio
Tutor, John	Pontiac, Michigan
*Villar, Mike	Lincoln Park, Michigan

*Achieved a 4.0 Grade point average.

New Courses for Winter

Four new courses joined the MCC curriculum during the Winter term, 1980.

"Physical Education Conditioning," taught by Coach Garth Pleasant, uses principles of the Royal Canadian Exercise Program and new aerobics, to tone the body. Second semester Greek for non-majors and second semester Elementary Hebrew are taught by Eldred Echols. Echols is currently completing his doctorate at the University of Witwatersand in Johannesburg, South Africa. This year, a total of eight courses are offered in Biblical languages. A literature course, "Mark Twain," is taught by Mrs. Jeanine Varner. She, along with her husband Paul are both enjoying their second year with the college, and are completing work for their doctorate at the University of Tennessee. In the business field, "Principles of Marketing" is taught by J.C. Fassino, who also works in marketing at Ford Motor Company. "Business Law I" is taught by Dr. John Todd, an attorney who is the most recent addition to the MCC faculty.

Classes are scheduled to encourage older students to enroll. Many Bible and business courses are offered in the evenings. Mothers with young children can earn an Associate Degree by attending college when their children are in school.

A Cappella Chorus

Spring Tour

March 7-15, 1980

- FRI. 7th Cross Street Church of Christ**
7:30 Ypsilanti, Michigan
- SAT. 8th Hillcrest Church of Christ**
7:30 Anderson, Indiana
- SUN. 9th Westlake Church of Christ**
6:00 Indianapolis, Indiana
- MON. 10th Indianapolis Christian School**
10:00 Indianapolis, Indiana
- MON. 10th Laurel Avenue Church of Christ**
7:30 Hamilton, Ohio
- TUE. 11th Richland Road Church of Christ**
7:30 Marion, Ohio
- WED. 12th Elmwood Church of Christ**
7:30 Mt. Vernon, Ohio
- THUR. 13th St. Clairsville Church of Christ**
7:30 St. Clairsville, Ohio
- FRI. 14th New Brighton Church of Christ**
7:30 New Brighton, Pennsylvania
- SAT. 15th Stark County Youth Rally**
6:00 Market Avenue Church of Christ
Canton, Ohio

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A Cappella Chorus Flies to Texas

On January 11th the Michigan Christian College A Cappella Chorus flew to Lubbock, Texas to participate in the 14th Annual Christian College Choral Festival hosted by Lubbock Christian College. Through activities such as the yearly Sing-a-Thon, the members of the chorus had worked for months to raise the cost of plane fare. All agreed the experience was well worth the effort.

In all, nine colleges were represented with twelve choruses attending the event. The MCC group had the distinction of traveling from the greatest distance to participate.

Following two days of intensive rehearsal, the 520-voice festival chorus gathered for a spectacular evening of choral music. To a capacity audience of over 1,000, each group performed two selections individually before joining forces for the final numbers. According to Randall Gill, Director of MCC's A Cappella Chorus, "The power and beauty of the combined voices was overwhelming. We are already making plans to attend next year's festival to be held at Harding University.