



Faulkner University

Commencement

2024



Friday, December 13, 2024

Faulkner University | Tine Davis Gymnasium | Montgomery, Alabama

Bud Stumbaugh

CEO and Entrepreneur



Bud Stumbaugh now owns a silver spoon but wasn't born with one in his mouth. His school drop-out mom found it difficult to put food on the table for him and his three sisters on the minimum wages she earned after his father left when Bud was one year old. At age 9 Bud picked cotton for a penny a pound to help his mom buy food and school clothes. From this meager beginning he worked his way through college and became the first in his family to earn a bachelor's degree.

After successfully helping other companies to profitability, Bud Co-Founded and was CEO of AssuranceAmerica Corporation. In just 10 years he led its growth from zero to \$200 million. He has since promoted his successor and retired but is still called upon to occasionally lead special projects, conduct planning and sales training sessions and represent AssuranceAmerica through public speaking engagements. His company and its co-founder, Guy

Millner, honored Bud by pledging \$3 million to start the Stumbaugh School of Risk Management and Insurance in the business college of Faulkner University.

In addition to business and charitable endeavors, Bud has been active in elective politics having served 8 terms in the Georgia State Senate where he was chosen as Outstanding Senator of the Year 5 different times. He was an unsuccessful candidate for Lieutenant Governor of Georgia, and now works behind the scenes to raise money for and help elect others who he feels will be ethical and honorable servants of the people. He currently serves on the Finance Committee of Georgia's Governor.

A frequent speaker before business entities, religious groups, civic clubs, conventions, political forums and schools, Bud hopes to inspire people to pursue their dreams regardless of circumstances or difficulties. In that regard, he recently authored a book, *DO THE BEST YOU CAN'T!*, published by Archway Publishing, that echoes the theme of his speeches by encouraging readers to fight their fears, overcome obstacles and conquer challenges as he did; thereby achieving what they and others previously thought was impossible.

Driven by his desire to help others, Bud is active in his local community and beyond by serving on a half-dozen charitable or non-profit boards. This includes the Holly Theatre, Boy Scouts of America, and Faulkner University in Montgomery, from which he has an honorary doctorate. He earned his bachelor's degree from Lipscomb University in Nashville.

One of Bud's favorite quotes, from Ben Franklin's "Poor Richards Almanac," provides insight into his motivations for writing his book, speaking to groups and living his life: "If you don't want to be forgotten soon after you die, either write a book worth reading or lead a life worth writing."

Bud has certainly attempted that, not only in business, politics, motivational speaking, civic and charitable endeavors, but by also staying physically active. He lifts weights 4 times per week and jogs 3 miles per day 7 days a week. He recently exceeded 58,000 total miles of jogging as a result of his running regimen. He is the father of 2 daughters, has 4 grandkids, and lives with his wife, Tania, in Dahlonega, Georgia.

Commencement Program

10:00 AM



* **PROCESSIONAL**.....Faculty and Students

* **MACE BEARER**.....Kees Kalonick, MAT
Assistant Professor, English

INVOCATION.....*Chris Coker, Ed.D.*
Director, Mobile Center

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION OF SPEAKER.....Mitch Henry, J.D.
University President

COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS.....Bud Stumbaugh
CEO and Entrepreneur

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Mitch Henry, J.D.
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Dave Rampersad, Ph.D.
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Charles B. Campbell, J.D.
Dean, Jones School of Law

Cassie Boyd, Ph.D.
Interim Dean, College of Health Sciences

Brannon Lentz, Ed.D.
University Registrar

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Director of Donor Acquisitions

BENEDICTION.....Brig. Gen. Rick Boutwell, USAF Ret.
Chief of Staff

RECESSIONAL.....*Pomp and Circumstance Opus 39, No. 1, Sir Edward Elgar*

*Audience Please Stand

Candidates for Graduation

Alabama Christian College of Arts and Sciences

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY

Humanities

Kevin Lamar Boston
Lori Miller Brock
Kwanza Falaka Gipson
Carrie Ann Ordway
Samuel Wise Peters
Timothy Charles Wanamaker

MASTER OF ARTS

Humanities

Chelsea Lee Carrier
Jannica Lynn Gregory
Zachary Alan Pritz
Mark David Kunkee

MASTER OF JUSTICE ADMINISTRATION

Christopher Michael Ahern
Ashley Katera Allen
Jonathan Chad Anthony
Patricia Anne Bethel
Nathaniel Phillip Calvert
Cody Lee Cannoy
Armanie Bene't Chamblin
Fernand Charles, Jr.
Michael Samuel Cherubino
Montreal Antonio Clary
David Preston Collins
Chalon Jonelle Harris
Andrew MacKenzie Hepner, Jr.
Paul William Hosford
Keith Jackson
Dannisha Alexis Kern
William Joseph LaMonica
Taylor DeLeon Rivas
Marlon Rivera
Rena J. Russell
Tara Tiffany Shuffit
Donald Keith Terry
Tomathon Jason Tuck
Thomas Edward Watson

MASTER OF SCIENCE

Psychology

Brandon Deshawn Blue
Heidi M. Guy

BACHELOR OF ARTS

Computer Science

Michalis Jackson

English

Erica Michelle Young

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

Counseling Psychology

Lolitia A. Boone-Bull
Manda Bell Boothe
Noah Anthony Bowers
Emma Danielle Brown
Hannah R. Carpenter
Leah Denise Dye
Shonda Charlette Hightower Robinson
Tori Acqunetta Hightower
Aniya Rian Hunt
Christen Marie Moore
Matthew D. Mowry
Jacqueline Christine Strickland

Criminal Justice

Skylar Brooke McKinley
Brittany Nicole Wilkinson

Exercise Science

Joshua Jawaun Taylor

Forensic Psychology

Jasmine A. Wiggins

General/Clinical Psychology

Heather McDaniel
Tavius Robbins

Health and Rehab Psychology

Hannah Grace Blackerby
Tennye Chevette Smoots

Interdisciplinary Studies

Tyberius Stephen Correa
Alexis B. Marbury

Legal Studies

Kinya M. Isaac
Haley Rene Peterson
Kelli Saunders Scoma

Sports Management

Israel Eduardo Fuentes

Sports Psychology

Joseph Burnett Cameron

Anna Elise Purvis

Sports, Recreation, and Fitness

Zachary Gerald Bushnell

Alessia Valeria Confalonieri

Darian D'Ante Gulley

Riley Michael Hall

Jacoby LaBobby Lightfoot

Malik Jordan Murray

ASSOCIATE OF ARTS

Kristal Cha'quita Burke

Jalisa Renee Franks

Niesha Reed

Kaden Brian Roberson

ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE

Tiffany Lashanda Igus

Alicia Yoerg

Computer Information Science

Riley Nathan Seth Collins

Karson Greer Oakley

Harris College of Business and Executive Education

EXECUTIVE MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Emma Kathryn Anders

Darisu Rashawn Anderson

Christy Lashae Austin

Dani Nichole Balestra

Curtis James Bell

Renee Rochell Berry

Andrew Charles Blackwell

Rebecca Louise Blake

Matthew Humbert Bloch

Tamara LaToya Blue Neely

Mary Elizabeth Boehm

Jerry Tyus Brown

Marilyn Dosse Bullard

Rhett Catania

Olivia Grace Chadwell

Andrea V. Charles

Tiffany Collins

Kelsey Danielle Cooper

Scott Russell Cooper

Patrick Daly

Latanglia Williams Dozier

Cynthia Kae Edwards

Britany Alicia Gargone

Scherlyn Marie Garnett

Josie Gates

Jackie Hunter Gibson

Rachael Nahyda Belle Graham

Skye Simone Guice

Pelaiah Lorraine-Bernice Hall

Samuel Albert Hanvey

Timothy Harris

Michael Hausermann

Lucy Marie Herridge

Dustin Luke Holcomb

Shakeria Nicole Holmes

Kia Latiste Hunter

Lakitta Neshae Jackson

Jacob Paul Jensen

Jaylyn Ervonna Johnson

Michael Lydale Johnson

Chase Erickson Johnston

Artina Heard Jones

Jeffery Allen Jones

Alethia Charisse Jordan

Ray Ellis King, Jr.

Chiconie Dyon Lewis

Erik Da'Rez Lewis

Teresa D. Marshall

Megan Elizabeth Martin

Cynthia Buzonowski May

Robin Renee McBrayer

Sean Kerr McCurdy

Genesis Aailyah McGregor

MaLea Ruth Milstead

Lauren A. Mitchell

Peter Michael Mixon, Jr.

Jeremy Michael Moore

Alix Marnie O'Connell

Layne Marie Overstreet

Crystal Lynn Parker

Victor Odell Paschal

Montrez Jajuan Payton

Justin Wayne Pearson

TaShay Joanne Person

Lynne Eryne Nikkole Piwko

Zackery Thomas Presley

Julia Paige Reece

Lee Joseph Rinna

Daniel Austin Robertson

Holly Marie Sanders

Phillip Louis Sanders

Jennifer Anne Sendral

Jordan Seth Skinner

Dane' Shantel Taylor
Tara Parker Teel
Nikole Shaunte' Thomas
Raeff Michael Thrash
Sarah Nicole Tipton
Domeka Kanielle Washington
Michael Scott Wilkes
Lindsey Patterson Williams
Raylin Miranda Williams

MASTER OF SCIENCE IN MANAGEMENT

Syed Azhar Ahmad
Audrey M. Bever
DeCynda Maegan Brown Williams
Zachary Walker Bryant
Trixie Ann Bush
Misty Noel Byers
Michelle Heaven Lea Davis
Danielle Regina Eiland
Laura Glow
Quentin Tavaris Green
Christopher Dontaye Greene
Nagarjuna Reedy Gujja
Melanie Nicole Gullatt
Latasha Lawson Henderson
Valeria Denise Hill
Xijuan Hu
Tamanna Jahan
Jashaun Davis Jenkins
Brandy Prewitt Johnson
Swetha Jumbarath
Meenakshi Kawatra
Jason Mitchell King
Arnika Andrea Lewis
John Matthew Lopez
Daphne L. Lumpkin
Ankita Malhotra

Irishia Christina McCall
Mubeen Ahmed Mohammed Abdul
Hillary Mathews Moore
Eliza Catherine Norton
Junior Clive Nyamunda
Khalil Rashad Pope-Turner
Sai Charan Rallabandi
Min Ren
Christoph Johannes Lars Rickert
Fnu Sana Shiraz Fathima
Dana Michelle Shannon
Joshua Knight Sippial
Nadina Lee Smith
Susanna Dee Speegle
Taqi Ullah Hussaini Syed
Yagnesh Rao Thirunarayanapura Venkata
Callie Ann Thomas
Jonathan Ricardo Villa
Myoshi Cecelia Wilder
Stephanie Sierra Wilson
Jack Robert York
Ashanta N. Young

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

Business Administration

Zakary Lee Farris
Jorge Joel Lucero
Bryson James Martin
Aldin Gage McDaniel
Darion Lamar Porter-Cooper
Ethan Miles Thomas
Torian Washington
Rafael Zavala, Jr.

Finance

Royelle David Comer, Jr.

V.P. Black College of Biblical Studies

MASTER OF ARTS

Biblical Studies

Jason Andrew Campbell

BACHELOR OF ARTS

Biblical Studies

Samuel Richard Moore

College of Education

MASTER OF EDUCATION

Hannah Caitlyn Carlson
Tianna Racael Latrice Foreman
Marion Elizabeth Reilly
Briel Dawson Woods

MASTER OF SCIENCE

Counseling

Wesley Dale Kilgo

Clinical Mental Health Counseling

Peter Thompson Afangideh
Olivia Michelle Angst
Nikoyah LeeShe' Dunn
Tyler Bearden Grant
Anna Magdalene Reynolds

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

Elementary Education

Zaria Trekayla Shoots

College of Health Sciences

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

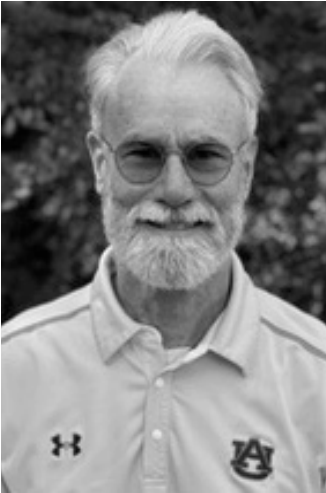
Health Sciences

Brianna Gail Boyd
Hannah Jeanne Bryan
Vincent Anthony Fanelli
Ivey Day Hill
Sara Corinne Weissinger

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John Cranston

Bird Inc. State Coordinator



John Cranston currently resides in Huntsville, Alabama where he serves as a Principal Research Scientist/Engineer with Auburn University. He received his Bachelor of Science in Business, Executive Management degree from Faulkner University in 1990. He is skilled in materials science, systems engineering, research and development, and aerospace.

During his nearly 40-year career in the aerospace industry John Cranston has spent 10 years as a NASA contractor developing manufacturing processes for the Space Shuttle external tank and 14 years leading the development and documentation of processes used in the building of the James Webb Space Telescope. He also spent 8 years with the University of Alabama at Huntsville where his responsibilities included identifying NASA technology to transfer into the commercial sector through license or purchase. Since 2018 he has been with Linc Research where he provides engineering support for the development of materials and processes to build modular shelters for military applications in all-weather environments.

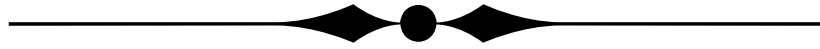
Mr. Cranston has also spent considerable time working with and mentoring youth. While at the University of Alabama at Huntsville he created an innovative program for school children which allowed them to experience and learn about the real world of work called “Bird, Inc.: the 50 Minute Factory.” This hands-on experience was used to create interest in manufacturing as a career and show how education and hands-on learning are the keys to all jobs. This program has been taken to schools all over the state of Alabama. In 2000, Mr. Cranston received the Innovator Award from the Alabama Technology Network for his contributions with this program. In 2022, Auburn University’s Interdisciplinary Center for Advanced Manufacturing Systems (ICAMS) awarded him a one-year contract to continue student outreach in the Auburn School District and later awarded an extension to reach out to the Walker County School District. That extension turned into a 2-year effort funded by the Department of Defense through Auburn University, ICAMS. Currently he is Coordinator for the entire state of Alabama for the “Bird Inc.” program.

Mr. Cranston has started multiple successful businesses, developed multiple patents, has been awarded multiple grants and been called upon to make multiple presentations on technology, development and education and has been the recipient of multiple awards for technology and academic related service.

He has been married for 51 years, is a father of 4 and a grandfather (Popi) for 11.

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1:00 PM



* **PROCESSIONAL**.....Faculty and Students

* **MACE BEARER**.....Guy Renfro, Ph.D.
Associate Professor, Psychology

INVOCATION.....Lynn Gurganus, M.Ed.
Director, Birmingham/Huntsville Centers

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BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN CRIMINAL JUSTICE

Norman L. Adams
William Kyle Adams
Leeann Nicole Atkins
Olivia Williams Attical
Payton Georgiana Bailey
Jimmy Ozene Baldwin, II
Andrew Vincent Barbara
Peggy Faye Bishop
Makisha Antwionette Black
Gwendaland J. Blash
Donovan Taylor Boone
Wesley Gabe Brooks
Dondrae Breon Bush
Jason Michael Colbert
Justin O'Neal Cottingham
Nicholas Wade Crauthers
Brittany Shae Davis
Margaret Ann Davis
Thomas Christopher Davis
Marcus Terrell Dees
Jamie Doss
Sherritric Lonique Evans
James Winsor Crosby Farden
Antonio Fikes, Jr.
Nadia Alexandria Freeman
Lilian Lizette Garcia
Robert Martin Hammond
Brittany Nicole Harris
Sheila Hill
Brian Keith Hodge
Cruze Alexander Howard
Taylor Hadiyah Jackson
Connor Sebastain Jenkins
Evontae Kilpatrick Johnson
Roland K. Johnson, Jr.
Nicole Ashley Kemp
Pavel Kozlov
Brandon Kaleb Knutson
Andrew Lee
Adrian Leos
Gabriel Castro Lozano
Kevin Pacheco Medeiros
Christopher Edward O'Callaghan
Andrew Charles Peker
Douglas Reed Pennington
Jonathan Perez
James Aaron Rondell Perry
Santina Lashawn Person
Leo Pickett, Jr.
Jason Kyle Rawlins

Djuan Raymond
Katie Rice
Mark Andrew Robles
Kevin Dawanis Samuel
Juan F. Sanchez
Jeffrey Michael Snyder
Jacqueline L. Solomon
Jeffery Dean Spears
Christopher Sherman Stewart
James Alan Green Stewart
Carmisha Bychell Stinson
Johnny R. Summers, Jr.
Rachel Latrice Thomas
Shandra R Thomas
Gabrielle Anna Vaughn
Lee Vieira
Jerry Tyler Watson
Cornelius Deonte Webster
Nicholas Anthony Wood

BACHELOR OF FIRE SCIENCE MANAGEMENT

Louis Phillip Giambertone
Dennis Vincent Hanson
Vincent Andrew Lukehart
Adam Nulty

Harris College of Business and Executive Education

BACHELOR OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Allison O'Neal Anderson
TeAira Lashawn Braxton
Matthew Dual Carmichael
Hannah Maria Guy
Monique Sade Hayes
Takeima Janise Howard
Ursula Johnson
Cordelia Leeannie Jones
Kenya DeAnna Mahan
Kaylan Marshai McClellan
Amari Emily McCloud
Jesse H. Morris
Kimberly Ann Phillips
Karen Roten Price
Yolanda Rocha
A'kilah Tierra Scott
Teresa Diann Sears
Kayla Tyiesha Sullivan
Rioneshia Ariel Taylor

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN BUSINESS

Chamari Destine Abernathy
Patricia Bryars Allen
Carrlinda Denise Anderson
Brooke M. Archie
James Randall Ashley
Brinda Hough Bell
Erica Dona Betts
Ashleigh Grace Blackwood
Taneecia Ka'Shae Blount
Jason Spencer Blythe
Jeffrey Robert Bonds
Heather Ann Broadway
Kendall De'Shawn Chisholm
Markeria Moesha Davis
Tony Dickson
Kattie Michelle Duncan
Danielle Edwards
Candice Marie Fomby
Brittany D. Freeman
Briggett Golden
Nicole Grove
Tiffany Nicole Harris
Tomeka Chanta Hartwell
Timothy Brandon Hearn
Kaitlyn Mackenzie Helums
Shante Lanette Hicks
Shelia Irene Hill
Christopher La'Darrin Hutcherson
Lauren Elizabeth Hutchings

Chasity Faye Jackson
Thakala Kenora Johnson
Brian Lynn Joseph
Heather Michelle Kirby
Rojanda Knighton
Chelsea Rae Knowles
Jerry Dean Lambert
Jessica Marie Lewis
Mee'Sha LaShonda Lindsay
Lacey Kate Looser
Laticia Mack
Antwanita Danielle Madison
Victoria Elyse Maklary
Katina Lynn Matthews
Charles Wesley McCrary
RaLyn D,Andre'A Mitchell
Austin Drake Moore
Victoria Darlene Odom
Laura Adriane O'Tinger
Amaris Michelle Overton
Equilla Padgett
Denise Marie Pergson
Ashley Harris Pope
Jeremy LaVann Portwood
Diego Esparza Ramirez
Calanda Nicole Pauldin Rice
Rachel Green Rivers
Keandrae Jaafar Rutledge
Summer Ranae Samano
Jon David Senter
Timothy Bryan Shirley
Wendy Richardson Simpson
Kimberly Anne Smith
Ruth Irma Soli
Tracy Renee Stewart
Gregory Allen Sumner
Dejah Shene Sumral
Savannah Kai Tipton
LaKesha Yvette Todd
Lauren Tompkins
Brentin Lane Tucker
Tierra Madaya Wagner
Jennifer Ann Ward
Karisma Washington
Kathya Orozco White
Devonte Marquise Whitfield
Jiya Tierra Williams
Xavier Nathaniel Woods
Sonya Anike Wright
Erin Yndya Ybanez

**BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN HUMAN
RESOURCES MANAGEMENT**

Emily Margaret Albaugh
Chassidy Monae Besteda
Stephanie Marie Brown
Jeffrey Frederic Cashmore
Whitney Chambers
Nigel Kendall Cochran
Amanda Jane Ferrell
Megan Clark Ferrouillat
Aireal Jala Harlan
Michelle Smiley Jackson
Shervarianno Jones
Amanda L. Manning
Wiletta Roshale McGhee
Scarlett Hayes McGowin
Elizabeth B. Mize
Alyson M. Montemagno
Reschard D. Moultrie
Ella Nicole Russo
Lori Bess Smith
Jonathan Lloyd Stone
ShaVone A. Thomas
Dena Lynn Williamson

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Graduating with Honors

Graduation Attire

CORDS:

Black and gold cord denote membership in *Chi Alpha Sigma*, a National College Athlete honor society.
Red and white cords denote membership in *Phi Alpha Theta*, a National History Honor Society.
Blue and white cords identify Graduate Counseling students with a 3.7 GPA or higher.
Gold cord identifies those graduating with honors. In the traditional program, honors are announced in increasing levels of honor as *cum laude*, *magna cum laude*, and *summa cum laude*.
Green and purple cord denotes membership in *Kappa Delta Pi*, an international Education honor society.
Orange and white cords denote membership in the National Student Speech-Language-Hearing Association.
Platinum and dark blue cord denotes membership in *Psi Chi*, an international Psychology honor society.
Black and platinum cords denote membership in the National Society of Leadership and Success.
Red cord denotes membership in the Aspiring Educators Program.

LAPEL PIN:

Black and gold pin with Faulkner emblem denotes recipient of the Lou Harris Criminal Justice Honor Graduate Award.

MEDALLIONS:

Blue and gold medallion on blue ribbon denotes membership in *Alpha Iota Sigma*, an Interdisciplinary Studies honor society.
Blue and gold medallion on gold ribbon denotes membership in *Sigma Zeta*, a national honor society for Mathematics, Computer Science, and Science majors.
Gold medallion on blue and green ribbon denotes membership in *Alpha Chi*, a national honor society.
Red and black medallion on red and black ribbon denotes membership in the National Society of Leadership and Success.
Silver medallion on blue ribbon identifies honorees of Faulkner's academic departments.

STOLES:

Blue stole with white trim denotes successful graduation in Faulkner's Great Books Honors program.
Purple stole with white trim denotes membership in *Lambda Epsilon Chi*, a national Paralegal honor society.
Silver stole with Greek letters ΚΑΠ in black denotes membership in *Kappa Delta Pi*, an international Education honor society.
Platinum stole with Greek letters ΣΑΠ denotes membership in The National Society of Leadership and Success.

Academic Regalia

The Cap and Gown The academic cap signifies the freedom of scholarship and the responsibility and dignity scholarship endows the wearer. Old poetry refers to the cap as square, symbolizing a book. From medieval times, academic robes have most often been black.

Marks of Distinction Belled sleeves with three bars of velvet and velvet trim down the front of a gown distinguish those who received Doctoral degrees. Hoods with school colors and colors peculiar to each academic discipline distinguish those who have received Master's degrees or Doctoral degrees.

In Honor of the Dignity of this Occasion

- Please silence all cell phones and similar devices.
- Please remain in your seat from the time the procession begins until the graduation ceremony has concluded.
- Please do not enter the aisles during the ceremony to take pictures.

Letter from the President



Congratulations graduates! Welcome to our December 2024 Commencement Ceremony. We also welcome you to our Faulkner alumni family. It is an honor to bring our special guests, Bud Stumbaugh and John Cranston as your commencement speakers.

Your success in your chosen career field will impact generations to come. We have every confidence that you will not only thrive in your career, but you will live as vocational ministers, making your work a ministry to serve other people every day.

Faulkner's mission is to glorify God through education of the whole person, emphasizing integrity of character in a caring, Christian environment where every individual matters every day. You have been and will continue to be critical to that mission as you work each day and support your Alma mater.

We live in challenging times. Our world is filled with suffering and human needs abound. Political and cultural polarization are prevalent, but you have been equipped to face these challenges.

As Faulkner alumni you will bring glory to God by sharing the good news of Jesus Christ and your faith. You will bring healing to suffering, bring fulfillment to critical human needs, bring peace to disputes, and bring hope to our world.

God bless you for all the good you have done and will do, and the many happy hours we have spent together.

Mitch Henry
President, Faulkner University



FAULKNER

A L U M N I

October 30, 2024

Dear Graduates,

Congratulations on reaching this significant milestone in your lives! As you prepare to walk across the stage, take a moment to reflect on the hard work, dedication, and perseverance that brought you to this point. Your achievements are a testament to your strength and determination, and we are incredibly proud of each of you.

We encourage you to stay connected with your classmates and the university community. Together, we can celebrate your successes and navigate the challenges that may come your way.

Once again, congratulations! We can't wait to see what you achieve in the years to come.

Warm regards,

Donna Churchwell

Loren Howell

Assistant Directors of Advancement/Alumni Operations

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**Keep us updated on your milestones and achievements,
and be highlighted in our university magazine.**



Dear Families and Friends,

As we gather to celebrate the remarkable achievements of this year's graduating class, we also reflect on the incredible journey they have taken to arrive at this moment. Their hard work, perseverance, and dedication have brought them here today, and we here at Faulkner University are proud of each of their accomplishments.

Through the generosity of alumni, families, friends and our extended network of supporters, Faulkner has been allowed the opportunity to provide a transformative experience for every student. An atmosphere "where every individual matters every day" is not just part of our mission statement, but a way of life.

Faulkner University's advancement efforts ensure that future generations of students have the tools they need to succeed. With your help, we can continue to enhance academic programs, fund scholarships, and provide a campus environment that fosters excellence and creativity.

As you celebrate your graduate's achievements today, we invite you to consider how you might continue to make a difference. By supporting Faulkner, you are not only investing in its future but also in the countless students who will follow in the footsteps of the graduates we honor today.

Thank you for being an invaluable part of the Faulkner Family. Together, we are shaping the future, one graduate at a time.

With gratitude,
Billy Camp
Vice President for Advancement

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UNIVERSITY**



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Faulkner University

Faulkner University Alma Mater

Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Weaver

Rodney Bell

In the heart of our fair south - land stands a school that we hold
Ev - ery - one's a friend to oth - ers, Bi - ble truth is taught each
Do you yearn to be a ser - vant of our Lord and fel - low

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dear. Our be - lov - ed Al - ma Ma - ter, To our hearts will e'er be
day. Teach - ing us to e're be Christ - ians, In our thoughts, our work, our
man? O - pen are the doors to know - ledge: If you will to do, you

8 Chorus:
near.
play. Faulk - ner U - ni - vers - i - ty, You shall nev - er fail.
can.

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Let our prai - ses ring out loud - ly, Al - ma Ma - ter, Hail!

