



National Alumni Association Prepares for Founder's Day Weekend

On this coming weekend, January 14 - 15, 2012, the Western Baptist Bible College National Alumni Association will celebrate the founders of the school. The annual celebration is comprised of a breakfast on Saturday morning and a worship service on Sunday afternoon.



Dr. Eddie Flackes, Jr.

Dr. Eddie Flackes, pastor of the Blue Valley Missionary Baptist Church is the president of the alumni association. He and the Founder's Day Weekend committee has been making preparations for alumni, trustees, staff, faculty, students and friends of the school.

The theme for the weekend is *"But If Our Gospel Be Hid"*, II Corinthians 4:3.



The Saturday morning breakfast speaker will be Dr. Bobby L. Love who serves as the Associate Dean of the Olathe, Kansas campus.

Love is an alumna of Western and is the pastor of the Second Baptist Church of Olathe, Kansas. This past October he was the lecturer for the Eighth Carolyn Ealy Lecture. Love is very active in the Olathe, Kansas civic and social affairs and he is a member of several organizations and serves on several boards.

The Sunday afternoon keynote speaker will be Dr. Samuel W. Nero, Sr. who serves as Chairman of the Board of Trustees.



Nero is the pastor of the Second Baptist Church of Independence. Nero also is a member of many organizations in the Independence and Kansas City area and serves on many boards. Nero is the Chaplin for the Independence Police Department.

The 122nd Founder's Day weekend will be held at the Rescue Missionary Baptist Church in Kansas City. The breakfast will start at 9:00 a.m. and the worship service on Sunday will be at 3:00 p.m. A donation of \$15.00 is requested.

Western to Host Shiloh Missionary Baptist Church of Kansas City Martin Luther King Celebration

On this coming Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, Western Baptist Bible College will host the Shiloh Missionary Baptist Church Martin Luther King, Jr. celebration.



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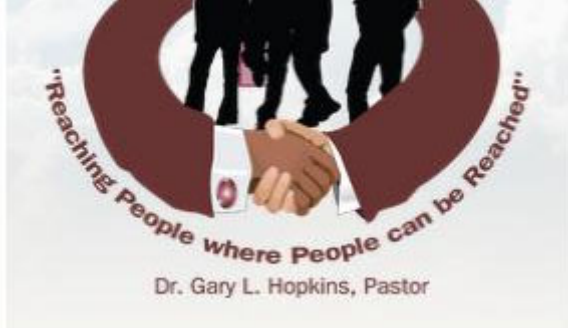
Junction City, Kansas
Rev. Leonard Gray, Dean

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Summer Program

Rev. Gary L. Hopkins, Sr., is the Senior Pastor of Shiloh. Rev. Corey Cullins, Youth Pastor is giving leadership to the celebration.



The celebration is a Youth Day Event. The activities will include, interactive workshops, music, crafts, poetry and lectures on the history of the underground railroad, African dance, African drumming and much more.

The celebration will be from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

President Jones to be Martin Luther King Speaker for St. Joseph, Missouri



Western president Thad Jones will be the Dr. Martin Luther King speaker for the city of St. Joseph, Missouri on this coming Martin Luther King holiday, January 16, 2012.

The Martin Luther King celebration is sponsored by the Interdenominational Ministerial Alliance of Greater St. Joseph.

The service will be held at the St. Francis Baptist Temple where Dr. W. A. Hedge is the pastor.

This is a community wide celebration. There will be a community choir, praise dancers and pastors and ministers leading the devotion.

The service portion of the celebration will begin at 7:00 p.m.

Western Is Home to Transformer Program Next Meeting January 21st



Western Baptist Bible College on this past October 15, 2011, Western became the official home of the Junior Laymen ministry of the New Era District Association.

For the past three years Western has been the official home to the New Era District Junior Laymen Bible Bowl Championship. It is held each March to determine the bible bowl champion for the district and to send the winner off to the state championship.

Newly appointed director of Junior Laymen Work, Minister Grant Lewis asked if Western would host the newly formed Transformer Program. The program is designed to train, mentor and transform boys to be men in Christ.

The mission statement for the program is, "Impacting young people through the message of the Bible to create young men who love Jesus".

The program will meet at Western the third Saturday of each month. Lewis stated, "Western is the perfect environment for young men to learn about God."

Western is committed to learning. Especially for the youth of the community and the supporting churches.

Assisting Lewis will be the following counselors:

- Kurt Thompson - Pleasant Green Baptist Church
- Paul Kengethe II - New Hope Missionary Baptist Church
- Rev. Kevin Smith - Westminster Baptist church
- Minister Dion Williams - Mt. Carmel Missionary Baptist Church

Charles Cooper - Morning Star Baptist Church

The primary teaching material that will be used for the Transformer program will be the workbook written by Ernest Tinsley, National

Dr. Charles Oliver, Jr.

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Dr. Charles Oliver, Jr.

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Dr. Charles Oliver, Jr.
Instructor

Calendar of Events

January 14, 2012
Founder's Day Weekend
Rescue Baptist Church
9:00 a.m.
3:00 p.m.

January 16, 2012
Shiloh Baptist Church
MLK Celebration
9:00 a.m.

January 23, 2012
Spring Semester Begins
Goins Hall
6:00 p.m.

February 16, 2012
John W. Williams
Lectureship Series
Goins Hall
7:00 p.m.

March 4, 2012
Black History Program
Greater Bethel Church
9201 Eastern Avenue
4:00 p.m.

March 15, 2012
I. H. Henderson Sr. & Jr.
Lectureship Series
Eighth Street Church
Dr. Elliott Cuff
National Congress Dean
Lecturer
7:00 p.m.

March 29, 2012
Women's History Month
Observance
Goins Hall
Denise Jordan
Keynote Speaker
7:00 p.m.

April 20, 2012
Loyalty & Fellowship Banquet
Holiday Inn Coco-Key
Kansas City, MO
7:00 p.m.

May 17, 2012
Commencement
TBA
7:00 p.m.



Baptist Laymen Vice President, *Ingredients of Christian Character*.

After three meetings, the attendance has risen to 32 boys. The program is getting great support from the Senior Laymen ministry and pastors asking to serve as instructors.

Western Benefits From Federal Heartland Campaign \$1,170 Received



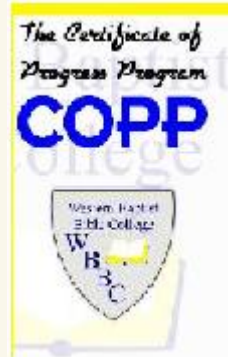
Western gained acceptance into the Heartland Combined Federal Campaign in May 2010. Heartland is a program for fundraising for charitable organizations in the Federal workplace. It can be traced to the late 1940's. However, formal authority to permit fundraising in the Federal workplace was not established until 1961, when President John F. Kennedy

authorized the U.S. Civil Service Commission to develop guidelines and regulate fundraising in the Federal service.

Seeing a need to bring the diversity of fundraising efforts under one umbrella, Federal employees created the CFC -- one campaign, once a year. By allowing employees to select from a single guide, called the Catalog of Caring, and making their contributions through payroll deductions, the CFC opened wide the door to more opportunities for generous giving to literally thousands of worthy causes.

Established by the federal government in 1961, the Combined Federal Campaign (CFC) is the only authorized charitable fundraising campaign for federal employees, both civilian and military. Conducted by the federal government under the authority of the U.S. Office of Personnel Management (OPM), the CFC operates in more than 230 localities throughout the United States, Puerto Rico, the U.S. Virgin Islands, and in overseas military bases. CFC continues to be the largest and most successful workplace fundraising model in the world, raising over \$272 million in 2008 for thousands of local, national, and international charitable agencies.

Western would like to thank all those supporters who gave during the 2011 year and ask that you continue to support the school during the 2012 year.



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