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Annual President's Report: EBC Vision 2011

You might be wondering about the above title. First, it promises an annual report, which has never been offered before, at least not during the tenure of the current president. Second, it refers to something called EBC Vision 2011, which obviously requires some explanation.

On the first issue, this is indeed what is hoped will be the first of an unending succession of annual reports to EBC constituents reflecting on the current state and future prospects of the College we all love and care about. On the second, EBC Vision 2011 is the title we gave to the document we produced at the end of a several month-long planning process. EBC Vision 2011 is a five-year strategic plan that outlines five major goals that, by God's grace, the College intends to fulfill by the end of the year 2011. I'd like to highlight something about each of the five goals, because they enable me to acquaint you with some current accomplishments we are experiencing, as well as indicating to you where we think God is leading us to place strong emphasis as we fulfill our mission.

Since I mentioned the College's mission, let me share the full version of it with you: *The mission of Eugene Bible College is to glorify God through biblically based College education that disciples and equips servants of Jesus Christ to become life-long learners who offer effective and relevant Spirit-filled ministry and leadership in the Church and in the world.*

In order to better fulfill that mission, EBC intends to accomplish the following five goals by the year 2011:

1. Be recognized as a vital source of training for emerging Christian leaders through an integrated experience in academic learning, Christian character development, and practical ministry.
2. Maintain current levels of accreditation and achieve candidacy for regional accreditation from the Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities (NWCCU).
3. Increase the base of financial resources and maximize current and incoming resources to enhance the support of students, personnel and resources.
4. Strengthen recruiting and retention efforts to increase student completion numbers.

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5. Build a student life center as part of a comprehensive campus development plan.

We believe that the EBC experience is a unique one, as we continue to integrate a three-strand chord on our campus: we offer our students a quality academic education from a Christian perspective, we provide ministry and leadership skills and experience, and all along the way we provide opportunities for students to grow in discipleship and character development. That is an ongoing task filled with challenges, but we are committed to it in all of our programs and activities on campus, because the wonderful students God sends our way are worth the investment. We know that if we serve them well, we have a share in Kingdom advancement all over the world, and we are thrilled as we witness what God does in the lives of these special men and women.

One of EBC's core values is the pursuit of excellence. We believe in providing our students with the best experience possible on our campus, and with the strongest bachelor degree we can give them as they leave Bailey Hill and go out to change the world for Christ. We are continuing in good standing with the Association for Biblical Higher Education, and we are making progress in our quest to add to our Bible college accreditation. I am also delighted to announce that in January 2007, the NWCCU commissioners approved our application for candidacy. We will now begin the first of two additional self-studies with the Commission, and if all goes well, we will indeed reach our stated goal of being granted membership in NWCCU by 2011. This dual accreditation will provide all our graduates with a stronger degree, and will demonstrate our commitment to accountability as we continue to walk in favor with God and with others in fulfillment of our mission.

Our third goal is a daunting challenge. We know God is calling us to excellence, and we are aiming high in that regard. For us to grow and become all that we can be, we

will need to provide resources to our students and faculty, and we'll need to upgrade and improve our facilities. Our College advancement team will be faithful to do the necessary fundraising with diligence and integrity, and the Lord will provide—he always does.

We know that EBC is a special place, one where transformation takes place, one life at a time. We know God will be calling more men and women to be among the next generation of EBC students, and our enrollment management team is up to the task of finding those prospective students and serving them well as we introduce them, their families and their schools and churches to the unique EBC experience. We've set some enrollment goals for the next decade, and we fully expect God to hear our prayers and honor our hard work.

On the fifth goal, we are excited about the campus development plan that the EBC Board of Directors approved last fall that will continually be revised and updated as the College adapts to changing circumstances in the fulfillment of its mission. And we are so grateful to God for the progress to date in the funding and construction of the Student Life Center. We have received over \$2,000,000 in cash, and look forward to the Lord's provision as we receive additional gifts and fulfilled pledges. As we send this Update to you, we have a building shell and roof, and many areas of the inside of the facility are in the process of being completed. Praise the Lord! If you have already helped us to build this great facility, thank you! If you can help us to complete and fully furnish the inside portions, we will be most grateful. We are hoping that we'll be able to begin occupying and using the new SLC sometime during the fall of 2007.

In summary, I know I speak for many among the EBC community when I say how excited I am about EBC's future. God has blessed this College for 82 years, and we are entering a season of his grace and presence in our midst that is filled with the promise of his direction and

“He is no fool who gives what he cannot keep to gain what he cannot lose.” Those words were penned by the martyr, Jim Elliot, whose powerful testimony of sacrifice for Christ, along with that of his fellow missionaries, was recently portrayed in the motion picture, *End of the Spear*. These brave men understood what was really important in this life, and they truly gave their lives for it. They knew that we simply cannot take our treasures out of this world and into heaven when we die. But we can plant seeds with them on this earth, and through those seeds we will someday reap an eternal harvest of souls won for the Kingdom. I believe that that is exactly what those of you in the 2006 President’s Circle are doing. You are planting seeds by supporting a new generation of Christian ministers, leaders and workers who are being trained at EBC before heading into the world with assignments from God. Thank you so much, and thank you in advance for obeying the promptings of the Holy Spirit and supporting EBC in 2007! God bless you! Dr. David Cole

Churches, Organizations and Businesses Making Gifts to EBC in 2006

Allegheny District Open Bible Churches - Springdale, PA	New Heights Church of the Open Bible - Spokane, WA
Bentley’s Boat Tops & Upholstery - Milwaukie, OR	New Hope International Ministries - Honolulu, HI
Bethany Church of Franklin - Junction City, OR	New Life Open Bible Church - San Jacinto, CA
Bethany Open Bible Standard - Tacoma, WA	New Life Tabernacle - Petersburg, MI
Bethel Open Bible Church - Lodi, CA	Newberg Open Bible Church - Newberg, OR
Calvary Community Church - Gillette, WY	Northbay Christian Faith Center - Santa Rosa, CA
Calvary Open Bible - Springfield, OR	OBC - Central Region - Des Moines, IA
Calvary Open Bible Church - Antioch, CA	OBC - Eastern Region - Vandalia, OH
Canyon Harvest - Tujunga, CA	OBC - Mt. Plains Region - Colorado Springs, CO
Casper Church of the Open Bible - Casper, WY	OBC - National Office - Des Moines, IA
Christ New Covenant Church Open Bible - Lacon, IL	OBC - Pacific Region - Eugene, OR
Christian Center - Bentonville, AR	OBC - Southeast Region - Valrico, FL
Christian Life Center of Bend - Bend, OR	Open Bible Center - Kankakee, IL
Church of God - Salem, OR	Open Bible Christian Center - Rapid City, SD
Church of the Open Bible - Bay Point, CA	Open Bible Christian Center - Riddle, OR
Church of the Open Bible - Lakeview, OR	Open Bible Church - Centralia, WA
Church of the Open Bible - Waverly, IA	Open Bible Church - San Jose, CA
Church of the Open Bible - Iowa Falls, IA	Open Bible Church - Sturgis, SD
Church of the Open Bible - Pella, IA	Open Bible Church of Austin - Austin, MN
Community Christian Assembly - Pierson, FL	Open Bible Church of Portland - Portland, OR
Cornerstone Christian Fellowship - San Bernardino, CA	Open Bible Church of San Francisco - San Francisco, CA
Country Church of Open Bible - Elk, WA	Open Bible Fellowship - Eugene, OR
Desert Streams Church Open Bible - Canyon Country, CA	Open Bible Fellowship - Tulsa, OK
East Valley Church - Lowell, OR	Open Bible Ministries - Thermopolis, WY
Eastwood Church of the Open Bible - Des Moines, IA	Open Bible Praise Center - Boonville, MO
Edmonds Open Bible Church - Edmonds, WA	Open Bible Standard Church - Oakridge, OR
Elmira Open Bible Church - Elmira, OR	Pacific Region Prayer Network - Eugene, OR
Faith Fellowship - Vermillion, SD	Paloma Community Open Bible - Valley Springs, CA
Faith Gospel Church - Liverpool, NY	Point of Grace - Ottumwa, IA
Faith Tabernacle - Stevenson, WA	Prairie Family Church - Bismarck, ND
First Church of the Open Bible - Cedar Rapids, IA	Rehoboth Open Bible Church - Brooklyn, NY
First Church of the Open Bible - Des Moines, IA	Rejoice Always Ministries - Littleton, CO
First Church of the Open Bible - Centerville, IA	Rexius / Grant’s Landscaping Services - Eugene, OR
First Church of the Open Bible - Spokane, WA	Riverton Christian Center - Riverton, WY
First Church of the Open Bible - Rosemead, CA	Shiloh Fellowship - Vancouver, WA
Fort Des Moines Church - Des Moines, IA	South Hills Assembly of God - Eugene, OR
General Mills Foundation - Minneapolis, MN	Spirit of Life Open Bible Church - Kearney, NE
Harvest House Publishers - Eugene, OR	Summit Open Bible Fellowship - Belle Fourche, SD
Heartland Church of the Open Bible - West Des Moines, IA	The Bridge of Faith - Hayward, CA
Holt International - Eugene, OR	The Bridge Open Bible Church - Springfield, OR
Huron Church of the Open Bible - Huron, SD	Valley Open Bible Church - Spokane, WA
Lakeview Open Bible Church - Spirit Lake, IA	Victory Christian Fellowship - Rock Springs, WY
Life Center Open Bible Church - Vancouver, WA	Voice for Christ Church - Winchester, IN
Lighthouse International - Eugene, OR	Walnut Grove Church - Vancouver, WA
Lighthouse Temple Open Bible - Council Bluffs, IA	Wayside Chapel - Springfield, OR
Marathon Coach, Inc. - Eugene, OR	Wells Fargo Foundation - San Francisco, CA
Mountain Valley Chapel - Gold Bar, WA	Westside Faith Center - Eugene, OR
New Day Family Worship Ctr. - Rogers, AR	Women’s Ministries - Eugene, OR

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ALUMNI NEWS

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Hello again, dear friends!

After a long weekend with three of my grandguys, my heart and thoughts are sensitive to the critical choices they will face.

I think, "What can I say? What can I do? How can I strengthen them and equip them?"

I want them to love and believe in God and His Word. I want them to understand and follow scriptural principles.

And I know I'm not the only one

with these concerns. **John Bennett (EBC 1959)**, inspired by his own grandchildren, developed a wonderful scripture memorization tool. He says, "It's fun and hopefully some kids will get a bit more of God's Word in them because of it." Let me know if you want a sample.

Plum-Good Verses!
Growing the Fruits of His Spirit through Scripture memory
~~What better way to strengthen our families than to hide God's Word in our hearts? What better way to protect our Christian legacy?~~

I want to do all I can to strengthen my grandchildren. And I also want to do all I can to strengthen EBC, our

students and alumni.

If only you could see the young, promising leaders here on campus; if you could hear their passion for the lost; if you could witness their intense desire to serve God effectively!

And again, I think, "What can I do?"

The answer that keeps rising to the top, for me, is to find ways to strengthen EBC...to accomplish whatever God puts in my heart that will promote a strong and healthy Eugene Bible College that will stand long after this alumna has passed on.

I'm so grateful we're in this together.

WEDDINGS

Kelli Sales (former EBC student) married Justin Hayes in July, 2005.

Ann Haak (EBC 2001) and Trent VanderBoom were married on March 4, 2006 in Belle Fourche, SD.

Gabrielle McMaster (EBC 2001) married Christopher Bishop October, 16, 2004.

Stephanie (Ledbetter) (EBC 1998) married Paul Seidl December 28, 2002 in St. Louis, MO.

Roberta Colvin (EBC 1979) married Michael Cardillo in June, 1996 in Las Vegas, NV.

Norman LeLaCheur (former EBC student) married Darlene Brink in December 2006, in Spokane, Washington.

BIRTHS

Ryan and **Breanna (Southard) Anderson (EBC 2001)** had a daughter on December 18, 2006.

Justin and **Kelli (Sales) Hayes (EBC former student)** had a daughter

September 15, 2006.

Paul and **Stephanie (Ledbetter) Seidl (EBC 1998)** had a son born February 13, 2004 and a daughter born March 12, 2006.

Nick and Heather (Lumbard) Walker (EBC 2002) had a daughter, December 26, 2005.

Christopher and **Gabrielle (McMaster) Bishop (EBC 2001)** had a son October 29 2005.

HOME GOINGS

Virginia (Townsend) Herriges (EBC) passed away in 2006.

Robert Duprey (OBC 1952) passed away October 1, 2006.

Charmaine (Cammy Cunningham) Skipworth (EBC former student) passed away November 12, 2006.

Delbert Wallentine (OBC 1936) passed away in November, 2006.

Philip Bennett (EBC 1942) passed away July 24, 2006.

Joan (Qualley) Eakes (EBC 1962) passed away in July, 2006.

Dale Beebe (OBI 1955) passed away June 19, 2006.

James D. Rucker (EBC 1960) passed away in December, 2005.

George Steven (OBC 1951) passed away October 31, 2005.

Irene Winter (OBC 1954) passed away in August 2003.

Beverly Mulloy (EBC 1964) passed away three years ago.

Marie (Scalf) Johnson (EBC 1934) passed away.

TIDBITS

Yuri Strachuk (EBC 2001) and his wife Vera are planting a Foursquare church in Tver, Russia. "Please make sure to visit anytime you are in Europe or in that part of the world!"

Open Bible President Jeff Farmer (EBC 1967) was named vice chairman of National Association of Evangelicals (NAE), in October,

2006.

Randy (EBC 1974) and Donna (Stover) Bradley (EBC 1973) reside in Belle Fourche, SD, and are active in their Open Bible Church. Randy is the sportswriter for the Belle Fourche newspaper. Donna is a personal banking officer.

John Hoole (EBC 1959) and his wife, Paula (Long) are actively involved in New Life Church, Renton, WA. He was ordained in 2006.

Roberta (Colvin) Cardillo (EBC 1979) is a project administrator for a major theming construction company.

Ryan Williams (EBC 2005) is Director of Financial Aid at Vatterott College, Des Moines, IA.

Randy McGuire (EBC 1984) is Vice President of Ministry Development for Church Extension Plan, a ministry providing premier financial and administrative services to constituents, churches and districts of the General Council of the Assemblies of God.

Megan (Daggett) Crouse (former student EBC 2006) serves as youth pastor at Healing River Fellowship in Des Moines, IA.

Jeanne (Sutton) Bayles (EBC 1976) serves as office manager at Valley Christian Schools in Dublin, CA.

Her lifestyle choices and changes were featured in "Impact" magazine, Winter / Spring 2006.

Cora Johnson (EBC 2005) serves as a coordinator with Child Evangelism Fellowship in Klamath and Lake Counties in Oregon.

Mario Smith (EBC 1987) pastors a church in American Falls, ID. Last year he was the winner of the annual Reader's Digest Tell Us A Joke Contest. To read his winning joke, go to Google and type Mario Smith Idaho.

Tawny (McLaughlin) Wells (EBC 1992) and her husband, Karl, are youth pastors at Gateway Faith Center, Roseburg, OR. They also work with Faith House, a transitional home/mentor center for men.

David Martin (EBC 2006) is balancing his responsibilities as senior pastor at Gilham Community Church, Eugene, OR, with the demands of a Master of Divinity program at Multnomah Biblical Seminary. He remarks, "Now I am striving for excellence, instead of perfection."

Bob (EBC 1949) and Joyce Watson have not slowed down in their desire to serve the Lord and witness wherever they go. They have hearts and ministries for children.

Avonna Lee (Mitchell) Landwehr

(OBC 1953) used the cold days of winter to take stock of her life and in the quietness to offer her experiences, whether joyful or painful, to God. She is a gifted artist who "takes up the brush, remembering where the gift comes from."

Wayne Warner (EBC 1961), though retired, actively volunteers as advisor to Open Bible Churches in the development of Open Bible Heritage **Your EBC Alumni Cabinet** consists of the following dedicated volunteers:

- Jason Burke (EBC 1996)**
- Temple Burke (EBC 1996)**
- A Don Crawley (OBI 1953)**
- Grace Kater (EBC 1983)**
- Clarín Lewis (EBC 1965)**
- Sheri Pendleton (EBC fs 1991)**
- Danielle Smith (EBC 2002)**
- Ryan Smith (EBC 2002)**
- George Vrieze (EBC 1988)**

If you are wondering what to do with memorabilia from your college days, please send it to Jan Kent at EBC who is actively acquiring all things pertinent to the history of Open Bible churches, missions, colleges and people, for use in the Open Bible Heritage Center on the EBC campus.

Check out EBC alumni on the web:

www.ebc.edu

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"RECONNECT"
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NWCCU Announcement

We are pleased to announce that on January 10, 2007, Eugene Bible College was granted Candidate for Accreditation status by the Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities. Candidacy is not accreditation nor does it ensure eventual accreditation. Candidate for Accreditation is a status of affiliation with the Commission which indicates that the institution has achieved initial recognition and is progressing toward accreditation.

In the next four years, EBC will complete two additional self-studies, and is in a process that gives the College an opportunity for eventual membership in the NWCCU, if all goes well. We invite all of our alumni, friends and partners to be in prayer with us as we