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REAL-WORLD MINISTRY

BRIGHT FUTURE *SAME HERITAGE*

University inaugurates 4th President, Dr. W. Kirk Brothers on August 18

Meet Dr. Kirk Brothers. Born in Fayetteville, Tennessee, to Joe and Dorothy Brothers, Wilburn Kirk Brothers spent his early years in Huntsville, Alabama, and Elizabethtown, Kentucky. Family devotionals and participation in the Lord's work were a way of life in his childhood home, as his parents introduced him to God from birth. Among Dr. Brothers's earliest memories are the frequent trips on which he accompanied his father to teach home Bible studies. Likewise, Christians and those wanting to learn about Christ were hosted in the Brothers household often.

In 1987, Dr. Brothers graduated from David Lipscomb College with double majors in Bible and Speech Communication. He met his wife, Cindy Markham, while in college, and they married shortly after graduation.

Before transitioning into a more formal teaching role in 2010, Dr. Brothers spent 23 years in local ministry work. He went on to complete graduate

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"The best way we can honor those who have passed the Heritage on to us is to build on what they have given us."

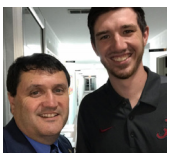
DREAMS FOR THE FUTURE

- Eliminate Debt for Both Students and HCU
- Host Leadership Retreats for Churches
- Provide Resources for Women's Bible Studies
- Host More College and Young Professionals Activities
- Expand Satellite Campuses

THE PRESIDENT'S FIRST MONTH

A few snaps from Dr. Kirk Brothers's first month at HCU.

For updates, follow him on



complete graduate degrees at Freed-Hardeman University (MA, 1999), David Lipscomb University (MDiv, 2004), and Southern Seminary (PhD, 2010). During this time, he also worked as a minister or youth minister in several congregations including Elizabethtown, Kentucky; Hatley, Mississippi; and McMinnville and Columbia, Tennessee.

His passion for leadership training and the advancement of the church led him to begin teaching at the Bible School of the Americas in Panama and to implement Future Minister Training camps for young men throughout Latin America. Camps have been started in Brazil, Columbia, Costa Rica, Dominican Republic, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Nicaragua, Panama, and Peru. He has also participated in mission efforts in England, India, Israel, and Ukraine. Dr. Brothers has taught courses in Homiletics, Biblical Leadership, Systematic Christian Doctrine, and Adolescent Spiritual Development.

STUDENT BODY DEBT CONTINUES TO DROP

Did you know the average class of 2018 graduate in America has $39,400 in student loan debt? HCU graduates are far less likely to have that dark cloud of debt looming over them.

TOTAL BORROWING BY THE HCU STUDENT BODY:

> 2016-17	$ 15,980
> 2017-18	$ 12,372

UPCOMING EVENTS

For more info, see www.hcu.edu.

SEPTEMBER 18
Brazil Missions CMTI Forum

OCTOBER 16
Lily Necklace Gala for Haiti

NOVEMBER 1
Harvesters Banquet

NOVEMBER 29
CMTI Diakonos Lecture

SEPTEMBER AND OCTOBER
Women's Bible Study
Class each Thursday night at 6:00 p.m. (Free!)

BE OUR *GUEST!*

Now booking retreats, leadership seminars and church getaways at the **McCreary Cabins.**

To reserve, contact Travis Harmon at tharmon@hcu.edu or 256.766.6610 x. 316.

OUR MISSION *IN ACTION*

JOSHUA WARREN ZIMBABWE, AFRICA

Joshua spent July 7-20 in Bulawayo, Zimbabwe with Partners 4 Africa led by Dorian Flynn. Joshua taught classes and preached. He spoke a total of eight times during the trip. His mission activity included visiting various congregations in order to bring food and other supplies. He also visited a medical clinic that his home congregation (Owens Cross Roads) had helped build.

STUDENT PROJECTS *SINCE MAY*

Students have been busy! Among mission efforts since May, students have served by starting food pantry ministries and preaching and teaching in foreign lands including Honduras, Vietnam, and the Netherlands. Several students worked in congregations building curriculum for churches, teaching new converts, interning as youth ministers, and teaching for summer series.