

THE COLLEGE

Since 1916, Montreat College has established a strong tradition of Christian higher education. With four campuses and a student body of approximately 1,100, the Montreat College of today is continuing in its commitment to the individual student and to the integration of faith and learning.

Montreat provides a strong academic program that is intertwined with preparation for the future through an extraordinary range of leadership, internship, and service opportunities. As the only member in North Carolina of the Washington, D.C.-based Council for Christian Colleges and Universities (CCCCU), Montreat takes seriously its role as a true Christ-centered institution of higher learning.

Montreat College is accredited by the Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools to award associate's, bachelor's and master's degrees, by the National Council for the Accreditation of Teacher Education, and by the International Assembly for Collegiate Business Education.

MISSION STATEMENT

Christ-centered, student-focused, service-driven: equipping agents of transformation, renewal, and reconciliation.

VISION STATEMENT

Montreat College seeks to become the leading provider of Christ-centered higher education, enriching lives through engagement in its communities and by promoting responsible growth, culture, and spiritual life.



MONTREAT COLLEGE COMMENCEMENT

In the eighty-ninth year of the College
Saturday, the seventh day of May
In the year of our Lord two thousand five
at two o'clock in the afternoon
Anderson Auditorium • Montreat, North Carolina

ORDER OF SERVICE

Dr. Dan Struble
President of the College
Presiding

THE PRELUDE

Prelude in E Flat MajorJ.S. Bach
Ms. Sharon L. Carleton, organist

* THE PROCESSIONAL

Trumpet Voluntary..... John Stanley
Ms. Carleton

* THE CALL TO WORSHIP

“God of Grace and God of Glory” Harry E. Fosdick/John Hughes

Congregation will join in singing:

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| <i>God of grace and God of glory,</i> | <i>Set our feet on lofty places;</i> | <i>Save us from weak resignation</i> |
| <i>On Thy people pour Thy power;</i> | <i>Gird our lives that they may be</i> | <i>To the evils we deplore;</i> |
| <i>Crown Thine ancient church's story;</i> | <i>Armored with all Christlike graces</i> | <i>Let the gift of Thy salvation</i> |
| <i>Bring its bud to glorious flower.</i> | <i>Pledged to set all captives free.</i> | <i>Be our glory evermore.</i> |
| <i>Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,</i> | <i>Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,</i> | <i>Grant us wisdom, grant us courage</i> |
| <i>For the facing of this hour,</i> | <i>That we fail not them nor Thee!</i> | <i>Serving Thee whom we adore.</i> |
| <i>For the facing of this hour.</i> | <i>That we fail not them nor Thee!</i> | <i>Serving Thee whom we adore.</i> |

* THE INVOCATION AND THE LORD’S PRAYER..... Dr. William V. Cain
College Chaplain

WELCOME Dr. Struble

THE STUDENT ADDRESSES

School of Arts and SciencesMiss Katurah K. Caughman
School of Professional and Adult Studies..... Ms. Connie Marie Bradley

* HYMN

“Now Thank We All Our God”.....Martin Rinkart/Johann Crüger

KEYNOTE ADDRESS Rev. Franklin Graham
President, Samaritan’s Purse
Boone, NC

THE CONFERRING OF HONORARY DEGREESMr. Robert W. Wynne
Chairman, Board of Trustees

* *Please stand if able.*

PRESIDENT EMERITUS

Silas M. Vaughn

Dr. Silas Vaughn served as President of Montreat College 1972-1991. Prior to his tenure at Montreat, he served in other administrative capacities at UNC-Charlotte and St. Andrews Presbyterian College. Dr. Vaughn is currently the Chairman of the State of North Carolina Advisory Committee on Higher Education Facilities Utilization, and President of the Bruised Reed Foundation, which supports cancer research and treatment in Korea. He is also a member of the Board of the Medical Benevolence Foundation, a ministry of the Presbyterian Church (USA). He has served on the Board of Directors of the North Carolina Association of Independent Colleges and Universities and on the American Council of Education, as well as holding offices in the Boy Scouts of America and Rotary Club.

Dr. Vaughn and his wife Catherine have traveled extensively, serving as mission volunteers and in consulting roles. They have two sons and four grandchildren.



THE COLLEGE SEAL

The seal of Montreat College is composed of concentric circles surrounding the open book of learning and the Word of God. The words “Montreat College” encompass the ideals of strength, beauty, and truth above the Latin motto meaning “to be rather than to seem.” The date of the founding of the College, 1916, completes the emblem.

THE MACE AND THE BANNER

The College mace symbolizes the authority of the President and is present in all official College convocations. The Montreat mace is of walnut and silver, representing the simplicity and strength of the Cross of Christ, the open Bible, and the lamp of knowledge, transcendent over the seal of the College. The College banner features an arched window opening onto the mountains, framing heaven and the College’s Christ-centered education; the globe atop it represents the worldwide scope provided by education and the development of a Christian worldview based upon the Bible’s teaching. The books represent the beauty and strength of scholarship and the variety of disciplines offered by the College. The candle embodies the illumination that education and faith bring to the individual and the world.

Now Thank We All Our God

Now thank we all our God
With hearts and hands and voices,
Who wondrous things hath done,
In whom this world rejoices;
Who, from our mothers' arms
Hath blessed us on our way
With countless gifts of love,
And still is ours today.

O may this bounteous God
Through all our life be near us,
With ever joyful hearts
And blessed peace to cheer us;
and keep us in God's grace,
And guide us when perplexed,
And free us from all ills
In this world and the next.

All praise and thanks to God,
Who reigns in highest heaven,
To Father and to Son
And Spirit now be given.
The One Eternal God,
Whom heav'n and earth adore,
The God who was and is,
And shall be evermore.

Commencement Speaker
& Honorary Degree Recipient

W. Franklin Graham III

Franklin Graham, who graduated from Montreat College in 1974 with an associate's degree, was elected to the board of Samaritan's Purse in 1978, and a year later was named president. The Billy Graham Evangelistic Association appointed Franklin Graham CEO in 2000 and president of the organization in 2001. He has served as first vice-chairman of the BGEA since 1995. Similar to his father's famous crusades, Franklin Graham holds three-day evangelistic events called Festivals worldwide; he has recently held two Festivals in Australia, and the next one will be in Paraguay.

In 1974, the same year he graduated from Montreat College, Mr. Graham married Jane Austin Cunningham. Mrs. Graham is on the Board of Trustees of Montreat College. The Grahams have four children and reside in Boone, NC. Mr. Graham is the son of evangelist Billy Graham and Ruth Bell Graham. The Graham family has a long association with Montreat College; Ruth Bell Graham served as a trustee from 1972 to 1981, and she now holds the title of trustee emerita.

Honorary Degree Recipient

S. Elliot Belcher, Jr.

Elliot Belcher was a founding director of the Montreat-Anderson College Foundation, serving as chairman from the foundation's inception in 1982 until his retirement from the board in October of 1993. He served as an active member of the Montreat College Board of Trustees from 1976 until 1993, when he was unanimously elected trustee emeritus. In the 1980s Mr. Belcher served as chairman of the very successful Decade of the Student capital campaign during which the Newell Athletic Field and W. H. Belk Campus Center were completed. Mr. Belcher has served on the boards of trustees for Palmer Home in Columbus, MS; Reformed Theological Seminary; Southeastern Bible College; and LeTourneau University; and he has served on the Board of Directors of Campus Crusade for Christ International in Orlando, FL, since 1970. He was chairman of the board of Southern United Life Insurance Company and has been the director of several banks in Alabama. Mr. Belcher and his late wife Jeannette Steele Belcher had two sons and two grandchildren. He and his wife Louise Robertson Belcher reside in Brent, AL.

APPOINTMENT OF PRESIDENT EMERITUSMr. Robert W. Wynne

SPECIAL MUSIC
"Go Into the World"Walt Harrah/arr. John F. Wilson
Montreat College Chamber Choir
Dr. Robert Boer, Director
Dr. Eunice W. Stackhouse, Pianist

THE PRESENTATION OF GRADUATESDr. Abiola O. Fapetu
Vice President and Dean of Academics
Professor of Business
Assisted by Ms. Kelly Hamlin
Assistant Registrar

THE CONFERRING OF DEGREES..... Dr. Struble

RECOGNITION OF VALEDICTORIAN AND SALUTATORIANDr. Fapetu

* THE COLLEGE HYMN Betty Ferrell/John Dykes

(1) *Montreat, you stand in noble line,
With those who strive for heart and mind,
Who seek God's truth to teach and guide,
Who lift those virtues which abide.
For servanthood, both taught and lived,
Our honor and devotion give.*

(2) *For learning with integrity,
For truth imparted full and free,
For loving friendships cherished still,
For heritage on which to build;
With Christ the Cornerstone of grace,
Our Alma Mater we embrace.*

* THE PRAYER FOR THE GRADUATES..... Dr. Mark T. Lassiter
Associate Professor, Biology/Environmental Studies
2004-2005 David L. Parks Distinguished Professor

RESPONSE TO PRAYER
"Be Thou My Vision"Irish Hymn/Edwin T. Childs
George Tarbell Patten, IV
Dr. Stackhouse, Pianist

* THE RECESSIONAL AND POSTLUDE
Sinfonia from *Solomon* G.F. Handel
Tuba Tune in D Major C.S. Lang
Ms. Carleton

Please remain in place until the last of our graduates have exited the building. Thank you.

The Campus Store, located on the first floor of the Belk Campus Center, will be open today until 4:30 p.m.

* *Please stand if able.*

CANDIDATES FOR GRADUATION

CANDIDATES FOR THE DEGREE OF ASSOCIATE IN SCIENCE

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|------------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Rebecca Ann Adler | Susan Bolick Greene | Jami Brooke Price |
| Samuel Bradley Alverson | Brenda Renee Harton | James Aaron Rhine |
| Michael Chadwick Ballew | John F. Jarrell | Keith Jerome Robinson |
| April Dawn Blankenship | Julie Glover Johnson | Parthenia Monique Sistrunk |
| Catherine N. Blythe | David Sidney Lane Jr. | Eloise June Smith |
| Michelle Dawn Brevard | Janet Barber Livingston | Benadretta Lynette Stancil |
| Jamie Lynn Reeves Burchfield | Betty Manganiello | Gregory Alan Stewart |
| Myra Lynn Butler | Winona Renee McFalls | Rebecca Lyn Laird Stubbings |
| Keterri Lavonne Cagle | LaWanda F. Myers | Patricia C. Taylor |
| Naimah Curry | Carla Jolene Neadeau | David Lamar Wachacha |
| Mark J. Daley | Annissa W. Piper | DesMona Hairston Wilson |
| Micah Young Eller | Anthony Scott Price | Libby Smith Wolfe |

CANDIDATES FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF ARTS

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| Kortney Amber Blythe, <i>Magna Cum Laude</i> | Jessica M. Mills |
| Katurah Kathleen Caughman, <i>Magna Cum Laude</i> | Gregory Ray Noble |
| Kaylin Meryl Fisher, <i>Summa Cum Laude</i> | Cristaldawn Hope Perry, <i>Magna Cum Laude</i> |
| Moriah Eddis Geer-Hardwick | Elizabeth Hartley Pruitt, ² <i>Summa Cum Laude</i> |
| Curtis Gilbert Harris ² | Alyson Marie Sinclair |
| Benjamin Tyler Greene, <i>Magna Cum Laude</i> | Conley Price Stevens |
| Megan Elizabeth Hamilton | Ansel MacDonald Talbert ¹ |
| Kara Christen Harding | Kathryn Kim SongAe Threadgill |
| Peter James Harvin | Christy Cheryl Tolliver |
| Forrest B. Johnson, <i>Magna Cum Laude</i> | Todd Robert Thonen ² |
| Carissa Macahan Loughhead | |

CANDIDATES FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF MUSIC

George Tarbell Patten IV

HONOR GRADUATES

Scholarship Pins

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| Katurah Kathleen Caughman | Cristaldawn Hope Perry |
| Kaylin Meryl Fisher | Elizabeth Hartley Pruitt |
| Marnie Kellum Kiser | Tiffany R. Stoddart |

Faculty Service Award

Kortney Amber Blythe

Alpha Chi Honor Society

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| Samuel Boyd | Joseph Kirkland |
| Katurah Caughman | Mary Jane Shafer |
| Amanda Fields | Courtney Stillwell |
| Kaylin Fisher | Tiffany Stoddart |
| Alicia Kelly | |

Pinnacle Honor Society

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| Paulette B. Ashe | Sherry A. Martin |
| Teresa L. Bryson | Sylvia G. Mullis |
| Barbara M. Caldwell | Donna H. Peeler |
| Scott A. Davis | Bunita L. Reynolds |
| David L. Early | Amy L. Sprinkle |
| Laresa M. Fair | Ernest O. Stevenson |
| Susan B. Greene | David E. Traver |
| Joy Q. King | Mary Beth Wilson |
| David S. Lane | |

ACADEMIC REGALIA

The academic regalia worn by the faculty are based upon costumes used in fourteenth and fifteenth century universities, particularly Oxford and Cambridge Universities in England. This style of academic dress has been used in the United States since colonial times, and it was standardized by an intercollegiate code in 1895. The doctor gown is distinguished by three velvet stripes on the bell-shaped sleeves, while the master gown’s sleeves are oblong. The hood was originally a practical element of dress, but evolved into a purely ornamental article, draped over the shoulder and down the back. The doctor hood extends longer than the master hood. The two colors in the satin lining of the hood are those authorized by the college or university, and the color of the velvet border indicates the degree earned as follows:

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| Arts, Letters, Humanities | White | Law | Purple |
| Business | Drab Brown | Library Science..... | Lemon Yellow |
| Communication..... | Maroon | Music..... | Pink |
| Divinity/Theology..... | Scarlet | Philosophy | Dark Blue |
| Education..... | Light Blue | Physical Education | Sage Green |
| Engineering..... | Orange | Science/Physics..... | Gold |
| Fine Arts, Architecture | Brown | Social Work..... | Citron Yellow |

¹ Conferred August 2004 ² Conferred December 2004 ³ Pending Conferral August 2005

CANDIDATES FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Waynette Fisher Allison
Jimmy N. Avery, *With Distinction*
Patricia Ray Boone
Connie Marie Bradley, *Magna Cum Laude*
Sherri Byrd-Bridges, *Cum Laude*
Barbara Mason Caldwell
Richelle I. Calicott,² *Summa Cum Laude*
Patsy Young Camp
Sharee Davis Carter
Tracy Leigh Cochrane-Lindsey, *Magna Cum Laude*
Gloria Crawford Coleman, *Magna Cum Laude*
Cherith Leigh Conner
Valerie M. Crawford
Janet Cutini, *Cum Laude*
Scott Alan Davis, *Magna Cum Laude*
Douglas Scott Domingos
Patrick Richard Duckworth
David Layne Early
Ralph Junken Johnston III

Doris J. Lowery
Julie Lynn Mace, *Cum Laude*
Sherry Ann Martin
Donna F. Morrison
Red Martin Nave
Brian Fred Nydish
Donna H. Peeler
Jacqueline Evette Raines
Pamela Ann Roof
Ronald Leonard Royster, *Summa Cum Laude*
Norman Thomas Sheedy, *Magna Cum Laude*
Tonia Ann Shelton, *Magna Cum Laude*
Jacqueline Neashelle Smith
Alessandra Helen Sullivan²
Teresa Goodman Talley, *Cum Laude*
Henry Marshall Wallace
Aron Lee Wegner, *Cum Laude*
Kelly Lynn Yager
Daisy Patrina Young

CANDIDATES FOR THE DEGREE OF MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Scott Michael Adamczak³
Penny Crouse Armstrong
Samuel Albert Babisha
Donald Harvey Brantley
Stephen Joshua Clark
Fortrella Tenise Cummings

Doris Marlene Frisbee
Richard Ralph Hardin Higdon Jr.
John Brien Langston
Gregory Lee Moore
Gary Dewayne Smith
Michael E. Weaver Jr.

*The Commencement program reflects information determined to be correct at the time of printing
but is not the official list of degree candidates certified for graduation.*

CANDIDATES FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

Timothy Michael Bailey
Elizabeth Ruth Batzel²
Nicholas Baker Black
Brantley Preston Bullock¹
Frances Christine Cassizzi
Matthew P. Cheezem¹
Kelley Elizabeth Cleveland²
Aaron Elizabeth Connell¹
Matthew James Craft²
Tabitha Megan Galloway, *Cum Laude*
Christina Louise Heckmann³
Tiffany Michelle Hensley, *Magna Cum Laude*
Matthew D. Hochevar²
Donald Brooks Hollifield
Brett Albert Huffman
Marina S. Ilminska-Krasenkova, *Magna Cum Laude*
Forrest B. Johnson
Willie Rufus Jones Jr.
Leah Kristen Kelley, *Cum Laude*
Marjory Wilson Kiess,² *Magna Cum Laude*
Brandon Ross Kimball
Marnie Kellum Kiser, *Cum Laude*
Joshua Rhett Koehler²
Nathan W. Kraak, *Cum Laude*
Kellye LeAnn Lane
Gregory R. Lieb²
Adam Trent Lucas³

Robert Laramie McDonald¹
Jarrod Walker Moore²
Anthony Lance Moreau, *Cum Laude*
Cass Abigail Morgan,² *Cum Laude*
Robert Mark Morgan, *Cum Laude*
Joel Kirk North
Graham Bolan Ottley¹
Joshua David Pick, *Cum Laude*
Matthew Bryan Poteet
Latisha Marie Riddick
Jaymie Lyn Rowe, *Cum Laude*
Betsy J. Ruiz,² *With Distinction*
David Michael Schermerhorn
Candace Adair Sharpe¹
Marian Marcelle Silver
Andrew David Stewart
Courtney Leigh Stillwell,² *With Distinction*
Tiffany Reneé Stoddart, *Summa Cum Laude*
Aimee Laura Thomas
Amy Elizabeth Thompson
Mendy Elizabeth Toole²
Jennifer Melissa Vines
Stephen Wesley Waldorf
Jeffrey David Walker
Stuart E. West²
George Edward White¹
Daniel Lee Windmiller

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