



Commencement

AUGUST 8, 2020



COMMENCEMENT
COMPASS CHRISTIAN CHURCH

August 8, 2020, 11:00 a.m.

Prelude

* Processional

FACULTY AND 2020 CANDIDATES

* Invocation

MR. JASON REEVES

Welcome

PRESIDENT BRIAN D. SMITH

* Scripture and Prayer

MR. KENNETH FAFFLER
MR. DAVID LAGUNEZ

Introduction of Speaker

PRESIDENT BRIAN D. SMITH

Commencement Address

MR. JAMES M. HUTCHINS
Founder & Senior Pastor, New Life Community Church, Frisco, Texas

Honor Recognitions

MS. CRYSTAL LAIDACKER

Presentation of Graduates

MS. CRYSTAL LAIDACKER

Awarding of Degrees

PRESIDENT BRIAN D. SMITH

Conferral of Degrees

PRESIDENT BRIAN D. SMITH

Closing Statement

PRESIDENT BRIAN D. SMITH

* Benediction

MR. GREGG MUCERINO

* Recessional

FACULTY AND 2020 CANDIDATES

Postlude

* Audience please stand.





PASTOR JAMES M. HUTCHINS

A native of Carthage, Mississippi, James M. Hutchins was reared in Marion, Indiana. He gave his life to Jesus Christ in 1982 and answered the call to ministry in 1984 while serving with the United States Navy. Throughout the country, he has served in various capacities that include teacher, counselor, and various ministries. After 20 years serving with the navy, he retired in 2000. Along with 25 members, Pastor Hutchins founded New Life Community Church in Frisco, Texas in 2007 where he faithfully serves a congregation of about 1,000 to this day. He has authored four books and travels yearly to foreign countries on a mission to impact his generation. As a result, he also began a church in Zimbabwe in 2016. He is known as a community leader and advocate of peace and unity. He earned an Associate of Arts from Columbia College, a Bachelor of Science in Resource Management from Troy State University, and a Masters of Divinity from Christian Bible Seminary. Additionally, he is currently completing his Masters in Pastoral Ministry from Bethany Theological Seminary. He is married to his high school sweetheart, Tina, and they have three children, Tinesha, Jasmine, and Terrance. In addition, they have four grandsons, Jaylen, Aiden, Jaxson, and Aaron, and two granddaughters, Jayda and Abigail. DCC is honored to introduce James M. Hutchins as the speaker for this morning's graduation celebration.



MISSION STATEMENT

Dallas Christian College educates and mentors students to be people of influence, engaging in their calling to the work of Christ in the Church and in the world.



THE MACE

"Have confidence in your leaders and submit to their authority, because they keep watch over you as those who must give an account. Do this so that their work will be a joy, not a burden, for that would be of no benefit to you." Hebrews 13:17 (NIV)

The mace has historically been a symbol of progress and authority dating from the early Middle Ages in Europe. The mace of the College, made of mesquite wood harvested on the DCC campus, has three rings on its ferrule that represent the Father, Son, and the Holy Spirit and five rings on the collar for the College's core values and mission. On the head, unadorned, stands the cross of Christ, the most important symbol of all.

The DCC mace is carried by the president, in whom the authority is vested by the Board of Trustees to govern the institution.





THE SHEPHERD'S STAFF

*"Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for you are with me;
your rod and your staff, they comfort me." Psalm 23:4 (NIV)*

The Shepherd's Staff represents the role of leadership. It can be used to steady one's footing on an uneven path, to gently prod sheep in a particular direction, and to protect the flock in times of peril. Most importantly, it is a symbol of God's blessing on His leaders, and upon the sheep for whom they would lay down their lives.



THE WORD

"The Word of God is living and active. Sharper than any double-edged sword, it penetrates even to dividing soul and spirit, joints and marrow." Hebrews 4:12 (NIV)

The declaration of the Word signifies that the Bible is the foundation on which the Dallas Christian College curriculum stands. The inscription on the College Seal translates to, "Preach the Word." The faculty, staff, and administration desire that all students be capable of individual study of the Word and be living examples of its enduring wisdom (I Peter 2:21).



ALMA MATER

*"Preach the word; be ready in season and out of season; reprove, rebuke, and exhort,
with complete patience and teaching." II Timothy 4:2 (ESV)*

Hail to Dallas Christian, college fair and fine.
Hail to all her heroes; who serve the Lord Divine.
Hail to all proclaiming the Kingdom of the light.
Hail our Alma Mater; hail her future bright!

James Earl Ladd II





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*Magna Cum Laude, Biblical Studies Honor Grad, Delta Epsilon Chi,
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EARL FRANKLIN, JR.

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BIBLE MINOR

ANTHONY CRAIG MCQUARY

Humanities Award

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JUSTIN TYLER BERRY

Crusader of Excellence Award (2019)

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BUSINESS AND BIBLE

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Crusader of Excellence Award (2018 & 2019)

BUSINESS

BIBLE MINOR

D'AARON DAVIS

Student Athlete of the Year (2020)

JENSYNE C. MCCracken

Who's Who Among Students in American Colleges and Universities (2017) &

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PABLO MIRANDA-VILLEGAS

Roaring Lambs Award (2020)

BUSINESS

BIBLE MINOR (con't.)

JUAN C. MORALES
CHRISTOPHER A. NELSON
LUKAMBI RUDY OLENGA
Crusader of Excellence Award (2019)
KACEY BROOKE REEVES
Cum Laude & Delta Epsilon Chi
JONATHAN DERECK TUCKER
KELDON WILLIAMS

PRACTICAL MINISTRIES AND BIBLE

ERIC FREEMAN BULGER
Dr. Leroy C. Wineinger Award (2020)
LUCAS LAGRANGE
BRIAN CHRISTOPHER PATRICK
*Summa Cum Laude, Biblical Studies Honor Grad, Delta Epsilon Chi, Preaching Award (2020), &
Stone-Campbell Journal Promising Scholar Award (2020)*

WORSHIP ARTS AND BIBLE

FRANCE H. PACE
YO GWEE TUNG

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Crusader of Excellence Award (2019) & Student Athlete of the Year (2020)
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Cum Laude
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**PSYCHOLOGY AND BIBLE
CHRISTIAN LIFE COACHING TRACK**

XAVIER MARKUS CARTER

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BIBLE MINOR

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Crusader of Excellence Award (2019) & Student Athlete of the Year (2019 & 2020)
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Kings Award in Applied Psychology (2020)
DEONTREY FULLER
*Magna Cum Laude, Crusader of Excellence Award (2019), &
Kings Psychology Award in Academic Excellence (2019)*
LATERYKAH DAESHON THOMAS
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ACADEMIC REGALIA

The American tradition of wearing academic regalia originated in medieval European universities. Since the clergy composed the majority of the educated class and since most universities at that time were under the jurisdiction of the church, academic dress became an adaptation of the cape or mantle, which was usually of silk or wool, and worn by church dignitaries in religious processions.

The gowns commonly have pointed sleeves for bachelor's degree, long, closed sleeves (with a slit for the arm) for the master's degree, and bell-shaped, open sleeves for the doctor's degree. The gown for the doctor's degree is faced down the front with velvet trim and three bars of the same trim across the sleeves. The trim, hoods, and tassels may be black or of the color distinctive of the faculty or subject to which the degree pertains.



ACADEMIC COLORS

Arts and Letters – White
Business – Drab
Education – Light Blue
Fine Arts – Brown

Law – Purple
Library Science – Lemon Yellow
Medicine – Green
Music – Pink

Philosophy – Dark Blue
Science – Golden Yellow
Social Sciences – Citron
Theology – Scarlet



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