

DCC EXCEEDS YEAR-END FUNDRAISING GOALS

DCC wants to thank all of you for your generosity in our campaign to end 2020 strong. Our goal was to raise \$70,000 during the month of December. Because of you, that goal was not only reached, but exceeded. With your help, DCC raised approximately \$122,000. Your act of kindness helps us further our mission. In fact, your generosity has helped Dallas Christian College grow in our student body numbers, place more graduates in public and private schools as teachers, send more workers into churches for preaching and student ministries, change businesses with Christian influencers, and, in short, change the world one student at a time. Thank you!



PRESIDENT BRIAN SMITH – "Thinking About Eternity"

Compass Christian Church recently invited President Smith to speak on their Compass Daily as a "Missions Partner" that week. What resulted was a powerful message on living for eternity. Viewers commented as they watched by saying, "Love this message!"; "What a great message!"; "Powerful message today!"

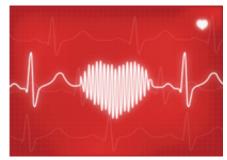
"I needed this message today. I've been struggling with some things this week and this message really makes me think about how I need to handle it!"; "Excellent word Brian!"; "Great job Brian – great to 'see' you!"; "I want my treasure to be in heaven . . . my true home."; "Such a powerful example . . . to live selflessly and sacrificially for the Kingdom."; and "Love Dallas Christian College!!"

To watch President Smith's message, click on the link below: https://www.facebook.com/67570446367/videos/2730805153837201/

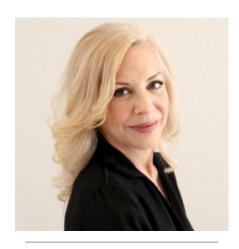
A LIFE SAVED ON DCC'S BASKETBALL COURT

Dallas Christian College's Men's Basketball team,

coached by Dwight Coleman, played an intense basketball game that was followed by a life being saved. Coach Coleman was "closing up the gym. I was talking to a dad from the school we played that night. He was walking with me, with his son behind me. We were in the middle of talking and he just fell to the floor . . . dead. The next twenty-two minutes felt like twenty years of my life. We started doing CPR – I even heard what I thought was his ribs cracking (later, the doctor said there were no cracked ribs)." Stephen Cobb, Director of IT and a military veteran, remembered that DCC had an AED and sent a student to go get it.



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RENOWNED AUTHOR MEETS WITH DCC STUDENTS

Kathleen Kent, the author of the historical novel. The Heretic's Daughter, (and many other historical novels) agreed to join adjunct professor (and DCC alum) Fred Villa's class at DCC. The class had read the historical novel that was based on Ms. Kent's ancestors' experiences during the Salem witchcraft trials. The students and class quests were given the opportunity to ask questions about the historical background, the characters in the book, and even what it's like to write a novel. This was such a great opportunity for the students to hear from her and to introduce her to Dallas Christian College students! Ms. Kent was thrilled to share her insights and enjoyed interacting with the students and class quests. To watch the entire class Zoom recording, you can click on the following link:

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1f10E23nSwZpfbB8LjP8 TASMWGVcBjuSf/view?usp=sharing



2020 - A YEAR IN REVIEW AT DCC

In January of 2020, DCC began to make aggressive, strategic decisions regarding the future of the College. See below a list of some of the incredible steps of progress DCC took, even in a year of COVID-19

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DCC'S ENROLLMENT GROWS!

Spring 2021 is the fourth consecutive term of growth! Thirty (30) new students enrolled compared to 13 last year (We set our budget more aggressively at 16 and nearly doubled that number.) The increase came from stellar athletic recruiting, especially men's (Dwight Coleman) and women's (Larry Tidwell) basketball and men's baseball (Denny Dixon) and our fully-staffed admissions team working through an entire admissions cycle. We are not yet sure whether this is a record, but it is certainly the highest traditional new enrollment in 10 years.

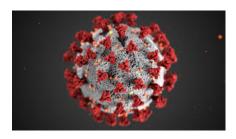


Fall 2021 also looks good at this point. DCC has 90 traditional undergrad admitted students compared to 18 at this time a year ago. We expect additional enrollment, when compared to Fall 2020, to come from:

- honors scholarships
- ministry scholarships
- intentional recruiting among churches through the collaboration of Admissions and Advancement
- initiation of women's softball.

DCC also has a great consortium with Compass Christian Church (Compass Academy), Carolina Christian College, and Manhattan Christian College.

In short, enrollment looks strong for Fall 2021!



REGARDING COVID-19

In general, our campus has only been moderately impacted in terms of cases. Our protocols are working well and our faculty, staff, and students are on-board. We have faced challenges navigating visitors on campus, such as athletic fans. Pray for us as we work through these issues. We want to be safe, while still functioning as highly as possible.

DCC REMEMBERS AND HONORS MEN'S BASEBALL "MOM"

President Brian Smith wrote, "Glenda Dixon, wife of our beloved Head Men's Baseball Coach, Denny Dixon, passed away on December 30 due to COVID-19 complications. Coach Dixon and Glenda were married over 40 years and had 9 children (and many grandchildren). He is coaching our home opener double-header as I write this. As he said, 'my heart is in a thousand pieces.' Pray for Denny and his family. Glenda was the 'matriarch' of our baseball program and had a huge impact on many of us. She will be missed."







DCC DAY OF PRAYER: "MAKE PRAYER HAPPEN!

We realize that many of you are receiving this update at a very challenging time. So many of our partners in ministry have been affected by the severe cold as well as the ongoing pandemic. If you have a specific need or concern you would like for us to pray for, you may submit your prayer request using the link below:

Prayer Request Form

"This is the confidence we have in approaching God: that if we ask anything according to his will, he hears us. And if we know that he hears us--whatever we ask--we know that we have what we asked of him" (1 John 5:14-15).

Friday, January 22nd, was a day that the DCC family dedicated to praying for not only the College and its mission but also for <u>you</u>, our partners in ministry. With the many challenges that churches and individuals are facing this new year, we felt it important to pause and spend time thanking God for His provision in the past and praying for those needs and opportunities of the present and the future. One DCC alum who requested prayer stated, "It's great knowing that I can still reach out to you all when I'm going through something."

ATHLETIC NEWS

A New Sport Begins Fall 2021!

Women's Softball will begin this fall. Coach Patrick Hallahan is already recruiting the very first women's



softball team! If you know of a young lady who would like to participate, please contact Athletic Director Gregg Mucerino at gmucerino@dallas.edu.

Men's Basketball

Dallas Christian College's Men's Basketball was featured in the Dallas Morning News in the following video:

https://youtu.be/dYRSfRU-yKc

Watch Basketball and Baseball Online!

If you would like to join the approximately 6,500 DCC fans watching DCC sporting events online, go to: www.dccsports.com

UPCOMING EVENTS

Kingdom Week Dallas – March 7-10. DCC will partner with Cornerstone Christian Church to focus on feeding and ministering to the homeless in Dallas.

Admissions' Spring Preview Day - April 15.

WF CARF

You are part of the DCC Family and we are praying for you during this unprecedented time, that you will be safe and healthy. The DCC family chooses faith over fear because we know God has a plan and a purpose in all of this. We encourage you to look to God's Word and seek His face in prayer to find peace and comfort.

Please know that if you are in need, we are here for you. Don't hesitate to reach out so that we can connect.

<u>wecare@dallas.edu</u> goes directly to the President's Office. If you have an issue that you have not been able to resolve or if you want to acknowledge someone in the DCC family that has gone the extra mile serving you, please let us know.

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