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In Memoriam: Dwight Coleman Jr. 1984-2022

Dallas Christian College Head Men's Basketball Coach, *Dwight Coleman Jr.*, unexpectedly passed away overnight on Tuesday, April 5, 2022. Please keep the DCC community, especially the men's basketball program, in your prayers as we navigate these sad and difficult times. Coach Coleman has been remembered by so many...

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DCC Welcomes

Vice-President of Student Development

The following letter was sent out by President Brian Smith announcing the hiring of **Dr. Marshall Dunbar**, DCC's Vice-President of Student Development:

I am pleased to announce the appointment of Dr. Marshall Dunbar to the role of Vice President of Student Development. He will begin April 1, 2022. DCC engaged in an extensive search and interview process to identify the right leader for this exciting time in our history. With a growing student body comes the opportunity to raise up leaders to impact our culture for Christ, and I believe that now is the time to invest even more in the holistic development of our students so that they can be fully equipped.

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Kingdom Week Reflections by Riley Stoabs (DCC Senior 2022)

About two weeks ago, myself, my wife, Lessie Stoabs, and three other DCC students--Zack Richardson, Chris Mizeski, and Jonny Gregorich--went to Guatemala on a DCC Kingdom Week Trip! While one member of the faculty, Crystal Laidacker, went with us, this trip was actually student planned and student lead through and through! This changed the dynamic of the whole trip as opposed to a traditionally lead trip, but it was a very positive change! There were added challenges and stressful moments, but the overwhelming success of the trip proves that there are students capable of leading others who are studying at DCC.

Overall, the trip was a fantastic learning experience and spiritual growth experience, and there were plenty of incredible moments to share. We traveled to San Raymundo, Guatemala, and served at Morning Glory Christian Academy. During our week of serving there, we took over their Bible classes, giving teachers Rob and Elizabeth a week of not worrying about lessons or lesson plans. Our favorite moments were sharing with the young kids, worshiping and laughing as we showed God's love to them. We helped out the campus as well, saving the school over seventy paid work hours and painting two different office buildings. Lives were changed, people were impacted, and nobody walked away from Kingdom Week 2022 the same as when they entered it.





Serve Day Re-Cap

by Karla Kuhl (Director of Student Development)

On Thursday, March 24th, 143 students took a break from their daily routine and served eight different ministries in the DFW Metroplex. Here is a summary of the ministries that were served and what our students did as projects:

Embrace Grace: Students packed 'love boxes' with supplies for women with unplanned pregnancies.

MetroCrest Food Pantry: Boxes of supplies were assembled for needy families in the area.

Just Because: Students were able to serve lunch and visit with the homeless.

Serving an Elderly Woman: Students were involved with unpacking boxes, sweeping floors, and hanging art décor for an elderly lady.

Mission Arlington: Students handed out flyers in the community, promoting services at Mission Arlington. Various other tasks were done for the organization.

Grace Grapevine: Students sorted through clothes contributions and worked at the resale shop.

Christian Community Action: Boxes of food were loaded into waiting cars for hungry families.

SOS International: Students filled orders for clients from the donated items in the warehouse.

DCC ATHLETICS NEWS by Nathan Yacovissi (Director of Athletics Communication)

DCC Men's Basketball Season Recap

The Crusaders finished the season with a 10-5 record, including wins over No. 2 Manhattan Christian College and No. 3 Champion Christian College. The Crusaders pulled an overtime upset win in the NCCAA Division II Southwest Regional to advance to the semifinals, where they fell to host Kansas Christian College. The Crusaders would go onto finish 3rd place in the ACCA Tournament which included a revenge win over Kansas Christian. The Crusaders would go 3-1 in that tournament.



DCC Women's Basketball Season Recap

The Lady Crusaders won a program-best 24 games that included a 12-5 home record. They would reach the NCCAA Division II Southwest Regional Semifinals consecutive years, but fell to host Ozark Christian College. DCC would go onto finish fourth in the ACCA Tournament. Legendary Head Coach, Larry Tidwell, **announced his retirement** and after two seasons of revitalizing the DCC women's basketball program, the long-time coach was recognized for his outstanding leadership and impact in the lives of basketball players with an honorary basketball at the end of a Chapel Service.



DCC Basketball Awards

NCCAA DII Southwest All-Region 2nd Team: Jairus Allen, Keiarra Rivers, Amber Covington

ACCA All-American: Jairus Allen, Keiarra Rivers

NCCAA Scholar-Athletes: Amber Covington, Grace Lynch

ACCA All-Academic Team: Amber Covington, Grace Lynch, Faith Salinas



DCC Student-Athlete Spotlight: Jairus Allen

Jairus Allen was able to close the year helping to lead the Crusaders men's basketball team to semifinal appearances in the NCCAA Southwest Regional and ACCA Tournament. Allen notched a career-high 30 points and 15 rebounds in the final home game to lift DCC past a pesky Randall University team in the play-in game at home on February 21. Allen would go on to be named All-Region and ACCA All-American. The guard also earned NCCAA Student-Athlete-of-the-Week after a strong week that included the career night vs. Randall and several key plays to upset No. 2 in the nation Manhattan Christian College in the first round of the regional. Allen also put up 25 points in the semifinals to tournament host Kansas Christian College.

On the ACCA Nomination: Head Coach *Dwight Coleman* described Allen as having a quiet demeanor, but is very humble and always looking to help his teammates on and off the court. He leads the team in prayers and devotions as well.

Baseball in Full Swing:

DCC baseball has played 36 games the past two months, which includes 22 at home. A couple of standout performances have been the 4-0 series sweep of Crowley's Ridge which featured a run differential of 54-14 in the four games. DCC has picked up a couple of walk-off wins too over conference foes Randall University and Ecclesia College.

Softball Makes History:

The DCC softball squad etched its first historical win with a 3-2 final at Bacone College. It was a nail-biter, as Crusaders shortstop, Jordyn Billodeaux nabbed the tying run at home in the seventh for the second out at the time. She would record the final putout to secure the win.

Men's Golf Hosts Tournament:

Dallas Christian hosted its first-ever tournament at Luna Vista Golf Course and was pleased with the turnout. DCC's Caden Carroll claimed 14th with a three-round score of 246.

NCCAA ATHLETE-OF-THE-WEEK STREAK

Four consecutive weeks saw the Crusaders have a student-athlete from a sport recognized as the top player in their respective league that week. This list included: Jairus Allen (men's basketball), Joseph Allen (men's basketball), Makenzie Miller (softball), and Stefon Reyes (baseball).

Check out more sports updates at the Dallas Christian College Athletics website: <u>www.dccsports.com</u>

NOW Campaign Update

The College is close to announcing final plans for facilities updates to enhance our student experience. To learn more about the NOW Campaign and the resources we have available for you to share with others, go to: www.dallaspartners.org.

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UPCOMING EVENTS:

- Crusader Experience Preview Day April 21, 2022
- DCC Athletic Banquet April 24, 2022 (RSVP Required)
- Glenda and Denny Dixon Field Dedication April 30, 2022 at 11:00 am
- Honor's Chapel May 5, 2022 at 11:00 am
- Commencement Saturday, May 14, 2022 at Compass Christian Church at 11:00 am

WE CARE

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.

wecare@dallas.edu 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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