



DCC CELEBRATES COMMENCEMENT 2022

We are praising God for the 38 graduates who completed their degree and were honored at our 2022 Commencement on May 14th at Compass Christian Church. Here are some interesting statistics about this graduating class:

- 26 graduated from the traditional program and 12 were non-traditional from the *DCC Online* program.
- 36% of those graduated plan to serve in local church, para-church or intercultural ministries; 32% will provide Christian leadership in local businesses; and 11% plan to teach in the field of education.
- The cumulative GPA of this year's class was 3.67 with 48% graduating with honors.
- The average age of this year's class was 29.
- The students came to DCC from Texas, California, Colorado, Illinois, Maryland, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Oregon, Myanmar, and Nigeria.
- 64% plan to further their education through graduate school.

This year's commencement speaker

was Mark Worley, DCC Alum and Vice President of Institutional Advancement. You can watch the entire DCC Commencement ceremony including Mark Worley's address by clicking the button below.

[DCC Commencement Video](#)



DCC HONORS CHAPEL

On May 5, 2022, Dallas Christian College held its Honors Chapel in order to recognize all students that had received scholarships or awards for their accomplishments this academic year. DCC's Vice President of Student Development, Dr. Marshall Dunbar, gave the chapel address. Below is a link to a gallery of photos that captured DCC students being recognized for various achievements.

Following the chapel service was a luncheon dedicated to the 2022 DCC Graduates. Faculty and staff that were able to attend shared their praise and congratulations to the graduates and also prayed with them as they looked to complete finals and prepared to walk across the stage for graduation.

[Honors Chapel Photo Gallery](#)



IN MEMORIAM: DR. RONALD RIFE

DCC mourned the passing of two men who greatly impacted the College during their lifetime. Dr. Ronald Rife and Mr. Charles Carman both went home to be with the Lord during the month of April. We would like to share briefly about the impact they made on DCC and their legacy as written by Annette Esclavon (DCC Controller and 1978 Alumna):

Dr. Ronald Rife passed away on April 21, 2022. Dr. Rife served as Academic Dean of Dallas Christian back in the 1970s and 1980s and was instrumental in DCC receiving ABHE (then AABC) accreditation. He and his wife Doris served for many



years in Ghana, establishing Ghana Christian College. He returned to DCC from 2007 to 2013, serving as Academic Dean and Director of Institutional Effectiveness. His loving wife Doris served DCC as a nurse for a time and spent much time here helping out where she could. Doris passed away two years ago on Easter. Both were mentors and friends to many of us “old timers” here at DCC and we will always remember them very fondly. Their son Bryan and grandson Matt both graduated from DCC—Matt did a wonderful job carrying on Dr. Rife’s legacy by preaching in chapel for our Crusader Experience on April 21st. The pictures are those that Bryan posted to mark the occasion--Dr. Rife and Matt Rife preaching side-by-side.

A scholarship in memory of Dr. and Mrs. Rife has been established at DCC. **The Ronald and Doris Rife Life of Service Scholarship** will be given in honor of the Rifes, who lived lives of ministry and service in private and public education, as well as missions.

You may make a donation to the scholarship fund by going to:

<https://dallaspartners.org/named-endowed/>

Here is a link to the obituary for Ronald Rife:

<https://www.memphisdemocrat.com/2022/04/28/dr-ronald-rife-obituary/>

IN MEMORIAM: MR. CHARLES CARMAN

Charles Carman, for whom our own Carman Lecture Hall was named, passed away on Wednesday, April 13, 2022. He was also a great friend of Dallas Christian College, serving as regent, trustee, and supporter for many years. His children Stanley and Donna both attended DCC. He ministered at Raintree Christian Church in Lubbock for 29 years, retired in 2000 and served as a hospital chaplain for another 17 years, and continued preaching at Wildwood Senior Living in Joplin! His wife Roberta Barr Carman, who preceded him in death, is the daughter of E. Dean Barr, DCC’s president from 1968 to 1973. He leaves behind a rich legacy and will be missed.



Here is a link to the obituary for Charles Carman:

<https://www.lubbockonline.com/obituaries/p0205407>

DCC ATHLETICS NEWS

STUDENT-ATHLETES HONORED AT SPRING BANQUET

Dallas Christian College hosted its second annual Athletic Banquet on April 24, 2022. After COVID-19 restricted attendance last year to just staff and student-athletes at the Dallas Christian gym, this year the school was able to host the event at Brookhaven Country Club.

The DCC Athletics Department recognized and celebrated all of their student-athletes' successes both on and off the field or court in the 2021-22 school year. It was an event honoring a record-setting enrollment at DCC with student-athletes competing in volleyball, men's and women's soccer, cross country, golf, men's and women's basketball, softball, and baseball.

The Crusaders welcomed several special guests to speak throughout the event including Jason Duke, Connections Pastor at Hope Fellowship Church and 2003 DCC Alum; Rich Green, Compass Christian Church Colleyville Campus Pastor and DCC FCA Representative; and Donnie Bostwick, Men's Basketball Coach at Oklahoma Wesleyan University. In addition to the awards that were presented, Dwight Coleman, Jr. and Jason Makayabo were both remembered by coaches and family members.

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Athletic Banquet Photo Gallery



GLEND AND DENNY DIXON FIELD DEDICATION

Saturday, April 30, marked a special day in Dallas Christian College baseball history. On this date, the field that broke ground in 2014 and has been led by the same man each subsequent season was honored by being officially named the Glenda and Denny



[Dixon](#) Field. The late Glenda, wife of Coach Dixon, passed away in January, 2021 but was a significant part of the baseball program in what she was coined the "Baseball Mom."

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Dixon Field Photo Gallery

DCC ATHLETIC MOMENTS FROM 2021-2022



The 2021-22 academic year came to a close in May. It was a year that featured several memorable moments for the Dallas Christian College Athletics department. While the department and campus were stricken with sorrow in April due to the losses of Men's Basketball Head Coach *Dwight Coleman* and Men's Basketball player *Jason Makayabo*, we hope to honor their memories as we go forward and press into the Lord for His love and nurturing Spirit to guide us through.

DCC was recognized at the national level with All-Region winners, NCCAA Scholar-Athletes, and NCCAA Athletes-of-the-Weeks.

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IN MEMORIAM: JASON MAKAYABO

Dallas Christian College student, Jason Makayabo, unexpectedly passed away on April 16, 2022. Makayabo was a junior psychology major and student-athlete on the DCC men's basketball team. Makayabo transferred to DCC in the 2021 spring team and joined the Crusader basketball team...

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NOW CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

The College has announced scholarship goals as well as final plans for facilities updates to enhance our student experience. To learn more about the NOW Campaign and the resources we have available for

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you to share with others, go to:
www.dallaspartners.org.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- New Student Orientation – August 20-23, 2022
 - Convocation Chapel – August 25, 2022
 - North Texas Giving Day – September 22, 2022
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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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