1933-1993



60 YEARS OF EXCELLENCE

**Annual Report** 



# 60 Years of Excellence

Anniversaries are times for reminiscing about the past and anticipating the future. The words of Caleb at age 85 are very appropriate as we think of the importance of continuing faithfulness and strength.

Caleb was reflecting on his life and God's promises when he said to Joshua, "Behold, the Lord has kept me alive...I am as strong this day as I was in the day that Moses sent me....
Therefore give me this mountain..." (Joshua 14:10-12).

This annual report is a reflection on how God has given LBC a similar testimony—He has kept us alive and well and growing in size and accomplishment for His glory. We are actually stronger than we were 60 years ago. Our graduates are serving Jesus Christ around the world.

We can also say, "As our purpose and commitment was then, so is our purpose and commitment now." Lancaster Bible College exists for the purpose of educating Christian men and women to live according to a Biblical world view and to serve through professional Christian ministries."

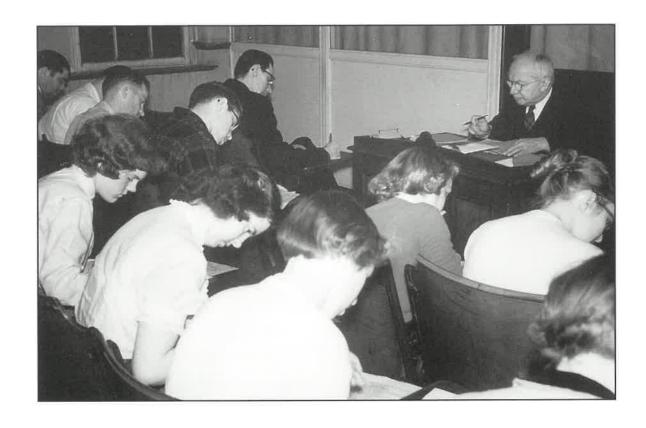


Dr. Gilbert A. Peterson, President

Our desire is to serve Jesus Christ faithfully until Jesus comes again. We are endeavoring to be the key resource center for Christian leadership development and Bible-believing churches throughout the northeastern portion of the United States.

Our goal is to always be on the cutting edge of Biblical and leadership advances for the cause of Christ while remaining faithful in word and deed. We are a school of ministry that seeks to prepare people to thoroughly know the Word, discerningly understand the world, and effectively utilize whatever professional skills are appropriate to reach and teach the world for our Lord Jesus Christ.

Our purpose is that we will be good stewards of God's blessings. Lancaster Bible College has a worthy past, enjoys an exciting present, and seeks to have an effective future. "Our hope is in the Lord."



Phase 1 1933-1953 An Honorable Heritage

The heritage of Lancaster Bible College is built on Biblical instruction and godly leadership. In September 1933 when Henry J. Heydt was led of the Lord to found Lancaster School of the Bible, his vision was to provide a practical education that would ground the student in the Word of God and develop the individual thinking process through study of texts and guided discussion so that each one would be equipped to communicate God's Word to others. Over the last 60 years this vision has been maintained and developed. Today Lancaster Bible College exists for the purpose of educating Christian men and women to live according to a Biblical world view and to serve through professional Christian ministries.



Henry J. Heydt, first president of LSB



Students and faculty at second site on North Duke Street

#### Did You Know That...

- LSB started with 7 students
- Henry Heydt's personal library was also the School's library until 1952
- the first "campus" was a rented room above an automobile showroom
- initially there were no dorms—students were responsible for finding living quarters
- after dorms were secured, students subsidized their room and board through household duties such as cooking and doing dishes
- the original curriculum consisted of two-year programs in Bible and theology
- Christian service was an integral part of the curriculum
- the School was incorporated in 1939
- in 1940 all the students and the teacher from one language class went to mission fields
- the curriculum was expanded to require the study of Greek for three years
- the name was changed in 1944 to Lancaster School of the Bible and Theology
- the Alumni Association began in 1950
- no registration or tuition fees were charged to students until 1952
- from the early days an evening school adult enrichment program was also offered



Sweeping the dining room on Chestnut Street



Men did their share of the dishes



# Phase 2 1954-1978 Expanding the Horizons



Basement print shop



Dr. Moore instructs in medicine for missions

Throughout the next 25 years Lancaster School of the Bible grew steadily in enrollment, programs of study, library size, facilities, and faculty and staff. The Lord's hand of blessing can be seen during these years as He provided in many ways.

In 1960 student enrollment reached 95; by 1971 enrollment had topped 200; and by 1978 there were over 400 students. Additional faculty and staff were needed to provide for four new programs, to maintain effectiveness in the classroom, and to provide sufficient support services. The library grew from several hundred to 25,000 volumes, requiring additional space.



A student tells the Christmas story

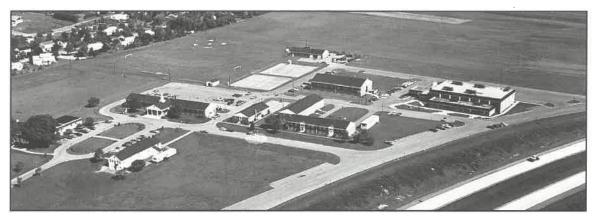


The new campus as donated to LSB

The year 1957 was an eventful one as the J. Martin Esbenshade family offered to donate 15 acres of property and farm buildings for a new campus. For the Esbenshades this was an expression of thanks to the Lord for His many blessings over the years; for LSB this generous gift met a significant need in accommodating the growth that the Lord was providing. During the next six years, the Esbenshades donated an additional four and a half acres, and the College purchased an additional 16-1/2 acres for a total campus of 36 acres. Existing buildings were renovated, and a dormitory and maintenance building were erected.

#### Did You Know That...

- William J. Randolph was president from 1954 to 1961
- each graduate had to complete a thesis
- the study of Hebrew was added to the theology diploma
- programs of study added during this period include Church Music, Missions, Christian Education, and Pastoral Studies
- Stuart E. Lease was president from 1961 to 1979
- the evening school grew to over 425



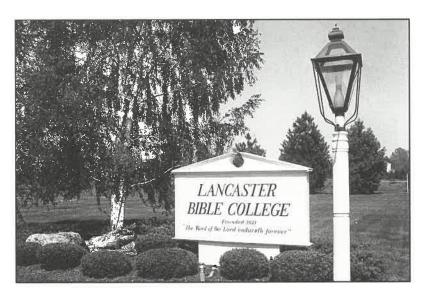
The campus as it looked in 1972

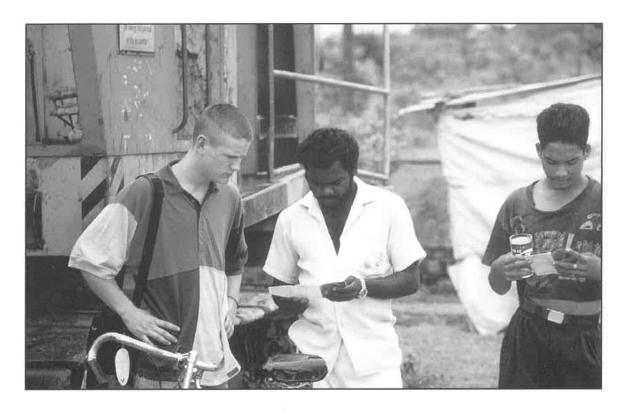


Library in the basement of Becker Hall

In a desire to express continued commitment to Biblical instruction and preparing students for ministry, in 1965 the School achieved accreditation with the Accrediting Association of Bible Institutes and Bible Colleges (now known as the American Association of Bible Colleges).

Also discussed was the possibility of offering a four-year degree program so that students would not have to transfer to another institution to receive a degree. This became a reality in 1973 when provisional approval was received from the Pennsylvania Department of Education to grant the Bachelor of Science in Bible degree. As a result, in May 1973, the name of the School was changed to Lancaster Bible College. These changes enabled the College to provide a degree for its students without compromising the founder's vision of educating Christian students with a strong Biblical foundation and the ability to communicate the gospel by various means.





Phase 3
1979-1993
A Heart for Ministry



Rhonda Eisenberger in the secretarial lab

As the College has continued to grow, so has its commitment to ministry. The focus on interpersonal ministry among students, faculty, and staff has deepened into a strong sense of family and teamwork. Ministries to the community have developed into a broad range of outreaches and public events on campus. Ministries to the regions beyond continue to increase in numbers of countries visited, souls saved, and student, faculty, and staff involvement each year.



Missions Professor Sandy Good in class



Wayne Miller, first LBC student in Missions Aviation

The academic programs have been strengthened and expanded to provide greater opportunities for ministry as LBC students study for ministry, experience ministry, and anticipate future ministry. New programs of study added during this time have included Elementary Education, Bible Education, Bible/Music Education, and Early Childhood Education; Biblical Counseling; Computer Ministries; Youth Ministries; Secretarial Studies; Vocational Technology; and Missions Aviation.

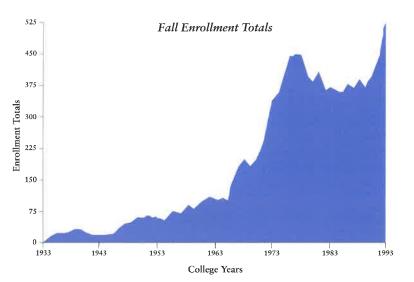
The College has been accredited by the American Association of Bible Colleges since 1965. In addition, the College received accreditation by the Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools in December 1982. This accreditation was renewed after the MSA regular review in 1992. Other academic milestones were reached when the Association of Christian Schools International accredited LBC for certification of graduates of the Elementary Education program (1982), the Music Education program (1987), and the Bible Education program (1987). The College was approved for state certification for the Elementary Education students in 1991. In addition, LBC was granted approval by the Pennsylvania Department of Education to offer the Associate of Science in Bible degree (1982) and the Associate of Science degree in Secretarial Studies (1990).

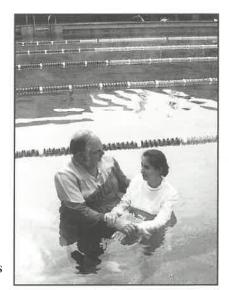


Student teacher Julie Shaeffer with a pupil

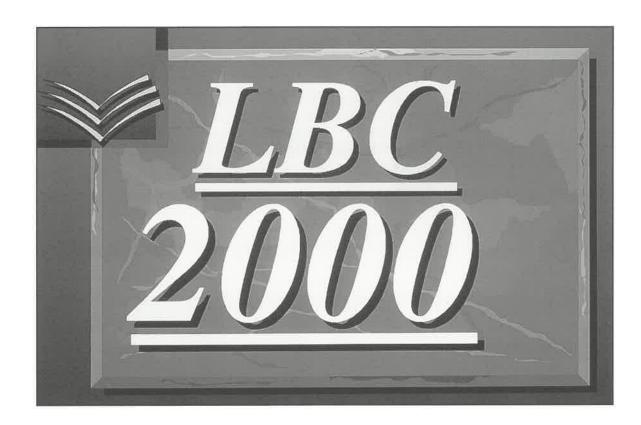
### Did You Know That...

- Dr. Gilbert A. Peterson became the fourth president of the College in 1979
- permanent approval to grant the Bachelor of Science in Bible degree was received in 1981
- 14 regular faculty members (46%) have one or more earned doctorate degrees and 5 are currently in doctoral programs
- in 1992-93 ten teams of LBC students, faculty, and staff were involved in outreach ministries in St. Lucia, Romania/Moldova, the Bahamas, Jamaica, Scotland, Russia, and New York City
- the library collection now totals over 54,000
- during the spring 1993 semester alone LBC students made 3,576 witnessing contacts resulting in 93 decisions for Christ
- in 1992-93 Evening Institute had over 850 students
- there are over 2300 LBC graduates
- there are LBC alumni serving on every inhabited continent in the world
- fall 1993 registration topped the 500 mark for the first time





Dr. Peterson baptizes a new Romanian believer



# Phase 4 1994-2000 A Cause and a Commitment

#### LBC Mission Statement

Lancaster Bible College exists for the purpose of educating Christian men and women to live according to a Biblical world view and to serve through professional Christian ministries.

As the turn of the century quickly approaches and there is yet more to be done to reach others for Christ, Lancaster Bible College maintains its commitment to its mission and to excellence in the fulfillment of this mission. God continues to expand the vision He initially instilled in Henry Heydt. Lancaster Bible College has accepted the challenge of preparing people to reach others in areas that still have great need.

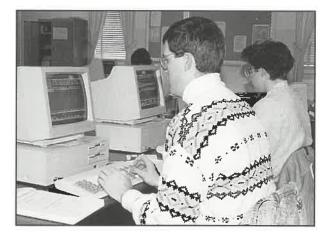
As ministry and service skills needs have changed over the years, the College has adapted to meet those needs. Professional study programs have been added or changed, but the teaching of Bible content and sound doctrine has never changed. In a society that changes at an ever increasing rate, more professional resources are needed by Christian workers to meet the challenges they face in daily ministry. LBC is in a unique position to provide those resources as God enables us to expand to meet each need.



The LBC campus as it is today

## Did You Know That...

- LBC is planning two master's programs for the near future
- due to a significant increase in the local Hispanic population, LBC is studying the possibility of establishing a Center for Hispanic Ministry
- the fall 1993 requests for dormitory housing exceeded capacity and that the Building Committee is examining the immediate and longrange facilities needs of the College
- Distinguished Missionaries-in-Residence have been added to the LBC team
- the number of LBC Evening Institute campuses continues to grow
- additional library acquisitions are being sought to meet the needs of the new academic programs
- Rev. & Mrs. Roger Fox, Distinguished Missionaries-in-Residence
- the networking of the campus computer system is in progress
- the College is planning to offer a degree completion program



Polishing computer skills

## Committed Leadership

The future calls for a strong commitment to preparing Christian leaders as the Lord tarries. The College is blessed with outstanding leaders in the administration, Board of Trustees, and Corporation membership who have dedicated themselves to the success of the College.

#### **Administrators**

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#### LBC Marks of Stability

- faithfulness to its mission statement
- financial stability and growth for the last 12 years
- total years of LBC service by 68 current full-time administration, faculty, and staff is 537, an average of 12 1/2 years per person
- community involvement through outreach ministries and public events
- strategic planning for the future
- elimination of indebtedness
- consistent enrollment growth
- climate of teamwork and family

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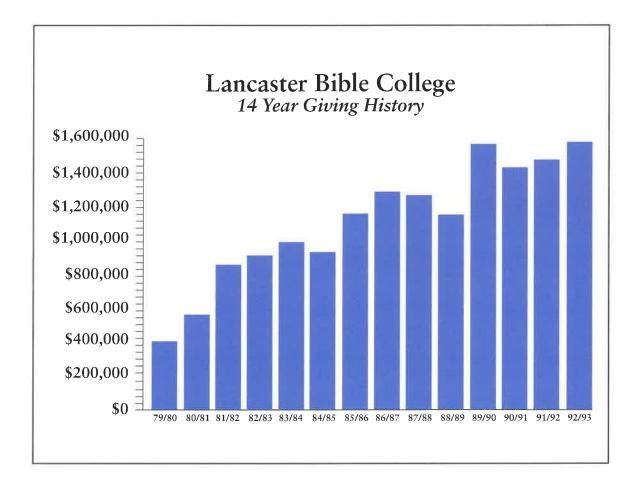
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## Financial Plan for 1993-94

A major facet of the LBC commitment to excellence is financial stability, growth, and accountability. The College continues to maintain balanced budgets. Programs are expanded to meet needs without excessive increases in tuition and fees passed on to students. Accountability includes providing our students with an affordable education as well as wise usage of the gift resources God provides through His people. And the development of programs or facilities takes place only after financial resources are in hand or in pledge form.





The LBC 2000 plan (the strategic plan document of the College) contains projected annual segments; each segment is evaluated and revised by the administration as a new school year is begun. The 1993-94 plan includes the following financial goals for this year.



Opportunities available to all

#### 1993-94 Budget

| Scholarshare Fund\$900,000                                       |
|------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Building Fund                                                    |
| Endowment Fund                                                   |
| Special Projects (non-budgeted)                                  |
| Handicapped Accessibility Project (completion)\$125,000          |
| Graduate School (initiation)                                     |
| Computerization of administrative offices (continuation) 300,000 |
| Center for Hispanic Ministries (initiation)                      |
| Degree Completion Program (initiation)                           |
| Campus Completion Plan (initiation)                              |
| Computerization of Library Services                              |

# Supporting the Winning Effort

The heritage of Lancaster Bible College, from its first days until the present, has been dependent upon the support of God's people through their prayers, their gifts, and their time. In order for this consistent heritage to continue, LBC needs YOU to be a part of this ministry. Lancaster Bible College depends upon the Lord to speak to the hearts of His people regarding the needs of the College. We trust you'll consider what part He would lead you to have in educating Christian men and women for His service. Your investment will reap eternal dividends as LBC students and graduates bring the gospel to others around the world.



Dr. Gil Peterson, Rich Wilson, Dennis Metzler

# Did You Know That Your Gifts...

- provide scholarships for students
- are invested in Christian service experience for students
- provide health services for students
- enhance the quality of the faculty
- provide the resources for staff to serve the students better
- contribute to the financial stability, accountability, and continued growth of the College and its programs and facilities to meet the ever increasing ministry needs
- enable men and women to fulfill God's call on their lives for ministry
- multiply as students and alumni minister in churches, missions, counseling, youth ministry, schools, and many other aspects of the Lord's work
- help meet your needs for ministry such as Evening Institute, pastors seminars, management seminars, concerts, Christian education conventions

#### Your partnership is important ...

to the advancement of the Lord's work at LBC. Let's talk about the part you would consider having to make LBC the finest college for ministry preparation in the world by the year 2000.

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