



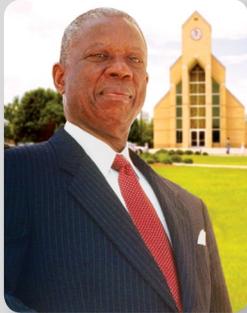
CAMPUS REPORT

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PRESIDENT'S CALENDAR



DECEMBER 5, 2014

6:00 p.m.

21st ANNIVERSARY GALA - UNCF Pee Dee Area
Florence County Civic Center
Florence, SC

DECEMBER 6-9, 2014

2014 SACSCOC ANNUAL MEETING
The Music City Center
Nashville, TN

DECEMBER 7, 2014

6:00 p.m.

ANNUAL CHRISTMAS CONCERT
Neal-Jones Auditorium

7:00 p.m.

LIGHTING OF THE CAMPUS CHRISTMAS TREE

“Have a merry and happy Christmas, not only for yourselves, but for your parents and family.”

Why Jesus Came

“She will bear a son, and you are to name him Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins” (Matthew 1:21)

With the Christmas season well under way, the college community assembled in the Neal-Jones Auditorium, on Thursday, for its traditional Pre-Christmas Service of Worship. The Reverend Dr. Charles M. Pee, assistant professor in the Division of Religion and Humanities and college minister, delivered the message. “Christmas is much more than lights, Christmas trees, and Santa Claus,” he shared. “Christmas is really about ‘Why Jesus Came.’”



President Richardson (center) with Reverend Dr. Oliver T. Hill (left), assistant professor; and Reverend Dr. Charles M. Pee, college minister and assistant professor.

From his revealing message, Pee reminded his audience that Jesus was not just another child born into the world, nor was his name a mere tag chosen at random or in haste. “The name Jesus identifies our Savior and helps us all to know why he came.”

The forgiveness and intervening deeds of God, on the behalf of the people of God had become all too familiar. “The promise connected with the birth of Jesus extended salvation to another dimension,” Pee contends. Jesus came “to give moral and spiritual freedom and to restore the people to a right relationship with God.” Influencing the repentant to return to what is good, Pee saw Jesus’ coming as enabling them to “walk in godliness, to deepen their sense of accountability and to become steady in responsible living that pleases God.”

Jesus also came to challenge people to face up to their sins of vanity. “One of the most difficult things in life is to face up to ourselves, to face up to our own shortcomings, to our own wrongs and to our own sins.”

Lastly, Pee pointed out that Jesus came to lead his hearers away from the sins associated with violence. Noting that our world needs to be saved from violence, he defined violence as a “selfish use of power to gain advantage over someone else for personal reasons.” Yet, not hindered by the world’s un-readiness for love, Pee declared that Jesus chose people from various violent backgrounds to be his closest followers. “He worked to train them in new attitudes. He shaped within them a new spirit and redirected their energies in more productive work.”

Jesus came to save us, Pee concluded, and we ought to be able to sing this Christmas season and every day of our lives, “Joy to the World!”

Dr. Pee serves as pastor of the Friendship Missionary Baptist Church in Conway, SC and as moderator of the Little Pee Dee Baptist Association.

Dr. Luns C. Richardson thanked Dr. Pee, on behalf of the college for a “thought-provoking and excellent message we can all use as a guidepost in order to live better lives.” He also thanked program participants and all who attended the Pre-Christmas Service of Worship. “Carry the message with you,” the president added. “I hope that you have been made better after having listened to these words of wisdom and guidance.”

Dr. Richardson also encouraged students to do their very best on their final examinations. He concluded by saying, “Have a merry and happy Christmas, not only for yourselves, but for your parents and family.”

UPCOMING EVENTS

Calendars Mark Your Calendars Mark Your

DECEMBER 5, 2014

LAST DAY OF FALL SEMESTER CLASSES

DECEMBER 8, 2014

POSTTESTS FOR FRESHMEN

DECEMBER 9-12, 2014

FINAL EXAMINATIONS

DECEMBER 12, 2014

7:00 p.m.
RESIDENCE HALLS CLOSE

JANUARY 6, 2015

SPRING SEMESTER REGISTRATION

JANUARY 7, 2015

SPRING SEMESTER CLASSES BEGIN

JANUARY 18-24, 2014

HOMEcoming WEEK

JANUARY 26, 2014

8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
CAREER CONNECTIONS 2015
Columbia Metropolitan
Convention Center
Columbia, SC

Note: All graduating seniors who would be interested in participating in this event should bring their resumes to the Career Services Center by December 12.

QEP Word of The Week

Codify [kod-uh-fahy] verb; to systematize

Future Teachers Sponsor Book Drive

During American Education Week, the Morris College Student-South Carolina Education Association (S-SCEA) sponsored a book drive and over 70 children's books were collected.

On November 25, the books were donated to the North HOPE Center located at 904 North Main Street, Sumter, SC.

The books were delivered by S-SCEA members, Betty Geddings, S-SCEA president; Deaja White, Veronica Thompson, and Amani Robinson.



From left to right: Robinson, White, Thompson and Geddings display a few of the book donations.

Residents of Alexander-Graham Sponsor Food Drive



The residents of the Alexander-Graham Men's Residence Hall sponsored their Annual Caring and Sharing Feed-A-Family Food Drive. Thanks to its success, they collected three large boxes of non-perishable food items. In turn, the items were donated to the WLJI 98.3 FM radio station in Sumter in support of its effort to feed 50 families for Thanksgiving.

This year's drive was spearheaded by Dexter Ladson (left), Rick McLeod (right), Tony Williams (not pictured), and Mr. Edward Rogers (not pictured), residence hall director.

Men of Alpha Collect 'Change For Change'

Members of the Xi Epsilon Chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Incorporated collected donations of spare change for it's "Change For Change" project. The collection period ran for one week. By doing this, the goal was to feed as many families as possible with the donations for the Thanksgiving holiday.

A total amount of \$72.00 was collected. With these funds they, along with members of its supporting graduate chapter, the Omicron Kappa Lambda Chapter; were able to purchase groceries and deliver them to two families.

NOTICE: The Richardson-Johnson Learning Resources Center (LRC) will operate with extended hours during the week of final examinations.

On Sunday, December 7, the LRC will close at 10:00 p.m. and at 11:00 p.m. on Monday, December 8 through Wednesday, December 10.