

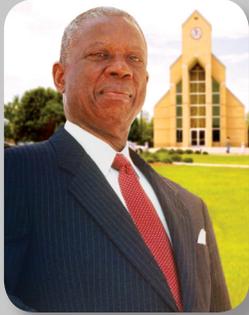


CAMPUS REPORT

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PRESIDENT'S CALENDAR

DECEMBER 5, 2010

6:00 p.m.

Annual Christmas Concert
Morris College Chorale
Neal-Jones Auditorium

No Christmas Without Christ

Dr. Butler delivers a message to remind everyone about the message of hope and the need to keep Christ first



Dr. Butler (left) with President Richardson after worship service.

This week, the College sponsored its traditional Pre-Christmas Service of Worship. The speaker for this year's service was **Reverend Dr. Walter Butler**, assistant professor in the Division of Religion and Humanities. Dr. Butler has served as pastor of St. Paul Baptist Church in Lexington, SC since 1997 and he joined the Morris College faculty in 2009. He has served in several leadership roles within the Baptist convention and is currently a member of the Morris College Board of Trustees.

In agreement with opening remarks from President Richardson, "...anything involving Christ never grows old," this year's message reminded everyone about the need to refresh our hearts and minds to keep Christ first. "Christmas is about the celebration of life," Dr. Butler stated in his beginning remarks. As he continued to deliver his message, the audience heard a much needed reminder of how Christ ultimately gave His all. "Jesus became our message of hope," he said.

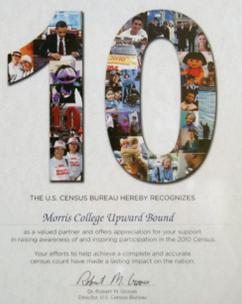
He discussed at great length the ways in which there is no Christmas without Christ and how we are all recipients of spiritual sacrifices. In a thought-provoking question, Dr. Butler asked the audience, "What are you willing to give up today for the called cause of your salvation?" Furthermore, he questioned, "What are you willing to give God on today?" He later told a story of a son who was very close to his father and died in the line of duty during a war. Quite naturally, the son's death deeply saddened the father. As a tribute to his son's military bravery one of the soldiers, who was saved by the son and knew of the bond he shared with his father, painted a portrait of the son. For quite some time, the father kept the portrait in a special part of the home and marveled at it on a daily basis. Years later when the father passed, an auction was held to sell his valuable possessions. The first item up for bid was the portrait of the son. Those attending the auction showed no interest in purchasing the portrait, but finally one man agreed to pay \$100 for it. To everyone's dismay, the auctioneer gathered his belongings after the portrait was sold and announced that the instructions were to give everything to the person who bought the son's portrait.

Much like the story, Dr. Butler said "...if you get Jesus - you get it all." In conclusion he told everyone, "Until we fill that void only Christ can fill, Christmas will have no meaning. Until we fill the emptiness only Christ can fill, there will be no joy."

President Encourages Students as Finals Approach

At the close of this week's assembly program, President Richardson had a clear and concise message for the student-body, "I hope each of you will have a successful final examination period." "Keep in mind this is the semester, especially for Freshmen, that gives you a good start in maintaining a good academic average." He went on to encourage all students to "buckle down" and study, and to "stay away from night clubs in an effort to keep their academic priorities in order." Additionally, he spoke about the importance of resting and eating properly. Final examinations will be administered December 6-9.

Upward Bound Program Receives Recognition



The Morris College Upward Bound Program received a certificate from the United States Department of Commerce in recognition of its participation to assist the United States Census Bureau achieve "a complete and accurate count" for the 2010 Census.

According to program director, Mr. K. D. Singleton, "This experience was another way for students enrolled in our program to learn the importance of the census and we were honored to have this opportunity to collaborate with the Census Bureau."

Apply Today for UNCF Scholarships

Throughout the academic year, the United Negro College Fund (UNCF) awards a variety of scholarships to students attending its member institutions. All students who are interested in being considered for these scholarships, must complete the online profile and the UNCF General Scholarship application. To view a list of available scholarships and for other information, visit www.uncf.org and click the *For Students* link.

For additional information and/or for on-campus assistance, call the Office of Financial Aid at extension 3238 or visit the office on the first floor of the Mabel K. Howard Building.

Honor Students Participate in Graduate School Visitation

Last month, six seniors and two juniors joined 204 scholars from more than 57 colleges and universities for the 40th Annual Graduate and Professional Visitation Days program at the Ohio State University, Columbus, Ohio.

Participants were **Shemika Zuell**, organizational management major of Sumter, SC; **Roneshia Torrence**, sociology major of Charleston, SC; **Marquice Clark**, elementary education major of Sumter, SC; **Zina Diaz**, pastoral ministry major of Manning, SC; **Mansueta Harris**, junior biology major of Fayetteville, NC; **Jessica S. McCoy**, mathematics major of Wedgefield, SC; **Twilow Rhodes**, biology major of Sumter, SC; and **Wilveria A. Sanders**, junior business administration major of Rembert, SC.

The students submitted application packets to their prospective graduate programs, visited academic units, toured campus, met with graduate students and participated in workshops. Additionally, the students spent some of their free time with alumni William and Jennifer Knowlin Twitty, Troy Glover, and Michael Davis. Twitty and Glover are graduates of the Ohio State University and Jennifer Knowlin Twitty is a graduate of Bowling Green State University. Ms. Margaret A. Bailey, director of the Morris College Career Services Center, accompanied the students during the visitation days.



Ms. Margaret Bailey (seated third from left) and Morris College honor students during trip to the Ohio State University visitation day program.

Students Showcase Talents During Annual Competitions

The Division of General Studies, under the leadership of Dr. Reginald A. Bess, sponsored its annual Freshman Extravaganza and Sophomore Parade of Stars on November 22. This annual event is the division's effort to showcase the variety of talents of its students. Winners receive a cash prize of \$50, \$75, and \$100 for finishing in third, second, and first place categories respectively. This year's winners of the Freshman Extravaganza were: Ronnie Scott and Jarren Johnson, first place; Tevin Smith, second place; and Baptiste Crenshaw, third place. The winners of the Sophomore Parade of Stars were: Ella Smith, first place; Maurice Wilson, second place; and Chris James, third place.



MARK YOUR CALENDAR

DECEMBER 6-9, 2010

6 and 8 p.m.

Basketball: Both
Emmanuel College

Garrick-Boykin Human Development Center

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FINAL EXAMINATIONS

JANUARY 3, 2011

Faculty and Staff return to work
Faculty/Staff Mid-Year Conference

JANUARY 4, 2011

Residence halls open for new
and returning students

JANUARY 5, 2011

SPRING SEMESTER REGISTRATION

JANUARY 6, 2011

CLASSES BEGIN

JANUARY 23-29, 2011

HOMECOMING WEEK

FEBRUARY 22-25, 2011

SCIENCE-IN-ACTION WEEK

FEBRUARY 22-25, 2011

RELIGIOUS EMPHASIS WEEK

FEBRUARY 25, 2011

Mid-Winter Banquet and Rally
Garrick-Boykin Human Development Center

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