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CELEBRATING LIVES TRANSFORMED 2021 ANNUAL REPORT

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ONE THOUSAND DAYS TRANSFORMED

The Campaign for CEDARVILLE

EVERY DAY MATTERS. EVERY STUDENT MATTERS. EVERY GIFT MATTERS.

we are celebrating your generosity that is being stewarded to transform lives at Cedarville University.



OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT Thomas White

Dear

As I reflect on 2021, I am humbled and grateful to God for His goodness to Cedarville University. We were able to start the fall semester with a "return to normal"; it was a joy to see students' smiling faces at Getting Started once again and watch them share laughter and hugs with friends. You could visibly see that these days matter to each of these students. God moved during Fall Bible Conference, as we had several professions of faith and other decisions to commit lives to Christ. Throughout the semester God continued to transform the hearts and minds of our students to be more like Christ. Every student on this campus matters to us and to God. This academic year we have been walking through selected parables of Jesus from Matthew and Luke. We're being encouraged to have ears to hear, hearts that receive, and lives that obey. Jesus has much to say to us if we only listen.

We have another record enrollment, the second-largest freshman class ever, a new residence hall under construction, as well as an academic and athletic expansion. The Lord also graciously allowed us to be debt-free as an institution for likely the first time in our history. Finally, we were excited to officially launch *One Thousand Days Transformed: The Campaign for Cedarville*, a \$125 million fundraising effort that will expand our capacity, increase affordability, transform students' lives in and out of the classroom, and provide for future sustainability. You'll hear much more about the campaign later in this report, including an announcement of total commitments to date. Every gift mattered in making these accomplishments possible for the glory of God.

We've created this annual report especially for you. Along with your personalized giving statement, you'll find highlights of what God has done in the past year at Cedarville. More than just facts and figures, this information demonstrates how your generosity makes a difference at Cedarville, and how we strive to steward it well. You'll also hear directly from some of our students, whose lives you so richly bless.

thank you for your prayers and generous support. We thank God for your partnership in training the next generation with excellence to stand for the Word of God and the Testimony of Jesus Christ.

In Christ,

Thomas White

President, Cedarville University

P.S. Watch a video detailing highlights from the year at **cedarville.edu/highlights**.

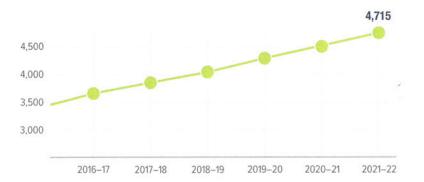
We have daily chapel because **EVERY DAY MATTERS.**



Your investment makes daily chapel possible. Students' lives are changed as they hear powerful messages from God's Word and experience true worship. Then, they take what they've learned and put it into practice through ministry and missions opportunities.

YOUR GIFTS ARE HELPING US GROW CAPACITY TO MEET THE NEEDS OF A GROWING STUDENT BODY.

For the 15th-consecutive year, we experienced a record enrollment. More than 1,000 new students joined the Cedarville family. We recognize this as a blessing from the Lord, and we are grateful and humbled by the opportunity to invest in these students' lives.



To continue addressing the needs of this expanding enrollment, in 2021 we began construction on the Athletic and Academic Expansion of Callan Athletic Center and a new women's residence hall, which will help meet the demands of both our growing student body and our increasing number of in-demand graduate programs. Each of these facilities are planned to be open for the fall 2022 semester.



The new addition to Callan will house classrooms, labs, and faculty offices for our new Master of Athletic Training and PA* programs, as well as a new weight room and team room for our student-athletes.



The new residence hall will provide beds for 120 female students, as well as lounge areas for group interaction and building community.

*Pending ARC-PA approval



My time in Cedarville so far has been characterized by growth. Academically, I've been stretched to meet the high demands of my classes and spiritually, I've been surrounded by the encouragement and challenge of truth.

It would be impossible for me to go to Cedarville without scholarships. They are a symbol of God's provision and kindness in my life, and I could not be more grateful for them.

FELIPE MAYTA CANALLE '25

Economics

On-campus activities: MISO and MuKappa



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YOUR GIFTS ALLOW STUDENTS TO HEAR THE LIFE-CHANGING MESSAGE OF THE GOSPEL ... AND THEN SHARE IT WITH OTHERS.

Students' lives are changed through daily chapel as they hear God's Word boldly proclaimed from exceptional speakers, including our own faculty members and pastors from all over the country.

Dr. Jeremy Kimble, Associate Professor of Theology, was the speaker for this year's Fall Bible Conference. Using the theme "Wholehearted," he spoke from 1 and 2 Chronicles, challenging faculty, staff, and students to have hearts that are wholly dedicated to the Lord. We saw many decisions made by students at the end of the conference.



Dr. Thomas White, President, speaks most Mondays. In his weekly sermon series this year, he is walking the campus community through



the parables of Jesus, challenging us to have ears that hear, hearts that receive, and lives that obey.



120 students 14 teams 9 countries

Even with COVID-19 restrictions in place, our Global Outreach office sent teams of students across the country and around the world during summer 2021 to minister to others and share the message of the Gospel.

In addition, this year an anonymous donor established a \$1 million endowment for Global Outreach. These funds will make it possible for faculty and staff to lead future missions trips and encourage more students to participate in global ministry opportunities.



I've been transformed by the Lord at Cedarville in many ways. I have learned how important it is to seek to know God through His Word every single day so I can exalt Him in everything throughout my daily life. It's been a joy to sit under top-tiered teaching in class while also gaining wisdom by being personally mentored by professors and staff members.

Dr. White's "Ears to Hear" series has been a great encouragement to me. I have learned that the parables of Jesus are figurative language to drive home a central point about who Jesus is. Through this sermon series, I have been exhorted in my own life to have "ears to hear," examining where in my life I need to pray, "Lord, I believe, help my unbelief." A specific quote from the sermon series that has impacted me is, "May we be uncompromising on truth but stand with compassionate conviction toward others."

JUSTIN SCHLABACH '22

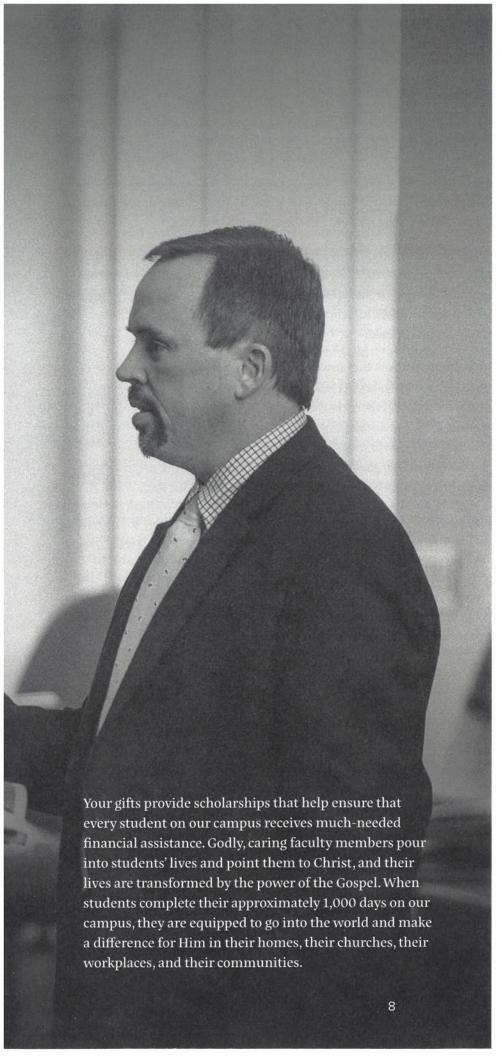
Accelerated Biblical Studies + M.Div. 2021–22 Student Body Chaplain



As we partner together to transform lives,

EVERY STUDENT MATTERS.







I have experienced intense growth in my walk with the Lord since I started at Cedarville. Specifically, the Bible minor classes have challenged me to go deeper with the Lord in a way I had never done before. They taught me the story of the Gospel, which spans the entire Bible, and how that should be changing my life. I'd never heard that before. Those classes, together with daily chapel messages and discipleship groups, have been instrumental in growing my relationship with the Lord and how I live out my faith.

I love how a biblical worldview affects all my studies at Cedarville, even accounting or composition, and how Jesus is central to everything that takes place on campus. I love how much my professors care about me and how they live out their faith — it inspires me every day. And I love the once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to experience a community of fellow believers. I know I am not meant to walk this Christian life alone, so why would I not want to surround myself with peers who are passionate about the Lord too?

As I study business analytics, I plan to become a data analyst and shine the light of Christ in the business world.

CAROLINE KEMP '23

Global Business

On-Campus Activities: Women in Business, Discipleship Ministries, Phonathon



YOUR GIVING ALLOWS FACULTY AND STAFF TO INVEST IN STUDENTS ...



Rhonda Smith has been such an encouragement to me. When I was feeling discouraged or stressed, Rhonda always pointed me to Christ. She would pray with me and have me list all the names of Christ out loud so I would remember how good He really is. It's such a small thing but made such a difference in my life. She is full of life and can put a smile on anyone's face. I am a better person because of her.

DELANEY SMITH '22

Nursing



My family moved to Cedarville in June 2000 for my husband's job on campus, and I was fortunate to be hired by the nursing department to work with nursing students in the skills lab that fall.

Over the last 21 years, I have been impressed by our students. They may not realize it, but they continually challenge me in my spiritual journey. I have had the privilege of watching students as they struggle with issues of faith, asking sincere questions as they seek to make their faith their own.

I let students know that my door is always open. Sometimes they need a shoulder to cry on and a momma's hug, or sometimes they need lots of nudging to get moving in the right direction. Often, students just need a listening ear ... and a safe place to talk through things. Every meeting ends with one question: "What are you thankful for?" My goal is to help students see that even on their darkest day, there is always something to be thankful for.

My heartbeat in teaching students is to help them to be Jesus' hands and feet. I remind them they cannot be His hands and feet without first seeing others through His eyes. Only then will they be able to effectively minister to others.

I have met so many amazing nursing students over the years who have challenged me with their love of others and their desire to use nursing as a ministry. As faculty and staff in the School of Nursing,



we get to watch students come in as freshmen with no idea how to even take a pulse and leave as competent caregivers, ready to take their nursing skills, grounded in faith, to all areas of the world. We are all blessed to be a small part of their journey.

RHONDA SMITH
Compliance Advisor for B.S.N. Student Success

Serving at Cedarville for 21 Years

... AND YOUR INVESTMENT IN SCHOLARSHIPS MAKES THE CEDARVILLE EXPERIENCE POSSIBLE

Charles and Anita Petersen established their first scholarship at Cedarville — the World Missions Scholarship — in 2003 to help students prepare for and eventually enter the mission field. "We heard a speaker say that many young people wanted to be



missionaries but graduated with debt that kept them from getting on the field," they shared. "Or some had so much debt that they never made it to the field."

That same thinking led them to go on to establish three more scholarships at Cedarville: Christian Education, Pastoral Studies, and World Missions – Civil Engineering. They've purposely chosen full-time ministry fields or fields

where starting salaries are low, making debt harder to retire. They added civil engineering most recently due to its potential to help missionaries enter typically closed countries.

Each October and January, Charles and Anita visit campus and have dinner with the most recent recipients of their scholarships. They are blessed to hear how the scholarships have made such a large impact on the students, many of whom share how they would not be at Cedarville without the Petersens' scholarship.

Charles and Anita continue to be strong supporters of Cedarville and its mission, and they encourage others to join them in giving to scholarships. "The Church needs young men and women in our culture, whether as missionaries in their workplace or in some foreign country," they explained. "Cedarville has the tools to produce young men and women who are strong in the Christian faith and also perform at a high level in whatever professional field they choose."

The Petersens consider scholarships the gift that keeps on giving. "Giving to Cedarville is one of the best investments you could make," they said. "It is a great joy to help develop young men and women into strong disciples who bring light into the darkness wherever God may lead them."



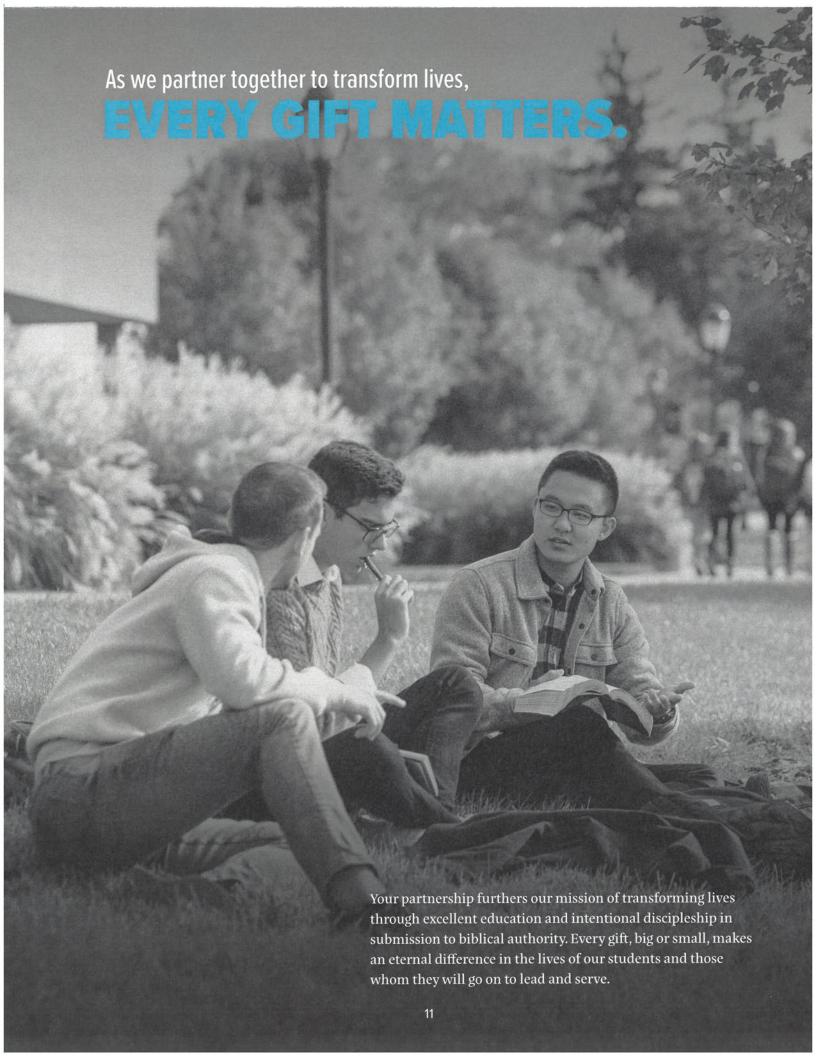
My Cedarville experience and the transformative work of Christ in my life since being here is because of the incredible generosity of donors who love God and want to join in the work that God is doing at Cedarville.

Lord willing, I would love to be a youth pastor and teach junior high and high school students about the life-changing message of the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

JONO SPEAR '22, M.DIV. '23

Accelerated Biblical Studies + M.Div. Recipient of the World Missions Scholarship









Words fail to express our gratefulness for your faithful generosity to Cedarville University. Your financial gifts provide scholarships to phenomenal students, support the work of gifted faculty, invest in innovative programs, and create incredible learning spaces and environments that advance the Cedarville tradition of academic excellence and intentional discipleship for the Word of God and the Testimony of Jesus Christ. Now more than ever our world needs the Christ-centered educational approach of Cedarville University, and you are making a measured difference in student lives. What you do matters!

WILL SMALLWOOD Vice President for Advancement wsmallwood@cedarville.edu | 937-766-7432

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One Thousand Days Transformed: The Campaign for Cedarville, the University's first comprehensive fundraising campaign, launched quietly in June 2019. On October 3, 2021, we publicly launched the campaign during homecoming. With an ambitious \$125 million goal, this campaign aims to expand our capacity, minimize student debt, transform lives in and out of the classroom, and provide for the future.

The generosity of donors has been remarkable, and we are especially grateful for givers like you who partnered with us this year.

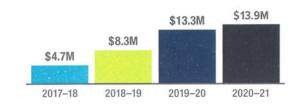
\$101.1M OF \$125M COMMITTED

Learn more about One Thousand Days
Transformed: The Campaign for Cedarville at
cedarville.edu/Transformed.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY

Generous gifts from the Cedarville family — alumni, parents, friends, faculty, staff, foundations, corporations, and churches — during 2021 made a difference in the lives of our students. Through God's faithful generosity, our finances are strong. As we equip our students through excellent academics and intentional discipleship, we are committed to honor God by stewarding well all that He has entrusted to us.

TOTAL GIVING FROM GENEROUS DONORS LIKE YOU

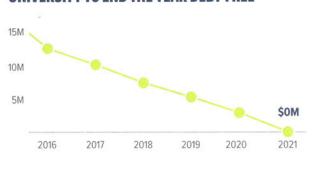


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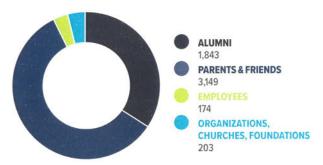
	PARTICIPANTS	TOTAL GIVING
2020 Athletic Giving Day	543	\$128,227
2020 Giving Tuesday	985	\$577,829
2021 Spring Giving Day	698	\$229,456

*Giving days are from 2021 fiscal year, from July 1, 2020, to June 30, 2021.

CAREFUL STEWARDSHIP ALLOWED THE UNIVERSITY TO END THE YEAR DEBT-FREE

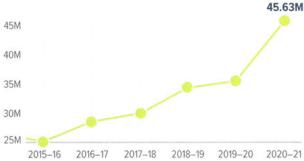


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SCHOLARSHIPS ENABLE OUR STUDENTS TO GRADUATE WITH LESS DEBT



PARTNERING WITH YOU TO EQUIP STUDENTS FOR A LIFETIME OF GOSPEL IMPACT

We are determined to make every day matter, transform every student, and steward all God has entrusted to Cedarville University. Your gifts make Cedarville's bold stance on biblically faithful academics possible for students who desire to grow in their walk with Christ and use their profession as a platform for ministry.

Thank you for your generosity.



for the WORD OF GOD and the TESTIMONY of JESUS CHRIST

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My professors have challenged me with rigorous academics but have also been willing to spend time with me if I was struggling to make sure I was able to understand and apply the material. I feel well prepared to enter the workforce after graduation this spring. My goal is to use my computer science degree to start a think tank that helps fight against social evils like human trafficking by using the power of data and cloud.

I believe pursuing a Christ-centered education is important because it teaches you the why behind everything you do. You can be the smartest engineer or the most successful entrepreneur, but if your foundation is wrong, you are heading off in the wrong direction. My faith and the why behind my life have been more clearly defined during my time at Cedarville: Everything I do is to glorify Christ. I am so grateful to learn from a school that helps me set my priorities for life.

RUFUS MATHEW '22

Computer Science On-Campus Activities: Student Government President, MISO, Tour Guide

