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CEDARVILLE, OHIO -- As Cedarville University continues to grow its student body, academic programs, and campus facilities, the need for someone to serve the university by keeping communication flowing between the president's office and campus leadership has become apparent. As a result, Dr. Thomas White, president, announced today Dr. Zach Bowden will serve as the university's first chief of staff.

Bowden joined Cedarville University in 2013 as the executive assistant to the president and assistant professor of theological studies. Bowden will continue to teach in the university's school of biblical and theological studies.

In his new role, Bowden will continue to be the liaison between the president's office and campus leaders. Bowden will attend key meetings to keep communication flowing between various areas of the university and the president's office. Bowden will also continue as a member of the president's senior leadership team and a member of the Cabinet.

Bowden, who earned a doctoral degree in church history and historical theology and Master of Divinity from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary and a bachelor's degree in English from Texas A & M University-Corpus Christi, will handle correspondence and official statements on behalf of the president.

"The work of Dr. Bowden has been exemplary from the time he arrived at Cedarville University," said White. "In his new role, he will provide valuable service to the university by ensuring the strategic flow of communication among senior administrators and the university community."

Bowden will also serve the university by providing feedback from key constituents and helping with long-range planning. Cedarville is currently amid its most comprehensive fundraising campaign in the university's 135-year history. To date, Cedarville has received financial commitments of \$105.4 million toward its \$125 million goal.

"My focus has always been to serve the Cedarville community in the best way that I can," said Bowden. "It's truly an honor to serve at Cedarville because its mission fits with my personal belief of helping young people prepare for their life calling of ministry and service."

Located in southwest Ohio, Cedarville University is an accredited, Christ-centered, Baptist institution with an enrollment of 4,715 undergraduate, graduate, and online students in more than 150 areas of study. Founded in 1887, Cedarville is one of the largest private universities in Ohio, recognized nationally

for its authentic Christian community, rigorous academic programs, strong graduation, and retention rates, accredited professional and health science offerings, and high student engagement ranking. For more information about the University, visit cedarville.edu.