
COMMENCEMENT 2021

NAZARENE BIBLE COLLEGE

*Our Purpose:
To glorify Jesus Christ as Lord
by preparing adults to evangelize,
disciple, and minister to
the world.*

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**SATURDAY
MAY 29, 2021**

COMMENCEMENT
Central Church of the Nazarene
Lenexa, Kansas
Sanctuary
3:00 p.m.



We All Are One In Mission

WORDS BY RUSTY EDWARDS, 1955-

Sung to the hymn tune: *The Church's One Foundation*

MUSIC BY SAMUEL S. WESLEY, 1810-1876

We all are one in mission. We all are one in call; our varied gifts united, by Christ, the Lord of all. A single, great commission, compels us from above, to plan and work together, that all may know Christ's love.

We all are called for service, to witness in God's name. Our ministries are different, our purpose is the same: to touch the lives of others, by God's surprising grace, so every folk and nation, may feel God's warm embrace.

We all behold one vision, a stark reality. The author of salvation, was nailed upon a tree. Yet resurrected Jesus, gives rise that we may share, free reconciliation and hope amid despair.

Now let us be united, and let our song be heard. Now let us be a vessel, for God's redeeming Word. We all are one in mission.

We all are one in call; our varied gifts united, by Christ, the Lord of all.

Lead On, O King Eternal

WORDS: ERNEST W. SHURTLEFF, 1862-1917

MUSIC: HENRY T. SMART, 1813-1879

Lead on, O King Eternal.
The day of march is come.
Henceforth in fields of conquest
Thy tents shall be our home.
Thro' days of preparation
Thy grace has made us strong;
And now, O King Eternal,
We lift our battle song.

Lead on, O King Eternal,
Till sin's fierce war shall cease,
And holiness shall whisper
The sweet amen of peace.
For not with swords' loud clashing,
Nor roll of stirring drums;
With deeds of love and mercy,
The heavenly kingdom comes.

Lead on, O King Eternal.
We follow, not with fears;
For gladness breaks like morning
Where'er Thy face appears.
Thy cross is lifted o'er us;
We journey in its light.
The crown awaits the conquest;
Lead on, O God of might.

COMMENCEMENT SPEAKER — DR. HAROLD B. GRAVES JR.

Harold B. Graves Jr. has served as President of Nazarene Bible College since 2006. His tenure of 15 years is the longest in the history of the college. Prior to his election as the 5th President of NBC, he was a member of the NBC Board of Trustees for 13 years and was Chairman of the Board when elected. He led the college through historic transitions including becoming a totally online institution with a leaner organizational structure, a relocated center of operations, outsourced support services, a full-time faculty serving the college from remote locations, and selling the campus in Colorado Springs.

Graves has served the Church of the Nazarene for 47 years as an associate pastor, lead pastor, and district superintendent. Through the years he held district leadership positions, served as a trustee at Mount Vernon Nazarene University and Southern Nazarene University, and on the Board of Directors of the Association for Biblical Higher Education. President Graves earned the Bachelor of Science degree in Religious Education from Olivet Nazarene University in 1974, the Master of Ministry degree from Mount Vernon Nazarene University in 1994, and was awarded honorary Doctor of Divinity degrees by Southern Nazarene University and Mount Vernon Nazarene University. He was ordained Elder in the Church of the Nazarene in 1979.

President Graves and his wife, the former Cheryl Collins, also a 1974 Olivet graduate, will celebrate 47 years of marriage in June. They have three married children and six grandchildren.

WORDS TO ALL MUSIC USED BY PERMISSION, CCLI # 704446

ORDER OF SERVICE

PRESIDING

Harold B. Graves, Jr., President

PRELUDE

Yona Schroeder, Piano and Lyndell Leatherman, Organ

WELCOME

Timothy E. McKeithen, Faculty Marshal

PROCESSION

Pomp and Circumstance, Edward Elgar
Piano and Organ

INVOCATION

Timothy E. McKeithen
Faculty and Director of Hispanic Pastoral Ministries

CONGREGATIONAL HYMN

We All Are One In Mission
Terry Lambright, Faculty
Yona Schroeder and Lyndell Leatherman, Accompanists

TORCH CEREMONY

Alan D. Lyke, VP for Academic Affairs
James R. Russom, Alumnus
Graduating Seniors
Lyn Housel, Freshman
Harold B. Graves, Jr., President

SONG

We Will Carry the Torch
Darwin Speicher

PRAYER

J. Phillip Fuller, Superintendent
Virginia District Church of the Nazarene
Chairman of the Board of Trustees

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

Harold B. Graves, Jr.

RECOGNITION

President Emeritus, Harold B. Graves, Jr.

ADDRESS

"God's Called Ones"
Harold B. Graves, Jr.

PRESENTATION OF GRADUATING CLASS

Alan D. Lyke

AWARDING OF DEGREES AND DIPLOMAS

Harold B. Graves, Jr.

TOWEL CEREMONY

Program Directors

CONGREGATIONAL HYMN

Lead On, O King Eternal

BENEDICTION

Harold B. Graves, Jr.

RECESSION

Rondeau, Jean Joseph Mouret
Piano and Organ

■ Audience Seated ▲ Audience Standing

2020 CANDIDATES DEGREE

BACHELOR OF ARTS IN MINISTRY

Bible and Theology

Charles B. Britt St. Albans, WV
Paul Emil Czarniecki★ Caledonia, OH
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Tin Yau Ho Hong Kong
Mei Mei Koo★ Hong Kong
Kit Yu Lau Hong Kong
Kit Ying Leung★ Hong Kong
Hui Ching Li Hong Kong
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Leadership and Ethics

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Troy Allen Cook★ Tulare, CA
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John R. Tumey Eugene, OR

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★Academic Honors

2020 CANDIDATES DEGREE

Ministerios Pastorales

William Roberto Castellanos★ Southaven, MS
Joseph Christodoulos★ Potrero, CA
Dayrin J. Lovan Iowa City, IA
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Cesia Karen Vasquez Lakewood, CO

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Brian Douglas Myers★ Fort Worth, TX
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Desiree Lynn Ferring★ Selinsgrove, PA
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Richard George Griffith Tipp City, OH
Joseph Alan Matos Fairless Hills, PA
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Jeremy Wayne Talley★ Tyler, TX
Mark Leroy Walters Lake City, FL
Richard L. Yant★ Georgetown, SC

ASSOCIATE OF ARTS IN MINISTRY

Church Ministries

Keith A. Kenyeri★ Mountain Home, AR
Danielle Nicole Wolf Kentwood, MI
Erminia Andrea Zavala Henderson, TX

Ministerios Pastorales

Gloria Eleany Ospina-Arcila★ Kansas City, MO
Amanda Judith Sosa de Aristondo★ Bentonville, AR

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★Academic Honors

2020 CERTIFICATES

Ministry Preparation Program

Donna L. Bassett..... Santa Rosa, CA
Sheila R. Burrows..... Beaufort, SC
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Brent Merritt Dunlap..... Anchorage, AK
Noelle Riley Eichenberger..... Keeseville, NY
Barbara A. Gage..... Carthage, NY
Allen Gemaehlich..... Grand Junction, CO
Todd Alan Gotshall..... Shelburn, IN
Dawn Chris Jetty..... Cicero, NY
Diane M. Kazala..... Gilbert, AZ
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Andrew David Milligan..... Miamisburg, OH
Lee Allen Schnelle..... Abingdon, VA
Douglas D. Solomon..... Bridgeton, NJ
Billy R. Stephenson..... Whitesburg, GA
Vance H. Tope..... Lancaster, OH
Roy Victor..... New Bedford, MA
Joseph D. Ward..... Chireno, TX
Peter Hampton White..... Vancouver, WA

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BACHELOR OF ARTS IN MINISTRY

Bible and Theology

Joanna Joy Austill★..... Otisville, MI
Debra Joyce Elliott★..... Colorado Springs, CO
Ryan John Farmer★..... Yorktown, IN
Yi Rao★..... Findlay, OH
Sandra E. Rumph-Jackson..... Nobelsville, IN
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Christian Counseling

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Cassandra Kay Eyster..... Leola, PA
Robert Chris McLaughlin★..... Roseville, MI

Counseling for Christian Ministries

Jacinta L. Alcayde★..... Suisun City, CA
Ligia Ruth Ambriz★..... Caldwell, ID
Alissa Rose Boulton★..... Cas City, MI
Kay Lynn Bright★..... Magnolia, DE
Yan Yee Chan★..... Hong Kong
Shin Tak Thomas Chiu..... Hong Kong
Tak Fai Ku..... Hong Kong

To be Continued...

★Academic Honors

2021 CANDIDATES DEGREE

Ying Ha Lee★..... Hong Kong
Willem Pierre★..... Orlando, FL
RuthAnn Riggle★..... Wylie, TX
Pui Man May Tsang..... Hong Kong

Leadership and Ethics

Dennis W. Knight★..... Salem, NH
Telinda Nicole Wilson★..... Greenfield, WI

Ministerios Pastorales

Sergio Lopez-Galvan..... The Dalles, OR
Alejandra Martinez..... Iowa City, IA
Samuel Martinez★..... El Monte, CA
Gloria Eleany Ospina-Arcila★..... Kansas City, MO

Pastoral Leadership

Joseph A. Greene★..... Richmond, VA
Alexander J. Oliver★..... Lee's Summit, MO

Pastoral Ministries

Ronald S. Armenta..... Fairfield, CA
Nova C. Atteberry..... McCook, NE
Richard P. Atteberry★..... McCook, NE
Billie J. Bolton..... Columbia, TN
David R. DeVee★..... Raeford, NC
Scott Anthony Fox..... Auburn, WA
Nicole L. Husband..... Fairburn, GA
DeAnn Yvonne Turley★..... Kansas City, KS
Sherman Skyler Waters..... Denver, NC

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Church Ministries

Tameka Martin..... Statham, GA
Vidal Meximiliano Pena..... Independence, OR
Andrew J. Thomas..... Dayton, NV

2021 CERTIFICATES

Ministry Preparation Program

Ryan Dean Barker..... Baraboo, WI
Brandon Ray Brown..... Hendersonville, TN
Kevin Cary Campbell..... Oakland, TN
James L. Ellison..... Rising Sun, MD
Rhonda S. Frye..... Ringgold, GA
Virginia P. Gayot..... Winnipeg, MB, Canada
Steven Michael Gemma..... Peabody, MA
Joshua Michael LaRoque..... Petoskey, MI
Loretta J. LaTourette..... Greenwich, NJ
Arla Sue Mitchell..... Olathe, KS
Davidson B. Pierre..... Bradenton, FL

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2021 CERTIFICATES

Ministry Preparation Program

Katherine A. Preston..... South Bend, IN
Thomas B. Samaroden.....Lacombe, AB, Canada
Anthony C. Sedletzck..... Terre Haute, IN
Randall L. Seedorff..... Liberty, MO
Peter J. Sullivan.....Big Spring, TX
Nathan Phillip Ward..... Wooster, OH
Jacqueline E. Young..... Marshfield, MA

ACADEMIC HONORS

These degree students have achieved a cumulative grade point average of 3.70 or higher and exhibit Christian character and leadership ability.

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Gloria Ospina-Arcila
David DeVee
Alissa Boulton
Jacinta Alcayde

TORCH CEREMONY

The Torch Ceremony began at the first commencement in 1970. In their own words, graduates dedicate themselves to follow the call of God to carry the Light of Christ with the same dedication, faithfulness, and boldness of the first century apostles. This ceremony symbolizes the continuing mission of NBC to fulfill Christ's Great Commission.

TOWEL CEREMONY

The Towel Ceremony follows the presentation of the diploma. It is representative of Christ's washing of the disciples' feet symbolizing servanthood. The program directors will drape a towel over the arm of each graduate.

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MARSHALS

Marshals contribute to ensuring Commencement is a dignified and memorable experience for graduates, their families and friends, and guests of the College.

ACADEMIC APPAREL

The academic apparel worn by the faculty and candidates indicates the degree held, the subject in which it is held, and the institution granting it. Gowns are of three kinds: the bachelor's with full, pointed sleeves hanging open; the master's with sleeves covering the arms only to the elbow and falling in narrow, rectangular panels; and the doctor's with three velvet bars and full sleeves.

The gowns are usually black, although occasionally an institution may choose a different color for the gown or trim. The hoods and tassels are of many colors and indicate the level of degree. The color of the velvet edging of the hood carried forward around the throat indicates the academic discipline: philosophy, royal blue; education, baby blue; library, lemon; theology, scarlet; music, pink; business, drab; arts/letters/humanities, white; and speech, silver. The lining colors of the hood represent the colors of the institution. Gold cords on graduates indicate that the student is graduating with academic honors.

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