



Presidential Inauguration

September 22
2021

First Church
of the
Nazarene

Kansas City
Missouri

Procession

Rondeau, Jean Joseph Mouret
Lyndell Leatherman, Organ
Joy Parke, Piano

Welcome

Shawn Siegfried, Host Pastor and NBC Trustee

Prayer of Invocation

Irene Lewis-Wimbley, Pastor and Director, Peoria Southside Community Center

Scripture — Isaiah 43:18-19; 40:4-5; Joel 2:26-29; Ephesians 3:14-20

Bill Sawyer, CAO, Church of the Nazarene Global Ministry Center

And Can It Be

Darwin Speicher, Worship Pastor, Kansas City First Church of the Nazarene

Charge to the President

Jerry Lambert, Hiram Sanders, Harold Graves
Presidents Emeriti, Nazarene Bible College

Prayer of Inauguration

Alan Lyke, Vice President of Academic Affairs, NBC
Phillip Fuller, Virginia District Superintendent and NBC Board Chair
Carla Sunberg, General Superintendent, Church of the Nazarene

Rise Up, Lazarus

Kansas City First Church Choir

Inaugural Address — A Trustworthy Partner

Scott Sherwood, President, Nazarene Bible College

Congregational Response

Brooke Sherwood, Guitar and Vocal

Charge to Nazarene Bible College

Carla Sunberg

Prayer of Benediction

Brian Powell, Kentucky District Superintendent, Church of the Nazarene

Recession

World Premier of *Acclamation*, Lyndell Leatherman

Nazarene Bible College Presidential Partners

- Count me in as an NBC Presidential Partner. As God provides, I/my church/my district) pledge to pray at least 1,000 seconds for NBC in the next year and give at least \$1,000.
 - I can't give \$1,000, but as God provides, I pledge to pray for NBC and to give \$_____.
- When you give by check or online at <https://nbc.edu/go/partners>, please indicate "presidential partner" with your gift.
- Please contact me about how I can include NBC in my estate planning.
 - Please contact me about how to give stock, land, or other non-cash items to NBC.
 - Please contact me about how I can designate my giving to a particular project.



A Brief History

The founding of Nazarene Bible College (NBC) was authorized in 1964 by action of the General Assembly of the Church of the Nazarene. Within two years, a governing board was elected for the new Nazarene Bible College, a founding president was named, and Colorado Springs, Colorado, was chosen as the site for the college.

The supporting leadership of the denomination urged three descriptors for NBC: be characterized as biblical higher education; be organized to prepare persons for the Christian ministry, especially within the Church of the Nazarene; and be focused on second-career adults. These features of the college remain today as the primary and most observable identifiers of NBC.

The first class graduated in 1970 with certificates in Bible, and the first degrees were awarded in 1971.

Nazarene Bible College has been served by five presidents. Charles H. Strickland led the college from 1966 until 1972, L. S. Oliver was president from 1972 until 1984, Jerry D. Lambert served from 1984 until 1994, Hiram E. Sanders was president from 1994 to 2006, and Harold B. Graves Jr. served from 2006 until 2021.

Recognizing the need and opportunity to serve students who sensed a call to ministry in settings other than parish ministries, in 2007 the college launched the AdVantage program, an accelerated degree completion program, with majors in Christian School Education, Counseling for Christian Ministries, and Leadership and Ethics. The most recent expansion of the school's academic programs is the Hispanic Pastoral Ministries major, a Spanish language and contextualized version of the longstanding Pastoral Ministries major.

The mission of the college has led the institution into three notable and innovative plans to educate persons for ministry. First, in 1984, NBC began supporting district-level, localized training centers in the Church of the Nazarene across the United States to prepare persons for ordination in the church by consulting for educational good practices and sharing curriculum. Second, as an outgrowth of this extension service, between 1986 and 1990, the college accepted responsibility for three different developing schools as branch campuses. Each of these schools could not sustain adequate enrollments and sufficient funding, and by 2001, NBC ended its relationship with each school. In 1998, the college initiated the third innovative plan to expand its market by providing college classes through online access.

NBC has been marked by clarity of mission, strong leadership, innovative vision, and responsible operations from its inception. Its current purpose statement "to glorify Jesus Christ as Lord by preparing adults to evangelize, disciple, and minister to the world" summarizes its past, present, and future mandate. Nazarene Bible College looks forward to fulfilling its mission in the decades to come.

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