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# NEWSLETTER



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Executive Director

## From the Director's Desk



### Cultivation of Communities that Promote and Facilitate Growth

The movie "Field of Dreams" is frequently aired on television after being released at the theaters in 1989. The leading actor, Kevin Costner, played the part of a Midwestern farmer who had the notion that if he built a baseball diamond in the middle of a cornfield, he could resurrect a baseball team from the past. His famous line was, "If we build it they will come." When the deceased players finally emerged to play their dream game on his field, one young man blinked his eyes and asked, "Is this heaven?" The disappointing response was, "No, ... it's Iowa!"

Many students, who walk onto our campuses, may blink their eyes and ask the question, "Is this heaven?" However, with no disappointment you can say, "No." Because Christian institutions are made up of imperfect people, the claim cannot be made that the campus is heaven. However, our institutions should be Christian communities where students and faculty have the opportunity to grow to their fullest potential in Christ.

Steven Garber, in his award winning book entitled *The Fabric of Faithfulness: Weaving Together Belief and Behavior During the University Years*, discussed three outcomes that he believed any successful postsecondary education experience needed to include:

1. Form friendships with others who have the same worldview.

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2. Find faculty who can incarnate that worldview.
3. Frame a worldview in a pluralistic world.

### A Place to Belong: "Form friendships with others who have the same worldview"

Institutions of biblical higher education are academic communities but they are also Christian communities. It should be a setting where students live, study, pray, worship, work, serve, and sometimes even debate together. It should be a setting where students learn in the company of friends. These friendships should provide security both when they succeed and when they fail. It allows the delicate balance between "challenge" and "support" to be lived out. It is a community where students can grow to their maximum potential.

### A Place to be Led: "Find faculty who can incarnate that worldview"

Our institutions should provide students with the opportunity to build relationships with caring leaders. Students not only have an opportunity to be part of a community with peers, it also affords them the privilege of being impacted by faculty and staff who can teach, challenge, and even lead them to a deeper understanding of the Lord and their world.

### A Place to Become: "Frame a worldview in a pluralistic world"

Our academic communities should provide a true sense of meaning for how students can relate to the world in which they live. Students must be encouraged and led in becoming more like Christ, in order that they can impact their world.

Simply put, our institutions are Christian communities that must look for ways to foster growth in their students. This type of growth can take place through classroom instruction, chapel services, field ministries, and a wide variety of co-curricular activities. But student development also grows out of the informal interactions of all members of the academic

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community. Our institutions have the responsibility for the development of complete, holistic, students—the physical, mental, emotional, social, and spiritual dimensions of their lives. Students should be provided with the highest quality experience possible while attending our schools. This involves both attending to needs and enriching lives.

Our educational programs also need to focus on encouraging and facilitating lifelong learning. The completion of an academic program, or even the acquisition of skills to engage in service should not be our final goal. Institutions need to equip students not only to complete the course but also to engage in a lifetime of ongoing learning, development, and growth.

One spring day, "Frank and Ernest," two comic strip homeless characters find themselves sitting on a park bench musing about the meaning of life as a young schoolboy walks by with his books tucked under his arm. Out of the mouths of these disheveled characters comes the wisdom of the ages. "School is mostly true/false, kid, but real life is all essay questions," Frank shouts to the young lad. He is profoundly right! The question of one's knowledge, understanding, and worldview over against practice should be wrestled through during the critical student years, and should serve as preparation for lifelong learning. ❖

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## 2003-04 AABC Evaluation Team Visits

Under USDE regulation 602.27(d), recognized accrediting bodies must make public the dates when an institution's accreditation or preaccreditation (candidate) status is being reviewed in order to provide opportunity for third-party comment. In view of this requirement, notice is given that the following institutions are scheduled for evaluation during calendar year 2003. Persons wishing to submit third-party comments regarding any of these institutions should direct them to the AABC office at the following address: 5575 S. Semoran Blvd., Ste. 26, Orlando, FL 32822-1781; Fax: 407-207-0840; E-mail: [exdir@aacbc.org](mailto:exdir@aacbc.org). (IA = initial accreditation; IC = initial candidacy; RA = 10-year reaffirmation)

### Fall 2003

**Alberta Bible College (AB) - IC**

October 6-8, 2003

**Allegheny Wesleyan College (OH) - IA**

September 24-26, 2003

**Canadian Bible College (AB) - RA**

October 6-8, 2003

**College of Biblical Studies-Houston - RA**

September 22-24, 2003

**Crossroads College (MN) - RA**

October 8-10, 2003

**Magnolia Bible College (MS) - RA**

October 4-6, 2003

**Moody Bible Institute (IL) - RA**

September 20-22, 2003

**Multnomah Bible College (OR) - RA**

October 6-8, 2003

**Pillsbury Baptist Bible College - IA**

October 6-8, 2003

**Puget Sound Christian College (WA)  
Special Visit - September 11-13, 2003**

**Rio Grande Bible Institute (TX) - RA**

September 22-24, 2003

**Southeastern Bible College (AL) - RA**

September 29 - October 1, 2003

**W.L. Bonner Bible College (SC) - IC**

September 15-17, 2003

**World Mission University (CA) - IC**

October 6-8, 2003

### Spring 2004

**Bethany Bible College (SK) - RA**

March 8-10, 2004

**Carver Bible College (GA) - IA**

Dates TBD

**Cincinnati Bible College (OH) - RA**

March 22-24, 2004

**Ecclesia College (AR) - IA**

Dates TBD

**Grace University (NE) - RA**

Dates TBD

**Selma University (AL) - IC**

Dates TBD

**Western Christian College (SK) - IA**

Dates TBD



Congratulations to:  
Dr. Randall Bell, Associate Director  
for 30 years of service to AABC

## First Group of Institutions Granted Affiliate Status

The Affiliate Status Review Committee recently reviewed applications and granted affiliate status to seven institutions. This recently approved category affords affiliate institutions the opportunity to take advantage of many of the programs and services of the Association without becoming an accredited member.

Conditions of eligibility for the affiliate status include:

- Agreement with the AABC Tenets of Faith
- Evidence that the institution is operating legally within the parameters of the particular province/state relative to faith-based postsecondary institutions
- Recognition/registration as a non-profit organization or sponsorship by a non-profit organization (i.e. church, mission)
- Presence of a publicly stated/board approved mission statement that has a biblical/ministry formation focus
- Commitment to offer education at a postsecondary level
- Minimum of a two-year history with an identifiable board, administration, faculty, and student body
- A letter of reference from an administrator/faculty member of an AABC institution or from an AABC professional staff person
- Commitment to accurate disclosure of AABC status as an affiliate institution and not as an accredited institution
- Submission of annual affiliate dues

The initial group of affiliate institutions is listed below. Applications will continue to be received and processed by the Affiliate Status Review Committee.

*Bethlehem Bible College – Roanoke, VA*  
*Faith Bible Seminary – New York, NY*  
*Family Bible Institute & College – Baltimore, MD*  
*Tidewater Bible College – Virginia Beach, VA*  
*Union Bible College – Westfield, IN*  
*The Urban Ministry Institute – Wichita, KS*  
*Vision Bible Institute – Brooklyn, NY*

## AABC Name Change Questionnaire Results

The wishes of the membership are being respected in that specific guidelines for programmatic and graduate-level accreditation (changes to the criteria, constitution, and bylaws) are being developed before bringing the potential name change to the membership for a vote. However, feedback on the proposed name **Association for Biblical Higher Education** is very important in the event that the new guidelines for programmatic and graduate-level accreditation are approved by the membership. Depending on the responses to this questionnaire, additional research may be needed. Timing is very important!

### Agree/Disagree Statements

Please respond to the following statements by circling one of the following:

- (1) Strongly Agree      (2) Agree      (3) No Opinion      (4) Disagree      (5) Strongly Disagree

The following numbers in red represent the feedback from the AABC membership regarding the proposed name change:

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| <p>1. A name change is necessary to accommodate the many changes occurring within the Association.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">(#1) – 52      (#2) – 36      (#3) – 4      (#4) – 5      (#5) – 4</p>   |
| <p>2. AABC should retain its current name in spite of the many actual and proposed changes that are taking place.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">(#1) – 1      (#2) – 8      (#3) – 7      (#4) – 44      (#5) – 40</p>  |
| <p>3. The name Association for Biblical Higher Education is more inclusive than the Accrediting Association of Bible Colleges and better represents the wide range of institutions within the Association.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">(#1) – 46      (#2) – 40      (#3) – 10      (#4) – 2      (#5) – 2</p>            |
| <p>4. The name Association for Biblical Higher Education accommodates the expansion of services to include affiliate institutions and the expansion of scope to include programmatic and graduate-level accreditation.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">(#1) – 46      (#2) – 50      (#3) – 3      (#4) – 0      (#5) – 1</p> |
| <p>5. The name Association for Biblical Higher Education allows for a clear organizational identity that will not be confused with other Christian agencies.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">(#1) – 36      (#2) – 47      (#3) – 7      (#4) – 6      (#5) – 5</p>   |
| <p>6. The name Association for Biblical Higher Education allows for a strong identification with the history and core values of the Association.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">(#1) – 35      (#2) – 45      (#3) – 12      (#4) – 6      (#5) – 3</p>  |
| <p>7. The word “Accrediting” or “Accreditation” do not need to be part of any new name that is adopted.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">(#1) – 29      (#2) – 42      (#3) – 12      (#4) – 9      (#5) – 7</p>   |
| <p>8. The attached rationale for changing the name to the Association for Biblical Higher Education is clear and compelling.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">(#1) – 32      (#2) – 48      (#3) – 8      (#4) – 7      (#5) – 2</p>   |
| <p>9. A new name should be adopted even if the proposed changes to expansion of scope to include programmatic and graduate-level accreditation are not approved by the membership.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">(#1) – 25      (#2) – 30      (#3) – 19      (#4) – 21      (#5) – 5</p>                                   |
| <p>10. A name change will not create potential confusion among the general public.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">(#1) – 22      (#2) – 40      (#3) – 17      (#4) – 17      (#5) – 4</p>   |


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## 57th Annual Meeting




**PLENARY SPEAKER**  
*Dr. Crawford Loritts, Jr.*  
 Associate Director  
 Campus Crusade  
 for Christ, U.S.



**PLENARY SPEAKER**  
*Dr. Clive Calver*  
 President  
 World Relief



**PLENARY SPEAKER**  
*Dr. David Warren*  
 President  
 NAICU



**PLENARY SPEAKER**  
*Ms. Kaye Shelton*  
 Dir./Online Education  
 Dallas Baptist  
 University

## 2004 Preliminary Program

| WED - FEB 18  | THU- FEB 19  | FRI - FEB 20  | SAT - FEB 21   |
|---|--|---|--|
| <p><b>9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.</b><br/> <b>Ethnic Leadership Development Conference</b></p> <p><i>By Invitation Only</i></p> | <p><b>9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ethnic Leadership Development Conference<br/><i>By Invitation Only</i></li> <li>• Proposed Criteria Feedback Hearing</li> <li>• ACCESS Pre-Conf. Workshop<br/><i>Learning Communities: Making the Most of God-Given Learning Opportunities</i></li> </ul> <p><b>11:00 a.m.</b><br/> <b>Registration Opens</b></p> <p><b>1:30 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.</b><br/> <b>Plenary Session</b><br/> <b>Worship &amp; Music:</b><br/> <i>Marion Ross/Tony Buchanan</i></p> <p><b>Speaker:</b><br/> <i>Dr. Crawford Loritts</i></p> <p><b>3:00 p.m. - 3:45 p.m.</b><br/> <b>Break/Exhibits</b></p> <p><b>3:45 p.m. - 5:15 p.m.</b><br/> <b>Workshop Sessions</b></p> <p><b>5:30 p.m. - 6:45 p.m.</b><br/> <b>Reception for Librarians, Student Development &amp; Student Ministry Professionals</b></p> <p><b>7:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.</b><br/> <b>Plenary Session</b><br/> <b>Worship &amp; Music:</b><br/> <i>Marion Ross/Tony Buchanan</i></p> <p><b>Speaker:</b><br/> <i>Dr. Clive Calver</i></p> <p><b>9:15 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.</b><br/> <b>President's Reception</b></p> | <p><b>8:30 a.m. - 9:45 a.m.</b><br/> <b>Plenary Session</b><br/> <b>Worship &amp; Music:</b><br/> <i>Mr. Marion Ross/ Dr. Tony Buchanan</i></p> <p><b>Speaker:</b><br/> <i>Dr. David Warren</i><br/>             NAICU</p> <p><b>9:45 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.</b><br/> <b>Break/Exhibits</b></p> <p><b>10:30 a.m. - 12:00 Noon</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Workshop Sessions</li> <li>• Women's Brunch</li> </ul> <p><b>12:00 Noon - 1:30 p.m.</b><br/> <b>Sponsored Lunches/Exhibits</b></p> <p><b>1:30 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.</b><br/> <b>Annual Business Meeting</b></p> <p><b>3:00 p.m. - 3:45 p.m.</b><br/> <b>Break/Exhibits</b></p> <p><b>3:45 p.m. - 5:15 p.m.</b><br/> <b>Workshop Sessions</b></p> <p><b>5:15 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.</b><br/> <b>Exhibits</b></p> <p><b>6:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.</b><br/> <b>Banquet</b></p> <p><b>Devotional Speaker:</b><br/> <i>Dr. Dan Lockwood</i></p> | <p><b>9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.</b><br/> <b>Plenary Session</b><br/> <i>Ms. Kaye Shelton</i><br/>             Dallas Baptist University</p> <p><b>10: 00 a.m. - 10:45 a.m.</b><br/> <b>Break/Exhibits</b></p> <p><b>10:15 a.m.</b><br/>             Drawings/Giveaways</p> <p><b>1:00 p.m.</b><br/> <b>Optional</b><br/> <b>Post-Convention Venue:</b><br/> <b>AABC Golf Tournament</b></p> <p><i>Stay tuned for details...</i></p> |

# February 19-21, 2004

Joint Meeting with ...

Post Convention Activity...



Orlando Airport Marriott • Orlando, FL



Association of Business Administrators  
of Christian Colleges

AND

**ACCESS**

Association of Christian Continuing  
Education Schools & Seminaries



**AABC  
Golf  
Tournament**

## 2004 Workshops

| TRACK   | THURSDAY PM   | FRIDAY AM   | FRIDAY PM   |
|---|---|---|---|
| <b>Board Leadership</b>                                   | <i>So Now You're a Trustee: Things They Failed to Tell You</i><br><b>Bjorn Lindgren</b>                         | <i>Ways to Strengthen Your Institution's Board of Trustees</i><br><b>Sherrill Babb</b>  | <i>The College President &amp; the Board: A Vital Relationship</i><br><b>Gilbert Peterson</b>                                   |
| <b>Presidential Leadership</b>                            | <i>We Don't Have Any Problems that a Few Million Dollars Wouldn't Solve</i><br><b>Jerry Twombly</b>             | <i>The Comprehensive Financial Development Program</i><br><b>William Yarrick</b>  | <i>Presidential Roundtable Discussion</i>   |
| <b>Academic Leadership</b>                                | <i>Exploring and Understanding World Missions &amp; Its Impact on Our Campuses</i><br><b>Clive Calver</b>       | <i>What is a Dean? What Does it Mean to be a Chief Academic Officer?</i><br><b>James Estep</b>  | <i>Chief Academic Officer's Roundtable Discussion</i>   |
| <b>Student Services</b>                                   | <i>Understanding Student Development: Philosophical and Professional Considerations</i><br><b>Timothy Arens</b> | <i>Mentoring: Myth or Must?</i><br><b>Sheryl Vasso</b>  | <i>Intercollegiate Athletics with Intentionally Christ-Centered Institutions</i><br><b>Dan Wood</b>                             |
| <b>Library/Learning Resources</b>                         | <i>Writing the Library Section of the Compliance Document with Information Literacy as a Case Study</i>         | <i>Electronic vs. Paper</i>   | <i>Library: Assessment, Benchmarking and Budget</i>   |
| <b>Student Ministry/Christian Service/Field Education</b> | <i>Developing a Philosophy of Student Ministry</i><br><b>David Jongeward</b>                                    | <i>Ministry Motivation: Generating Excitement for Christian Service</i><br><b>Don Martindell</b>  | <i>Student Ministry Idea Exchange</i>   |
| <b>Assessment &amp; Planning</b>                          | <i>Assessment Processes I</i>   | <i>Assessment Processes II</i>  | <i>Assessment &amp; Planning Roundtable Discussion</i><br><b>Robert Kallgren &amp; Patrick Blewett</b>                          |
| <b>Accreditation Procedures</b>                           | <i>Preparing to Conduct an Institutional Self-Study</i><br><b>Randy Bell</b>                                    | <i>Preparing to Host an Evaluation Team Visit</i><br><b>Ralph Enlow</b>   | <i>Open Forum with the Commission on Accreditation</i><br><b>Charlotte Bates, COA Chair</b>                                     |
| <b>Distance Education</b>                                 | <i>Creating Successful E-learning Partnerships</i><br><b>Doug Filkins</b>                                       | <i>Teaching Christianly in the Online Environment or A Christian Ethos of E-learning</i><br><b>Shauna Tonkin</b>                                | <i>A Planned Approach to Managing IT Budgets, Resources &amp; Technology for Christian Organizations</i><br><b>Peter Saxena</b> |
| <b>Distance Education</b>                                 | <i>Cross-Cultural Considerations in Distance Education</i><br><b>Wendy Wakeman</b>                              | <i>E-learning: What's New – Short Reports</i><br><b>Pavi Thomas; Jason Baker; Todd Wieland; Tracey Lawrence; Nancy Brainard; Bruce Simmerok</b> | <i>The Future: Reality, Possibilities &amp; Opportunities in Online Education</i><br><b>Jason Edwards</b>                       |

# Review of Standards Update

By: Dr. Randall Bell

## LARRY J. MCKINNEY FALL/WINTER 2003 SCHEDULE

### September

- 17 William & Catherine Booth College (MB)
- 18 Providence College & Seminary (MB)
- 19 Steinbach Bible College (MB)
- 22 Western Christian College (SK)
- 29 Caribbean Theological College (PR)
- 30 Colegio Pentecostal Mizpa (PR)

### October

- 1 Colegio Biblico Pentecostal (PR)
- 13-17 Euro-Asian Accrediting Association Conference  
Kiev Christian University (Ukraine)
- 19-20 AABC Board Executive Committee (Orlando)
- 21 Zion Bible Institute (RI)
- 24-26 New Presidents' Leadership Development Conference (Orlando)
- 29 Columbia Int'l University (SC)
- Regional Feedback Group**
- 30 Florida Council of Private Colleges (Jacksonville)
- 31- AABC Midwestern Academic
- Nov. 1 Dean's Conference – Calvary Bible College (MO)
- 31 **Regional Feedback Group**

### November

- 7-8 NCCAA (Division II) National Soccer Championships (FL)
- 10 Crestmont College (CA)
- 10 The King's College (CA)
- 11 Accreditation Workshop-Fuller Theological Seminary (CA)
- 12 Life Pacific College (CA)
- 13 Joshua Springs Bible College (CA)
- 14 Hope International University (CA)
- 14 Bethesda Christian University (CA)
- 18 Executives in Church-Related Higher Education (Washington, DC)
- 19 NAICU Secretariat (Washington, DC)

### December

- 13 Toccoa Falls College (GA)

The AABC Review of Standards Committee met April 21-23, 2003 to continue work on the Criteria for Accreditation. The Committee had an extensive agenda that included consideration of the feedback submitted by the Commission on Accreditation following its February meeting, feedback generated by Annual Meeting Delegates in six workshop sessions, and a report prepared by the Task Force on Graduate Education. The Committee also worked with a staff proposal for programmatic accreditation standards. By the conclusion of the meeting, the Committee had modified the criteria proposal circulated for the Annual Meeting discussions to make them more comprehensive to include graduate education. It had also developed a set of criteria for programmatic accreditation primarily by selecting from the comprehensive criteria those items that would apply specifically to programs presented for accreditation. Of course, in some cases, items were modified to make them more applicable in the program setting.

Following completion of the work to respond to feedback and prepare criteria applicable to graduate and programmatic accreditation, the Committee directed the staff to circulate the material generated by their meeting to a consultant for reaction. Dr. Karen Kershenstein, former head of agency evaluation for USDE, graciously agreed to assist with this process. She provided valuable feedback regarding the material that was reviewed and adopted by the Review of Standards Committee via electronic interaction. After the Committee signed off on the proposed criteria in late June, the AABC staff circulated it to the AABC presidents and deans via e-mail. Since then, the member presidents and deans have been submitting feedback on the material. In early September, the proposed criteria (both the comprehensive and programmatic standards) was circulated with a request for feedback to the larger higher education community, state educational officers, and interested publics. Additionally, the proposal is being put on the AABC web site so that anyone can provide reactions to the material.

This fall five regional hearings are scheduled as follows: Life Pacific College (CA) 9-29; Washington Bible College (MD) 10-10; Columbia International University (SC) 10-29; Calvary Bible College (MO) 10-31; Wesley College (MS) 11-05. The AABC staff is sending specific invitations to U.S. member schools to attend the hearing located closest to them geographically. If you have not received your invitation, it should arrive shortly. Personnel are welcome to any and all of the hearings they wish to attend. While invitations are being sent, it is not necessary to have an invitation to attend. The public is also invited to attend the hearings.

In May, a hearing was held in Canada in connection with the meeting of the Association of Canadian Bible Colleges. Although the material was refined slightly after the Canadian hearing, Canadian colleges have been provided the latest edition. Given distance considerations in Canada, it was felt that the ACBC meeting provided an ideal opportunity for a hearing even though the material was still being modified at the time of the meeting.

At this point, it is uncertain whether the Review of Standards Committee will meet again. Much depends on the nature of the feedback generated this fall through both the regional hearings and the distribution to the external publics. It is certain that the feedback received this fall will have a prominent place on the forthcoming agendas of the Commission on Accreditation and Board of Directors. Additionally, a major session is planned for Thursday morning, February 19, 2004, just prior to the Annual Meeting, where any interested individual from member colleges or the public will be able to submit comments on the proposals. Unless there are comments of a "revolutionary nature," the Committee hopes to submit the proposals to the Annual Meeting delegates for adoption at the Friday, February 20<sup>th</sup>, 2004 business meeting of the Association.

If you have not yet forwarded your comments regarding the proposals to the AABC office, we encourage you to do so as soon as possible. ❖

## AABC Update on Canadian & U. S. Government Issues

**Change to Canada Student Loans Inquiry Process:** Please be advised that the toll-free number for the Canada Student Loans Program inquiries 1-888-432-7377 was terminated effective July 1, 2003. This change is designed to simplify contact information for borrowers by providing only the national Student Loans Service Centre (NSLSC) contact numbers where all general inquiries will be handled. This will facilitate a one-stop shop from the borrower's perspective by eliminating multiple contact points.

(Government Issues, Cont'd)

- For public institutions call 1-888-815-4514 (within North America) or 1-800-2-225-2501 (outside North America plus appropriate country code)
- For private institutions call 1-866-587-7452 (within North America) or 416-503-6671 (outside North America, you may call collect)

**Reauthorization of Higher Education** – The reauthorization process is expected to extend through 2004 in conjunction with the national election. The key issues are **Access/Affordability, Accountability/Academic Achievement, and Accreditation**. The Administration and the Congress suggest that last year’s reauthorization of Elementary and Secondary Education Act (*No Child Left Behind*) will serve as a model, at least to some degree, for the reauthorization of the Higher Education Act.

**Access/Affordability** – With so much of the federal budget focusing on other needs, it is unlikely that there will be any major increases in Title IV funding.

**Accountability/Academic Achievement** – Some members of congress have suggested that some type of standardized test be developed for all college graduates. Such a national exit test, however, would be fraught with all kinds of problems given the incredible diversity of colleges and universities in the U.S. In contrast to elementary and secondary education, higher education does not have a common curriculum. There continues to be a strong emphasis in congress on measuring achievement in terms of graduates’ success in entering the workforce, in their field of training.

**Accreditation** – Some critics believe accreditation should be eliminated from any role in the federal system. Others believe accreditors should be, in effect, agents of the government, enforcing federally mandated requirements at institutions. Accreditors believe the current accreditation-federal government relationship is an extraordinary example of a successful public-private partnership.

For additional information or an opportunity to comment, click on [www.edworkforce.house.gov](http://www.edworkforce.house.gov). This will put you on the home page. Look for the section of “Higher Education Reauthorization” that will lead to the specific site for comments. ❖

## ICETE Consultation Held In The United Kingdom



ICETE Consultation Delegation



Colloquium II

The International Council for Evangelical Theological Education held its 13th Triennial Consultation at the Wycliffe Centre in High Wycombe, UK on August 18-22. There were approximately 150 delegates in attendance, representing more than 50 countries of the world. This year’s theme was *Mega-Shifts in Global Tertiary Education: Implications for Theological Education*. Larry McKinney and Randy Bell had the opportunity to attend the Consultation on behalf of AABC.

The International Council for Evangelical Theological Education is a theological education affiliate of the World Evangelical Alliance. The Council is a global community, sponsored by eight continental/regional networks of theological schools.

“The mission of ICETE is to promote excellence and renewal in evangelical theological education worldwide by cultivating community and facilitating collaboration among its constituent associations and related entities.” In conjunction with this year’s Consultation, the leadership from the eight regional associations met for Colloquium II, the purpose of which was to engage in vision casting and strategic planning. Larry McKinney, currently serving as the Chair of the ICETE Board, had the privilege of leading this planning process as the Council leadership looked to the future with a renewed sense of optimism. ❖

### RANDALL E. BELL FALL/WINTER 2003 SCHEDULE

\* Pending

#### September

- \* Latin American Bible Inst. (CA)
- 24 KPCA Presbyterian Theological Seminary (CA)
- 25 Horizon Bible Institute (CA)
- 26 Bethesda Christian University (CA)
- 29 Life Pacific College (CA) –  
**Regional Feedback Group**

#### October

- 10 Washington Bible College (MD)  
**Regional Feedback Group**
- 13 Family Bible Inst. & College (MD)
- 13 Northwestern Bible Clg./Sem. (MD)
- 13 True Fellowship Bible Inst./Clg. (MD)
- 14 Faith Bible College (VA)
- 15 Rovear Christian University (VA)
- 16 NAE Board Meeting (MD)
- 17-18 Eastern Regional Deans’ Conf. (FL)
- 19-20 AABC Executive Committee (FL)
- 24-26 New Presidents’ Leadership Development Conference (FL)
- 28 New Orleans School of Urban Missions (LA)
- 29 Union Baptist College (LA)
- 30\* College of Revival (LA)

#### November

- 3 Lyell College (AR)
- 4 Mid-South Christian College (TN)
- 5 Wesley College (MS)  
**Regional Feedback Group**
- 17-19 Master’s College (ON)
- 20-21\* Living Word Bible College (MN)

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- 5 Winston-Salem Bible College (NC)
- 8 Huntsville Bible College (AL)
- 9 Union Chapel Institute of Biblical Studies (AL)
- 10 Selma University (AL)
- 12 Carver Bible College (GA)

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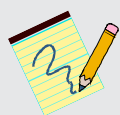
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Upcoming Events**

- **Regional Criteria Feedback Group**  
September 29, 2003  
Life Pacific College (CA)
- **Regional Criteria Feedback Group**  
October 10, 2003  
Washington Bible College (MD)
- **Eastern Regional Deans' Conference**  
October 16-18, 2003  
AABC Office - Orlando, Florida
- **AABC Board Executive Committee**  
October 19-20, 2003  
AABC Office - Orlando, Florida
- **Regional Criteria Feedback Group**  
October 29, 2003  
Columbia Int'l University (SC)
- **Presidents' Leadership Development Conference** – October 24-26, 2003  
Hampton Inn, Orlando, FL
- **Regional Criteria Feedback Group**  
October 31, 2003  
Calvary Bible College (MO)
- **Mid-Western Deans' Conference**  
October 31-November 1, 2003  
Calvary Bible College (MO)
- **Regional Criteria Feedback Group**  
November 5, 2003  
Wesley College (MS)

*AABC Annual Meeting*

**ORLANDO, FLORIDA**

*Orlando Airport Marriott*

*February 19-21, 2004*

**Plenary Speakers:**

Dr. Clive Calver - World Relief  
Dr. Crawford Loritts, Jr. - Campus Crusade for Christ  
Dr. David Warren - NAICU  
Ms. Kaye Shelton