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## Two Histories. One Mission.

Understanding the Journey to Lancaster Bible College | Capital Seminary and Graduate School

Washington Bible College has a long and blessed history of service to Maryland's faith-based communities. It's a history of Christian education that continues today through Lancaster Bible College | Capital Seminary and Graduate School. **The union of these two institutions in 2014 has allowed for CSGS to continue to grow and thrive in the Capital region.**

Dr. Peter W. Teague, President of LBC | CSGS, refers to the decision to acquire the academic programs of WBC as a "God-ordained re-set moment for biblical higher education which will have a global impact."

In 2014 **God breathed new life**

**into a school that faced an unsure future.** For former students of WBC, it has certainly been a transition, but it is always a journey worth walking when God leads the way. Through CSGS God continues to give students in the Maryland area an opportunity to earn a Christ-centered education.

**CSGS strives to make a global and local impact as we send our students into the world to become leaders within the church and society.** The fruit of our labor is evident in the local churches and institutions led by CSGS graduates. Seeing our students make a difference in the world is a reward that cannot be measured.

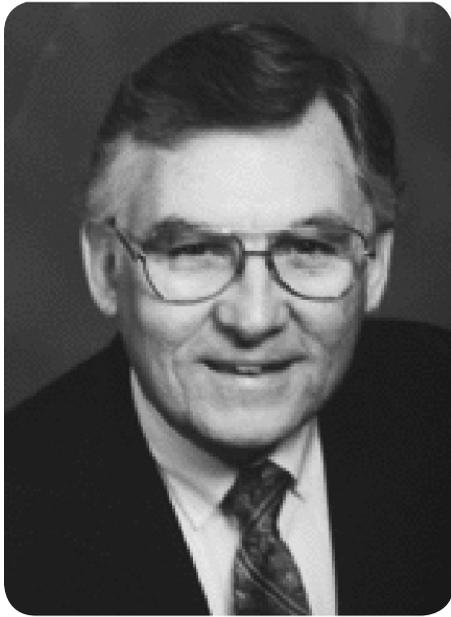
The legacy and mission of WBC, to educate students who desire to serve Christ, remains strong today through LBC | CSGS. **We are excited to see the journey God takes us on as we continue to provide Christ-centered education in the Capital region.**

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# A Strong Foundation

## Capital Bible Seminary from the perspective of Dr. Gerald Small



The importance of education is found in the young students who shape the future of our world and in the teachers that lead passionately. Capital Bible Seminary has been shaping futures in the Capital region since its beginning in 1958. Initially founded as the graduate school to Washington Bible College, Capital Seminary continues its mission today **to educate Christian men and women to live a biblical worldview and to proclaim Christ by serving Him in the Church and society.** The mission and vision of any school is only as successful as the leaders who carry it forward;

Reverend Gerald Small is one of those leaders who helped Capital Bible Seminary **achieve Christ-centered success.**

This mission of educating Christian men and women has been at the forefront of Dr. Gerald Small's life for decades. Dr. Small came to the Baltimore-Washington area as Minister of Education at Forcey Memorial Church in Silver Spring, MD. Through his guidance and commitment to Christian Education, the Sunday School classes began growing rapidly at Forcey.

In 1976, then president of WBC, Mr. George Miles, asked Dr. Small to serve in a leadership role at the school. For nearly three decades Dr. Small would serve on the board at WBC/CBS, holding positions as Chairman of the Seminary Committee and later as Chairman of the Board. Through countless experiences, **Dr. Small witnessed the impact the school was having locally and globally, from seeing young pastors lead the local church, to equipping missionaries for the field.** He also had the privilege of teaching a wide range of students in undergraduate and seminary classes.

He credits the growth of WBC/CBS in the late 20th century to its emphasis on foreign missions and biblical teaching.

Dr. Small witnessed firsthand the impact that CBS had on the community throughout decades of service at the school and the impact it continues to have through Lancaster Bible College and Capital Seminary and Graduate School.

"The impact that Capital had on the area through its graduates was seen in how they served the many local churches," Dr. Small said. "Some of our most influential churches are pastored by these graduates."

It is individuals like Dr. Small who helped CBS fulfill its calling and mission of equipping young men and women with sound biblical teaching to go out into the world and proclaim Christ through speech and action. His contributions helped lay a strong foundation that continues today. **Dr. Small is grateful for Lancaster Bible College, its graduate division Capital Seminary and its commitment to continuing biblical education in the Capital region.**

MISSION

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# Two Histories. One Mission.

The story of two schools becoming one to continue the mission of Christ-centered education.



Lancaster School of the Bible

1933

1938

Washington Bible Institute

1954

Washington Bible College

1958

Capital Bible Seminary

Lancaster Bible College

1973

Lancaster Bible College and Graduate School

2012

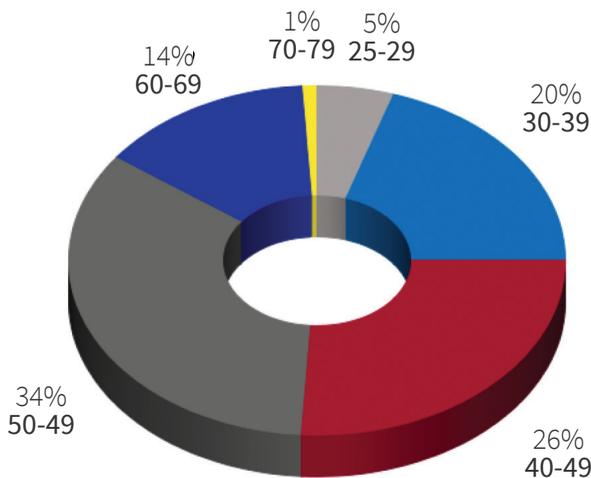
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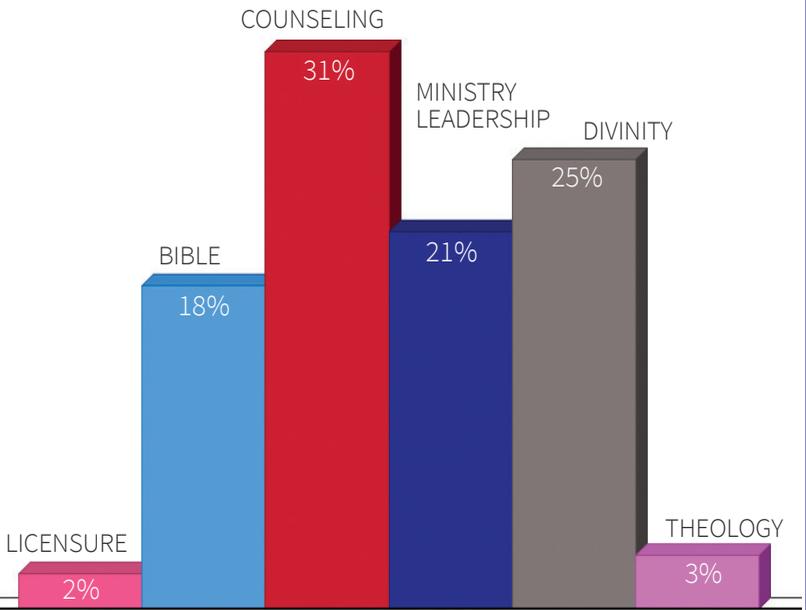
**Current Enrollment**

**285**  
students

**Breakdown of Students By Age**



Learn more at  
**[lbc.edu](http://lbc.edu)**



**Areas of Study**

**Degrees Offered**

- Doctor of Philosophy in Biblical Studies
- Doctor of Philosophy in Leadership
- Doctor of Ministry
- Master of Divinity
- Master of Arts in Biblical Studies
- Master of Arts in Christian Care
- Master of Arts in Ministry
- Master of Arts in Professional Counseling
- Master of Education in Consulting Resource Teacher
- Master of Education in Professional School Counseling
- Graduate Certificate Programs

**Student Testimony**

“ I tried Lancaster. I loved the feel. It was the same people, and it wasn't a huge change...The president came and talked to us. He was like a grandfather. All the doubt you may have had, you go 'okay, I can trust this guy. I'm in good hands.'”

**Shannon Wright-Dulin**

Began attending WBC, transitioned to LBC and graduated in December 2013



Watch the rest of Shannon's story: [tinyurl.com/shannonlbc](http://tinyurl.com/shannonlbc)

# Fitting Together Like a Puzzle

## From WBC to LBC to Director of Alumni: The Story of Rodney Carter

Rodney Carter Jr. has been preparing for ministry his entire life. Surrounded by godly, influential men, Rodney began preaching at a young age, following in the footsteps of his grandfathers and father. For Rodney **becoming a pastor has always been at the forefront of his dreams.** As Rodney prepares for a future of leading the Church, he leads in a different capacity at Lancaster Bible College, as Director of Alumni.

Rodney's formal studies began at Washington Bible College in 2010. Despite initial hesitation to attend WBC, it was the logical choice. Both of his grandfathers are WBC graduates. Rodney credits WBC for providing him with a strong theological and biblical foundation. His transition to LBC in 2013 allowed him to continue building on that foundation. **Rodney describes his studies at WBC and LBC as, "Fitting seamlessly together like a puzzle."**

In 2012, with WBC facing imminent closure, Rodney and 30 other WBC students came to Lancaster to visit Lancaster Bible College. The trip proved fruitful as 27 of the 30 decided to transfer to LBC in 2013. The faith of the WBC students and the leadership of LBC staff made the uncertain transition a success.

Rodney remembers WBC for being, "The beacon of light for biblical, theological education in the Capital Region. It produced a lot of pastors and leaders in the world today. I

will never forget my years at WBC; **it opened up a lot of leadership opportunities for me.**"

Standing out as a leader among his peers is something that seemingly comes naturally to Rodney. He exhibits a God-given ability of leadership, and works hard to put his dreams into action. At WBC, Rodney served as a Resident Assistant, Student Body President, Administrator of Student Workers, and finally at LBC he served two-terms as Student Government Association President. He continues leading students today as they transition to alumni.

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as they enter into the post-college world. For Rodney, a vital part of his job is maintaining those alumni relations. **One of his main objectives is helping WBC alumni feel connected and engaged with LBC alumni. Rodney's time at both schools makes him the perfect fit for the job.**

With a proud history, Washington Bible College is still very much preserved in the life of former students like Rodney Carter and through Capital Seminary and Graduate School. That history, of a commitment to strong biblical education, continues to bear fruit today at LBC | CSGS.

Rodney's duties at LBC require him to work closely with alumni, helping them stay involved





## Introducing... the Capital Region Scholarship Fund

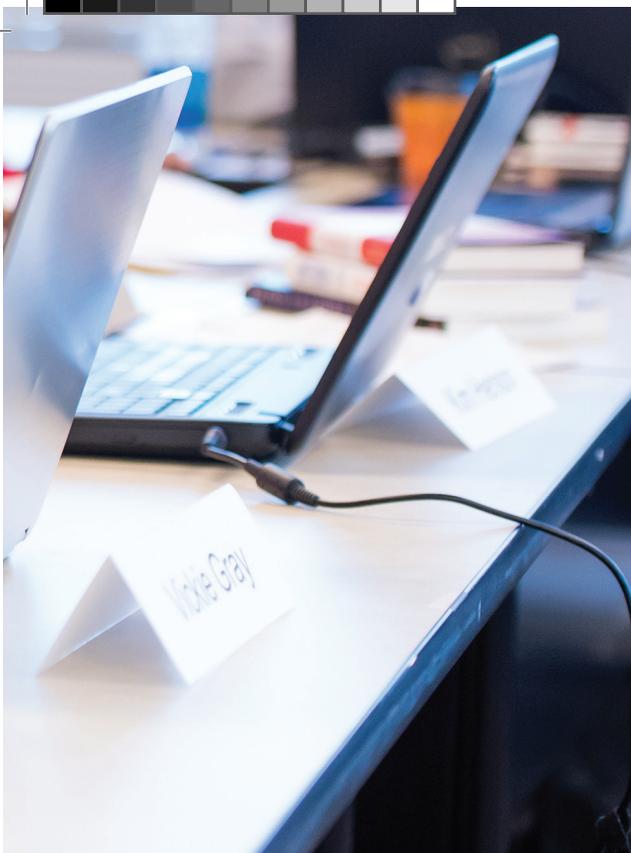
### Meet the Director of Capital Seminary and Graduate School's Scholarship Fund: Derrick M. Seegars



Derrick M. Seegars resides in Upper Marlboro, MD with his wife (Jan Elle) and two teenage children (DJ & Gillian). He earned a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration from Lander University in 1991 and a Master of Arts in Ministry Leadership from Lancaster Bible College in 2011. He is an ordained minister who has served as Pastor of Small Groups at Christ Community Church in Huntersville, NC. He currently attends and serves part-time as a Pastoral Assistant at Grace Bible Church in Lanham-Seabrook, MD.

It has been two years since Derrick and his family relocated from Charlotte, North Carolina to serve as the Director of Church and Community Relations in the Capital region. Derrick says God continues to grow him and expand his territory. His most recent transition to the role

of Director of Scholarship Fund for the Capital Region has caused a shift in his focus to not only partnering with churches, individuals, non-profit businesses and organizations with like interests, but also pooling resources to provide scholarship opportunities for current and future students. While his office is out of the Greenbelt, MD campus, Derrick effectively builds new and maintains existing relationships with churches, alumni, donors and constituents throughout the Washington, DC Metro region. Derrick will also serve alongside the Advancement Team at the LBC main campus where they collaborate together to fund scholarships for students at Lancaster Bible College | Capital Seminary and Graduate School.



Dear Friend,

Today's college student faces challenges that seem insurmountable and humanly impossible. As Christians, the Holy Scriptures teach us the exact opposite. In the 2015-2016 academic year, we have been challenged to **raise \$250,000 for our Scholarship Fund in the Capital Region**. As Director of Scholarship Fund, Capital Region, I believe it will be done. Our mission statement has not changed in over 80 years. It says we are to educate Christian students to think and live a biblical worldview and to proclaim Christ by serving him in the Church and society. The Scholarship Fund at Lancaster Bible College | Capital Seminary and Graduate School allows that **mission to come to life**.

Why give to the Scholarship Fund? It gives each of us a chance to **be just like Jesus Christ** who gave it all, not withholding anything. Do you need a reminder? Just look at the cross. The Apostle Paul warned the church at Corinth to be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, **knowing that your labor is not in vain in the Lord** (1 Corinthians 15:58). By giving, you **lessen the burden of a student** who enters Lancaster Bible College | Capital Seminary and Graduate School for first time not knowing where the financial resources may come from, but **trusting that GOD provides**. You see, I was one of those students. And it was because of your giving that I became a practitioner to **serve both the church and society**. Your investment in Lancaster Bible College | Capital Seminary and Graduate School supports students at all levels with **one common goal: to proclaim Christ by serving him in the Church and society**.

In Christ,

Derrick M. Seegars  
Director of Scholarship Fund, Capital



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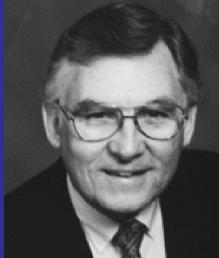
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