A Word from the President

As we started this new school year, we were excited about the incredible growth we have seen. In the fall of 2011, TTU had 283 resident students enrolled. This fall our resident enrollment has increased to 471. The gain of 188 students represents a 47% growth rate! One of the factors has been our new resident certificate program that currently has 38 enrolled. Even, yet without that program, we have now have over 90 more students living in the dorms than we did two years ago!

Even more important than numerical growth has been the consistent spiritual growth that we have been seeing on campus. The packed chapel services in the St. Andrew's auditorium have been uplifting. Students are responding to the invitations to give their lives to Christ. Pastors and staff are reporting that they have witnessed a spiritual stirring in the hearts of our students. Truly God is bringing a movement of His Holy Spirit to our campus!

We have seen God work not only in the increase of enrollment but also through the meeting of our goal for the matching grant provided by the Covenant Values Foundation. So far we have received $84,519.

I hope that you will have the opportunity to stay and see what God is doing at TTU. Doors of opportunity are opening for us. Please view our website for the latest information on some exciting new possibilities. Above all, keep in us your prayers.

TTU Summer Internship

This summer, 40 students participated in the “Tennessee Student Development Summer Internship Program. The primary purpose of the internship program is to provide the opportunity to TTU interns to work in class principles through in-class training, the study of God’s Word, and hands on projects to develop a strong work ethic. The students assisted in renovating of the former TTU library building to become the new Campus Church and then conducted a program to become a new fitness center. They also helped to beautify the campus by repainting many prominent areas including the gazebo on The Commons, steps to the URC, and portions of the dorms. Dean of Women Jenny Laing said, “The Tennessee Temple Student Development Summer Internship Program has been a blessing to us and we hope to continue this program in the coming years.”

New on Campus This Fall

As alumni, we all recall the moment we finished our schooling. For many graduates, it was a time of excitement and uncertainty. By the end of the Fall semester, TTU launched a Career and Development Center (CDC) under the umbrella of the Student Resource Center to help counter this program. The CDC exists to provide direction and equip students to follow their God-given passions and callings. With offerings in career related workshops and seminars, résumé writing tips, Individual consultations, career aptitude tests, and career counseling, our goal is to ensure that every student leaves adequately prepared to respond to God’s call for their lives. The task is not light and will require a mass effort, so we welcome any partnerships or wisdom you are willing to share with our students. The CDC will be a key resource as we continue to guide students with various career backgrounds into the world as a light for His glory, and our prayer is that you will be a part of God’s plan in their lives as well.

Campus Church was launched on August 25th. Services take place every Sunday night at 7:00pm in the former TTU library. The Campus to host the group to provide students opportunity to become involved in a local church. Dean of Students Joe Fresko says, “The Campus Church allows students to build community with peers and leaders who know where they are.” Student leaders have been seeking to bring students to campus, Sunday, to see what we are all about. Students are encouraged to bring friends who do not attend TTU so they may hear the gospel message. It is a blessing to see the Lord work in the lives of our student body through the new Campus Church ministry.