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November 14, 2012

Dear Larry,

I can't tell you how thankful I continue to be for CBFNC's financial gifts to Meredith that allows me to hire a Chapel Intern. Michelle Bullock served in this position for three years from fall, 2009-spring, 2012, the first year with my predecessor Sam Carothers and the latter two years with me during my first two years as the Meredith Chaplain. My first two years presented a sharp learning curve and Michelle was instrumental not only in teaching me the inner workings of the Meredith campus, but also to share the load of ministry to the students, faculty and staff. She was exceptionally helpful since with the economic downturn Meredith dismissed the Office of the Chaplain's Administrative Assistant; Michelle also helped with administrative demands.

Michelle took on the primary leadership role in a number of ministry areas and interacted with a variety of students. She was the advisor to two student groups, the Meredith Christian Association, a small group focused on Bible study and social justice, and the Interfaith Council comprised of two students from each of the eight campus religious groups. These groups include seven Christian groups, the Muslim Student Association and the Jewish Student Organization. Michelle met regularly with the student leaders of both MCA and the Interfaith Council, helping them plan agendas, organize outreach events and carry out their ministry objectives. She built strong relationships with these students, often meeting one-on-one to get to know them better and serve as mentor. In 2011-2012, Michelle also led an eight week study for the LGBT group on campus, using material she had developed from one of her Duke Divinity classes.

In the past two years I led service trips to Belize and next month I will be taking a group to Ghana. For the Belize trips student participants needed to raise \$1600 and participants for Ghana have raised \$3100. With significant fundraising experience, Michelle was in charge of helping students write fundraising letters and organizing group fundraisers for these service trips. Utilizing her strong organizational skills, all needed monies were raised. For one fundraiser Michelle went beyond the call of duty; she and her husband cooked a pig, and Michelle solicited donations for sides. We sold BBQ plates on and off campus, raising \$1800 for the Belize trip that was divided among the student participants.

Within Jones Chapel at Meredith there is a small meditation room that has been used primarily for a Catholic mass and for Muslim students to offer daily prayers. The Interfaith Council wants to update the room and create an interfaith friendly space. In the early spring of 2012 Michelle helped the Council research other similar spaces, design the desired improvements and changes, and apply for a grant through the college. The granting committee approved the idea, but wants more research done before

awarding the financial assistance. This fall, the new Council will continue this work in hopes of renovating the space second semester.

My office encouraged students to volunteer in the after school program at an urban ministry center called Passage Home, and Michelle helped coordinate the volunteer list and went with students once/week to the center. As a former teacher, Michelle not only explained good tutoring skills to the Meredith students, but also put together instructional enrichment packets for the Passage Home students.

Sisters United is an African orphanage partnership I started two years ago. We sponsor girls education at orphanages in Kenya and Ghana. Each year we gather Meredith students three to four times during the year to write letters and take pictures to send our sponsored girls. Michelle helped coordinate these gatherings and always attended the meetings to support these efforts.

I offer a weekly Wednesday chapel service to the campus called The Gathering. Michelle helped coordinate many of the services and preached or taught in a number of them too. I knew that whatever she led would be well prepared and executed and would connect with the students. Twice, Michelle led what's called "Godly Play," a visual way to present Biblical stories, which were always some of the favorite services of our students.

Michelle is now working full time in a local Episcopal Church. My Chapel Intern for 2012-2013 is third year Duke Divinity student Ebony Grisom. Ebony is an older student, already holding a Masters in American History with a variety of work experience. I'm thankful for the gifts that Ebony offers our office this year.

Best Regards,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Stacy Pardue". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the typed name.

Stacy Pardue
Meredith College Chaplain

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Dear Larry:

It is my pleasure to enclose the report of **The Cooperative Baptist Fellowship of North Carolina Endowment Fund**, which includes financial information from the end of Meredith College's 2011-2012 fiscal year. You will receive the student information for the 2012-2013 academic year at a later date. Please save the date for our annual **Donor and Scholarship Recognition** dinner to be held on April 12, 2013.

The last quarter of our college fiscal year ending June 30, 2012, resulted in an approximate 5% drop in the total endowment, as reflected in your annual report. Fortunately, the market has rebounded up 4.5% for the 3rd quarter and our **entire portfolio is up 8.7% this calendar year.**

Should you have any questions, please contact Astra Barnes, Director of Advancement Services at (919) 760-8519 or barnesa@meredith.edu.

Below is a detailed account of the fund activity, taken from the Meredith College audited financial records for the fiscal year that ended on **June 30, 2012.**

Endowment: The Cooperative Baptist Fellowship of North Carolina Endowment Fund

Beginning Balance as of July 1, 2011	\$26,929.13
New Gifts Received	10,000.00
Total Earnings or Losses	(2,097.92)
<u>Spendable amount for 2011-2012(Last year)</u>	<u>-</u>
Ending Balance as of June 30, 2012	\$34,831.21

We are grateful for your generosity and commitment to Meredith College. Thank you again for your investment in this great institution.

Sincerely,



Dr. Lennie Barton
Vice President for Institutional Advancement

2011-12 Cooperative Baptist Fellowship of NC**Award Year****Last Name****First Name****2011****Babcock**

Brookie

Baker

Brittany

De Leon

Melissa

Gaither

Apiffany

Govan

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2011 Total**\$24,971**