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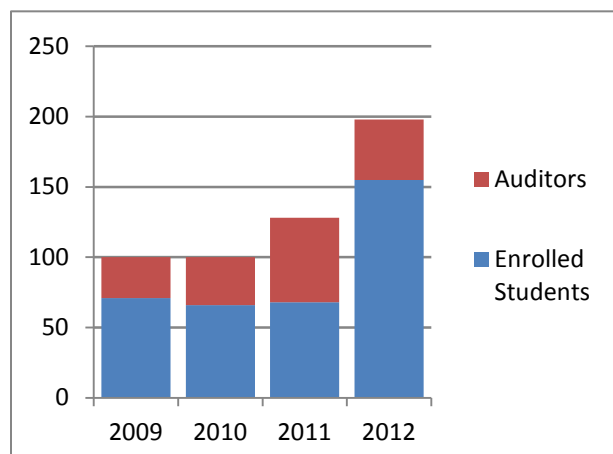
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Dear Friends and Supporters of Living University,

Today is the tenth day of the spring semester and the University's official census date. It is when we take the formal student count for the semester and report our official enrollment. I am thrilled to report we have 198 students enrolled this semester which is greater than a **50% increase over spring 2011** and a **100% increase over spring 2010**. God has truly and mightily blessed His University with enthusiastic and motivated learners of God's word from all over the world. We are humbly pleased to share this encouraging news with you.

Nearly five years have passed since the founding of Living University on February 27, 2007. Next month marks our fifth anniversary. This is the third year we have had students in-residence on campus here in Charlotte in addition to our many online students. We also have students in-residence in Clarendon, South Australia, hosted by the Living Church of God office and Australasian regional headquarters.

At both facilities students participate in student work-study programs and take a full load of classes. Men and women students have an active young adult social life, an opportunity to learn how the Work functions, and to participate in the Work alongside its leadership and staff, and have an active spiritual life in the affairs and activities of the local church congregation.



*Increasing Student Enrollment: Spring 2009-2012*



**Spring Semester 2012 on-campus students at Charlotte** (as pictured left to right: William Williams, Jessica Hall, Samantha Shrader, Justin Ridgeway).

Our on-campus students are a unique asset in the daily affairs of the Charlotte LCG international headquarters. Through the student work program God's Work attains needed student help in the areas of editorial, reception, library, office support, secretarial, electronic media and many others. Students provide similar service on a smaller but more intimate-scaled office at Clarendon. In fact, we have more student work opportunities at Charlotte than we have students to fill them. Additionally, God's Work has benefitted both in Charlotte and Australia by hiring several LU graduates into full-time positions.

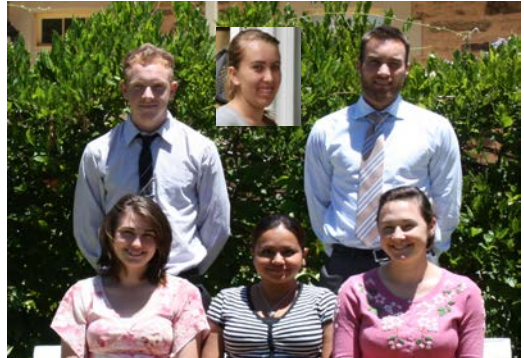
This coming fall semester, which begins August 15, 2012, we hope to have an entering on-campus freshman class at Charlotte of eight students (four men and four women). That would bring our undergraduate on-campus enrollment to twelve. This may seem a small number when compared to the world's great colleges and universities but it is just right for the intimate family atmosphere we want at Living University.

Up to now our students have resided in "University approved" housing near the campus. What we plan to do now is to make available University operated housing for at least four or five men and four women to *provide a student living environment specifically created to support academic and spiritual success*. We would then like to expand student housing annually as God blesses the University with additional students and the funding to make it a

reality. Ideally at this time we would like to acquire two condominiums in the same facility—one for men and one for women. Rent charged to students should provide sufficient income to meet our mortgage commitments and cover utilities. Non-profit student housing should allow for a property tax exemption thereby bringing student housing costs to a much lower level than ordinary rentals.

University operated housing increases student safety, permits more privacy, promotes camaraderie and cohesiveness, and provides a facility for the preparation of meals. We also are exploring the idea of a limited meal plan where students would have lunch provided on-campus on class days (Monday through Friday when classes meet).

By instituting these plans we help young adults receive the most vital and important education and training available today AND at the same time we provide additional hands to do the Work of our great and loving God. Having our own student housing facilities sets the stage for the next five years of the University during which we hope to grow to an accredited institution of twenty-five to fifty students as the Work of God has need.



**2011-2012 academic year students in residence at Clarendon, South Australia** (as pictured left to right: Darryl Mathieson, Ebonee Schiffmann [inset], Tony Leman, Rebecca Berardo, Deb de Silva, Holly Sheffield).

***To make this happen we need your help!***

*Monetary gifts and donations from our friends and supporters will provide the means to buy the properties we need—be they condominiums or a couple of detached homes. Through a gift you can provide student access to one of the most valuable endeavors of our time, by helping the University prepare future potential leaders in God’s Work in the end days — especially for ministry and servant leadership.*

Whether you are able to make a large or a small gift, know it is a much appreciated and will truly be a blessing to our on-campus students. If you are not able to make a gift at this time we ask that you please pray for the success of this project and that God will guide the University every step of the way. Our ultimate goal is to follow where He leads and teach our students to do the same!

Gifts and donations should be sent to Living University, 2301 Crown Centre Drive-Suite A, Charlotte, NC 28227-7705 or can be made by credit card or debt card at <https://app.etapestry.com/hosted/LivingUniversity/OnlineDonation.html>. Please make checks out to Living University. You may also make your gift through the Living Church of God by indicating the amount you direct to be credited to Living University.

Thank you again for your continued financial and prayerful support of Living University.

Warmest personal regards,

Michael P. Germano, Ed.D., J.D.  
President and Chief Executive Officer