



## A Word from the Chancellor

**Mac Lynn**

As 2009 approaches its end, we recount the blessings we have enjoyed. God has given us health and the pleasure of working for each of you. In the interest of improving the school's service, my wife, Marty, and I have done a bit of travel. We journeyed outside the U.S. on two occasions, going early in the year to an island in the Mediterranean and then in the latter part of the year to the Middle East. We did some domestic travel as well, to attend conferences, hold seminars, and participate in forums. During most of December, we will be in Hawaii on special assignment with a church in Honolulu.



We are grateful to each of you for being a blessing to our lives. New students keep coming and continuing students keep studying and graduating. Our limited personal engagement with the student body as a whole has been very rewarding. You have shared your spiritual journeys, your challenges, and your triumphs. We appreciate each of you and prayer that God may encourage you in your spiritual walk.

We are pleased to report that student services are becoming more efficient and productive. Although the process is proving to be long and laborious, accreditation procedures are on track. NU is becoming a more effective and user-friendly organization.

We are truly grateful to our governing body, a 16-member Board of Regents. The Regents met recently in its annual gathering and approved some actions that are calculated to enhance the operation of the University during 2010 and beyond.

A sense of excitement runs throughout the many tentacles of the organization. We are gratified to know that many people scattered around the world are assisting in numerous ways. They too are a blessing to all of us. There are so many volunteers who give time and money to make spiritual instruction available. We are truly indebted to them.

### *Reminders*

- Those receiving *The Student Newsletter* by surface mail could be receiving it quicker by e-mail. All students who have a current e-mail address on file with Student Services receive *The Student Newsletter* in their e-mail inbox weeks before students who do not. To update your record with a current e-mail address, simply send an e-mail to student.services@nationsu.org. Your student code and the words "E-mail Address Update" should be in the subject line.
- If you do not have an e-mail address, it is very simple to get one even if you do not have your own computer. From an Internet cafe or a friend's computer, simply go to [www.gmail.com](http://www.gmail.com) and click on "Create an account." It is free and easy to do. Once you have an e-mail account, contact us with the address so that we can communicate with you through e-mail. We are sure you will love the quick responses and the convenience of using e-mail.
- Always include your name, student code, and the exam identifier on ALL exams sent by surface mail or e-mail for grading. Failure to do so can result in delays or in not receiving credit for your work.
- E-mail your exams to [exams@nationsu.org](mailto:exams@nationsu.org) ONLY. Please do not send them to multiple e-mail addresses.
- Students may view their grades anytime by going to the NU website, [www.nationsu.org](http://www.nationsu.org).

# NU Continues to Grow

Because technology is becoming more readily available all over the world, NationsUniversity is enrolling more and more students seeking to equip themselves with the knowledge of the Gospel of Jesus Christ. We praise God for the increase; however, we are very sensitive that the service we strive to provide our students is not diminished. We are taking very seriously how to manage growth. We never want to take our eye off the original intent and mission of

NationsUniversity: to offer affordable, accessible higher education to build faith and to develop culturally rooted Christian leaders around the world.

Today we have over 4,000 students in 131 countries studying the NU curriculum! God is doing amazing things in the lives of thousands of our students around the world. So many of you share your stories with us. Thank you. We look forward to reading the mail everyday to find out what you are doing. Your stories are heartwarming and inspirational!

Because we want to continue to offer the NU curriculum free of charge, we in turn share your stories with our donors. They like hearing them as much as we do. It brings into focus what struggles and triumphs you experience on your educational and spiritual journey. Hopefully, it will motivate them to give generously!

May God continue to bless you and give you strength and perseverance in your studies. You are in our prayers daily.

## From the mailbox...

*...I greet you in the name of Jesus. I praise the Lord for you for making education available for those who live in non-Christian areas or in remote places...I would like to thank you for these efforts and for making NU the right place where the uncompromised truth of the Gospel is being taught. I am blessed and proud to be a student of NU and would be of course ready to help by other means to see NU used as a gospel torch in the whole world...*

from a student in Algeria

*...I wish to inform you that I have received my degree in religious studies and am overwhelmed with joy and thanksgiving to my God for this goodness shown to me. I want to thank Him and you wonderful people for granting me the chance to study with you. I never thought I could ever get to that level of education in my life. Please continue helping more people like us so we can become better vessels for the Master in His kingdom. I am now a better preacher and teacher of the word. I have introduced others to NU through a leadership training school in my church...*

from a student in Zambia

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## Current Enrollment

\* As of November 30, 2009

<b>Total Students:</b>	<b>4,036</b>	<b>Top Ten Countries:</b>	
Male - 3,234		United States	1,071
Female - 802		Iran	352
Undergraduate -3,410		South Africa	258
Graduate -626		Kenya	245
Internet Students - 2,300 = 57%		Nigeria	212
E-Mail Students - 767 = 19%		Ethiopia	184
Postal Students - 969 = 24%		Haiti	101
<b>Total Countries:</b>	<b>131</b>	Egypt	98
		Malawi	98
		Brazil	95

# Graduates Since the Last Newsletter

## Certificate in Religious Studies

Robert Lee Foster, United States  
Freddie J. Lewis, United States  
Alice Hara, Malawi

Kassahun Gizachew Demissie, Ethiopia  
Abraham Ayalew, Ethiopia  
Mirna Kazanji, Syria  
Daniel Bogale, Ethiopia  
Daniel Udoh Asuquo, Nigeria

## Associate in Religious Studies

Kojo Acquah Beenyi, Ghana  
Johnny W. Jirik, United States  
Mirna Kazanji, Syria  
Jimmy D. Smith, United States  
Wesley Walters, United States

## Diploma in Religious Studies

Frederick Pheiffer, United States  
Charles Edward Scott, Jr. United States  
Martin Herman Byker, South Africa  
Robert Dale Peek, United States  
Richard Fahlbush, United States  
Darlington Maxwell Beza, South Africa

## Bachelor of Religious Studies

Ikechukwu Clinton Ezeigwe, Nigeria  
Christopher O. Ubani, Nigeria  
Patrick Thompson, United States  
Ronald Hensley, United States  
Emmanuel Ede Odike, Nigeria  
Mary Ncha Manyi, Cameroon

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Emmanuel Ede Odike, Nigeria  
Mary Ncha Manyi, Cameroon  
Andreton Jones, United States  
Martin Herman Byker, South Africa  
Bruce Wayne Reynolds, United States  
Richard Fahlbush, United States  
Precious Owusu-Boateng, United Kingdom  
Abraham Bobson Caulker, Gambia  
Philip Kampepule, Malawi  
Gabriel Kwadwo Sarkodie, Ghana

## Master of Religious Studies

Toni Stingfellow, United States  
B.S., University of Texas at Arlington  
Mitch King, Canada  
M.B.S., Graduate School of Trinity  
MacArthur Louis Cooper, United States  
B.S., Regions University  
Ezefunamba Nicholas Chike, Nigeria  
B.R.S., NationsUniversity  
Stephen Nsengiyumva, United States  
B.Th., Reformed Theological Seminary  
Howard Ng'onga Mwindula, Zambia  
Dipl. in Theology, Evangelical Bible College  
Dereck Ryson Robert Chitete, Malawi  
B.R.S., NationsUniversity  
Ojong Joseph Tabi, Cameroon  
B.A., Cornerstone University

## Student Spotlight

In this issue of *The Student Newsletter*, we are featuring NU student Robert Bridgers. Robert enrolled with NU in December, 2003. He completed his Associate in Religious Studies in July, 2008 and his Bachelor of Religious Studies in May, 2009. He is currently continuing his studies in the graduate program.

Robert Bridgers is just one example of an NU student who desires a Christian education and is willing to study hard in spite of being in difficult surroundings making him an inspiration to his fellow students.

We are always interested in featuring students in *The Student Newsletter*. All students are invited to submit a photograph with their awards/degrees to be featured. If you want to tell your story and share it with your fellow students, we welcome that as well. All submissions should be mailed to NationsUniversity, P.O. Box 3342, Brentwood, TN 37024 or e-mailed to [melaniea@nationsu.org](mailto:melaniea@nationsu.org). Please remember to include your name and specify that your submission is for publication.

