

The International Christian Braille Mission is now operating out of the Missions Emphasis building on the campus of Kentucky Christian University. This arrangement will benefit both KCU and ICBM. It will help the mission by providing exposure to the students, faculty, and staff of the school, as well as, Christians in the community of Grayson. We are already seeing this benefit with the hiring of Thomas Bleemel. Thomas came out of KCU and has a love for the Lord. He also has a heart for the mission. As we rebuild the work of the mission, Thomas and others will learn about reaching the blind and deaf-blind for Christ.



The church's primary mission is to reach people for Christ and to provide resources that will strengthen their relationship with Christ. We take very seriously your prayerful and financial support as well as any volunteer work. Again, we thank you for your kind support, as we continue to reach the blind and deaf-blind.

Celebrating Our New Missions Emphasis Building



Open House

It was a joy to welcome guests to our new offices during our Open House in September.



We are thankful to be operating out of our new building. As excited as we are to be at this point, there are still some final financial obligations that need to be met. In order to finish paying off this wonderful building, we still need \$55,284.00. We were diligent in keeping expenses manageable.

We are thankful to be in our new building, but we have a payment of \$20,000.00 due at the end of December, and the remaining balance by the end of January. We understand this is a big undertaking, but God has led us this far, and we have faith He will help us finish through this process. We are grateful to our contributors, for without you we wouldn't be this far, **but we need your help now.**

If you feel led to make a sacrificial contribution towards this need, please go to our website, www.icbminc.org, where you will find a donate button at the bottom of the page. If you click it, it will take you to the website we use for donations. You can add a note, for a specific one-time donation for the building, or you can have a monthly or yearly donation on auto-pay.

Thank you in advance for all the help in assisting us with this matter. We greatly appreciate you and everything you do for the mission.

Presenting Dr. Allcorn with *For The Good of The Cause in Braille*



The book "For the Good of the Cause" was written by J.L. Lusby past president of KCC before it became KCU. The book details the history of the University into the 1980s. In braille, this paper back book

turned into five volumes. This is the first braille publication produced after finally moving into the new building. Mike presented Volume 1 to KCU's new President Dr. Terry Allcorn during the Homecoming Banquet. All five volumes were placed in the Young Library the following Monday. The theme of KCU's centennial celebration and homecoming weekend was "For the Good of the Cause."

Readers Needed

Are you an expressive, fluent reader? Do you want to help ICBM with their mission? Readers are needed to record Christian materials that are not otherwise available to the blind. ICBM sends out recordings of Sunday School lesson books, daily devotionals, and other materials to all visually impaired people who request them.



To read for ICBM, you must have access to a computer with a microphone, and a quiet time and place in which to record. If you live near Grayson, you can come to the ICBM office and record in one of our dedicated recording rooms.

Readers may work on their own schedule, reading as much or as little as they are able. Support is available for installing and using the free software that is used for recording.

If you are willing to read for ICBM, please contact Thomas Bleemel at 606-474-3411.

A Word from New KCU President, Dr. Terry Allcorn

This is a statement from the new President of KCU, Dr. Terry Allcorn: "Kentucky Christian University has a long history of training students for mission service. My wife, Jacqueline, and I are proud to be two of many from KCU who have been involved in mission work. We are privileged to rejoin the work here at KCU. I was so pleased to learn that another graduate of KCU, Mike Smith, was relocating his work to a new building located on the KCU campus.

It is a tremendous blessing to have International Christian Braille Mission's headquarters on our campus. On behalf of everyone at KCU, congratulations to Mike and his entire team and welcome home. I would also be remiss if I did not take this opportunity to thank ICBM for the braille copy of *For The Good of the Cause* that Mike presented to the University during the homecoming banquet. May God richly bless this important work."

Introducing Thomas Bleemel to the ICBM Family



My Name is Thomas Bleemel. I am currently living in Grayson, Kentucky with my wife, Wendy. We are expecting a little boy early next year. I was born and raised in Martinsville, Indiana. My home church was Eastview Christian Church (ECC), where KCU graduate Rick Miller ministers. My elementary school Principal, Jerry Sanders, who also attended ECC and KCU, coincidentally followed me all the way through middle school, high school, and to KCU.

I started at KCU in 2010, where I played football and majored in business administration with an emphasis in accounting and a minor in Bible. As I went through my four years at KCU, people from ECC followed me to KCU. Rick Miller's sons, Jeremy and Joshua, both came to coach soccer and help with school activities. Jerry Sanders' daughter, Hannah, and her best friend Nikki Walls started attending and playing soccer as well. Rick and Jerry both talked with me about attending KCU. I have been very grateful they did, as KCU has given me an atmosphere to become a better person and grow in my knowledge and faith that Christ is working in and through me.

It was through KCU that I met Mike and Barb Smith of ICBM. I have been with Mike, Barb, and ICBM since June. I feel the Lord is working through me to assist with the mission of ICBM to reach the blind and deaf-blind for Him. Mike is taking me under his wing to teach me the ropes of reading braille, helping blind and deaf-blind people, and continuing the work of the mission. I am very happy and excited to be a part of this family and doing work for the Lord.

I thank you all for your generous support of ICBM, so we can continue to reach blind and deaf-blind people with God's word.

We Would Love to Visit Your Church

If you would be interested in having ICBM come visit your local church, please call or email Mike and Thomas. We are looking to outreach as much as we can and communicate with you all personally. We would love to come visit and fellowship with you. We appreciate your help, Thank you.

