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[GRAND OPENING & RIBBON-CUTTING]

YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO JOIN US AT

ORAL ROBERTS UNIVERSITY

AS WE DEDICATE OUR BEAUTIFUL NEW

J.D. MCKEAN LIBRARY

FRIDAY, AUGUST 18, 2023

12:15 PM
IMMEDIATELY AFTER CHAPEL
THE ORU CAMPUS
7777 SOUTH LEWIS AVENUE



You are invited to join us for another grand opening! ORU's new J. D. McKean Library will be introduced to the public on Friday, August 18 right after chapel (approx. 12:15 p.m.). Come and see the latest addition to our campus. When you arrive for the ribbon-cutting ceremony, please park in Lot A or D at the Mabee Center. The ceremony will take place in the library's main lobby. You can also watch the livestream on [ORU's Facebook page](#).

NEWS



CONTRACT EXTENDED

On July 31, ORU Board of Trustees Chair Holly Moore '86 announced that the board had voted to extend President Wilson's contract through 2033. He recently celebrated his tenth anniversary as ORU's fourth president. During his tenure, ORU has seen a steady rise in enrollment, the opening of four new buildings (with another—the Media Arts Center—on the way), transformative renovations in existing buildings, a new sports complex for student-athletes and a sports park for intramurals, more scholarship funding, and more alumni and friends stepping up to offer financial support. Still on the way: the David and Barbara Green Centre for Global Leadership, two new residence halls, a new dining hall, and a "rooms-to-suites" renovation of Claudius Roberts and E. M. Roberts residence halls. *(Note: All new buildings have been constructed debt-free, without using any tuition dollars.)*

10 MORE YEARS

NEW THEOLOGY DEAN

The College of Theology and Ministry has a new dean: Dr. Adrian Hinkle. She comes to ORU from Southwestern Christian University, where she served as vice president of academic affairs for six years. Other positions she held at SCU included chair of theology and missions and academic dean for the school of graduate and professional studies. In addition, Dr. Hinkle is the executive director of the Society for Pentecostal Studies.

DR. HINKLE



Dr. Adrian Hinkle



BACK TO CLASS

Where did the summer go?! Classes begin on August 17. President Wilson will speak at the first chapel on August 18; you can [watch online](#). The men's and women's soccer teams have already played several matches, while the volleyball team and new head coach Luke Ward get started on the 19th.

CHAPEL

MAKING GIFTS OF STOCK

There are many ways to give to ORU. One way is by making a gift of stock. If you have given stock in the past, or if you are planning to make a stock gift in the future, please be aware that **we have updated our broker information**. You can refer to our [updated stock form](#) or speak with your [Regional Development Director](#) if you have any questions.



STOCK FORM

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EVENTS

GAITHER HOMECOMING

FRIDAY AUGUST 18, 2023 · 6:30PM
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TULSA HOMECOMING

BILL & GLORIA GAITHER

GAITHER VOCAL BAND AND MANY MORE!

'GAITHER HOMECOMING'

The Gaithers are coming back to the Mabee Center on August 18 and 19, and they're bringing more than two dozen friends from the music and comedy worlds. You can buy a ticket for one show, or purchase a two-show bundle.

GAITHERS

LIGHTS. CAMERA. DRAMA!

ORU Theatre can be counted on to present amazing stage shows. This fall, guests can come to Howard Auditorium and enjoy productions that include *A Raisin in the Sun* (Sept. 21-24), *The Tempest* (Oct. 26-29), and *Almost, Maine* (Nov. 5-6). The [EVENTS](#) page on the Alumni site will have times and ticket information as show dates draw closer.





5K RUN

Are you ready to run? The Alumni Association is hosting another **5K Run** on October 21. Make plans now to participate—as a runner, a sponsor, or a donor. Funds raised will benefit ORU projects and programs.

[SIGN UP TO RUN](#)

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Homecoming 2023 is on the horizon. Be sure to mark those dates—November 9-11—on your calendar. Register between now and September 30 to receive a 25% discount on tickets by using the “**EarlyEli**” promo code.

This year’s Alumni Award honorees are:

- John '92 and Sarah (Roehl) '90 Bolin, Distinguished Service to God
- Dr. Daniel Amen '82-M.D., Distinguished Service to the Community
- Johnie Hampton '91, Distinguished Service to the Alma Mater
- Dr. Nicholas Makrides '82, '86-D.M.D., Distinguished Service “In Every Person’s World”
- Bobby Baehr '13, Rising Servant Leader

This is *your* time to reconnect with your fellow alumni and see how ORU continues to expand—in enrollment, facilities, programs, and impact on the world at large.

REGISTER WITH PROMO CODE EARLY ELI

ATHLETICS

MAKING THE GRADE(S)

ORU’s baseball team did a fantastic job on the field this year, winning the Summit League championship, Regionals, and Super Regionals, and then going to the College World Series. Wait—there’s more! By posting a GPA over 3.0 (on a 4.0 scale), the team earned

the American Baseball Coaches Association (ABCA) Team Academic Excellence Award. ORU's GPA was 3.42...*the highest in program history.*



CLASS ACT

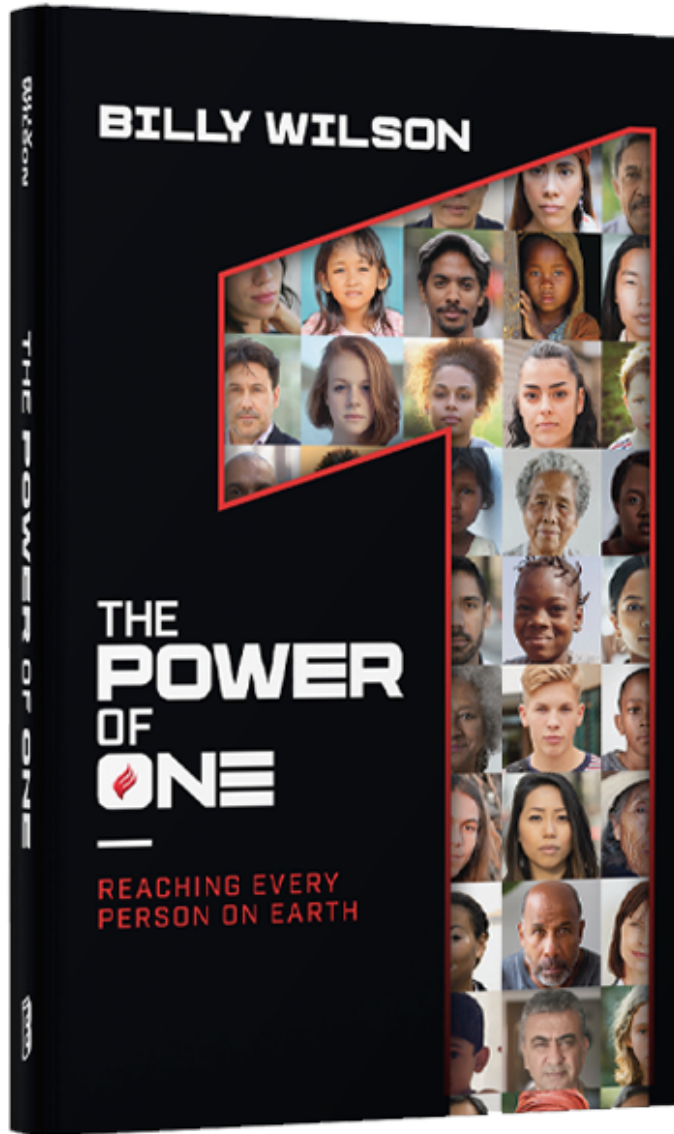
ETC.

ORU's Development and Alumni Relations office has gone paperless. That means when you make a gift to ORU, your receipt will come via e-mail. You can still choose a paper receipt, though, by filling out [this form](#).

DID YOU KNOW?

President Wilson has authored a new book called "The Power of One." In this book, he talks about the importance of "re-personalizing" the Great Commission in order to reach every person on earth with the good news of Jesus Christ. One person **can** make a difference!

POWER OF ONE



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