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## 2017-2018 General Fund Financial Summary

**REVENUE** \$4,594,851



**EXPENSES** \$4,765,311



"We are therefore Christ's ambassadors, as though God were making his appeal through us. We implore you on Christ's behalf: Be reconciled to God."

2 Corinthians 5:20, NIV

#### **Ways To Give**

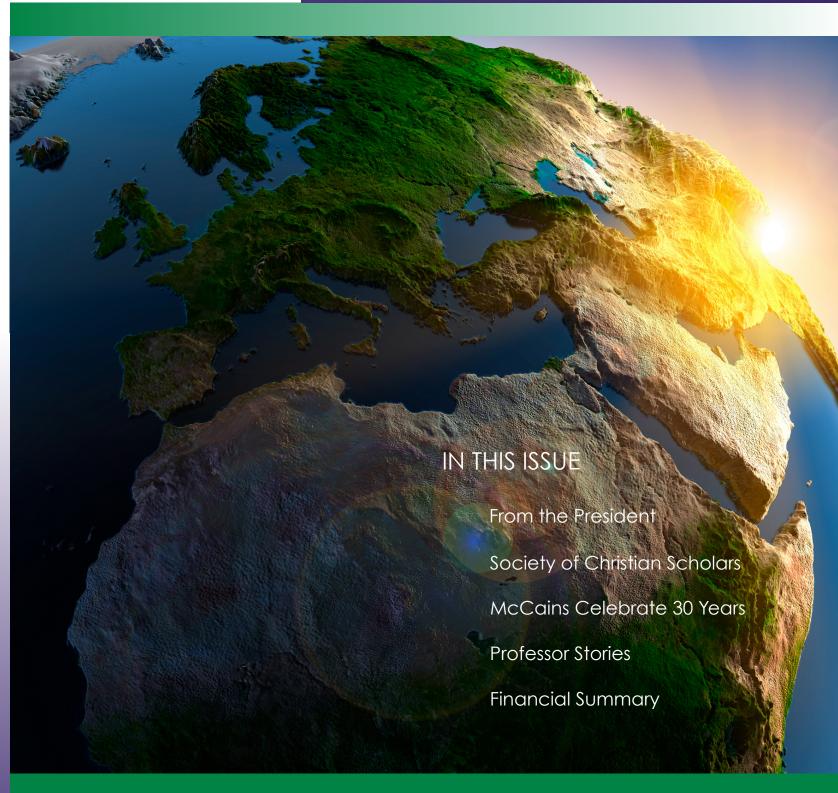
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# Annual 2018 Report 2018



EXPANDING SCOPE. INCREASING IMPACT.



### From the President

Dear Friends and Partners,

Global Scholars' Mission is to **equip Christian professors to have a redemptive influence in higher education**. Throughout the 2017-18 academic year, we continued to fulfill this mission through our traditional program. We also worked to develop a new program to equip exponentially more Christian professors worldwide. I'd like to share a few snapshots of growth in both these areas.

**The Fellows Program**: This is our historic program of sending missional Christian professors to universities worldwide. God continues to bring us outstanding Christian scholars who wish to teach "in distant classrooms," proclaiming Christ's truth, grace, and peace in some of the needlest and most closed countries in the world. During the 2017-18 academic year, 84 Fellows taught in 42 nations worldwide.

In each of these nations, Global Scholars Fellows are salt and light among the future leaders currently being shaped and molded in the nation's universities. **Many of these students may never meet another Christian**. We will only know the full impact these professors are having when we are around the Throne, meeting all those who have come into the Kingdom through their witness and influence. Praise be to God!

However, our vision is that one day every university **student** worldwide will have a Christian professor who helps them learn to live and lead as Christ's followers in their nations. Furthermore, we yearn for the day when every non-Christian professor worldwide has a Christian **colleague** who can model and share Christ in winsome and compelling ways. We envision the day when every **university** has Christians in leadership roles, bringing shalom, human flourishing, and the fragrance of Christ to all they accomplish through their positions of influence. Finally, we work toward the day when every **academic discipline** has Christian professors from nations around the world contributing a Christian perspective to the important issues in these fields of study. Our current program alone cannot fulfill this vision. We need a second program.

Our new program is being designed to complement and build on our Fellows program. It will be launched in March 2019 and will be called the Society of Christian Scholars. This new program will come alongside Christian professors in their own nations who desire to be effective for Christ among their students, colleagues, universities, and academic disciplines.

The good news is that **God has already placed many Christian professors in their own nations, and they desire to be ambassadors for Christ where He has planted them**. Over the years we have met a number of these men and women, and they have asked us for help in being salt and light for Christ. Global Scholars has 30 years experience equipping our Fellows as Christ's ambassadors across the globe. Through the Society of Christian Scholars, we can leverage this expertise to equip hundreds and perhaps thousands more Christian professors worldwide.

To develop this program, we have consulted with over 40 Christian professors from 25 nations, asking them how we can best equip them to have a redemptive influence in their contexts. They have expressed the same needs over and over again. From this we have identified **fourteen specific ways** this program can be effective in advancing Global Scholars' mission (these are listed on page 4).

# From Europe

# From South America



Christian professors are often central to the Holy Spirit's work in the life of a student.

"Dr. Smith" is a Global Scholars history professor at a university in

Eastern Europe. One of his students, Gabija, began asking him questions about the Christian faith. She told him that she had grown up knowing something about Christianity from her culture, and had concluded that Christian faith was irrelevant to her. Dr. Smith took time to answer her questions. His openness about his faith intrigued Gabija. She wondered how this educated person could believe in what one cannot see.

While enrolled in his history course, she also began to notice a difference in the lives of some other Christians she met. Gabija connected their joy to the gospel Dr. Smith had shared with her. For some time she wrestled with whether she could believe in this unseen God, but finally came to understand her need for a Savior. After several months she placed her faith in Christ and immediately began sharing the Good News of Christ with her friends who were also skeptics, as she had been.

Christian professors are often the muchneeded voices of reason and shalom in their nations.

Recently a South American Global Scholar delivered a widely-attended lecture on campus during a time of turmoil. It was during the run-up to a national election is which competing factions ripped the country apart. "Dr. Tomas" told his young audience that they must discuss thorny societal issues with civility and charity. He said politics cannot ultimately fix their nation's problems. Only the One who transforms hearts can. In his audience that day was a student named "Joao", a member of an extreme communist group. Afterward, the student thanked the professor for his civility. Dr. Tomas's presentation caused him to question his commitment to communism.

Meanwhile, Joao's wife, who also listened to Dr. Tomas's lecture, found the professor's blog online. She was curious about what made Dr. Tomas different. She became convinced through reading what he wrote that Christianity made more sense than communism, and gave her life to Christ.

When she shared this with Joao he responded in an open-minded way. He is still not sure, but told Dr. Tomas he is now very interested in becoming a Christian.



is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven Is Lord, to the glory of God the Father. **Philippians 2:9-11** 

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#### From Asia

The Apostle Paul spoke of the principle that one plants a seed, another waters, but God makes it grow. Many Christian professors are faithful to plant the Gospel message. But sometimes professors find students who have come to Christ and have not grown in their faith. They have the opportunity to help them grow.

This was "Dr. Jones'" opportunity in an Asian country where the regime is hostile to the Good News. Dr. Jones had a Christian student named Jin in his English Literature class. Jin was very defensive about his faith but had very little knowledge of Christianity. He spewed hatred of his nation's government in a dangerous way that was unloving. Dr. Jones decided to assign Jin books that would challenge him to think more deeply about his faith, and how to effectively communicate his love for Christ in his culture.

While discussing selections from Dostoevsky Jin's hard heart began to soften to those around him. He began to see that God is in control. Dr. Peter said, "Jin realized that his Christian faith could stand on its own merits against the enemy's arrows." Jin ceased to



alienate others from the faith, and is becoming a more winsome and articulate servant of the Master.

### From Africa

Often God uses a Global Scholars professor to meet physical and emotional needs, as well as spiritual needs.



"Dr. Grey" teaches biology in a small West African country. She noticed one of her students hurrying in and out of class over a period of several months. The same student seemed to be getting weak and discouraged. Dr. Grey was concerned for her student, so after class one day she asked him what was wrong. When he told her he had been suffering from diarrhea, Dr. Grey suggested he get some antibiotics. "But I saw the student nurse," he said, "And she told me I should not take antibiotics because my body would become resistant to diseases." In reply, Dr. Grey used some of the information they had been studying in Biology to assure him that this was not a realistic concern. She encouraged him to go back to the dispensary. He did, began taking antibiotics, and the issue cleared up within a few days.

By meeting physical needs of their students, Global Scholars professors are purveyors of shalom, showing the love and care God has for them. This often opens the door to share the gospel and meet the deeper and even more important spiritual needs of their students.

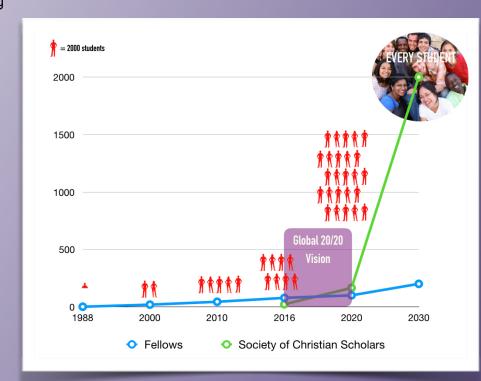
Therefore God exalted him to the highest place and gave him the name that And on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ

During this planning process, an additional 45 Christian professors joined Global Scholars as "proto-society members" to help us further develop the Society of Christian Scholars. Between these two programs, **129 Christian professors** have been involved with Global Scholars in 2017-18, bringing Christ to 22,750 students from 134 nations! Our goal is that by the end of our current strategic plan (June 2020) the Society of Christian Scholars will be fully established. Through the Society and our traditional Fellows program we will equip 250 Christian scholars worldwide to influence 50,000 students a year with the gospel!

However, as the chart below illustrates, this is only the tip of the proverbial iceberg. As the Society of Christian Scholars grows we will be able to equip more and more Christian professors worldwide to reach more and more students each year (as well as more colleagues, universities, and disciplines)! This will bring us much closer to fulfilling our ultimate Mission and Vision.

Please pray God will continue to bring us Fellows He has called to take the gospel to the ends of the earth, often to nations other missionaries cannot enter. Please also pray God continues to guide the development and establishment of the Society of Christian Scholars. There are 12.5 million professors worldwide. If only 1% are believers, 125,000 Christian professors are in positions to influence their students, colleagues, universities, and disciplines for Christ. Pray all learn of the Society, join, and are equipped to have a redemptive influence in higher education.

Thank you so much for the crucial role you play in all this! You are making an eternal difference by leveraging the influence of global higher education for the Kingdom of God.



Soli Deo Gloria,

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Dr. Stan W. Wallace President and CEO Global Scholars

P.S. For more about the Society of Christian Scholars, please visit www.SocietyofChristianScholars.org

## The Society of Christian Scholars

## 14 Ways The Society of Christian Scholars Equips Professors to be Salt and Light Worldwide

#### **Connecting With Others**

- Networking: Providing the infrastructure to connect, encourage and equip one another
- Small Groups: Provides materials for groups of professors to meet together and discuss how To be more effective for Christ on campus
- Online Discussions: Provides online forums where professors can sharpen one another as "iron sharpens iron"
- Video Conferencing: Helping professors equip one another through secure video conversations
- Conferences: Help Christian professors meet together to receive biblical teaching and training related to serving Christ on campus

#### **Communicating God's Truth**

- Research Databases: Online access to journals that will help Christian professors in developing nations integrate their faith and scholarship
- ☑ Editorial Services: Helps professors who do not speak English as primary language get their ideas published in leading journals
- Job Board: Helps Christian scholars find positions in more and more universities worldwide
- Grants: Funds needed by Christian professors to develop their ministry skills and integration of biblical truth into their teaching and publishing

#### **Equipping For Impact**

- Amentors: Connects younger Christian professors with those having an impact for Christ
- **Webinars:** Provides professors with online training from those skilled in having a redemptive influence
- Resource Library: A virtual library of the best materials to help professors represent Christ in the university
- **Curricula:** Introductory, Intermediate, and Advanced readings and webinars to equip professors as ambassadors for Christ in higher education
- **Regional Consultants:** Provides access to conceptualized training from local experts

#### SCS needs professors and professors need SCS

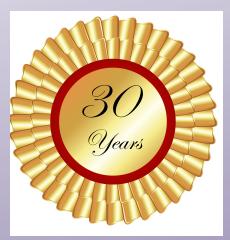
"Contemporary Christian scholarship will not realize its potential unless it can establish a strong institutional base. Isolated individuals in university culture can make impressive efforts here and there, but unless their voices are united, they will be lost in the general cacophony of the contemporary academy."

George Marsden, The Outrageous Idea of Christian Scholarship, p. 101

The Society of Christian Scholars will provide this local and global unity and institutional base.

## Global Scholars' Founder Celebrates 30 Years

## Dr. Danny McCain



Global Scholars' founder and first professor, Dr. Danny McCain, and his wife Mary, were recently honored in Nigeria for their faithfulness to follow God's call to teach in Nigeria 30 years ago. Dr. McCain's background as a pastor, radio speaker, Bible college lecturer, along with a strong desire to help students live and lead as lifetime followers of Christ, is the foundation from which God called Danny, Mary and their children to Nigeria in 1988.

Friends, colleagues and many from the Jos community came together to celebrate this very special anniversary. We, at Global Scholars, are so very thankful for Danny McCain, not just for his passion in founding Global Scholars many years ago, but also for the example he has set for many more Christian professors to join Global Scholars and follow in his footsteps.

