

"You are the light of Christ to the world" Matthew 5:14

A PARTNERSHIP VENTURE

Dear Friends of UCA,

God has entrusted us with the care of Upper Columbia Academy. We believe Adventist education in this 21st century is more vital than ever before. Therefore, we have prayerfully put together a comprehensive plan to build sustainability into your school and grow its mission.

With God's blessing and your partnership, we will **Ignite the World, one student at a time!**



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A CENTURY OF IMPACT

Since 1921, Upper Columbia Academy has produced world class leaders; leaders for the church, healthcare, education, and business. UCA's 6,000+ living alumni literally encircle the globe, and most of them, as they live out their lives, display and communicate the principles they learned at UCA. Here are a few UCA alumni who have *Ignited the World* as they have shared Jesus' love:





Darrel Ellis, class of '65, is a district court judge for the Upper Kittitas County District Court in Kittitas County, Washington. "My job," he says, "is ensuring the safety of the public. Every day I get the opportunity to talk to people who are in trouble. I tell them that there are better ways to live their lives. I tell them that they can make better choices; that they can stop harming themselves and others. It is very gratifying when people take those words to heart, learn from their mistakes, and start making better choices!"

1921

1927

1945

TIMELINE

Upper Columbia
Conference established
a boarding high school
in Granger, Washington
—Yakima Valley Academy.
That first year, YVA
graduated 8 students.

Enrollment climbed to 93 students and the monthly cost per student was \$25.55. Upper Columbia Conference purchased "Broadacres", the old county poor farm, for \$100,000. Then moved the academy to Spangle, WA, and renamed it, Upper Columbia Academy.





Jennifer (Matlack) Ish, class of '77, and her husband, Tom, are the publishers of Creation Illustrated, a colorful nature journal that inspires faith in the Creator through stunning photography and uplifting stories. Readers call it, "the Christians answer to National Geographic!" and some use it as an educational tool. Since everyone loves nature and needs stress relief, it appeals to both young and old, to people of various denominations, and to the unchurched. Jennifer and her husband manage subscriptions in all 50 states and 35 countries, and their work has won three Angel Awards.





Forrest Preston, class of '51, had a dream to elevate the quality of care for seniors. He observed that senior care was stark and impersonal. The elderly were in essence, warehoused, waiting to die. Forrest envisioned an attractively furnished facility where residents engaged in meaningful activities, and where they were treated with dignity and respect. He implemented his dream, and influenced the rest of the world to follow! Today, at the age of 87, Mr. Preston is still pursuing his dream. He is the owner, chairman and chief executive officer of Life Care Centers of America, which operates 209 skilled nursing facilities and 45 assisted living facilities in 28 states.

1950's — 1960's

1957

1965

1970's

1980

UCA had many thriving industries. Students worked a half-day and studied a half-day. Some shoveled coal to heat the campus; others worked in the furniture factory or the woodwork shop, milked cows and pasteurized milk, or fed the chickens and gathered eggs. There were also work opportunities in the offices, dormitories, and cafeteria. Work was an essential part of the curriculum. Some ambitious students even paid their entire school bill

UCA completes its new Cafeteria. Instead of students eating their meals in the basement of the girls' dormitory, they now enjoy mealtimes in the new cheerful dining room. UCA's new Industrial Arts building is completed! The vision: "Every youth, on leaving school, should have acquired a knowledge of some trade or occupation by which, if need be, he may earn a livelihood."

Some new work opportunities: Broom Shop Harris Pine Factory A new trend begins in Adventist schools: The opening of many new day schools, and the closing of some boarding schools.





Talea Shupe, class of '12, is music director at Thunderbird Adventist Academy. She says, "Besides the cognitive and emotional benefits to learning music, music is one of the ways I connect best with God, and it is an honor to help my students connect with Him through music, too. Music teaches responsibility and teamwork; it also creates a strong sense of community and helps students build strong, long-lasting relationships with each other. My favorite aspect of music is sharing it and letting God use us to reach and bless others. My prayer is that my students not only connect with God through the message of the music, but that they also continue to share that message with those around them."





Darin Patzer, class of '92, says he's a disciple of Christ cleverly disguised as a radio station manager. Every day Darin shares Jesus' love through music at Shine 104.9, in Spokane, Washington. He says, "Having experienced the loss of a loved one, I live in eager anticipation for the second coming of Jesus and resurrection morning. I know I'm a broken sinner, but I hope to give people a happier picture of God so they will want to be in heaven, too!" Darin and his family are active in their local church. He and his wife, Natalie, have two children, Kyrie and Kale, who are currently students at UCA!

1980

1982

1990

1991

1993

1996

UCA is in crisis and grappling with huge debt. After reading Education by Ellen G. White, the Board decides to stake UCA's identity in Christ alone.

UCA began having an annual mission trip. Most of the early trips were organized by history teacher, Mr. Peach.

At last, a new gymnasium is under construction! The students eagerly watched it take shape and dreamed of the fun events that would take place in that new building: PE classes, recreation, concerts, graduations, etc.

Another new industry: The Mop Shop UCA begins serving the community through Hope Task Force. Enrollment peaks at 341. There were three students in many dorm rooms.





Trisha (Wasiczko) Kruger, class of '95, MD, is a urologist practicing medicine in Moses Lake, Washington. She provides care for men's and women's urologic concerns, and men's reproductive health. Her special interest is the management and prevention of urinary tract stones. Dr. Kruger believes that patient education is important. "With urology there isn't always one right answer. There can be many different treatment options, from dietary changes or medication, to physical therapy or a surgical procedure," said Dr. Kruger. "I take the time to listen and get to know my patients so that we can create a treatment plan together."



Saul Dominguez, class of '09, recently completed his Masters of Divinity at Andrews University, and he and his family have moved to Hermiston, Oregon where he is serving as pastor of the Hermiston Spanish, Pendleton Spanish, and Rekindle churches. Pastor Saul says, "I feel called to serve in our Spanish-speaking communities here in America. Our Hispanic families are having great difficulties. There is a huge gap between first generation Spanish-speaking parents and their Americanized children. I'm asking God for skills to bring these two worlds together."

1998

2004

2006

2015

2017

2018

Goodbye Old Administration Building. Welcome New Administration Building. Loyal UCA alumni determine to help UCA by establishing Upper Columbia Academy Foundation (now known as FoundationONE) to raise and manage an endowment for student aid. The first "Christmas at the Fox" concert—a free concert—held at the historic Martin Woldson Theater at the Fox, has become a much loved Christmas tradition by the Spokane community.

The new Wallace Dining Commons/Water Tower Plaza is paid in full. What a beautiful addition to campus! A testament to the dedication of UCA's alumni and friends.

UCA begins an
Equestrian program.
Students may now bring
their horses to school!

UCA establishes a farm on campus to give students more opportunity for handson learning.

THE CHALLENGE & VISION

Igniting the World, one student at a time

UCA is celebrating 100 years and our mission is as vital now as it was in the beginning. Our world needs leaders—great leaders like UCA produces. But currently UCA is caught in an interim between two paradigms. It is time for us to solve the affordability issue, once and for all, and empower UCA to reach the highest level of service.



The "Igniting the World" campaign is comprehensive.
It is based on a plan for long-term sustainability, and it addresses UCA's most urgent needs:

- 1) Education For the 21st Century
- 2) Vital Campus Improvements
- 3) Student Aid in Perpetuity

Our \$15M Goal Benefits Everyone!

\$15M

IGNITING THE WORLD BUDGET

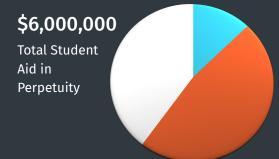
| EDUCATION FOR THE 21st CENTURY | Year 1 | Year 2 | Year 3 |
|---------------------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Worthy Student Funding | \$350,000 | \$350,000 | \$350,000 |
| Staffing Growth | \$120,000 | \$120,000 | \$120,000 |
| Classroom Technology | \$50,000 | \$50,000 | \$50,000 |
| Nutrition: Farm & Bakery | \$60,000 | \$70,000 | \$80,000 |
| Equestrian Education Certification | \$25,000 | \$25,000 | \$25,000 |
| Music Program Enhancements | \$10,000 | \$12,000 | \$15,000 |
| Total Education for the 21st Century | \$615,000 | \$627,000 | \$640,000 |
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| VITAL CAMPUS ENHANCEMENTS | | | |
| Dormitory Renovations | \$550,000 | \$1,550,000 | \$2,000,000 |
| Water Tower Replacement | \$350,000 | \$350,000 | \$300,000 |
| Faculty Home Renovations | \$250,000 | \$250,000 | \$200,000 |
| Renovate Old Cafeteria/Assembly Hall | \$100,000 | \$100,000 | \$50,000 |
| Campus Entrance Renovation | \$125,000 | \$125,000 | \$125,000 |
| Completion of Equestrian Facility | \$70,000 | \$30,000 | |
| Completion of Bakery | \$35,000 | | |
| Update Vehicle Fleet | \$175,000 | \$175,000 | \$175,000 |
| Total Vital Campus Enhancements | \$1,655,000 | \$2,580,000 | \$2,850,000 |
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| STUDENT AID IN PERPETUITY | | | |
| FoundationONE Endowment | \$2,000,000 | \$2,000,000 | \$2,000,000 |
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| TOTALS BY YEAR | \$4,270,000 | \$5,207,000 | \$5,490,000 |
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Total Education for 21st Century \$1,882,000

Total Vital Campus Enhancements \$7,085,000

Total Student Aid in Perpetuity \$6,000,000

Grand Total \$14,967,000



\$1,882,000

Total Education for 21st Century

7,085,000

Total Vital Campus Enhancements

"The challenges now facing our Adventist educational system are real and urgent.

So I have been delighted to see both the creativity of Upper Columbia Academy leadership and the remarkable degree of alumni support for my own alma mater. Their campus programming retains an emphasis on productive work skills, undergirded by the strong spiritual foundation that has always distinguished UCA. We need this proven model of life changing, residential education, together with robust endowments, to keep our school unique and sustainable. And now the integration of FoundationONE's successful fundraising combined with a debt amortization commitment from the Upper Columbia Conference has brought a permanent solution within reach. I urge you to join Judy and me in bringing this dream to reality."

—Richard Hart, '62, MD, DrPH

President, Loma Linda University Health Honorary Chair, Igniting the World Campaign



GIFTS NEEDED TO RAISE \$15,000,000

| | Gift Amount | Gifts needed | Total |
|-------------|--------------------|--------------|--------------|
| Founders | \$2,000,000 | 1 | \$2,000,000 |
| Champions | \$1,000,000 | 3 | \$3,000,000 |
| Leaders | \$500,000 | 6 | \$3,000,000 |
| Ambassadors | \$250,000 | 10 | \$2,500,000 |
| Benefactors | \$100,000 | 20 | \$2,000,000 |
| Advocates | \$50,000 | 25 | \$1,250,000 |
| Partners | \$25,000 | 40 | \$1,000,000 |
| Friends | \$1 -\$24,999 | Many | \$250,000 |
| TOTAL | | : | \$15,000,000 |

"We didn't just go to school here, we grew up here." – Joanna Nelson, '88





NATHAN CUTLER'S STORY

When I was a teenager I thought Christians were judgmental hypocrites. Then I encountered UCA.

When I was in middle school I started smoking, experimenting with drugs, and skipping school. By my freshman year in high school, I was selling drugs. My parents were at their wits end trying to figure out how to help me. Finally, they sent me to a juvenile boot camp. That was the toughest six weeks of my life. Then I spent a year and a half at a therapeutic boarding school.

One day some of my parents' friends were on an airplane, and they overheard some girls talking about their school. The girls were so animated and positive that they asked them where they went to school. That's how my parents first heard of Upper Columbia Academy. Soon after that, I found myself sitting in an interview with the UCA Administrative Council. They asked me: Are you done with drugs? Will you follow the rules? Are you ready to try Christianity?

I'll be forever grateful to UCA for teaching and modeling Christianity so well.

It was the fall of 1998 when I enrolled as a junior dormitory student at UCA. Things went pretty smoothly that year, but I was very broken and I didn't want to live a Christian life. Nevertheless, seeds were planted.

The next year I returned for my senior year, but this time as a village student. My 18th birthday was coming up and I thought, "As a legal adult, I can go back to Ferris High School." The day before my 18th birthday, I drove to Ferris High School to scope things out. Let's just say, things didn't go well for me that day. Instead of waking up to new freedom on the morning of my 18th birthday, I woke with a minor concussion and needing to move back into the dormitory.

While I didn't view it as a blessing at the time, I now know that the UCA dormitory was a great place for me. It put me in the center of campus life. I made many new friends, including Rebecca (BJ) Davidson—who is now my wife—and I had many wonderful interactions with the UCA faculty.

Once when I was in trouble, Paul Jenks defended me at faculty meeting. His genuine care and concern affected me deeply. I also spent time with Chuck Paulson in the auto shop. What a great Christian example he was! Fred Riffle and Ron Turner also took a special interest in me. I was surrounded constantly by love and prayer. Slowly, very slowly, my heart began to soften.

But, I still wasn't ready to become a Christian.

After graduation I fell back into my old ways. Then one morning Rebecca asked me, "Are you really happy waking up every morning with a hangover?

Not knowing what you've said or done the night before?" I had to admit, I was desperately unhappy! This time when Rebecca suggested, "Why don't we give God a try?" I was ready. I stopped drinking and we began attending church. A few months later, I was baptized and Rebecca and I got married.

We signed up to teach English and Bible at a school in South Korea. That turned out to be a

very difficult year. In order to cope, we had to spend at least an hour with God each morning. During those early morning moments, God spoke to our hearts and helped us grow; he healed my anxiety/depression disorder; and we learned to trust Him to get us through anything.

Today, Rebecca and I are active members of the Spokane Valley Seventh-day Adventist Church. We support organizations endeavoring to eradicate human trafficking and to spread the Gospel in Korea. We are the proud parents of Isaiah age 8, and Ezra age 5, who we are teaching to love and serve Jesus.

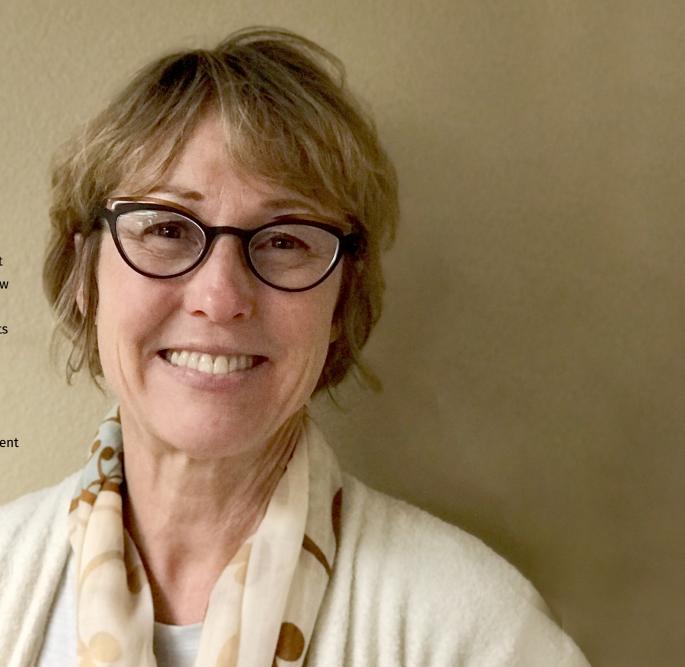
I'll be forever grateful to UCA for teaching and modeling Christianity so well. UCA set the groundwork for my life!

By Nathan Cutler, class of 2000, as told to Linda Klinger

"The devotion of the teachers is incredible!

The warm, loving, inclusive Christian atmosphere at UCA provides fertile ground for young adults to grow and thrive. Faculty and staff are not only top-notch in their fields but caring Christian mentors. Students growing together in the nurturing "soil" of UCA sprout friendships that last a lifetime! I saw growth and maturation in Parker and his friends under the Son shine of UCA!"

-Jodi Bailey, MD, Parent



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