



*Since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles. Let us run with perseverance the race marked for us! ~ Hebrews 12:1*

- ☛ Thank God for a good year with a minimum of pandemic interruptions! Remember the 20 graduates (13 of whom are honors students!) who are stepping out into new jobs, ministries, relationships, and studies. Pray for firm foundations of faith as they say goodbye to this unique and intense season of Christian community, formation, and study.
- ☛ As part of the online **Training in Ministry** program, RBC is hosting “God’s Mission and the Church,” an in-person retreat with resource person Karl Vaters. The retreat is on campus on August 18-20, and open to anyone. Continue to pray for more persons to take advantage of both the online and in-person TiM resources.
- ☛ Praise God for our **new Drama Director, Brian Tonti**, from Plain City, Ohio. He is an English teacher at Hilliard Darby High School and has worked as their Assistant Theatre Director. With Brian coming on board, we’re now able to plan for a full-length stage drama in Fall 2022. Brian says he can’t wait to experience drama (the good kind!) at Rosedale.
- ☛ President **Jeremy Miller** and recent graduate **Micah Mullet**, will travel to Tanzania on May 26-June 4 to help resource a leadership conference for the Tanzania Mennonite Church. Pray for good health, connections, and a rich time learning in the midst of many uncertainties.
- ☛ **Ericka Byler, Director of Enrollment Services**, has been traveling and visiting churches with student ensemble Salt & Light Co. and hosting Discover Rosedale events to connect with prospective students. Pray that God will continue to draw students here. Projections for the fall are strong, but uncertainties remain.
- ☛ Continue to pray for the upcoming weeks of **Choral Camp, July 11-23**. Director **Kirk Kauffman**, Program Director **Megan McGaffey**, and Music Directors **Ken and Jenny Miller** are making plans. Some staff members are still needed to assist with the two weeks.
- ☛ As we move “Forward in Faith,” pray that God will provide the \$3 million still needed for the **new dorm**. Several significant visits are planned with interested persons in June and July. If possible, we’d like to be able to break ground this year, but “our times are in God’s hands.”
- ☛ Pray for strong giving as we close our **fiscal year on June 30**. Thank God for the generosity of many churches, businesses, and individuals who undergird the day-to-day ministries of RBC, and for those who are giving over and above that for the new residence hall.
- ☛ We’re brainstorming about beginning **a thrift store** to provide an additional stream of revenue for daily operations at RBC. Pray that we would find the right people to head up this enterprise.
- ☛ Pray for **Matt and Rachel Cordella-Bontrager** and family as they transition from RBC to a pastorate at Pike Mennonite Church in Lima, Ohio. Pray also for **Dion and Krista Gingerich** and family as they move from Ontario, Canada to Rosedale, where Dion will become our new Dean of Students.