

The Verity Good Report

Newsletter of the Verity Institute

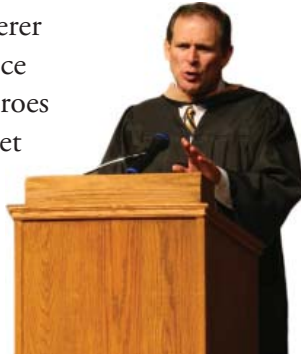
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Verity Class of 2008 Graduation

On May 31, 2008, forty-three young men and women graduated from Verity Institute to be commissioned to make a difference in the world for Christ.

Commencement speaker Bill Federer inspired the graduates and audience alike with a stirring message of heroes throughout history. “When you get to heaven, what will your story be?” Mr. Federer challenged us.

For the graduating students and underclassmen, Verity’s sixth annual Commencement Ceremony this past Saturday was the finale of a great year, and the days leading up to it were a celebration of God’s faithfulness. From music students’ senior recitals, to Senior Wills, to a volleyball tournament during Grad Week, the students made the most of every opportunity to make fond memories with each other.



In between the flurry of special events each evening, lots of work was happening around campus during the daytime. While the '09ers washed windows, set tables, folded programs, and cooked food in preparation for the big weekend, Mr. Curtis, Mr. Ross, the Shipley family, Mr. Whitten and his “Woodshop Guys,” and others were completing the finishing touches on our Red Stairwell entrance. The new sidewalk, landscaping, and Red Stairwell lobby were completed just in time.



The new circular garden area brings life and color to the front lawn.

Friday evening’s Parent Appreciation Dinner provided a special occasion for the '08 graduates to reflect with gratefulness on God’s faithfulness, as well as to honor their parents. Following the banquet, the '08ers gathered in the student lounge to spend one final evening together as students and to sign





The auditorium was filled to capacity for the Parent Appreciation Dinner.

each other's journals. Meanwhile, the '09ers industriously cleaned up and prepared for the big day ahead. Saturday morning arrived quickly for all of us.

Emotions ran high on Saturday morning as we drove to New Palestine High School for the Commencement Ceremony, for graduation is a time of both completion and commissioning, a celebration of both endings and beginnings. For me personally, it was a time to remember the Author and Finisher of our

faith, who has promised to finish the good work He has started in each one of us (*see Hebrews 12:2, Philippians 1:6*).

With the commissioning of the Class of 2008, the number of Verity graduates has now grown to over 250. As Mr. Federer challenged us in the commencement address, we Verity graduates have been called and equipped to meet the crisis in our culture and make a difference for Christ. If you are a Verity alumnus, we would like to keep in touch with you and how God is using you to do great works in His kingdom. Please contact:

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Verity Guest House

This year has seen many changes and improvements at Verity, including the new Verity Guest House. If you are part of our Verity family—a Verity alumnus, relative of a current Verity student, patron, or friend—we invite you to

visit us and stay in our lovely 4-bedroom, 2 ½ bath guest house. Please contact the registrar, Rebekah Johnson, at 866-9**VERITY** for more information.

