

Dear Faculty and Staff of Baylor University:

As part of the new design and layout for the “Current Students” page of Baylor’s website, plans have been made to include a different verse each day as a heading. In addition, we are in the process of gathering and creating weekly devotionals to be accessed by a link at the top of the page. We at Spiritual Life want to invite you to be part of this process. We would like for this collection of verses to be a reflection and expression of everyone on campus, almost as a Baylor lectionary or an ongoing “liturgy” (work of the people), and we are very interested in receiving your input.

If there is a verse that has been particularly meaningful to you over the years, and you would like for it to be included, please share and send it our way to Amanda_Horton@baylor.edu. Also, we feel it would be appropriate and advantageous to keep some of these verses in rhythm with the seasons and special occasions that happen both universally in the Church (Christmas, Holy Week, Thanksgiving etc.), and locally in the lives of Baylor students (finals, midterms, Greek life, athletics, homecoming, tragedy and loss, current affairs, spring break, graduation, etc.), so if you have something in mind catered specifically to any of these events, please feel free to make that suggestion. Our plan is that we would indicate who submitted the verse so that each day there would be a verse from one particular member of the faculty or staff, which becomes a gift to the student body.

In addition to a daily verse, if you are interested in contributing to the devotional section as well, please let us know. This portion would consist of approximately a one to two paragraph reflection or insight into an idea, a verse, or even a personal story or testimony. We would love to have as much input from around the various departments on campus as possible.

It is our hope that this new feature will encourage and challenge the student body, especially those who are still in the early stages of their Baylor experience. We see it as an excellent way to both celebrate the diversity of our University as part of the body of Christ by bringing together contributions from various individuals while also calling us to unity through a common devotional practice. We look forward to hearing from you and receiving your contributions.

Blessings and Peace,

Burt Burleson
University Chaplain

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Director for Formation

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Resident Chaplain