

Prayer Letter February 2004

Dear Alumni and Friends,

I have been thinking lately and have asked myself: “Why New England Bible College?” The College’s purpose statement printed in our Academic Catalog provides a clear answer: “New England Bible College exists for the purpose of producing graduates who are taught and equipped by the Word of God, gifted and empowered by the Spirit of God, and trained and prepared by the servants of God.”

Dr. Art Gay, was kind to share his commitment and the support of First Baptist to NEBC.

“In a world that increasingly loses its way, we need truth, clarity and Godly instruction. I am committed to the ministry of NEBC because of its sterling history of instruction based on Biblical truth. The churches and growing believers in the Northeast need NEBC now...more than ever. The congregation I serve has benefited greatly from NEBC. It is my prayer that all who read this word of commendation will support this school that teaches Jesus Christ...Savior of the lost, Lord over history and coming King.”

—Arthur Evans Gay, Senior Pastor, The First Baptist Church, Portland, ME

The College is grateful for the number of pastors, churches, and individuals who faithfully support NEBC. They invest their money where their heart is, and we, in turn, strive to be faithful stewards of those resources sacrificially given. Our financial reports are reviewed by an outside auditor each year, and these documents are available in the College office. While the Lord has allowed us to operate sometimes week-to-week on faith, He is faithful.

There is such a need for sound, Biblically trained pastors for our churches in New England, as well as for individuals who will serve in para-church ministries, or go beyond our borders to the uttermost parts of the earth. The students who are enrolled at NEBC all sense God’s hand upon their lives. Ours is a sacred trust to see that God’s chosen servants are equipped with everything they need to do His work in many places. I hope that when you invest your very much needed prayers in NEBC, its faculty, students and staff, and when you consider sharing a portion of what God has given you in a work that God has ordained, that you will bestow some of your fruits upon the College at this time.

You may ask what is our present need:

1. An increased number of prayer supporters. You are more vital to the ministry of NEBC than money in the bank.
2. An increase in the number of churches and individuals who will partner with us to provide financial stability to the College. I am personally praying

for 25 new churches who will include the College in their regular support. I am also praying for 50 new individuals who will include the College as part of their giving beyond their local church. I ask you to join me to pray for these two goals this year in order to expand our base of support.

God has been faithful through our 22-year history, and He will remain faithful. We serve a promise keeping God.

Sincerely yours,

Robert E. Bell
Chairman, The Board of Trustees

**“And my God shall supply all your need according to His riches in glory by Christ
Jesus.”**
Philippians 4:19