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NationsUniversity® Change Your World Dinner

Special Guest Imed Dabbour



On April 28, 2026, friends and partners of NationsUniversity gathered beneath the warm lights of the historic Loveless Barn for an evening that will long be remembered in the life of the university. What began years ago as a small gathering of supporters has grown into something much larger—a community of believers committed to the idea that biblical education should be available to anyone, anywhere in the world.

This year's Change Your World Dinner was the largest fundraising event in NationsUniversity history.

A total of 179 guests filled the barn, and by the end of the evening, more than \$250,000 had been raised to support the mission of NationsUniversity. It was not simply a record-breaking night financially. It was a testimony to the growing momentum behind a university that continues to lead in the field of online education while remaining deeply committed to Christian service and global outreach.

The atmosphere throughout the evening carried both celebration and gratitude. Stories were shared of students studying in remote villages, crowded cities, developing nations, prisons and places where traditional Christian education remains difficult to access. NationsUniversity continues to remove barriers of geography, cost, and circumstance so students across the globe can receive meaningful biblical training.

Part of the evening was dedicated to honoring two individuals whose faithful service has strengthened the university in profound ways. Marie Byers received the Volunteer of the Year Award for her years of devoted service, encouragement, and steadfast support. Her quiet faithfulness reflects the spirit of countless volunteers who help sustain the mission behind the scenes. Dr. Richard Youngblood was presented with the Barnabas Servant Leader Award. Throughout his distinguished career in Christian higher education, Dr. Youngblood has modeled wisdom, humility, and encouragement worthy of the name Barnabas—the “son of encouragement.”

Perhaps the most exciting announcement of the evening came with the unveiling of the first course in what will eventually become NationsUniversity's online Arabic-language Certificate in Biblical Studies program. The first course is now available, and the others that are planned to join it will be offered entirely in Arabic. The program represents another major step forward in the university's commitment to reaching underserved populations with accessible Christian education.

The university also expressed deep appreciation for its partnership with Lighthouse Arab World, whose collaboration helped make the Arabic program possible. Lighthouse Arab World has played an important role not only in helping develop the program, but also in promoting it throughout Arabic-speaking communities and ministry networks. The partnership reflects a shared vision of expanding opportunities for biblical education across cultural and linguistic boundaries.

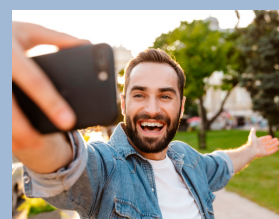
The Change Your World Dinner was about more than numbers, awards, or announcements. It was a reminder that education

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We want to hear from you!

Your story matters, and your journey can inspire others. Whether you have a testimony of how NationsUniversity has impacted your life, a story of transformation, or a calling you're pursuing, we invite you to share it with us. Your voice could encourage fellow students, future graduates, and the broader NU community. You may submit your story on our website.

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changes lives. When students are equipped with knowledge, understanding, and spiritual formation, families change, churches grow stronger, and communities are transformed. For one remarkable evening in Nashville, that mission was on full display.

Students and alumni also play an important role in sustaining the mission of NationsUniversity. Many of the opportunities available today exist because former students and faithful partners chose to give back so others can study as they once did. Support can come in many forms—through prayer, sharing NationsUniversity with churches and friends, volunteering time and talents, or making financial contributions that help provide affordable biblical education to students around the world. Every act of support helps extend the university's mission of educating anyone, anywhere, and ensures future generations will have access to Christ-centered learning regardless of their location or economic circumstance.



*Top: Imed sharing his story of faith (Left), Marie Byers and John Baxter (Right).
 Bottom: John Baxter and Richard Youngblood (Left), John Antonucci (Right).*

NationsU Launches Online Arabic Course

Leading the Future of Online Biblical Education in Arabic

NationsUniversity continues to lead the way in accessible online theological education with the launch of its first Bachelor's level course in Arabic, A Search for Spirituality, on April 28, 2026. Our plan is to translate the remaining six courses in the Certificate in Biblical Studies program into Arabic in the near future.

For more than two decades, NationsUniversity has worked to remove barriers to biblical education around the world. The launch of this Arabic-language course reflects the university's ongoing commitment to reaching underserved populations with affordable, high-quality Christian education delivered entirely online.

As envisioned, offering this course and eventually, the six remaining Certificate in Biblical Studies courses in Arabic, will provide students with a foundational understanding of Scripture in their native language. Each course will be fully accessible online, allowing students across the Middle East, North Africa, and Arabic-speaking communities (MENA) worldwide to study at their own pace regardless of location or schedule.

"This program represents an important milestone for NationsUniversity and for Arabic-speaking students seeking serious biblical education," said John Baxter,

President. "We are praying for God to open doors to study His Word among the over 400 million Arabic speaking men and women throughout the world."

This program is part of NationsUniversity's broader vision to remain at the forefront of innovation in online education. As one of the pioneers in distance biblical education, NationsUniversity continues expanding opportunities for students globally through technology-driven learning. More multilingual initiatives will follow.

To encourage enrollment in this course during the launch period, new students are tuition exempt for a limited time.

NationsUniversity also extends sincere gratitude to Lighthouse Arab World for their partnership and support in helping develop this important program. Their collaboration has played a significant role in making high-quality Arabic biblical education available to students around the world.

Students interested in learning more about the availability of this course and future courses in Arabic are encouraged to visit NationsUniversity for additional information and enrollment details.



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Zachary E. Primrose, *Argentina*
Makhoba Ivan, *Kenya*
Mupuya Keffa, *Kenya*
Antony Kinyua Ndwiga, *Kenya*
Geon Woo Lee, *Morocco*
Jacob Mandaha Kavangu, *Namibia*
Charis Lockhart Beck, *New Zealand*
Paul Smart Emmaxco, *Nigeria*
Obi Uche Victor, *Nigeria*
Etabu Peter, *Uganda*
Eric Byrd, *United States*
Isaiah Mello, *United States*
Roland L. Snipes, *United States*

Certificate in Christian Ministry

Becker Maer Moisol Semion, *Malaysia*

Bachelor of Religious Studies

Mehdi Azizi, *Thailand*

Graduate Certificate in Biblical Studies

Min Wu, *China*
Xufeng Zhang, *China*
Wonder Adosraku, *Ghana*
Victor Ofori Agyemang, *Ghana*
Daniel Ampong Antwi, *Ghana*
Shivendra Pratap Singh, *India*
Francis Mwangi Kariuki, *Kenya*
Jackson Pulei Konchellah, *Kenya*
John Wambua Muthuka, *Kenya*
Antony Ngabwe, *Namibia*
Clement Nsengimana, *Rwanda*
Gabrielle Tami da Silva Landefort, *Saint Martin*
Kingsley Amos, *Spain*
Justin Matthew May, *United States*

Wilson Rivera, *United States*

Patrick S. Young, *United States*

Simbeleko Keefe Kapela, *Zambia*

Master of Theological Studies

Simon Ntamack, *Canada*
B.D., Christian Leaders Institute
Fikre Fikadu Fufa, *Ethiopia*
M.A., Ambo University
Peter Baba Tindana, *Ghana*
B.Sc., Kwame Nkrumah University of Science and Technology
Pius Barsito Chepsergon, *Kenya*
B.Ed., Moi University
Stephen Mwanja Ndine, *Kenya*
B.R.S., NationsUniversity
Ooko Nelson Ochieng', *Kenya*
B.Th., Adventist University of Central Africa
Odera Amos Ouma, *Kenya*
B.Div. and A.Div., Christian Leaders Institute
Solomon Wellos, *Malawi*
B.B.S., Sunset International Bible Institute
Raphael Dabo, *Nigeria*
B.R.S., NationsUniversity
Kagiso William Msiza, *South Africa*
Bachelor of Theology & Biblical Studies, International Colleges of Fellows
Nuttapong Bhandhusilpa, *Thailand*
B.Eng., Chiang Mai University
Humphrey Kutosi, *Uganda*
Bachelor of Laws, Makerere University
Geovanni Alexander Lara Herrera, *United States*
B.Th., Baxter Institute
George E. Thomas Jr., *United States*
B.Div. and A.Div., Christian Leaders College

Master of Divinity

Bernard Baffour Awuah, *Ghana*
M.T.S., NationsUniversity

Upcoming Calendar Events!

- **June 12 - M.A.P.S. Meeting**- Monthly
Ambassador Prayer with Students
- **July - Official Admissions is Closed this month**, Official Transcript Orders Still Filled in 5 Business Days
- **July 4 - Independence Day, USA, Offices Closed**
- **July 12 - M.A.P.S. Meeting**- Monthly
Ambassador Prayer with Students
- **July 15 - Apply with Advisor for September 1st Graduation**
- **August 1, P.A.S.S. Meeting**
- **August 14 - M.A.P.S. Meeting**
- **August 15 - Deadline for Completing Academic Graduation Requirements & Paying Grad Fee**
- **August 15 - Deadline for applying for the D.Min. cohort beginning Sep. 1**
- **September 1 - NationsUniversity Summer Graduation Day**
- **September 7 - Labor Day, USA, Offices Closed**
- **September 1 - M.A.P.S. Meeting**



Nations University Alumni Association

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If you have completed even one course at NationsU, you are already considered part of the NUAA family.

We urge all members to get involved today.

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