

Far Sighted Vision

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So we fix our eyes not on what is seen, but on what is unseen, since what is seen is temporary, but what is unseen is eternal.
2 Cor 4:18 NIV

We love the opportunity to work with Christian professors, who find ways throughout the academic year to reflect Jesus to students in word and deed. Here are a few examples from professors we interact with:



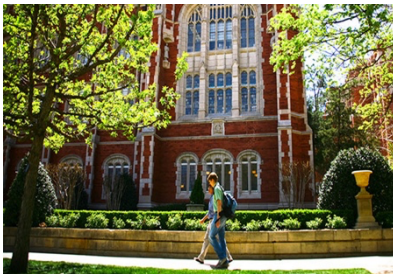
East Central University - Ada, OK

Charlie is one of several professors at area universities who has retired in the past year and now is spending time discipling younger professors. This university is home to a number of Christian faculty who are very intentional about living out their faith, and Charlie leads their group.



University of Central Arkansas - Conway, AR

“I believe God put my wife and me at UCA to do college ministry” Kevin told us. They open their home to hundreds of international students and lead Bible studies with athletes. He retired this month and is moving closer to kids and grandkids – and contacting student ministries on a nearby campus to see how they can continue involvement.



University of Oklahoma - Norman, OK

Since retiring last year, David has led a discipleship group for younger professors. He continues to mentor graduate students and connects with Christian professors at other universities who want to learn how to honor God in their research, teaching and publishing as David did so well throughout his career.



New Mexico State - Las Cruces, NM

Kai wants to discover how to be more intentional about his faith with both students and colleagues. He is young and not yet tenured, but already being open about his faith and his desire to minister to students. Today by Zoom I introduced the Cru staffer there to an Oklahoma State professor who wants to encourage and equip Kai and others on campus.



Texas Tech University - Lubbock, TX

Unlike the others listed above, Samuel is just beginning his academic career. We talked about partnering with his church to begin ministering to international students. We also discussed finding others to share the load, so that he doesn't short change his family – they have five children under the age of 8.

We also interact with wonderful Christian professors and administrators who are visible about their faith at North Texas, Texas Woman's, Texas A&M, Sam Houston State, Texas and Texas State. We will save their stories for another day – but know that God has His people faithfully following Him and living for Him because they live for a greater vision.