

PRESIDENTS FORUM

WEDNESDAY | FEBRUARY 19, 2025



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FORUM FACILITATOR: PAUL ALEXANDER, PRESIDENT | TRINITY BIBLE COLLEGE (ND)

OVERVIEW: The record number of recent evangelical institutions who have closed would be a wakeup call for every president. This is no time for business as usual. Consider strategic leadership insights from thoughtful leaders that can sharpen your grasp of important issues.

7:00 – 8:00 Forum Breakfast — Regency Foyer
8:00 – 8:15 Welcome & Introductions

8:15 – 9:30 SESSION 1 — BUILDING YOUR LEADERSHIP TEAM FOR MAXIMUM IMPACT

PRESENTER: Phil Orazi, Sr. Director for Training & Development (retired) | Chick-fil-A Inc.

OVERVIEW: The president is only as effective as the leadership team around him/her. It's the president's responsibility to ensure that the senior leadership team is working together to achieve mission.

- ▶ Identify what leadership traits to look for in building your leadership team
- ▶ Learn the warning signs of a dysfunctional team
- ▶ Understand what team synergy is and what it is not
- ▶ The President's role in sustaining a high performing team

9:30 – 10:15 Refreshment Break — Regency Foyer

10:15 – 11:45

SESSION 2 — UNDERSTANDING THE CURRENT AND FUTURE LEGAL LANDSCAPE FOR RELIGIOUS INSTITUTIONS

PRESENTER: Greg Baylor, Senior Counsel | Alliance Defending Freedom (DC)

OVERVIEW: The legal and political waterfronts impacting biblical higher education are in constant flux. It is important to understand how you can best position your institution to stay mission focused without compromise.

- ▶ Assess what to expect over the next four years with the new US president
- ▶ Understand the status of the most recent legal cases impacting our sector
- ▶ Identify how you can best advocate for your institution at the local, state, and federal levels

11:45 – 12:00
12:00 – 1:00

A word from our Sponsor — CampusEDU

Buffet Lunch — Regency Foyer

1:00 – 2:15

SESSION 3 — TAKING A SERIOUS LOOK AT INSTITUTIONAL VIABILITY

PRESENTER: Jeff Spear, Founder | CFO Colleague (FL)

OVERVIEW: Leading an institution of biblical higher education requires a solid grasp of the activities that drive performance. Beyond the wise service of the CFO, a competent CEO must be well acquainted with their business model and how financial health is accurately gauged. From their experience with over 200 private institutions, Jeff will share his observations on:

- ▶ Develop an actional vision and strategies for their own institution.
- ▶ Create metrics that enable them to measure vision attainment.
- ▶ Learn how to create buy-in for their strategies and align them across their institution.

2:15 – 3:00

Refreshment Break — Regency Foyer

3:00 – 4:15

SESSION 4 — A CONVERSATION WITH DAVID KINNAMAN

PRESENTER: David Kinnaman, CEO | The Barna Group (TX)

OVERVIEW: Join a conversation between Barna Group CEO, David Kinnaman and the Presidents Forum Facilitator, Paul Alexander. David is an ABHE Senior Fellow and a plenary speaker at this week's Annual Meeting.

4:15 – 4:30

Wrap Up

6:00 – 8:30

CONNECTIONS DINNER — Ballroom B/C/D

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