

T. RICH NEWS

The Terrance Richardson Dream. Believe. Work Foundation Inc. Newsletter

Purpose of the Foundation

The Terrance Richardson Dream. Believe. Work Foundation, Inc. is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization committed to opening doors of opportunity for the next generation through mentoring programs and scholarship opportunities.

The primary purpose of the foundation is to celebrate and commemorate the life and spirit of Terrance Richardson. After the tragic loss of Terrance, his parents, Pastor J.J. and Terica Richardson and his siblings, Jacqueline, Taniesha, Jackie Jr., and Tiffany felt compelled to honor Terrance's legacy. Terrance had a passion for business, adventure, mentoring and the arts; specifically music and photography. His drums were his sanctuary. He spent years playing from childhood until his last rehearsal on Tuesday, January 12, 2016 at Conway's First Baptist Church, where he served as the drummer and percussionist on the Praise and Worship Team, demonstrating excellence and patience. Terrance was known to be a servant of God through his church and community; demonstrating such service in various ways. This includes serving as a mentor for young musicians; a leader for young men in the Student Ministry of Conway's First and as a youth advisor at Greater Friendship and Greater Galilee Missionary Baptist Church.

With a passion for photography, Terrance's establishment of T.Rich Photography, was another creative way of expressing his adoration for nature and people. He mastered the art of capturing life through the lens. The love of music, photography, the outdoors as well as his creativity and limitless curiosity brought deep meaning to him as well as to those who knew him.

He graduated from Joe T. Robinson High School and attended the University of Central Arkansas and Central Baptist College.

He was a dedicated employee with the City of Little Rock for over ten years. His smile welcomed many; as he assisted the public, including present and future employees, as a Human Resources Technician II. Terrance was in pursuit of a degree in Human Resources Management, and one of his dreams was to become a Human Resources Director. For his job excellence, he was awarded 2014 Employee of the Year for the Human Resources Department. He was the youngest employee to have been honored by a department. Terrance's mantra was Dream. Believe. Work. The Foundation will honor Terrance's legacy through implementing innovative youth and community initiatives surrounding his mantra. Scholarships will be awarded to high school and young adults with opportunities to advance their career in Business or Fine Arts.

"For I know the plans I have for you, 'declares the Lord, 'plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future. "Jeremiah 29:11 (NIV)





By Terrance Richardson

Personal Success

I started this journey not knowing exactly what was to come, but I soon found out that Central Baptist was where I was going to be furthering my education. At first, there was a lot of worry and concern about furthering my education. I soon realized that was not going to be an easy task, nor would it be something that I could take lightly. Coming in, I knew I would have to make some adjustments, as well as, learn something new. Throughout my first block at Central Baptist, there are a handful of helpful information that I learned. Three of the biggest strategies I learned and will implement in my future would be communication, between other students and professors, making the best of campus resources, and managing stress and time.

Communication plays vital part in the present an future, as I move forward with my education. From being able to attend classes online to reading other students' thoughts in our weekly forum threads, we learned the importance of communication and understanding others point of view. I am reminded of one week's forum discussion and the different thoughts from students on the topic of higher education. This is one of he greatest ways for everyone to communicate and show that they support or disagree with other students. Another form of communication and great way we are able to communicate with Professor Johnson, was through the Zoom software. This was a way for students at home to attend classes and "hangout", with other students and ask questions as if it was a live class setting. Attending or viewing this weekly form of communication showed not only students, but also our professor the importance of our education. Communication through resources like Zoom, emails, and forums, will help me moving forward in higher education.

As technology advances so does our ability to use the resources available to us. While some remember going to a library and looking through the library catalog. This could have taken hours for those who were not use to this. Now, with sources like Central Baptist Colleges' Library StorySearch system, things that once took forever to find are merely seamless to obtain. One of the articles that I read, spoke on the equality of higher education for African American males in the Naylor, Lorenda). Without a CBC's Library StorySearch, I don't think I would've been able to find an article that was this interesting on

my own. "Other forms of college resources include, educational advisors, career counseling, and tutoring network," (Linda Simon, 2014). With sources like these, one has an endless supply of help to further their education. After I met with my education advisor, we were able to get a game plan together and now I am able to pursue my education with a clear cut plan ahead. The career counseling was not much needed, for I have been in Human Resources for five years now. But as I begin to get closer to the end of my college career, I will be able to see specifically what I want to do with the Human Resources field. One of the biggest things I plan on using in my future is the peer tutoring center Central Baptist College offers for free.

With everything that I've been able to achieve thus far while being back in college, one of the biggest things I've learned was the ability to manage my time and stress a lot better. Some of the helpful tips I learned were to make my time realistic, look at the big picture of why I'm here, learning to say no to social life, and working a little more each and every day. When things are not correct, I have always thought there is not enough time in a day. *New Beginnings*, taught me that I wasn't being realistic or working on the big picture each and every day. One of the hardest things that I've had to deal with is "Just saying no!" With work, being a musician, having my own photography company, and now school, balance between the things of importance has definitely made a change.

Simon, Linda. *New Beginnings: Reference Guide for Adult Learners*. New Jersey: Pearson, 2014
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Written by Terrance on December 8, 2015

WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO?

Presentation by Terrance Richardson to the Youth Ministry at Greater Galilee 2015

What are you going to do with Your Future? Do you ever get to a point in life where you are finding that you're trying to do everything yourself? Or trying to just "wing" it. Coast through life.

Recently, I was going through a situation, where I was like I'm going to do this life situation on my own. I tried and failed multiple times with friendships and relationships. Friendships are huge now days. Nobody wants to be without friends. We have a tendency to find people that are like us, without having the courage to say, that God is who we're representing. But I want you all to know that

1. God is in Control.
2. We have to be obedient to God, which requires us to STOP & LISTEN...

God has shown you that he's willing to go the extra mile for you, yet, we still try to do this thing called life on our own? Why?

1. Because our "friends" won't think it's cool?
2. We're worried about who's going to see me?
3. Who's more important? God or those who are keeping us away from God?

One of the things that I had to realize was that I had to begin taking that same energy that I was using to please the world, the friendships that didn't matter, and turn from being about me all the time, to being the light that God sees. (Worship each week)

I'm speaking peace and understanding over you all this school year.

John 13:7 (NIV)

Jesus replied, "You do not realize now what I am doing, but later you will understand."

Jeremiah 29:11-13 (NIV)

For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future, 12. Then you will call on me and come and pray to me and I will listen to you. 13. You will seek me and find me when you seek me with all your heart.

There's this song we do called "Oceans" and some of the lyrics are

"You call me out upon the waters
The great unknown where feet may fail
And there I find you in the mystery
In oceans deep, My faith will stand

And I will call upon Your name
And keep my eyes above the waves
When oceans rise, My soul will rest in Your embrace
For I am Yours and You are mine

Spirit lead me where my trust is without borders
Let me walk upon the waters
Wherever You would call me
Take me deeper than my feet could ever wander
And my faith will be made stronger, In the presence of my Savior

Oh, Jesus you're my God!



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Volunteer today!
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If you do not have the time, but would like to make a contribution towards the mentorship program and/or scholarships, you can! You can either submit donations by mail or online.

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Photography Class: First Assignment

Mentorship

The foundation will provide monthly mentorship opportunities to students of all ages an annual scholarship to high school seniors and young adults with opportunities to advance their careers in Business or the Fine Arts departments.

Monthly mentoring sessions will be held the third Saturday of each month. Sessions are interactive and informative with Friends of the TRich Foundation, Inc., community leaders serving as mentors and guest speakers.

A mentorship curriculum will be established and implemented for children, teens, and young adults.

High school students must complete 1-2 mentorship workshops prior to receiving financial assistance.

Students must also commit to mentoring at least five (5) hours to other students after they have received awards.

Scholarship

This program provides educational scholarships to qualified high school seniors and college students who have a financial need, demonstrated scholastic achievement and dedicated to community service.

Financial assistance will be awarded to high school senior students and young adults who will attend an accredited college or university. Recipients must attend an accredited college within one (1) year of the award, and will be submitted directly to an accredited institution.

Application information please visit www.trichfoundation.org

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