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When you talk to George Rabine about Liberty University, one word keeps coming up: “exciting.”

As longtime members of Liberty University’s Board of Regents and financial supporters through the school’s Planned Giving Department, George and Jeanne Rabine of Atlanta, Ga., have seen their gifts make a lasting impact.

“It’s always good to get up there and see all the exciting things going on,” said George Rabine after a weekend visit to Liberty in September. “That’s the most exciting for me, to see how God has just blessed the university and supplied all the needs.”

Rabine’s first connection with Liberty was through his father, Dr. E.F. Rabine, a pastor who was a friend of the late Dr. Jerry Falwell.

“He and mom supported them back when he [Falwell] first started the ‘Old Time Gospel Hour,’” he said.

Rabine said the main reasons he has continued to support Liberty through the years are “the evangelistic output, the missions program and the spiritual emphasis that are placed there.”

In his visits to Liberty, he has met one-on-one with students and has sometimes stayed up until midnight talking with them about their goals and where God may be calling them.

“We’ve had some real good, wonderful times with some of the kids there, hearing their heart for missions. It thrills you to see that our young people today are coming up, turned on for the Lord, ready to get out and serve Him whatever the cost might be.”

The Rabines get to see some of that firsthand in their own family, as their granddaughter, Laura Stewart, is currently a Resident Assistant at Liberty. Rabine, who worked for Sears, Roebuck and Company for 40 years travelling the southern territory from Virginia to Texas and Miami to Tennessee helping implement the stores’ computer systems, said Liberty is proving to be an attractive option for more and more students across the country.

In Atlanta, George Rabine serves as a worship leader with the seniors group at his home church. He says he talks of Liberty University often. “I tell all of them there’s no better place you can invest your money for kids than to give it to Liberty because that place is really turning out some real dynamic Christian leaders.”