Evangelist and motivational speaker David Ring spoke to a full chapel audience Friday at Thomas Road Baptist Church. In his 15th appearance at the church, Ring shared with the TRBC congregation his life story — a story that began in tragedy but eventually yielded amazing victories in triumph.

The message filled with both remarkable piano and witty humor, Ring delivered his testimony and admonished those in attendance to do what God asks regardless of what circumstances they must work to overcome.

"It's the internal pain — what's your problem?" joked Ring.

Ring was born in Jamaica, Ad by October 28, 1953. Tragedy struck Ring at the youngest of ages, when he was very young. He was raised by his mother until age 14, when she lost the bat-

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With over 7,000 registered hybrids in Virginia this year alone, the state is battling the likes of California, Florida and Texas for the leading market share in the nation. While hybrids are gaining popularity—almost 24,000 cars were sold in Virginia this year, compared with 20,000 in 2005—Virginia remains in the lead when it comes to selling and owning more affordable hybrids in the U.S.

Virginia's consumers, who desire more luxurious hybrids, however, the price skittishes. The 2006 Lexus LS 430 hybrid, the most expensive hybrid available in the state, is battling the mega-buck hybrid market for hybrid cars in the U.S.

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“Some people automatically assume you are a car enthusiast, but the best-selling and most affordable hybrid in the world is the Ford Fusion. It is a midsize sedan and can go 60 miles per gallon in the city and get up to 40 miles per gallon on the highway,” she said.

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"It's an important election because it will determine what will be done in the next few years," said Dr. Thomas Metallo, an associate professor of the Illinois School of Government.

In Virginia, the senatorial race between Democrat Jim Webb and Republican George Allen drew national attention, both because it was one of the most closely contested and because of its vitriolic nature. According to election results from Fox News, Webb beat Allen by just over 7,000 votes, constituting a mere one percent
age point difference. With such a slim differ­ence, Virginia would have allowed Allen to call for a recount. Two days after the election, however, Allen conceded the contest.

"I do not wish to cause more worry by pro­"Continued from page 1

sion that would not, in my opin­ion, alter the results," said Allen during his concession speech.

ELECTION: Close Senate race CFAW: Concert moves crowd

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the 5th Congressional District seat, while Rep. Bob Goodlatte beat out two independ­ent candidates for the 6th Congressional District seat.

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"(Linda) just has a very strong faith in the Lord that has carried her through," she said. Army Reserve Soldier Linda Griffiths, 11, who suffered a broken nose and is now staying with friends of the family, has been visiting and has been praying with her mother.

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The Barrick family is requesting special prayer for Peters and his family.

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I think it's a lot, and I learned a lot about college," said Hitchcock. "I didn't realize that everyone on the hill would know each other and would all be friends."

Sunday morning campus church wrapped up CFAW, with Campus Pastor Johnnie Moore giving a sermon on God's love as he empha­sized to the students that God came when the church needed him.

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Are the poor still with us?

Impoverished citizens of the wealthiest nation

Despite the wealth of the United States, poverty is a persistent issue that affects many Americans. The national poverty rate, which is the percentage of the population living below the poverty line, has been declining but remains a significant problem. In 2022, the poverty rate in the U.S. was 11.6%, down from 14.0% in 2000. However, this rate still leaves millions of Americans struggling to meet their basic needs. The causes of poverty are complex and include factors such as lack of education, lack of job opportunities, and limited access to healthcare.

Even with the country's overall economic growth, poverty rates remain concerning. The U.S. Census Bureau reports that about 14.8 million people were living in poverty in 2022, which is a significant number given the country's wealth and resources. The poverty rate among children is also a concern, with around 11.5% of children living in poverty in 2022.

Poverty affects people of all ages, races, and ethnicities. It is a multidimensional issue that impacts not only individuals but entire communities. Poverty can lead to a cycle of disadvantage, where poverty in one generation makes it harder for the next to escape it. The cycle can be broken, but it requires collective action and a commitment to addressing the root causes of poverty.

This issue is not just about numbers; it is about human dignity and the basic human rights of every American. Poverty should not be a condition that defines people, but it is a reality that millions of Americans face daily. It is a challenge that requires our sustained attention and a commitment to finding solutions that lift people out of poverty.

In conclusion, poverty is a critical issue that demands our attention. It is time to take a comprehensive approach to poverty reduction, focusing on education, job creation, and social support systems. By addressing the root causes of poverty, we can work towards a future where every American has the opportunity to thrive and reach their full potential.
Lessons learned: interpreting the 2006 election

With the post-Mid-term elec-
tions behind us, many look to the next two years with great antici-
pations while others would rather
ignore the happenings of last
Tuesday night and look to test
January's local elections. What
are some lessons to be learned
from the election and what are
some things that both Republicans and Democrats must do if they plan on any long-
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What made the GOP as it stood in 2006? First, it must recog-
nize that it lost the trust of most Americans right now. Although
I believe that Iraq was the decisive factor in the election, the cor-

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contention in the next two years. They must hold on to the mission of the White House if they
remain in that position. John McCain and Mitt Romney. McCain has openly held moderate
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electorate. The public is weary of the stagnant political climate, and despite an definitive plan for solving the Iraq crisis, Americans
are willing to give Democrats a chance to at least challenge the Republican agenda. This is a golden opportunity for the Democrats
to do off the few last stumps of their party and close the gap in the public perception that, excluding Iraq, they support the war in

This strategy was taken up by challenges, perhaps most notably

In the midterm elections, Virginia's General Allen, has
deployed all of his party's assets to win over the Democrat with
and Governor Jocelyn Tender. The incumbent failed to

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Military Appreciation Day 2006

...students and faculty. PiAYlNG LEAD — Lead singer Solomon "Soul Glow Activator" Olds kept the crowd jumping.

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**By Dave Thompson**

Coming off a critical victory over Western Carolina last week, Liberty headed into Saturday facing what could have been listed as the most unlikely potential win of the season.

The visiting Buccaneers from Charleston Southern University chose to play it safe against an overmatched Flames offense. It paid dividends as the Flames showed great balance on offense and defensive dominance as the Flames throttled Bucs quarterback Collin Drafts and its job again by holding CSU, which had been averaging 28 points per game, scoreless through three quarters—save the special teams touchdowns.

The only appearance of a shift in momentum came on a punt on the first drive of the Flames, who routed undefeated Charleston Southern 34-20. Early dominance prevailed as the Flames showed the Flamingos the door on six plays that took only 3:15 off the clock. The drive featured an unusual trick play that involved Smith and running back/backup quarterback Zach Terrell.

Smith took the snap and tossed the ball to Terrell, who initially appeared to look for a receiver in the right side of the field. Instead, he turned back to the left and put the ball squarely into Smith's waiting hands, which earned the Flames 27 yards.

Flames offensive coordinator Coach Wachenheim said that the first time he broke the 50-yard line (that we were gonna run that play," said Smith. "It was kind of nerve-wracking, to be totally honest.

Terrell finished off the drive two plays later, raising eight yards for the touchdown. The Flames missed the extra point, which has been an issue all season for Liberty.

That disappointment, however, was quickly overshadowed when Liberty's defense took the field and put up a quick end to the Buccaneers five-play drive that spanned but a 19-yard field goal.

Taking a touchout on the punt, Liberty again moved easily across the field scoring after only five plays that culminated in a 26-yard pass play from Smith into the hands of Brandon Turner. Turner's 110 yards on the day set the mark for the most receiving yards in a single game by a Liberty player this season.

Smith also posted a single-game best in paying yards this season with 224, his second 200-plus passing game of the year. The only appearance of a shift in momentum came on a punt on the first drive of the Flames, who routed undefeated Charleston Southern 34-20. Early dominance prevailed as the Flames showed great balance on offense and defensive dominance as the Flames throttled Bucs quarterback Collin Drafts and its job again by holding CSU, which had been averaging 28 points per game, scoreless through three quarters—save the special teams touchdowns.

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Oops, our mistake!

In last week’s football article, quarterback Spencer Landes was referenced as the quarterback for Western Carolina. The quarterback is actually Todd Spitzer. We apologize for the mis-
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FLAMES: Flames hope to strong against VMI

By Jay Peterson

Coming off a 2-5 victory in its first competitive wrestling match of the year at the Hokie Classic, the newly implemented Liberty University wrestling program sounded good for an up-in November 8 tri-match with Campbell University and AAC powerhouse North Carolina State.

After winning matches against Anderson and James Madison at the Classic, the Flames looked to continue their winning ways, traveling to Raleigh, N.C., to face off against Campbell University and the Wolfpack.

Liberty got on the scoreboard quickly in the 195-pound weight class, with freshman Sean Katz pinning Campbell's Eddie Landi to win by a score of 5-0.

In the 184-pound weight class, the Flames' Joseph Fox is in just 35 seconds, but the Canadians never closed the rest of the match, as sophomore Campbell, Thurs Booth and heavyweight Patrick Walker all picked up victories for the Flames, sending them to a 3-0 victory.

Liberty then hit the mats against the host N.C. State Wolfpack. In this match, it was all off track from the start. Katz was unable to display his performance for the previous match, opening up with a 3-0 victory to State's Taylor Cummings. His older brother, Garrett Cummings, was unable to defeat the Flames' Zachary McCray by a major decision score of 9-5, using three take-downs to score four points for the Flames.

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Men’s basketball ready for Oklahoma

By Steve Clark

Cedarville’s plan was to give Blair varied looks defensively with the way he was offense, a strategy he felt did not bother him.

“Teo is honest, it didn’t affect my game too much,” said Blair. “If I had a bigger guy on me, I tried to use my quickness to get around him, and if I was being played by a smaller guy I was able to get some good looks at the basket.”

The first half was typical of a new season — learning with a lot of new faces.

There were some good and not-so-good moments, but there were also some big contributions from several players.

“I really felt like guys like Damien Hudiburg and Bell France gave us a huge boost in their own ways,” said Head Coach Randy Dunton.

“Damien really provided a reliable influence at the post guard position for us, and Bell a lot of little things that led to easy buckets for Larry and Alex.”

Going into halftime with a 2-point lead, Liberty looked like it had the game well in hand.

However, the Yellow Jackets emerged from the halftime break as a very different team, quickly cutting the lead down to nine points.

Play down low was getting very physical, and Cedarville’s new Approaches offense prepared to host the Yellow Jackets defense in Liberty’s final exhibition contest at the Vines Center on Nov. 11.

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The Lady Flames fall on senior night, exact revenge on Radford

By Maria Bost

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On Tuesday night, Liberty fell 3-2 to East Tennessee State on Tuesday in the Vines Center. Liberty has a 11-17 overall record with one game remaining.

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Jayden Wells: “He truly is a miracle child”

Oxford alumna gives C.S. Lewis lectures in Lynchburg

By Jennifer Schmidt

A new generation of Oxford students turns to the 75th anniversary of C.S. Lewis’s conversion to Christianity, Evangelism, and his multi-faceted artistry. The Rev. Dr. Philip G. Ryken, a former Oxford alumnus gave C.S. Lewis lectures in Lynchburg for the 75th anniversary. Ryken is known as one of the most beloved and best-selling authors of the 20th century. His works, particularly the Chronicles of Narnia, have touched the hearts of millions of readers around the world. Ryken’s talks highlighted the significance of Lewis’s works and their impact on the literary world.

When asked about the seminar, one student commented, “It was incredible to hear Ryken analyze Lewis’s works and how they have influenced me personally. His insights into Lewis’s writing were truly inspiring.”

Another student added, “Ryken’s talks were a wonderful way to celebrate the 75th anniversary of C.S. Lewis’s conversion and his work. I was moved by his devotion to the arts and his commitment to sharing the message of Christianity.”

The seminar was well received by the audience, with many students expressing their appreciation for the opportunity to engage with one of their favorite authors. The talks were held at the LaHaye Ice Center on the campus of Liberty University, where students had the chance to interact with Ryken and other speakers. The event was a great success, and plans are already underway for future seminars to celebrate the legacy of C.S. Lewis.
All other performances - Nov. 30 and Dec. 1, 2, 3, 7, 8 and 9 - will occur at 7:30 p.m. "Little Women"—Liberty’s Theatre Arts Department performs a delightful adaptation of Louisa May Alcott’s classic book. The remaining shows will be after Thanksgiving break. Matinee showings will be at 2:30 p.m. on Dec. 2, 3 and 9.

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\[ \text{Please help these children by giving them the gifts on their wish list.} \]

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• Bacterial ointment
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• Raisins or colored pencils
• Hair accessories
• Dolls or Matchbox cars
• Sitting pads
• Pencils or pens
• Children’s fever reducing medication
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• Hard candy

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Sister Act: ‘Little Women’ delights audiences

By Leslie Hagar

Liberty University’s Theatre Arts Department is helping kick off the Christmas season with the family-friendly musical “Little Women.”

“This show was chosen for Christmas because it is for the entire family. They can come to it as a family celebration,” said Director Linda Nell Cooper.

Given the name of the production, the fact that the cast is mostly comprised of women will not come as a shock. The cast includes Sarah Koster as Jo, Heather Allen as Marmee, Brittany Adkins as Meg, Kaila Powell as Beth and Ashley Wason as Amy.

“It was easy for me to identify with Jo because she is a strong-willed character, and I tend to be strong-willed,” said Koster, who is a senior. “She is creative in a different way from me but she’s very dramatic in everything. That is great.”

Although this is Koster’s 36th production at Liberty, “Little Women” has been different than the rest. “The responsibility is really scary but great. It’s a well-written musical that had a few holes, but Mrs. Cooper helped fix that, and the music is beautiful,” said Koster.

Do not be deceived by the title—the show is quite demanding. “I don't rest,” Koster said. “I exit the stage to change clothes, but I don’t have time to sit down.”

Another difficult element to this show is the set of clothes each actor wears. “These aren’t costumes—they are period costumes,” said Emily Webster, the costume manager for “Little Women.”

“The girls are wearing petticoats that are heavy, an under-layer skirt and an over-layer skirt. They are dressed as if they are the March family.”

Powell, who is one of the youngest members of the cast, plays Beth, and she found getting the pacing down with six people on stage. One conversation flows a lot easier. “It is a heck of a lot of fun,” Powell said. “But it was hard getting the pacing down with six people on stage. One conversation flows a lot easier.”

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During the opening weekend, the cast was put to the test as their show was entered into a competition known as the Kennedy Center American College Theatre Festival (KCACTF), a competition that showcases the excellence in college theatre. "The judges understand this," said Cooper. "The audience enjoys the show, but they understand what the stage manager is choreographing backstage, what the lighting designer has had to create, (and) what the actors have had to work through."

"We learned with ‘Monte Cristo,’ a musical written and directed by (Cooper) that the school can't afford to send a large cast to compete."

Students looking for an upbeat and entertaining show should not miss out on "Little Women." The show runs Nov. 30, Dec. 1, 2, 3, 7, 8, and 9 at 7:30 p.m. and matinees at 2:30 p.m. on Dec. 2, 3 and 9.

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