



Jarvis Christian College

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Greetings Jarvis Christian College Alumni:

We would like to officially invite the Jarvis Christian College Alumni to join us in welcoming President Cornell Thomas to the Jarvis Family. The Jarvis Christian College Board of Trustees is pleased to announce that they have selected Dr. Thomas to serve as the eleventh President of Jarvis Christian College. After conducting a nationwide search and a series of interviews, Dr. Thomas emerged as the successor to Dr. Sebetha Jenkins.

In this season of change, Dr. Thomas enters the Jarvis stage with a commitment to “moving Jarvis to excellence.” Just as our country is reevaluating its overall effectiveness, efficiency and productivity, Jarvis must do the same. Change is necessary in order to increase the value of your education, to place Jarvis in direct competition with other colleges and to produce students that are leaders in their fields and their communities. Dr. Thomas envisions producing Jarvis graduates that will be able to live, work, and provide leadership for diverse populations within a global society. He is determined to positively change and improve the culture of Jarvis Christian College.

Dr. Thomas is a researcher and writer and has presented numerous papers on many of the issues concerning our Jarvis students and the educational process. He has had the privilege of working in pre-college education prior to his transition into higher education. Please see the press release on the website for more information.

At this time, Dr. Thomas is planning to develop the campus infrastructure, to restructure the academic programs and to revive the religious component of Jarvis Christian College. He is seeking resources for alternate and additional funding while considering a variety of unique opportunities for the campus. If these goals seem lofty, we ask you to offer your faith and support in any way possible to make these goals a reality. *“...If ye have faith as a grain of mustard seed, ye shall say unto this mountain, Remove...” (Matthew 17:20)* Let us come together and move some mountains!

Our intention is to work together as family to reach our goals. We are asking for you to stand behind and support Dr. Thomas as he endeavors to “move Jarvis to excellence.” I encourage you to view this transformation of Jarvis from a front row seat! Thank you so much for staying true to Jarvis Christian College. In the words of our alma mater, “JCC, we love you!”

Sincerely,

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