



*Convocation & Commencement
Ceremony*

August 14, 2021

Dear CBS Graduate,

Congratulations! Despite the incredible challenges of 2020, you've made it to your graduation day. Beginning with this year's graduation, we will mark this new beginning with a **Convocation graduation**.

Convocation is a formal celebration of a new beginning. During Convocation and Commencement, we collectively and individually acknowledge our dependence on our Heavenly Father. We also reaffirm our commitment to personal holiness and our focus on serving others.

With challenges, we find opportunities. This past year has proven to bring both. Your CBS training is needed more than ever as society continues to decline. One of the hallmarks of a CBS education is how God opens our hearts and eyes to the world around us. This inward perspective shows us just how much the world needs a Savior.

Go forward confidently! God has equipped you for such a time as this. As a graduate of CBS, you are ready! You are now equipped to impact the world for Christ. No matter your vocation, you will have numerous opportunities to show the love of Christ by serving others.

But rest assured, you will always have our support. CBS stands ready to be a resource in the months and years to come. I encourage you to keep in touch with fellow students, faculty, staff, and other alumni to help you along your journey.

On behalf of the CBS board, faculty, and staff, we pray all the best for you in this new chapter of your life.

"For who is our hope or joy or crown of exultation? Is it not even you, in the presence of our Lord Jesus at His coming? For you are our glory and joy." 1 Thessalonians 2:19-20.

For His Glory,



Bill Blocker

Dr. Bill Blocker, President

CONVOCATION AND COMMENCEMENT PROGRAM

President, Dr. Bill Blocker, Presiding

Welcome and Academic Procession Announcement

Paul Keith
Vice President of Administration

Fanfare

St. Thomas Alumni Pipers

Academic Procession*

Mace Bearer, Dr. Joseph Parle
Provost

Call to Praise*

Dr. Chad Brawley
Pastor of Worship Arts at The Luke Church of Humble, TX

Please remain standing for the invocation

Invocation*

Dr. Ivory L. Varner, Board Member
Senior Pastor/Teacher - Bible Way Fellowship Baptist Church

Welcome

Dr. Bill Blocker
President

Scripture Reading*

Dr. Marvin McNeese, Jr.
Chairman, General Education

Scripture

Luke 9:23 (NASB), "If anyone wishes to come after Me, he must deny himself, and take up his cross daily and follow Me."

Luke 9:23 (RVA), Decía entonces a todos: "Si alguno quiere venir en pos de mí, niéguese a sí mismo, tome su cruz cada día y sígame."

Student Address

Lathan Lightfoot
Host of the "Of Things Eternal" Podcast and YouTube Channel

Call to Praise

Dean Luzmar Cobos
Assistant Librarian, Dean of Students, and Assistant Professor

Introduction of Commencement Speaker

Dr. Joseph Parle
Provost

Commencement Address

Dr. Bill Blocker
President

Presentation of Certificate Program and Candidate

Dr. Joseph Parle
Provost

Presentation of Associate Candidates

Dr. Joseph Parle
Provost

Conferral of Degrees

Dr. Bill Blocker
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Reading of the Names of the Recipients of Houston and Online Associate Degrees

Professor Debbie Harper
Senior Enrollment Services Advisor and Assistant Professor
Professor Alexander Hernandez
Assistant Professor

Presentation of Bachelor's Candidates

Dr. Joseph Parle
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Conferral of Degrees

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Reading of the Names of the Recipients of Houston and Online Bachelor's Degrees

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Shift Tassels/Presentation of Graduates

Dr. Bill Blocker
President

Dedicatory Prayer*

Dr. Paul Nyquist
Vice President of Discipleship

Recognition of Delta Epsilon Chi

Dr. Joseph Parle
Provost

Closing Hymn

"Great is Thy Faithfulness"
Dr. Chad Brawley
Pastor of Worship Arts at The Luke Church of Humble, TX

Recessional Announcement

Dr. Joseph Parle
Provost

Benediction

Dr. Israel Loken
Chair of Bible, Theology, and Ministry Skill Departments

* Please stand. Gentlemen remove hats for prayers and the reading of God's Word.

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Spirit cord: Similar to the honor cords provided to associate students and the President's Men, these cords represent a symbol of CBS pride – "pride" founded in our love and devotion to the One who makes CBS and its mission possible. (Romans 11:36)

Green and white honors cord: This signifies participation in the president's initiative, the President's Men. This group is led by President Blocker to disciple and mentor young men in understanding God's purpose as they journey through their theological education while attending CBS.

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