

Central Christian College of the Bible | Saint Louis Christian College Merger Update - March 14, 2022

Churches everywhere are praying for more servant-leaders with a sound biblical education. To raise up many more such future leaders in new and affordable ways, the Trustees of **Central Christian College of the Bible** (Moberly, MO) and **Saint Louis Christian College** (Florissant, MO) are working towards a formal merger of their programs. This merger is proceeding with the assistance and approval of **The Solomon Foundation** (Parker, CO), which owns the campuses of both institutions. The merged institution will be known generally as Central Christian College of the Bible, offering programs in the traditional service areas of both colleges.

Since initial approval in October 2021, these steps have been taken to provide continuation of education for SLCC students and open up new options for Christian church ministry training in the St. Louis area.

1. At their February 2022 annual meeting, the **Association for Biblical Higher Education's Commission on Accreditation** approved the merger proposal.
2. Attorneys representing SLCC, CCCB, and **The Solomon Foundation** are working through the process in the State of Missouri to satisfy legal requirements.
3. The **SLCC Legacy Scholarship Fund** will be established with The Solomon Foundation, using endowment funds from SLCC, to benefit currently enrolled SLCC students, SLCC alumni and their descendants, or new students from the Greater St. Louis Area who enroll at CCCB.
4. The Solomon Foundation is currently marketing SLCC's Florissant campus for sale.
5. CCCB has signed a Letter of Intent to lease 6,000 square feet in the Westport region of the St. Louis metropolitan area. That newly remodeled facility will have offices, a small library, and classrooms to serve evening students, graduate students, and commuter students.

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6. About eight current SLCC employees will join the CCCB team in May 2022, with half of them serving at the Moberly campus and the remainder working out of the St. Louis site.
7. After the merger, up to three SLCC Trustees will be invited to join the CCCB board.

Completion of the merger will continue in the coming months following this timeline:

1. SLCC will finish this academic and fiscal year with the amazing support of its donors through May 31. SLCC's final graduation celebration and a special reunion gathering will be held at SLCC on Saturday, April 30, which will be the last day of employment for most of the SLCC staff and faculty.
2. Those who are hired by CCCB will begin their employment on May 1, to seamlessly continue their salaries and benefits.
3. A few SLCC employees will continue through June to pay bills, finalize audits, and complete necessary paperwork. As of May 31, SLCC will cease existence as a separate entity.
4. On June 1, 2022, pending final approvals, CCCB will take over full control of the legacy paperwork, transcripts, and the two organizations will officially merge. All gifts received after June 1 will go to CCCB to continue the work of ministry education in the St. Louis area.
5. CCCB will begin offering undergraduate evening classes in July 2022 and further class options on a schedule that will be released in the coming weeks.

Further updates will be posted at www.cccb.edu/merger and www.stlchristian.edu/merger as they become available. Questions may be sent to Dr. Fincher (president@ccb.edu) or Terry Stine (tstine@stlchristian.edu) via email.