

Case Study



God's Bible School and College

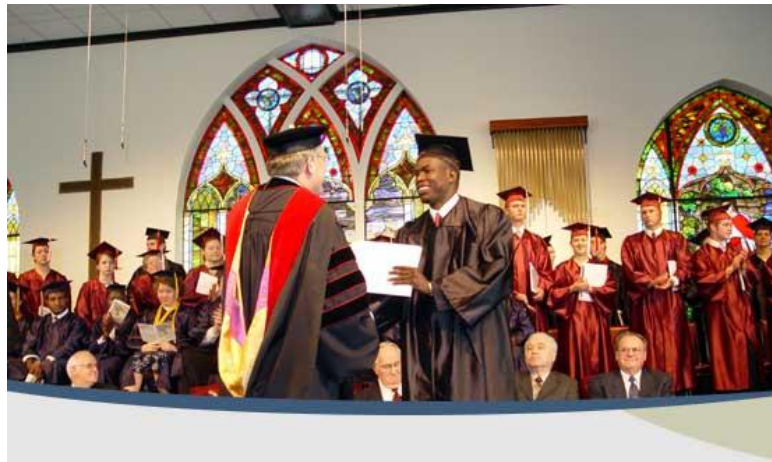
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**GOD'S BIBLE SCHOOL
& COLLEGE**

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Many of its students leave to serve around the globe after preparation for ministry and service.





A wide range of ministry training is available at the 112-year-old college, including local church ministries; inner-city adult, teen and children's ministries; nursing-home ministries; a jail ministry; a prayer station; and others.

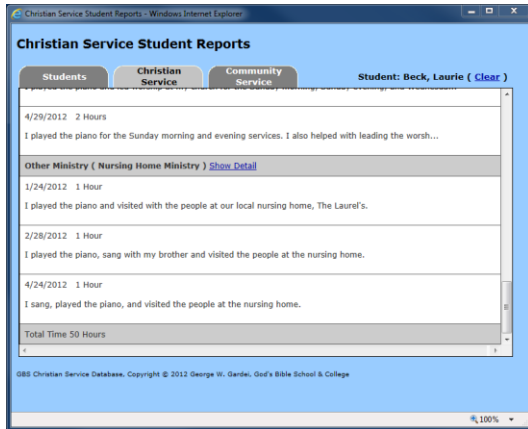
Service to Christ in the Wesleyan tradition is an integral part of the school's ethos whether in the classroom or the community.

No surprise then that GBSC makes Christian and community service both a priority and requirement for all students. GBSC's Christian Service Office manages these programs and is charged with tracking student service hours. GBSC students must perform two hours a week of Christian service along with additional community volunteer work.

When presented with the challenge of automating Christian Service Office reporting, CAMS Manager George Gardei knew CAMS Enterprise was up to the task. A Three Rivers Systems client since 1998, GBSC uses the CAMS Enterprise ERP as its academic management system. Before embarking on the CSO changeover to CAMS Enterprise, Gardei assessed the situation.

Here's what he found:

-  Students were required to report service hours weekly on a paper form.
-  Forms were entered into an Access Database.
-  Access data was imported manually from CAMS-Merge export.
-  Tracking student reporting time was manual and time consuming.



He concluded that integrating Christian and community service into CAMS would make it more convenient for students, who could then enter reports via the student portal. In addition, the process could be configured so that the Christian Service Office would be alerted when students made choices or submitted reports requiring approvals. Such approvals or disapprovals could be communicated immediately to students via email and visual alerts could be posted on the student portal. The system could also accommodate differing approval requirements.

With these and other goals in mind, Christian Service is set up as two or more courses. All freshmen are in one course, and the remaining students are entered into the other courses. This allows the CS Office to use designated course specific parameters for each. Christian service add-ons were appended to the student portal as “My Christian Service” and “My Community Service,” making the process easily accessible. The system also displayed individual student reports or all student reports to the Christian Service Office for statistical information.

Gardei further demonstrated CAMS’ flexibility and adaptability in other ways. Unlike other CAMS Enterprise higher education users, GBSC includes primary and secondary grades. Since the CAMS Enterprise ERP was developed from the ground up exclusively for higher education, it doesn’t include a K-12 portal template, which GBSC needed. Thanks to CAMS’ open architecture and Gardei’s skills and creativity, he was able to develop GBSC’s own K-12 parent portal that has enjoyed wide acceptance and use. In addition, Gardei has tied student and employee ID badges to CAMS to track meals in the cafeteria using a custom CAMS portal in the lunch line. CAMS Enterprise was designed with just these types of inventive and adaptive implementations in mind.

About CAMS Enterprise

CAMS Enterprise’s [disruptive](#) technology makes it a fundamentally different academic ERP unlike all others that were designed for the past and are incapable of operating efficiently in the modern world. CAMS Enterprise is an easy-to-use and implement, totally integrated, Web-native management system with everything in one place – admissions; student information; financial aid; student services; fiscal management with HR and payroll; fund-raising; alumni relations; document management, learning management, a full suite of portals, and more for managing the entire student life cycle. With an out-of-the-box configuration and self-service customization, CAMS Enterprise removes all barriers to success seen with conventional systems. CAMS’ affordable licensing, off-the-shelf configuration and easy implementation translate into the lowest total cost of ownership of any academic ERP while yielding the quickest and highest ROI.

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