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The University started as a Bible College in September 1978, then known as Pan Africa Christian College. It was founded by missionaries from the Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada (PAOC) on the site of the former Lumumba Institute (current Thika Road Campus). In 2008, the institution was granted a University Charter by the then President of Kenya, His Excellency the late President Mwai Kibaki, and the name changed to Pan Africa Christian University.

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To develop transformative godly Christian leaders through training, research and innovation for service to God in the Church and community.

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- Transformation
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Managing Editor's Note



The adjective “soaring” is most commonly associated with the eagle, a spectacular bird famous for its extraordinary qualities. They symbolize courage, strength, and vision.

This year's graduation theme, “Soaring Beyond Horizons,” prompts the subconscious mind to visualize an eagle. It is a rallying call for all and sundry to put their fears aside, re-imagine their lives, have a bigger vision, and venture into new areas to grow their talents, skills, and experience, while also imparting fresh, godly influence on people they meet along the way. It is a call to trust God in their new settings and to remain calm in the face of adversity, just as an eagle does during a storm. Let's trust God to renew our strength and embrace the spirit of this theme.

To the Class of 2024:

Congratulations, Class of 2024, on reaching this milestone, which is undoubtedly filled with inspiring testimonials of students who dared to trust God and soar beyond their horizons. Over the years, PAC University has built a reputation for producing highly skilled, ethical graduates with great impact in the marketplace. Against this backdrop, it is a great moment of pride as the University releases you into the marketplace to join your fellow alumni in flying its flag

high by providing transformative, godly leadership in the areas where you will serve. In these pages, you will find inspiring stories of great achievements made in your Schools and Departments, words of wisdom, and, ultimately, memories that bind us together as members of the PAC University community. Therefore, may this magazine serve not just as a keepsake but also as a source of inspiration as you embark on your next adventure.

To the Contributors:

Special thanks to everyone who contributed to making this magazine a reality, including writers, photographers, designers, and advertisers. Your creativity, commitment, and intentional support have truly brought it to life.

To the Reader:

Thank you for taking the time to peruse through. This adds value to the collaborative efforts that went into producing this magazine. I hope you find inspiration, joy, and a sense of shared celebration as you read through these pages.

Here's to Soaring Beyond Horizons!

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Soaring Beyond Horizons: Taking the University to a Higher Level

By Bishop Calisto Odede (Rev)



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Prophesying in the 8th century, the Prophet Isaiah used his prophetic binoculars and saw into the years to come when the children of Israel would be in Babylonian captivity. He prophesied of restoration and redemption from the Babylonian captivity from an idealistic standpoint. The purpose of his message was to encourage and comfort those who were in exile, as expressed in the first verse of chapter 40, "Comfort, O comfort my people" (40:1). The context of our theme verse today shows that the passage is written in the form of a dispute between God (represented by the prophet) and the people of God (Israel/ Jacob).

Due to the circumstances that were facing them, they seem to have resorted to lamentation-like services where they openly expressed their sentiments about their feelings. They were feeling rather let down by God, to the extent that they accused him of leaving his phone on the hook and ignoring their plight. An attitude of despondency and doubt about God's goodness and concern had gripped them. "Can God still be able to help us? And even if He can, is He willing to help us?" seemed to be their cry.

Someone described life as a railway track that has two lanes. Many times, we will experience the good things in life, but at the same time, we will also have some very disagreeable things happen to us. And when bad things happen, sometimes we do not know how to respond. Right now, we have some very challenging periods here in Kenya and perhaps in the world as a whole: the economy may not be doing too well; some of us are really struggling to pay rent and even to put food on the table; some of our guardians and friends have lost their jobs because the company cannot stay afloat in the midst of these challenges; some of them have closed down their businesses. Our station in life does not seem to matter so much; we may be poor or rich; we may be illiterate or educated; we may be unknown or celebrities; it really doesn't make a difference. The effects have left us all impacted in one way or another.

Faced with such circumstances, many of us do not know how to stand. How do we keep our lives going? We sometimes feel like turning away from God and blaming Him for our predicaments. We want to put him on trial. In these moments, we do not want to be soaring eagles; rather, we want to be moles burying themselves in the ground. While encouraging the people to understand both the character of God and his apparent silence, Isaiah promises a bright future where these challenges are more or less like the storms that gather on the horizon. God will cause them to soar above them like an eagle.

The message of encouragement that the prophet gives to Israel is that God still intervenes on behalf of those who wait on him. A contrast is made between those who depend on their youth and vigor and those who wait on the Lord. If Israel would wait, trust, or lean on the Lord, then they would be rejuvenated from within. Their ebbing strength would be exchanged so that they would be like an eagle that spreads out its wing and is lifted by the wind draughts above the storm. As a result of trusting the Lord, they have acquired one of his characters—they cannot be fatigued. Instead, they will soar high beyond the horizons of every challenge and limitation that might come their way to achieve the potential that God has for each one of them.

We do want to trust that the PAC University graduating Class of 2024 will soar high in their careers of choice and make an impact on the nation as a whole. In the years to come, we look forward to meeting many of you in the various fields represented here today, breaking the glass ceilings of limitations, and making an impact in society for God's glory.

Soaring Beyond Horizon like an Eagle

By Prof. Ezekiel M. Wafula

Ijoin others in congratulating you on your great achievement. Graduation day feels like you're on a mountaintop. Looking back on your training period at PAC University is like gazing down the path you took to reach the summit of a mountain. Along the way, there were assignments, essays, exams, discussions, and practical research experience. These formed the climbing steps each graduate took to reach this spot at the peak of the mountain. The effort, hard work, commitment, determination, and willpower of each graduate have brought them to this point. But there is more. There was interaction with the PAC University community, including staff members and fellow students, in various settings, such as chapel services, Christian Union activities, and sports, among others.

Graduates may recall moments when things were challenging and they wondered if they'd make it through. Similarly, there may have been instances when they felt excited and rejuvenated as if they were living in the sun and breathing fresh air. Whatever the case, these experiences may have greatly contributed to the type of graduates they are now. Paul says in Romans 8:28, "And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who have been called according to his purpose." These are experiences that have occurred in an environment that PAC University has purposefully created and designed for them so that when they reach the mountaintop at graduation, they have been impacted and shaped into Christian leaders who will not only impact society but also provide the necessary leadership. Part of this experience is to adequately expose the students to God, who will enable them to reach their greatest potential. I invite each graduate to look back and recognize how God has walked with them on this journey. Many, on looking back, might confess, like Paul in Philippians 4:13, that "I can do everything through him who gives me strength."

Graduation is like being at a mountaintop, where one experiences fresh air and has an elevation to see what lies around them without difficulty. The achievement is real, and the resultant joy is also real. Each graduate looks forward to the time they will be awarded the certificate for what they have worked so hard for in the preceding period, in a public gathering with so many to witness the event. The certificate they obtained demonstrates that they have the necessary knowledge, skills, and training and that they are prepared to function in society in accordance with expectations. Class of 2024, PAC University has effectively equipped you, and you can thrive in your field. The PAC certificate is not only authentic, but it also demonstrates that you have received adequate exposure to God, which has greatly transformed



Prof. Ezekiel M. Wafula
Chair, Board of Trustees

you. Even if you don't feel like it, you are leaving with an imprint of God as His agent, wherever you may find yourself.

As the graduates scan the future from the top of this mountain, they may feel compelled to take off and soar like an eagle, beyond what they can see—beyond the horizon. They may have plans and dreams, and they may even know those who have gone ahead and succeeded. They may also have people who are willing to help them travel the journey. The writer of Proverbs 3:6 gives a very important counsel to the graduates at this stage: "In all your ways acknowledge Him, and He will make your paths straight." In uncharted waters, graduates may find many attractions: wealth, fame, honour, career progression, power, prominence, leisure, lifestyles, philosophies, politics, friendships, and so on. However, in the same waters, they may find that some of what they had learned to cherish while at PAC University, such as integrity, excellence, love, mercy, truthfulness, purity, thankfulness, sensitivity, honour, respect, godliness, wisdom, and compassion, may not be found in abundance or may be lacking. Fortunately, God is not only aware of these waters but also willing to hold the graduates' hands and walk with them. The author of Proverbs 3:5 encourages graduates to trust in the LORD with all their hearts and lean not on their own understanding. They can afford to be confident in the training they have received to make an impact, not because of their connections but because of God's enablement.

Class of 2024, you can truly soar like an eagle, beyond the horizon, as God promises in Isaiah 40:31, "But those who hope in the LORD will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary; they will walk and not faint."

I wish you the very best in the next chapter of your life. Congratulations!

The Call to Soar Beyond Horizons

By Prof. Emmanuel Bellon



Prof. Emmanuel Bellon
Chair, Governing Council

The desire and call to soar is a divine invitation. It signifies that we can do so and that the flight will achieve a specific purpose. The one who designed the purpose also grants us the ability to soar. These two, purpose and ability, are not our own doing but God's. They are, more importantly, for His pleasure. If our purpose is to give Him pleasure, then we must understand that He defines the horizons, not us. When God gives us the grace to soar, He also defines the purpose and selects the horizons to which we should aim. In this audacious undertaking, we must trust in His ability, focus on His purpose, obey His mandate, and rejoice in His works.

Many have tried to serve God and have attempted great things for Him, relying on their strength and effort. This approach is common in our Christian journey, and it's a journey of growth and learning. We must carefully reflect on our actions. How many things are we trying to achieve, supposedly for God, using our wisdom and knowledge? These attempts to soar have failed repeatedly, yet we often fail to learn from our mistakes. We need to acknowledge that our strength alone is limited. However, if we place our trust and confidence in God's power and grace and allow him to soar through us, we do so with His power and wings like an eagle. Isaiah 40:29–31 assures us of this possibility, instilling a sense of security and confidence in God's strength. Our soaring is only meaningful and worthwhile if we focus on God's purpose, not ours. We need to ask Him what He wants us to do. Following His guidance means being led by

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the Holy Spirit. He reveals God's plans and purposes to us, directing and showing us what to do.

The principles in God's word ensure we reach our destination in our quest to soar beyond the horizons. God's word is His mandate, and he expects us to obey it. We lose the joy and excitement of soaring when we disobey His word. We become disillusioned and eventually fail miserably. Certainly, obeying His word is more important than the elation of soaring. It demonstrates that we love Him and that He's more important than whatever He has placed beyond our horizons. We can truly rejoice in the works of God and worship Him with gladness when we soar in His strength, focus on His purpose, and obey His mandate for the journey beyond horizons. We get to the destination knowing that our ladder is leaning against the right wall and that we are in the center of God's will. Considering these principles, there's indescribable joy for all who soar beyond the horizons.

Today, Class of 2024, we stand at the threshold of yet another epoch of leadership. It is a suitable time for God to unleash His special grace upon His people to soar beyond horizons and transform nations. It is a new beginning that builds on the well-established wisdom and reflective work of those who once trod the path we are about to navigate. The call to soar beyond horizons is to uphold enduring structures that are still relevant today and to have the courage to create new and creative approaches.

Class of 2024, arise and soar beyond the horizon, and our God shall be with you.

Soaring Beyond Horizons: Taking the University to a Higher Level

By Prof. Dionysious Kihika Kiambi

It is a momentous occasion as we release into the world a group of graduates who have been moulded, transformed, and equipped with godly Christian values to serve as transformation agents in society. I am delighted as I congratulate the Class of 2024 on successfully completing their academic journeys at PAC University. In line with this year's theme, Soaring Beyond Horizons, I urge you to look beyond the accolade you receive today and seek to add another feather to your cap. Today's world is evolving rapidly, making lifelong education more essential than ever. We must continue seeking knowledge and enhancing our skills to remain valuable and relevant.

I hope that where others see limits, you will see horizons, and where others fear the fall, you will embrace the endless sky. Always soar above the rest, not with pride in your achievements but with purpose, in line with God's word in Ephesians 2:10, "For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do."

In keeping with our mission, the University has done its part to develop you into transformative, godly Christian leaders. Now, the onus is on you to serve God in church and society by applying the knowledge and skills you have acquired to bring about a positive impact wherever you serve.

As you remain guided by God's word, I encourage you to keep the University's core values close to your heart and practice them. Be a person of integrity, upholding moral and ethical uprightness in all your decisions and actions. Pursue excellence in life, aiming for high standards in all that you do. Be innovative and learn to adapt to new ideas and creativity brought about by the changing environment. Have an attitude of servanthood by being intentional about serving others. Uphold professionalism by doing what is expected of you at all times. I strongly believe that living out these core values will set you apart as you serve God wherever He will station you.

The last academic year has been triumphant in many respects, and as we reflect on God's faithfulness this graduation, we are filled with gratitude for the many victories He has bestowed upon us. By His grace, we have achieved impressive success in implementing our 2023–2027 Strategic Plan. Some of the milestones include:



Prof. Dionysious Kihika Kiambi
Vice Chancellor

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- We have made great strides in resource mobilization by launching new short professional courses that have been well-received in the market. These include Resource Mobilization, Child Safeguarding and Protection, and Finance for Non-finance Managers. Additionally, training such as Helping Children Overcome Grief and Psychometrics Testing Certification has been offered at a fee. To enhance our financial sustainability efforts, we recently hired a Director for Resource Mobilization to drive the University's strategy for building a solid financial base.
- Since its official launch in September last year, the PAC Institute of Technology and Social Studies has grown steadily on several fronts, including student and faculty numbers. Early this year, the Institute was officially registered as an assessment centre, and the first cohort of students will take their exams later in the year. We have witnessed an increased demand for its competency-based programs and are committed to guaranteeing its continued success.
- The University brand continues to stand out as a trailblazer. We made history by becoming the first institution of higher learning in East and Central Africa to host the D-Space institutional repository system on Amazon Web Services (AWS), in collaboration with Silicon Overdrive. The new institutional repository, Ghala, will increase the storage, preservation, and visibility of the University's research outputs, including publications, conference proceedings, research data, book chapters, monographs, theses, and dissertations.
- We have signed MOUs with like-minded partners for collaboration in various areas that are key to our Mission and Vision. Recently, we entered into partnerships with Sun Rays Dynamics Limited, the CITAM Business Forum, and the Centre for Global Leadership Development (India). We also collaborated with Trinity Western University, Canada, Hope Liverpool University, UK, and Laikipia University, Kenya, to organize this year's successful international research conference.
- This year alone, several of our staff have participated in high-level local and international academic activities, including conferences, workshops, and training. Others have served as keynote speakers at major events, and others have been hosted on major TV shows to provide expert opinions on various matters. This has greatly contributed to their professional development, as well as enhanced brand visibility for the University.
- Our students have made us proud by representing us well. For instance, the Chair of the University's Student Council, Ms. Lindah Akitela, was selected as one of the two Kenyan Youth Representatives at the UN Youth Delegates attending the 79th session of the United Nations General Assembly (UNGA) in New York this September. Gilbert Ang'ana, a PhD student in our Organizational Leadership Development program, was accepted into the European University Institute's STG Global "Policy Leader Fellowship" in Florence, Italy. He was one of twenty leaders worldwide granted this fully funded one-year fellowship from September 2024 to June 2025.
- In terms of infrastructure, we now have modern lavatories at the EPH block and a cutting-edge walk-through security system at the main gate, reinforcing campus security. These projects were achieved through the generous support of CITAM. Other infrastructural achievements include a revamped TV studio, providing a state-of-the-art technical space for students in TV production; a Postgraduate Research Commons for sharing and discussing research; and the Eden Restaurant, which complements the University's hospitality business.
- Through the Marketing Through Ministry initiative, we have engaged more closely with the church by actively participating in Sunday services on the pulpit as we use the opportunity to market our programs. So far, we have visited seven CITAM assemblies: Thika Road, Valley Road, Ngong, Nyeri, Nakuru, Woodley, and Kericho. We also visited Deliverance Church, Zimmerman. This has helped us build meaningful relationships, which we plan to strengthen further.

Going forward, we are determined to take a bold step of faith and soar beyond horizons to achieve more because we have full confidence in God. With God's help, we will strive to become a "Centre of Excellence in Christian Higher Education" by strengthening our Christian identity, upholding academic excellence, integrating faith and learning, aligning the institutional culture to our Core Values and Mission, and mainstreaming Christian values in everything we do.

I challenge the Class of 2024 to put their faith in God's word and keep pushing the limits to soar higher. When you feel weary, remember Isaiah 40:31, "But those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength."

In Pursuit of Academic Excellence and Connecting with the Marketplace

By Dr. Lilian Vikiru



Dr. Lilian Vikiru
Ag. DVC- Academic Affairs

Pan Africa Christian University is committed to achieving excellence in the core functions of quality teaching, outstanding research, and innovation, as well as engaging stakeholders and the community. This current Strategic Plan builds on the foundation of the just-concluded 2018–2022 Strategic Plan. This commitment is reflective of the University's mission to develop transformative, godly Christian leaders through training, research, and innovation for service to God in the Church and community. In the second year of the current Strategic plan, the Academic Division seeks to sustain the impetus for driving a new thrust, and this is summed up in this year's theme for our 43rd graduation, 'Soaring beyond the Horizon'.

The Academic Division has had a keen eye on the development and delivery of market-driven programs. As such, the Division is working in response to key changes in the higher education sector to be the sought-after nexus between the products of the competency-based curriculum and the dynamic, versatile marketplace and industry. This calls for a revision of current programs even as we develop new ones. In order to fulfill this mandate, the Academic Division is currently engaged in capacity building for the faculty and thorough needs assessment and market research to keep an eye on the changes and innovations in industry.

To achieve better results in program delivery, the University is not only developing new market-driven programs but has also established an Institute of Technology and Social Sciences accredited by the Technical and Vocational Education and Training Authority (TVETA). This is not only in compliance with the current Education Act but also to foster learning outcomes, enhance our educational mission, and increase our graduates' overall capability and employability. The Institute is also an accredited assessment centre. It has good prospects to grow both as a training and an assessment centre as more and more courses are introduced.

For effective service delivery, the Academic Division has developed a seamless synergy among the various sections within the Division, including Schools, student affairs, research, quality assurance, academic resources (library services), and academic administration. The Division is set to greatly benefit from the migration of the current Navision 2019 to Business Central Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP), which will integrate operations within the Division with the other Divisions and sections within the University. This will cut down on time spent on data entry and retrieval. It will also ensure that key information is available to various users at the click of a button.

Apart from internal harmony, PAC University has vibrant reciprocal partnerships with other institutions and industry for the benefit of all stakeholders. Among the partnerships the University has nurtured are those that have boosted research, student placement on internships, attachment, teaching, and other kinds of symbiotic engagements. The partnerships give the University opportunities to benefit from enriching, varied experiences from industry and other institutions.

Our 2024 graduates are ready to soar beyond the horizon, having been well-equipped to take on various roles as transformative leaders in the church and community. It is our prayer that each one of them will fulfill his or her God-given purpose to perform to their uttermost best as the Lord enables them. We are confident that they will be part of the University's future partnerships as they join our vibrant alumni community. Congratulations, Class of 2024!

Soaring to New Levels of Growth

By Prof. Margaret Mwenje



Prof. Margaret Mwenje
Dean, School of Humanities and Social Sciences
Ag. Dean, School of Theology.

The School of Humanities and Social Sciences, as well as the School of Theology, are undoubtedly soaring to greater heights. They have grown in terms of student numbers and academic programs. The heads of departments in the two Schools are very hardworking, diligent, focused, and goal-oriented, which has contributed to the rapid growth of their departments. The two schools have recently collaborated on activities such as a workshop on childhood trauma and bereavement, as well as different community outreach initiatives.

In the School of Humanities and Social Sciences, the three new programs—MA in Counseling Psychology, MA in Community Development and Social Protection, and BA in Criminology and Security Leadership—have continued to grow in terms of student enrollment. Thanks to the online mode of teaching, these programs have attracted students from Kenya and beyond. The School has three new upcoming market-driven programs, which include an MA in Applied Communication, a PhD in Counseling Psychology, and a Master of Pediatric Psychology.

The School of Theology has continued to soar to greater

heights by the grace of God. Transformational Church Leadership (TCL) and the Biblical and Theological Studies departments are growing steadily in terms of student numbers and academic programs. The newest postgraduate program, the Master of Arts in Transformational Church Leadership, has been attracting students from far and wide. The School, through the Department of Biblical and Theological Studies, is at an advanced stage of developing an MA in Chaplaincy and Community Protection and a PhD in Theology. We trust that these new programs will be ready to be rolled out in the next academic year.

I wish to congratulate the students graduating today with PhDs, Masters, Bachelors, Diplomas, and Certificates from the School of Humanities and Social Sciences and the School of Theology. May the Lord grant you grace and favour as you go out to transform churches and communities for His glory.

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Beyond the Horizon: Agentic Therapists

By Dr. Elizabeth Kamau

The Faculty of Psychology today presents our graduating students with great pride and satisfaction. Our congratulations to you, our graduand for your various achievements. We have reasons to be proud of you as a faculty; we attest to your diligence in your work and your consistent sacrifice and endurance to make this day possible. You have truly soared to the heights of your professional dream. I believe that this is a great day for you and your family.

Speaking of Soring Beyond the Horizon, I bring to your attention the two sides of this year's theme that are relevant to the graduating therapist. First, to shine in your professional path, you must be firmly grounded in your competence. This is what the faculty has labored to achieve in their mentorship and training. We confirm that the graduands we present today have grown into fine therapists under the tutelage of the dedicated team of faculty that has worked hard to form them into professionals. The various categories of graduating students, from Diploma to PhD levels, have been thoroughly examined according to the levels of qualification they had registered for. We therefore present you to the world with a firm conviction that, with the competence you have achieved, you will go beyond the horizon.

The second side of this theme is rooted in our mandate as healers of individuals, families, and communities. We do not rise alone. Our efforts are geared towards equipping others to soar. In the rising of those that we touch lies our own shining stars. Let your agencies be evident on every trail you pass. As you empower your clients to soar beyond the horizon, person by person, family by family, and group by group, your own light will burst from the shadows. I charge you to expend the knowledge and skills you have received in your training to be agentic builders of people's lives wherever God will place you. The programs in the Department of Psychology have equipped you for this agentic transformational work with the capacity to infuse purpose, meaning, and energy into your clients. These programs are well designed, benchmarked, and collaborate with international universities like Trinity Western University in Canada, Adler University in Chicago, and Kwazulu University Natal in South Africa. In our partnerships, we have gained great insights to increasingly put your competence above the rest. This includes finding international accreditation for our postgraduate graduates.



Dr. Elizabeth Kamau
Head, Psychology Department

We charge you, therefore, to go out into the field that God will plant you in with confidence in the brand that you have acquired by being at PAC University. The theme verse, Isaiah 40:31, starts with 'But those who trust in the Lord will find new strength' before the soring. Let me remind you of the many times in class when your lecturers pointed you to the resources you have in God to meet human needs. There can be no soaring beyond the horizon without humble dependence on God for new strength, insight, and power to counter the present darkness that threatens to engulf the human race. Boldly integrate your counselling with faith, as you have been taught. You are double-equipped. You have acquired academic knowledge and a repertoire of skills. Additionally, you have built inner strength, a character of diligence and endurance, great values, and spiritual insight. These give you the inner strength to protect you from vicarious trauma and burnout, making you excellent for the assignments awaiting you. To be agentic, you must trust God to empower you with new inner strength every day. We have confidence in your agency as a result of our investment in your daily walk, allowing God to guide your way. Our departmental doors are open for you to come back and increase your competence through further training. As good counsellors, ensure you connect yourself with effective therapeutic communities that will support you in debriefing and supervision.

We wish you great success.

Growth and Innovations for New Horizons

By Isaac Oyuga (PhD-IP)

As we reflect on the journey leading up to this year's graduation, the Communication, Languages, and Linguistics department wishes to extend our heartfelt congratulations to the Class of 2024. Your hope in the Lord has indeed not disappointed. We can only imagine how many challenges you have soared above to make it this far. As you prepare to rise to new horizons in your lives, I urge you to remember the words of W. E. B. Du Bois: "Education must not simply teach work; it must teach life." May the work and life that you have learned at PAC University serve as wings to carry you to many greater heights.

Over the past year, you have been part of significant milestones in the department, which reflect our commitment to innovation and relevance in today's dynamic communication landscape. The launch of the PAC University TV Studio stands as a testament to our dedication to practical learning and real-world application. Through the studio platform, our learners continue to showcase their mastery and appreciation of the tools and experiences necessary to excel in the ever-evolving field of media and communication.

Furthermore, we have introduced new diploma programs through the PAC Institute of Technology and Social Studies. 3D Animation and Digital Media Technology, Digital Journalism, and a certificate course in Sign Language underscore our proactive approach to meeting the demands of the modern job market as well as our appreciation of education policy trends. These specialized skill sets will continue to empower our learners to thrive in diverse professional environments while championing the inclusivity of persons with disabilities from a communication standpoint.

Our engagements and partnerships with industry stakeholders like Hope Media, Royal Media, the Media Council of Kenya, and the Public Relations Society of Kenya, among others, have significantly provided our students with invaluable opportunities to gain firsthand experience through mentorship and exposure to real-world scenarios.

Looking ahead, we are poised to soar even higher. We are soon adding another step in the academic ladder for our communication students by launching a Master's program that will meet the growing demand among our graduating Bachelors' students. We are also in the last phases of transitioning our diploma programs to TVET courses under the PAC Institute of Technology and Social



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Studies, a move that reflects our dedication to practical, industry-aligned education and a response to national policy interests. As we stand on the threshold of tomorrow, we are filled with excitement and anticipation for what lies ahead. With unwavering resolve and a steadfast commitment to excellence, we embrace the challenge of shaping the future of communication, languages, and linguistics.

Martin Luther King Jr. once said, "Faith is taking the first step even when you don't see the whole staircase." Therefore, as you, the class of 2024, take another first step into your new horizons, we are excited to pass on to you the torch of our collective vision and the transformative power of education. Go, ye, and renew your strength. Soar on wings like eagles, run and not grow weary, walk and not be faint, and sustainably uplift yourselves and your communities. Congratulations, class of 2024!

Soaring Beyond Horizons: A Vision for Community Development

By Mary Maseno (PhD-IP)

In the heart of our community development efforts lies a profound vision: soaring beyond horizons. Anchored by the timeless wisdom of Isaiah 40:31, this theme encapsulates our commitment to fostering resilience, growth, and transformation within our communities. As you embark on empowering individuals and communities to realize their full potential, I pray that your strength will be renewed as you work towards creating opportunities that enable community members to overcome challenges and thrive.

Our departmental programs, right from diploma, undergraduate, and master's, focus on education and life skills development, which will not only equip individuals with knowledge but also instill a sense of confidence and self-worth, which I believe you are all a testament to as you graduate today. It's my prayer and desire that you will believe in your capabilities, individual gifts, and faith in God, which will enable you to soar with wings to pursue your dreams and contribute positively to society. Our collaboration with industry and organizations such as Dorcas Creation Kenya, Redeemed Integrated Development Agency (RIDA), Kasarani Community Anti-Drug and Alcohol Coalition (KCADAC), and Kenya Red Cross-Nairobi County has been instrumental in developing your skills. This is an area we continue to pursue as a



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department to help in training and equipping our students with the skills and confidence to soar like eagles.

Eagles are known for their sharp vision and ability to rise above storms. My call to action for us all is that we will be committed to fostering sustainable community empowerment programs where every individual in the community will be trained and empowered to pursue their dreams without fear of growing weary. As we move to the next level, let us hold onto the promise of hope and strength, embracing the journey with unwavering determination. With faith as our anchor and community as our wings, there are no limits to what we can achieve.

Let us soar beyond horizons and create a legacy of empowerment, collaboration, and sustainable growth for everyone. Together, we can build a future that transcends boundaries and achieves extraordinary possibilities. Congratulations, Class of 2024!

“The Horizon Leans Forward, Offering You Space to Place New Steps of Change”— Maya Angelou

By Dr. Truphena Oduol

The School of Leadership, Business, and Technology has a significant role in equipping the next generation of global leaders in leadership, business, and technology to bring solutions that impact the complex, ever-shifting landscape characteristic of the modern world we live in today. Today, we are proud of the outstanding advancements and successes the school has made this year. We have gone the extra mile to enact capabilities in the students to become better citizens of the land and true ambassadors of Pan Africa Christian University. We are confident that the academic offerings at our school yield excellent scholars with great potential for transforming communities. This is because all students from the three departments of Leadership, Business, and Computing & IT have not only undertaken courses aligned to the market but have also had exposure to public lectures and benefited from university engagements with the community and partners through webinars and seminars, from which they have acquired knowledge, life skills, habits, and traits necessary for the endurance and transformation of communities. We have done our best to inculcate in them Christian values as well as the competencies and skills needed for the 21st century: problem-solving, perseverance, creativity, collaboration, critical thinking, citizenship, technology, and digital literacy, which will enable them to thrive in their careers and fit in the global environment as transformative leaders. We wish to encourage all the graduates to draw from the leadership skills imparted to them and endeavor to firm up their social and self-direction skills, civic literacy, and innovation skills to fit in today's competitive environment.

Further, as Warren Bennis, a renowned leadership expert, states, “Leaders keep their eyes on the horizon, not just the bottom line.” This suggests that we, as a school and as graduates, must always endeavor to create value in our paths, and we can do this by knowing our mission, purpose, vision, or dream for a better world. This quote resonates with our school's mission to equip leaders who are not just focused on personal success but are also committed to making a positive impact on the world. It also serves as a reminder to our graduates to always strive for excellence and to never lose sight of their goals.



Dr. Truphena Oduol
Dean, School of Leadership, Business, and Technology

I wish to congratulate the class of 2024, graduates from the School of Leadership, Business, and Technology at Pan African Christian University, for their endurance and for completing this worthwhile journey. We are privileged to have been witnesses and participants in this, and we gladly release you to the world of work. Keep soaring high beyond the horizons. Remember the words of Dee Marie: “Chase your dreams until you catch them... and then dream, catch, and dream again.” More importantly, remember to put your faith in God first in all your plans, life, and journey. He gives us the assurance that when we remain in him, we will soar like eagles and won't be weary but will walk in victory (Isaiah 40:31).

PS: At the School of Leadership, Business, and Technology, excellence is our mantra; transforming your dream is our calling and business.

Waiting Upon God: A Prerequisite for Soaring Beyond Horizons

By Dr. Solomon Munyao



Dr. Solomon Munyao
Head, Dept. of Leadership Studies

The Department of Leadership Studies proudly congratulates the class of 2024 on their graduation. Your journey to this achievement exemplifies the hard work and resilience that have gone into each person's academic journey. As you step out of Pan Africa Christian University to serve God and the wider community, we wish you God's blessings, grace, and favor. Once again, congratulations.

The theme for this year's graduating class, "Soaring Beyond Horizons," drawn from Isaiah 40:31, is very motivating in many respects. A close examination of this verse reveals four outcomes of people who patiently wait upon God.

Firstly, God will renew their strength. As you leave Pan Africa Christian University, times will come when you feel discouraged and lacking strength. In such moments, patiently wait and depend on God, and your strength to continue will be renewed.

Secondly, those who wait upon God will fly like eagles. Be reminded that eagles fly for long hours in hunting their prey. Our prayer is that you will keep pursuing opportunities to serve humanity during your generation, now that you have been fully equipped for the same.

Thirdly, people who wait upon God will run and not be weary. Once again, leadership challenges can make one get tired and abandon their leadership responsibilities. Our prayer is that this will not happen to any of you who belong to the graduating class of 2024.

Lastly, those who wait upon God will walk and not faint. Fainting relates to growing weary; it is a state of feeling weak and losing consciousness. May none of the graduating class of 2024 faint due to the pressures of the world in Jesus' name. In conclusion, we encourage those graduating at different levels to advance to the next level of study, for this is one of the interpretations of "soaring beyond horizons." May the grace of God that surpasses all human understanding be with you now and forever more. Amen.

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Soaring for Excellence in Innovation

By CPA Margaret Kamakia

Class of 2024, today we celebrate your achievements and send you forth with a message inspired by Isaiah 40:31. This scripture speaks of renewal, strength, and the boundless potential within each of us. As you prepare to embark on new journeys, remember that you are equipped to soar beyond any horizon. Your journey has been marked by resilience, determination, and an unwavering pursuit of excellence. You have navigated through unprecedented challenges, demonstrating a remarkable ability to adapt and thrive. Your achievements are a testament to your hard work and the strong foundation laid by this institution. As you step into the future, carry with you the lessons learned and the skills honed. You are the leaders, innovators, and changemakers in society. Embrace the opportunities ahead with confidence, knowing that you have the strength to overcome any obstacle. Your potential is limitless, and we eagerly await the impact you will make on the world.



CPA Margaret Kamakia
Head, Business Department

Reflecting on the past year, our department has accomplished significant milestones that underscore our commitment to excellence and innovation. We have strengthened our partnerships with industry leaders, providing our students with invaluable opportunities for internships, hands-on projects, and job placements. These collaborations bridge the gap between academia and the professional world, ensuring that our graduates are well-prepared for their careers. Our commitment to embracing technological advancements has also transformed our educational delivery. By integrating cutting-edge virtual learning platforms, we have maintained our high standards of education despite global disruptions. This adaptability has enhanced the learning experience, preparing our students to excel in a rapidly evolving world.

Looking to the future, our department plans to expand our global outreach through strategic partnerships with leading universities and research institutions worldwide. These collaborations will provide our students and faculty with unique opportunities for cross-cultural exchange and joint research initiatives, enriching their academic experience and broadening their perspectives.

Class of 2024, you are poised to soar beyond every horizon. With the strength and wisdom you have gained here, there are no limits to what you can achieve. As you embark on this new chapter, remember Isaiah 40:31, and let it guide and inspire you.





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Partnering with Industry to Soar Higher

By Sheilah Mirenja

In a world filled with uncertainty and challenges, finding the strength to persevere and rise above can be a daunting task. However, those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary; they will walk and not be faint. Isaiah 40:31 describes a path to soaring beyond horizons, bringing hope, renewal, and unshakable faith.

The Department of Computing and IT congratulates the class of 2024 for the hard work and perseverance that they have demonstrated. It is our joy that they are going out fully baked and ready to soar beyond horizons. Perseverance is the key to success. Without it, no great achievement is possible. Like the eagle that effortlessly rides the currents of the wind, the Class of 2024 has navigated life's challenges with grace and resilience. Instead of growing weary or faint-hearted, they found the endurance to run the race set before them and walked with confidence, knowing that they were not alone in the journey. Luke 8:15 (NIV): "The seed on good soil stands for those with a noble and good heart who hear the word, retain it, and, by persevering, produce a crop." Class of 2024, as you desire to produce fruits, look to Christ, hear the word, and retain it. He was great on our behalf, and we find our greatness in Him.

Class of 2024, as you desire to produce fruits, look to Christ, hear the word, and retain it.

The department focuses on teaching applied sciences of computing systems and practices of information technology. It has seen tremendous growth in student numbers and faculty. The increase has led to a burst of innovation and technical skills in the PAC University community. As a department, we are partnering with the industry with the aim of having hands-on skills on the emerging trends in ICT. This puts our students a level higher and gives them an edge when it comes to job creation and employability. We have conducted seminars in collaboration with ICT industries including Microsoft, KENET, ISACA, IBM, etc. Our students have been absorbed by the industry on attachment, where they have demonstrated quality service through technology. Some of the notable industries to which they are attached include KENGEN, NHIF, the State Department of Public Works, and the Judiciary, among others.



Sheilah Mirenja
HOD, Computing & IT

Our Programmes

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We urge the Class of 2024 to be great ambassadors of PAC University.

Congratulations and may God bless your efforts.

Mastering the Attitudes for Soaring Beyond Horizons

By Dr. Micah Moenga



Dr. Micah Moenga
Head, Dept. of Biblical & Theological Studies

The Department of Biblical and Theological Studies proudly congratulates the Class of 2024 for this remarkable academic achievement. We are proud of you and certain that as you join the marketplace, you will soar even higher in your various vocations.

Certainly, this has not come on a silver platter, but it's taken your hard work, dedication, and commitment. For some of you, it has been a journey characterized by a myriad of challenges. Despite all this, you have emerged victorious. Just like an eagle, you have had a season of preparation for renewal to effectively serve the church and society at large. An eagle goes through several stages to renew its strength to soar higher. It starts by retreating to a solitary, high cliff. The first thing it does is knock its old beak against a rock. This is one of the most painful processes of the eagle's life, but it has to endure it for a new beak to emerge. The next step is equally painful, as it involves the removal of its old talons. Lastly, the eagle removes its old feathers for the new ones to grow. All these are in anticipation of the renewal of strength to soar higher.

Several profound lessons can be gleaned from this illustration. First is the attitude of patience. Mahatma Gandhi said, "To lose patience is to lose the battle." Therefore, consider being patient in your service delivery. Learn to be patient with people

and processes. The second is the need to retreat for self-renewal. Consider retreating when worn out for renewal. As Banksy once said, "If you get tired, learn to rest, not to quit." Third, shed off any unnecessary baggage of old habits and attitudes that might hinder your performance.

The training offered at the Department of Biblical and Theological Studies is unparalleled in developing students with cutting-edge competencies that are most sought-after in the marketplace. Our programs include a Master of Divinity, a Master of Arts in Biblical Theology, a Master of Arts in Pentecostal and Charismatic Studies, a Master of Arts in Children and Youth Ministry, a Bachelor of Arts in Theology, a Diploma in Youth Ministry, and a Certificate of Youth Development program. We are certain that you have been adequately prepared to soar higher.

More new programs are in the pipeline. We are planning to roll out a PhD program in Theology. The program will have four areas of specialization. These include Biblical Studies (Old Testament and New Testament options), World Christianity (including Pentecostal and Charismatic Studies options), Systematic Theology, and Practical Theology. We also plan to roll out a program in chaplaincy at the postgraduate and certificate levels. In the pipeline, we also intend to offer a certificate program in Asian Community Outreach. All these programs are intended to address the pressing needs of our ever-changing world today. At the end of the training, our graduates are exposed to various experiences in ministry and biblical scholarship for the service of the church and society.

In the past year, the department has actualized various collaborations and partnerships with other institutions of like-mindedness. We received two lectures from the Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada (PAOC) teaching with us. The department successfully hosted the Yale/Edinburgh hybrid conference in July 2023. We plan to have a similar conference in June 2024. The department also hosted a major international conference known as the Africa Society of Evangelical Theology (ASET) in March 2024. Besides, we conducted two successful webinars on critical topical issues. The department also conducted two successful cycles of training in chaplaincy for school, police, and hospital chaplains. We now intend to have fully fledged programs on the same. PAC University is known for developing godly, transformative leaders. We hope that this will be characteristic of you wherever you go!

Once again, congratulations, Class of 2024!

Equipping the Saints for Ministry to Soar Beyond Horizons

By Dr. Abigael Demesi

Congratulations Class of 2024 on achieving this milestone! You soared above the hurdles of your academic journey and succeeded!

The TCL programmes equips graduates to soar beyond horizons, embracing the promise of God in Isaiah 40:31. "But those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary; they will walk and not be faint." This verse offers a profound beacon of hope and strength that serves as a powerful reminder of the boundless potential that faith in God can unlock in our ever-accelerating pace of modern life, where challenges and uncertainties often cloud our vision.

Isaiah 40:31 offers a profound message of hope that transcends time and circumstances. We are reminded that through faith we can experience a renewal of strength, rise above challenges, endure life's race, and persist in our daily walk without fainting. As we embrace this promise, we are empowered to soar beyond horizons, achieving a life marked by resilience, clarity, and unwavering faith.

The imagery of soaring on wings like eagles is the most evocative phrase. Eagles are renowned for their strength, vision, and ability to fly at high altitudes far above storms and turmoil. This implies that with God's strength found in our waiting on Him, we can rise above difficulties and gain a higher perspective. I believe you have gained clarity and strength from a higher vantage point needed to transcend life's immediate and often overwhelming challenges and complexities with grace and assurance after going through TCL.

As you studied in TCL and applied God's word in your life and ministry, without a doubt, your life has been transformed: ignited with hope and renewed in spiritual strength in preparation for the journey ahead. You are ready to fulfill the calling to rise, even soar, above the ordinary while fixing your gaze on Jesus, the Author and



Finisher of faith, acknowledging that, in the final analysis, our hope in the Lord is the wellspring of enduring strength for us to soar beyond horizons.

The Transformational Church Leadership Department is sending you out to raise God's banner wherever you will serve. If you have completed your certificate, we encourage you to enroll for a diploma, and if you have a diploma, you can enroll for a Bachelor's degree and then for a Master's degree. We thank God for His faithfulness in helping us serve the Church. We are here for you, and you can organize to start a TCL center in your Church to equip the saints for the work of service. For more details, please call us at 0710781070.

Soaring Higher Through the Seasons

By Dr. Micah Moenga

The Department of Children and Youth Ministry congratulates the Class of 2024 on their outstanding academic achievement! We are confident that the graduates will make significant contributions to the ever-changing world of our day. This can be realized through the application of the knowledge, skills, attitudes, and competencies gained over the years of study in the respective disciplines.

A time of graduation is not only the culmination of years of hard work and dedication but also the beginning of a new journey—an adventure that will take you beyond the familiar horizons of your academic life into the vast expanse of the world awaiting your impact. As you step into the world of uncertainties and complexities, it will be prudent to draw some wisdom and encouragement from the text of Isaiah 40:31: “But those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary; they will walk and not be faint.”

This text teaches some important lessons. First, it is crucial to note that the hope that Isaiah speaks of is not passive; it is active and transformative. This will call for your active participation in contributing to the development agenda to make the world a better place for yourself and those of others as well. It will then mean that you approach life from a pragmatic point of view. Second, the kind of hope Isaiah speaks of is the kind that rejuvenates weary hearts and empowers wavering spirits. However, this will require patience and resilience as you seek to soar beyond the horizon. It is only through this that the hope God gives you will anchor you amidst the storms of doubt and indecision.

Paulo Coelho, a Brazilian lyricist and novelist, stated, “The two hardest tests on the spiritual road are patience to wait for the right moment and courage not to be disappointed with what we encounter.” Therefore, exercise your patience, and it will pay off big time in life. Third, we also note that strength does not come solely from personal achievements or talents but from the source of all strength—God. It will then call for an exercise of your faith, your resilience, and your unwavering belief in your God-given purpose.

The imagery of soaring on wings like eagles evokes a powerful image of freedom and elevation. Just as an eagle rises above the clouds to gain a clearer perspective, you too



Dr. Micah Moenga
Ag. Head, Dept. of Children and Youth Ministry

can rise above challenges and limitations. Embrace every opportunity to grow, learn, and expand your horizons. Your education has equipped you with knowledge and skills, but it is your determination and perseverance that will lift you to new heights. Seize every moment to explore, innovate, and make a difference in the world around you.

The Department of Children and Youth Ministry has exciting programs such as a Diploma in Youth Ministry, and a Master in Youth and Children Ministry. Currently, we are at the tail end of developing a PhD in Theology with a specialization in Children and Youth Ministry. We invite you to study with us and notice the difference. PAC University remains focused on developing transformative, godly Christian leaders to serve the church and society. Congratulations once again!

On Eagles Wings, PAC Graduate School Soars!

By Dr. Jane Kinuthia

Soaring beyond the horizons for us implies going beyond the obvious markers of achievement and not allowing ourselves to be limited by circumstances of any nature. "Mounting up with wings like eagles," we have continued to scale the heights of academia. This very timely theme stirs new excitement and a spring in our walk as we seek to achieve the purpose for which God has called us into this space at a time like this. As inferred from our University Mission, we can only realize our vision of being a world-class Christian institution of higher learning by training men and women who are well-equipped for service in their communities. Our trailblazing postgraduate programs are well positioned for this enormous responsibility, in full cognizance of the aspirations of the AU 2063 agenda, whose aim is "enacting conscious and deliberate efforts towards nurturing a transformative leadership that will drive and defend Africa's interests." Towards this end, PAC University Graduate School seeks to always produce postgraduate students whose research findings are cutting-edge and with direct value addition to our communities.

Fundamentally, graduate study hones some of the key skills that were only just starting to mature properly while at an undergraduate level. It enables one to develop perseverance and problem-solving skills, which are useful in dealing with



Dr. Jane Kinuthia
Dean, Graduate School

of the research cycle. Further, our students are required to disseminate their research findings during our annual International Research Conference. They also engage in publications as well as undergo a rigorous academic process. The graduands that we present today have scaled these heights. We urge them to continue soaring high for the benefit of our communities.



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workplace dynamics. They also develop presentation and public speaking skills through research colloquia, seminars, and conferences. On top of this, writing work that is submitted for examination or peer review tasks develops research, critical thinking, and writing skills. PAC University provides these opportunities for our postgraduate students as well as supporting the development of these requisite skills through capacity-building seminars and webinars on different aspects

The Board of Postgraduate Studies congratulates the Class of 2024. Just as you have waited on the Lord and thus come this far, continue to enjoy this energy and stamina, as it will thrust you to soar higher and faster. You have the Spirit of God in you; rise above your circumstances. We are called to rise and, like eagles, soar. It's your time to soar!

Efficiency and Godly Service

By Dr. Lilian Vikiru

The office of the Registrar of Academic Affairs is committed to rendering exemplary service to our internal and external stakeholders. It is a great joy to celebrate the students with whom we have journeyed from admission to graduation. This graduation marks both an end and a beginning: an end to one portion of an academic journey and the beginning of the rest of the journey. Our prayer for the graduating class of 2024 is that you may 'soar beyond the horizon'. We have enjoyed serving you. We believe serving one another is key to our happiness as a community. Serving our students enriches our outlook on life, reorders our priorities, and defines our relationships. We thank God for the opportunity to partner with our students throughout their academic journey as we allow God to shape our lives. May the Lord open your lives and hearts so that you may be transformed into godly servant leaders who can be used to accomplish God's plans and purposes on this earth.

In our quest to serve you better, we value the feedback you give us, which drives us towards our goal of upholding integrity and efficiency. We are who we are because you co-work with us. Together, we will soar in our spaces like eagles, running but not growing weary, walking but not fainting, because the Lord will continually renew our strength (Isaiah 40:31). We are trusting God for a bigger, better future. He has prepared us for this. PAC University will continue to impact your lives as you continue to lift the University's name higher. Through our collaboration with the Alumni Association, we will continue to improve our services to those who come after you.

The University has continued to leverage technology to improve student services, including academic processes and records. In a bid to increase efficiency, the University has been upgrading from various versions of the Navision ERP to the current Microsoft Dynamics 365 Business Central, which has more features and functionalities. The Academic Division stands to greatly benefit from this migration. Our processes—data entry, access, and retrieval—will be interlinked, making it easier to handle student records. The system will also make it easier and faster for students to access information and be prompted to act where needed. The system will also enable us to continue enforcing data protection practices to safeguard the records of both our students and staff.



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Registrar, Academic Affairs

More effort will be put into supporting students in the logistics of their academic journey. More attention will go towards setting up systems that support interdisciplinary learning. This will help students gain knowledge and skills that would have been inaccessible due to silo categorization. In addition, the University, through various collaborations, will seek to promote relevant internships and do more work-integrated learning to help the students prepare better for workplace and industry demands. More support will be given to international students by raising awareness of immigration requirements for them to have a smoother transition to their studies in Kenya. The online and e-learning spaces will also be revitalized to take care of the many students who cannot take their studies from the University's physical campus.

Finally, our heartfelt congratulations to the Class of 2024! Well done for achieving this great milestone, proving that you can do it and will do it yet again as you rally behind the call to soar beyond the horizon.

Soaring Beyond Horizons of Financial Success

By CPA/CS Nicholas Chepkoiwo

Congratulations, class of 2024! After all your hard work to reach this happy place, you've succeeded, and now it's time to rejoice. I commend you on your perseverance and accomplishments in your academic endeavors, on behalf of the finance and planning department. As you begin the next phase of your journey, never forget that learning is a lifetime endeavor. You have only just begun to use the knowledge and abilities you have gained at PAC University. Go for knowledge, welcome inquiry, and set daily goals for personal development.

We join you in commemorating one of your life's greatest victories: graduation. It is a time of immense pride and happiness for everyone who has supported you along the way, not just you. This year's graduation theme, "Soaring Beyond Horizons," aptly captures the boundless possibilities and potential that await you, particularly concerning financial freedom and growth.



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Your education has given you priceless knowledge and abilities that will serve as a strong basis for your future. You are not only equipped to handle the work environment when you enter it, but you also know how to make wise financial choices that will lead to your success. We encourage you to strive for excellence in all aspects of your life. Whether in personal development, career growth, or financial success, this will involve setting ambitious goals, continuously learning, embracing innovation, and maintaining integrity.

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Financial acumen is a crucial aspect of soaring beyond horizons. As you embark on your new journeys, remember the importance of budgeting, saving, and investing. These principles will serve as the wings that enable you to rise above challenges and seize opportunities. As Warren Buffett said, "Do not save what is left after spending, but spend what is left after saving."

Always keep in mind that it's never too late to change who

you are, to take off, and to explore new territories. Accept the difficulties, rejoice in your accomplishments, and remember that your rebirth is evidence of your fortitude and resiliency as that of an eagle. Remember the eagle's lesson when you begin your professional rebirth: it's just the beginning of your trip, and the sky is not the limit. Like the majestic eagle you were destined to be, welcome the change, embrace the unknown, and fly to new heights.

In Joshua 1:9, God commanded Joshua to be brave. "Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be frightened, and do not be dismayed, for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go." When an eagle encounters storms, it does not fly away like the other birds; it simply spreads its wings and uses the current to soar higher. Eagles make the most of difficult situations. When storms come your way, as God's children, respond like an eagle.

From the Finance Department, we wish you the best of luck in your future endeavors.

Soaring into Your Destiny

By Dr. Magdalene Bore

Congratulations, Class of 2024! As you start a new chapter in your life, it's natural to have excitement for the adventures that await, nostalgia for the memories you shared at PAC University, and perhaps a touch of apprehension for the unknown. But amidst all these feelings, let us reflect on a word of encouragement from Isaiah 40:31: "But they who wait for the LORD shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings like eagles; they shall run and not be weary; they shall walk and not faint." God has made a promise to you if you wait upon Him.

From the first day you stepped into PAC University, God has sustained you and brought you to this season of graduation. I believe you have grown both spiritually, physically, and academically. I believe you have made new friends, mentors, and role models who have equipped you for the new chapter you are about to begin.

As you prepare to embark on the path the Lord has prepared



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for you, remember the lessons you have learned. Paul admonishes Timothy in the Bible in 2 Timothy 3:14–15: "But as for you, continue in what you have learned and have become convinced of, because you know those from whom you learned it and how, from infancy, you have known the Holy Scriptures, which can make you wise for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus." In this season, just like Paul, the class of 2024 carries with us the word of God, the lessons you have learned, and the cherished memories. Hold firmly onto the friendships you have cultivated over the period at PAC University, knowing that distance may separate you physically but can never diminish the bond you share, especially the bond with Christ Jesus. Always remember the sleepless nights, the group discussions that challenged your perspectives, the adrenaline of handing in your assignments before the deadline, and even the

countless moments of laughter. These are the threads that have woven you together, creating an embroidery of friendship, resilience, and achievement.

Every journey has its challenges, and I know your academic journey has not been without them. God's grace has enabled you to overcome the storms, and the support you got from the University and your friends has made you stronger. Seasons of adversity prepare one for the future, and as the saying goes, "memories are made up of this!"

Congratulations, Class of 2024! May your future be as bright as the sun, and may the Lord renew your strength and make you soar high as an eagle. May you run and not grow weary and walk and not faint in Jesus's name.

Horizons Are Invitations to Explore further

By Dr. Josh Amwago

Congratulations on reaching this incredible milestone in your academic journey! Today marks the culmination of years of hard work, dedication, and perseverance. As you stand on the threshold of a new chapter in your life, remember that soaring beyond horizons is more than just a phrase; it is a call to action. It invites you to transcend the boundaries of what is familiar and comfortable and to embrace the unknown with courage and curiosity. As you move forward, remember that horizons are not limits but invitations to explore further, to dream bigger, and to achieve more than you ever thought possible.

During your study, for your wellbeing, the Dean of Students office has worked with you and prepared you to embrace change and uncertainty in the post-COVID-19 era. You have learned to rise above challenges, and as captured in PAC's motto, "Where Leaders are Made," undeniably, you have been made. The world beyond graduation is dynamic and unpredictable. Each challenge you face is a chance to learn, adapt, and become stronger. Let go of the fear of the unknown, and instead, see it as a canvas for your creativity and innovation.

Whatever path you choose, let passion and purpose guide you. When you align your career with what you love and what you believe in, work becomes more than just a job—it becomes a fulfilling journey. Your passion will fuel your perseverance, and your purpose will give your journey meaning. This way, you will fly the PAC flag higher in the marketplace, thereby becoming the perfect ambassador for your alma mater.

Graduation is not the end of learning, but the beginning of a new kind of education. Stay curious, continue to seek knowledge, and never stop learning. The most successful people are those who remain students of life and are always open to new ideas and perspectives. You will always be welcome to share whatever you learn after PAC, knowing that it's not about how many times you will fall but how many times you will get back up in all your pursuits.

From now on, use your skills, talents, and knowledge to make a positive impact on the world. Whether in small acts of kindness or grand gestures of change, strive to leave the world a better place than you found it. Your unique contribution can create ripples of change that extend far



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beyond your immediate horizon. In a world that often tries to mold you into something else, stay true to your values and beliefs. Authenticity is your greatest asset. Be confident in who you are and what you stand for, and let that guide your actions and decisions.

As you embark on this exciting journey, remember that the horizon is just the beginning. There are no limits to what you can achieve if you dare to dream and have the courage to pursue those dreams. Soar high, explore new horizons, and make your mark on the world. Congratulations once again, and best wishes for a future filled with endless possibilities!

Soaring Beyond Horizons in Research

By Dr. Jane Kinuthia

The 2023–2024 academic year has seen remarkable achievements in our research endeavors. PAC University's accreditation by NACOSTI (National Commission for Science, Technology, and Innovation) as an ISERC (Institutional and Scientific Ethics Review Committee) after a rigorous process that involved a site visit, training, and mentorship of the committee members was an affirmation that we are coming of age in matters of research. In this delegated mandate, PAC ISERC qualifies to review Social Science research protocols. Consequently, PAC University is now well situated to ensure that researchers keep themselves abreast of the changing trends and requirements of carrying out research in Kenya. This new development is quite exciting and of great value to the practice of research at PAC University.

Our International Research Conference for 2024, under the overarching theme "Transformational Research for Enhancement of the Sustainable Development Goals," was quite a success. It provided an opportunity for stimulating conversations among scholars from diverse fields of expertise. The plenary sessions, led by a keynote address



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by Prof. Felicia Yieke from Laikipia University in Kenya, served to demonstrate that every researcher, irrespective of their specialty, has a role to play in the attainment of the 17 Sustainable Development Goals. Plenary speakers: Prof. Dionysious Kiambi, Prof. Philip Laird from Trinity Western University in Canada, and Dr. Abraham Ng'ang'a from Liverpool Hope University in the UK all elucidated the theme very effectively, while Mr. Gaurav Dalal from CGLD India, Dr. Kyama Mugambi of Yale Divinity School, and Dr. Ruth Anaya from Trinity Western University had special presentations on accomplished research projects. Further, 50 research findings were disseminated by researchers from PAC, Laikipia, Egerton, Kisii, Masai Mara, Kabianga, and Karatina universities. Delegates enjoyed insightful,

challenging, and thought-provoking sessions. Look out for the 2025 conference for another inspirational intellectual engagement. We await it with great expectations.

PAC University researchers, both faculty and students, continue to research and disseminate findings through publications and attendance at conferences locally and internationally. We are working towards greater visibility through our university website as well as engaging more meaningfully in grant writing. We look forward to a greater future in research as we continue to wait on God for more energy to soar higher and higher by the grace of God.

The Directorate of Research congratulates you class of 2024 and urges you to continue researching and coming up with innovative intellectual ideas that spur growth and development in your chosen fields of expertise. Always remember the words of Zora Neale Hurston: "Research is formalized curiosity. It is poking and prying with a purpose." Never faint, however tough the walk is; you have eagle-like strength and vision within you!

Soaring to Success on the Wings of Quality Assurance

By Dr. Daniel Mulinge

Class of 2024, as you stand on the precipice of a new chapter in your lives, preparing to spread your wings and soar into the boundless possibilities that await, I extend my heartfelt congratulations to each one of you. Your journey to this pivotal moment has been marked by determination, perseverance, and the unwavering pursuit of excellence. Now, as you embark on this next phase of your lives, I offer you a message of goodwill, inspired by the timeless wisdom of Isaiah 40:31: "But those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary; they will walk and not be faint."

These words resonate deeply as you transition from the familiar confines of academia to the vast expanse of the world beyond. They remind us that with faith, determination, and a steadfast commitment to our values, there are no limits to what we can achieve.

"Soaring to Success on the Wings of Quality Assurance" encapsulates the essence of your journey thus far. Quality assurance is not merely a process or a set of standards to be met; it is a mindset, a philosophy that guides us in our pursuit of excellence. It is about setting high standards, striving for perfection, and continually seeking ways to improve and innovate.



As you prepare to enter the workforce or pursue further education, remember the lessons you have learned about the importance of quality assurance.



As you prepare to enter the workforce or pursue further education, remember the lessons you have learned about the importance of quality assurance. Whether you are conducting research, delivering a presentation, or collaborating with others, let the principles of quality assurance be your guiding light. Embrace feedback, learn from your mistakes, and never settle for mediocrity.

In the face of uncertainty and adversity, hold fast to your faith and trust in the journey ahead. Draw strength from the promise



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that those who place their hope in the Lord will find renewed strength and endurance. As you spread your wings and soar into the future, may you do so with confidence, resilience, and a sense of purpose. Your hard work, dedication, and perseverance have brought you to this momentous milestone, and I have no doubt that you will go on to achieve great things. As you embark on this new chapter, may you continue to uphold the values of integrity, excellence, and compassion that have guided you thus far.

Remember that success is not measured solely by achievements or accolades but by the impact you make on the lives of others. As you soar on the wings of your achievements, may you inspire those around you with your passion, determination, and unwavering commitment to excellence.

Congratulations, graduates. May your futures be filled with boundless opportunities, joyous moments of celebration, and the fulfillment of all your dreams.

Leading with Vision: Shaping the Future with Faith and Innovation

By Dr. Jane Adhiambo Chiroma

As the Director of the Center for Online Teaching and Learning and a Senior Lecturer in the Leadership Department at Pan Africa Christian University (PAC), I am deeply honoured to extend my heartfelt congratulations to the Class of 2024. Your journey represents a pivotal achievement, and our theme, "Soaring Beyond the Horizon," perfectly encapsulates the essence of this milestone. Today, we honour the culmination of your academic endeavours and the dawn of new adventures and opportunities.

Integrating Faith and Learning

At PAC University, we are dedicated to harmonizing faith with learning. We recognize that true education transcends academic excellence; it is about cultivating ethical leaders grounded in Christian values. Our holistic approach ensures that our graduates are equipped not only with the knowledge and skills necessary for professional success but also with the moral compass to make meaningful contributions to their communities and the world at large. As it is written in Isaiah 40:31, "But those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary; they will walk and not be faint." This scripture underpins our belief in the transformative power of faith-integrated education.



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Pioneering Online Education

PAC University stands at the forefront of educational innovation through our pioneering online learning programs. This year marks a significant milestone as we celebrate the 9th cohort of our fully online PhD program. This program exemplifies our unwavering commitment to providing accessible, high-quality education to students worldwide. Our online and blended undergraduate and master's programs continue to attract students from over 24 countries, showcasing the global reach and impact of our educational offerings.

Best Practices in Online Learning

Our online programs are meticulously designed with best practices to ensure a rich and engaging learning experience. At PAC University, we emphasize the importance of cognitive, social, teaching, and learning presences in our virtual classrooms. This multifaceted approach fosters a dynamic and supportive learning environment where students can excel. To uphold the highest standards of online education, our faculty undergo continual training in cutting-edge pedagogy, andragogy, and technological advancements. This commitment to professional development ensures that our instructors are equipped to deliver top-tier education, spearheading quality teaching that meets the diverse needs of our students. Our online learning is curated with the best technology learning

Transforming Industry, Impacting Lives

By Prof. Margaret Mwenje



Prof. Margaret Mwenje
Director, PAC Institute of Technology and Social Studies

The PAC Institute of Technology and Social Studies is fully accredited by TVET-CDACC to offer an array of certificate and diploma courses. These programs include Computer Science, Computer Programming, Counselling Psychology, Animation & Digital Media, Cyber Security, Broadcast Journalism, Business Management, Social Work & Community Development among others. We are in the process of implementing short courses on Kenyan Sign Language and Cyber Security. In the PAC Institute of Technology and Social Studies, we have witnessed the Lord taking us to higher heights since its launch in September 2023.

We started with eighteen (18) students, but currently, the institute has sixty-five (65) students. The institute was registered as an Assessment Center in March 2024, and now our students can take external TVET-CDACC assessments in the Institute. The first cohort of students to undertake external assessments has already been registered for the July 2024

TVET-CDACC assessments. Our able instructors have been preparing the students for the assessments, and we are confident they will be graded as competent. Currently, the institute has thirteen (13) part-time TVET-trained instructors. With more targeted marketing efforts, we hope to have at least five hundred students by the end of the next academic year. This will make the Institute self-sustaining financially and enable us to recruit full-time instructors and staff. Martin Luther King Jr. said, "If you can't fly, then run. If you can't run, then walk. If you can't walk, then crawl, but whatever you do, you have to keep moving." In the PAC Institute of Technology and Social Studies, we desire to fly to higher heights as the Lord renews our strength like that of an eagle. With more support from relevant stakeholders, the PAC Institute of Technology and Social Studies has great potential to become a Center of Excellence.

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Beyond Measure: Valuing Libraries

By Josleen Rutere (PhD-IP)

Congratulations to the class of 2024! On behalf of the Library staff, please accept our heartfelt congratulations to all graduates. We know the sacrifice and hard work it took to get to this day, and we are bursting with pride for all of you.

As you might know, in the 21st century, libraries have undergone a significant transformation to adapt to the changing needs of their communities and the advancements in technology, especially in the era of Artificial Intelligence (AI), which makes it possible for students to complete their research papers within a short time, thanks to ChatGPT and other AI writing tools. Libraries are no longer just repositories of books but have evolved into dynamic community centers that offer a wide range of services and resources to meet the diverse needs of their patrons. Information is now available in many formats, and the ability to locate, evaluate, and use needed information effectively is more crucial than ever. Librarians therefore play a vital role in teaching these skills to faculty, students, and other library patrons.

In addition to traditional functions like teaching information skills and providing access to academic resources, academic libraries are increasingly focusing on research support. Librarians bring unique expertise in managing research data, applying metadata for discoverability, and ensuring compliance with open-access policies. These efforts not only raise the institution's profile but also improve research productivity.

To support the research agenda of PAC University, the Library has re-invented the institution repository (IR), the platform that archives the institutional research output. The old IR was hosted in an on-premise data center and was characterized by many downtimes, especially at peak demand, so the library had to explore a reliable cloud solution to ensure the IR was available 24/7. The new platform is now hosted on Amazon Web Services (AWS). PAC University, on Friday, February 16, 2024, became the first institution of higher learning in Kenya and East Africa to host the D-Space institutional repository system on Amazon Web Services (AWS), in collaboration with Silicon Overdrive. In the deal, Amazon Web Services provided the University with cloud storage services, while Silicon Overdrive, an advanced partner of AWS, provided



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University Librarian

the technical expertise necessary to architect the solution, implement it, and also provided access to AWS funding, which offset some of the costs of the initial migration, making it cost-effective for the University. This platform has been given the name Ghala, a Swahili word that refers to a granary, which in this context will store and archive our 'institutional produce' (institutional publications), which include theses and dissertations, research articles, past examination papers, and other digitized archival materials. The new IR was developed with our users in mind to enhance their user experience, and this has resulted in excellent customer service. The new system is fast and secure compared to the old one. This new development reflects a shift towards reimagining institutional repositories as dynamic platforms that serve a variety of purposes beyond traditional research dissemination.

In conclusion, I would like to remind our graduates to keep in touch with the library via our social media platforms. There is always something new happening in our library!

Rooted Deep to Soar Higher

By Rev. Dr. Thuo Mburu

Hearty congratulations to the Class of 2024! It has been a long journey from the inception of your academic program at this University to the moment of graduation. This journey has demanded sacrifice, commitment, diligence, and handwork, among others. It has been a costly journey financially, while many of you have paid dearly in other practical ways. We praise God for His wonderful provision, enabling grace, and the many people He used to assist you along the way.

The purpose of education is to develop the person while preparing him or her to reach the fullest God-given potential for meaningful life and service to humanity. In many ways, this is pursued through schooling efforts that seek to transfer knowledge from one generation to the next. This process is governed in Kenya by a set of eight lofty National Goals for Education. These undergird an education system that seeks to inculcate desired skills and attitudes in citizens with the goal of national growth.

Unfortunately, education has increasingly been secularized over the centuries, resulting in the loss of the original goal of learning about God and His creation and how to relate to Him in finding meaning and purpose in life according to His design. This development or erosion has further resulted in an overemphasis on the intellectual and professional development and formation of the learners, with an ever-diminishing focus on the core faith dynamics and the associated spiritual and moral formation, or their replacement with unbiblical spiritual and faith perspectives.

This degradation of education, under the guise of breakthroughs in knowledge, is at the core of widespread human disorder in the world today. Contemporary trends reveal paradoxes in the majority of educated persons who, in spite of having succeeded in terms of ascending the socioeconomic ladder, demonstrate disturbing personal traits in their moral and ethical being. This omission or mess is at the root of systemic vices in society: politics and governance, public and corporate, profit and non-profit, church and charity, micro and mega, etc. These sad experiences are couched and shepherded by apparently well-educated women and men, often from reputable academic institutions, who are deceptively viewed as successful highflyers.

This dilemma is at the foundation of Christian education. In its pure or ideal form, Christian education has the noble goal of educating the whole person—the heart, the hands, and the mind. This is achieved through the radical, intentional integration of faith in all aspects of the teaching and learning process from a biblical perspective. Christian



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education pursues the holistic development of the learners, apart from fostering academic excellence. Investment is made toward spiritual formation with an eye on character and moral and ethical transformation while nurturing values anchored in the biblical worldview. Far from being merely an extra Bible or religious lesson to the 'standard' curricula, the biblical worldview is integrated into every area of study. The product of this system is a person cemented on a comprehensive understanding of God and His creation as well as intellectual competence to analyze how each academic discipline or area of learning finds meaning and purpose in God's eternal design. They demonstrate balance in life, characterized by a strong sense of identity and purpose, above-average levels of critical thinking and creativity, and a holistic 360-degree understanding of the world and human life.

These admirable outcomes explain why the Church strives to continue investing heavily in Christian education, even amid cheap or free public education. This has been PAC University's commitment over the years, with an undying commitment to producing transformative servant leaders for the church and society. As highlighted by our 2023–2024 annual theme, "Rooted and Built Up in Christ," we have laboured to help our students find that strong foundation that promises a stable life. They are deeply rooted to withstand any kind of storm at home or in the marketplace. We are therefore confident that our graduates can soar higher beyond the limit imposed by the unfortunate dichotomization of education. We look forward to hearing testimonies of impact as a result of these well-formed heads, hearts, and hands as they soar above the rest and sustain the flight throughout their lives.

A Dose of Good News at EPH

By Musyoki Muli

Evangel Publishing House got a dose of good news when their Environmental Activities Book for Grade 1 was approved for use in schools in Kenya. Out of a possible 38 publishing houses that had submitted their content for evaluation at the Kenya Institute of Curriculum Development (KICD), Evangel's book scored 88.87% of the total possible marks, emerging as the second-best overall.

The government purchases thousands of books from the top two best-evaluated publishers, and Evangel is praying that they get the tender award sooner rather than later for use in expanding their mandate in reaching out to the Christian community with wholesome literature for nurturing and equipping in ministry and life. This year, we hope to soar beyond the horizons in our endeavor to fulfill the core of our calling as a department within PAC University.

The second dose of good news was the election of the EPH General Manager as a Council member of the Kenya Publishers Association, where he will serve till 2026. The body is engaged in shaping policy and advocating for the welfare of publishers in the country.

Evangel congratulates the class of 2024 for weathering many storms to finish strong and graduate despite the hurdles they faced. That is the spirit of conquest after refusing to give up!

Out there in the job market, you will require persistence and resilience. Whatever your goal may be, Isaiah 40:31 encourages you to soar above discouragement, above self-doubt, and above your perceived weaknesses. Others have done it before you: Moses, Daniel, name them... Always remember that anything worth doing is most likely difficult and will probably take some time.

All things worth doing are indeed marathons, so focus on placing one foot in front of the other, stay motivated and excited, and put in the work. Keep your eyes on your next step rather than the finish line, and before you know it, you'll be even closer to reaching your goal.

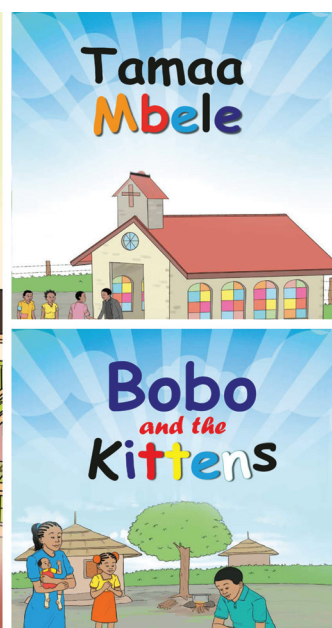
One of the most important things you can ever know on your path towards your goal is that failure only occurs if you allow it. In other words, failure can never exist unless



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we create it for ourselves. Mistakes aren't failure, detours aren't failure, feelings of giving up aren't failure, and taking longer than others to achieve your goal isn't failure. Failure is only when you completely give up on something that means a lot to you and turn your back on it forever. Failure is a choice.

Once you've decided to commit yourself to a goal, be deliberate, take your time, keep putting one foot in front of the other, and learn from mistakes. You are strong enough to achieve whatever you want in your life, as long as you choose to do so. Erase the very idea of failure from your mind; this way, it ceases to be even a choice, and you will persevere no matter what. Hang on to the word of God in Isaiah 40:30, and you will soar beyond the horizons because you can do all things through Christ Jesus, our Lord.



Soaring with Courage, Faith, and Determination

By Sheila Mati

Class of 2024, as we celebrate your achievements today, we set off on a journey of reflection, gratitude, and inspiration. Our theme, "Soaring Beyond Horizons," captures the essence of your journey thus far and the limitless possibilities that lie ahead. As we delve into the depths of this theme, let us draw wisdom from the sacred scriptures, specifically Isaiah 40:31:

"But they that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run and not be weary; and they shall walk and not faint."

The imagery of an eagle soaring high above the clouds resonates deeply with the essence of your journey. Just as the eagle effortlessly navigates the vast expanse of the sky, you too have conquered obstacles, overcome challenges, and embraced opportunities to rise above adversity.

Graduates, as you stand at the height of a new chapter, remember the lessons learned from the eagle's flight. First and foremost, patience. Like the eagle, success requires patience, perseverance, and unwavering faith. There were moments when the journey seemed daunting, when the winds of uncertainty threatened to engulf you. Yet, through patience and resilience, you weathered the storms and emerged stronger than ever before. Secondly, embrace change. The eagle does not fear change; it embraces it. Just as the eagle adapts its flight to the shifting winds, so too must you adapt to the ever-changing landscape of life. Embrace new challenges, seize new opportunities, and dare to venture into the unknown. For it is in the face of adversity that true growth and transformation occur.

Moreover, never underestimate the power of perspective. From the eagle's lofty vantage point, the world below appears small and insignificant. Likewise, as you soar beyond horizons, maintain a perspective that transcends the mundane and embraces the extraordinary. See challenges as opportunities, setbacks as lessons, and failures as stepping stones to success. For it is not the circumstances that define you, but rather how you choose to perceive and respond to them. Furthermore, collaboration is key. While the eagle may soar alone, it is often part of a larger flock. Similarly, your journey is not one that you embark on alone. Cherish the relationships forged along the way,



for they are the ones who will lift you up when you falter, inspire you when you doubt, and celebrate with you when you succeed.

Never lose sight of your dreams. The eagle's flight knows no bounds, and neither should your aspirations. Dare to dream big, set audacious goals, and pursue them with unwavering determination. Let the eagle's fearless spirit guide you as you chart your course towards a future filled with purpose, passion, and possibility. As we reflect on the theme of "Soaring Beyond Horizons," we must also consider its implications for marketing our institution. Just as the eagle's flight symbolizes freedom, ambition, and limitless potential, so too does our institution represent a beacon of excellence, innovation, and opportunity. As graduates, you are not only ambassadors of your own achievements but also of PAC University, which has nurtured and empowered you to reach new heights.

In conclusion, as you soar beyond horizons, may you do so with courage in your heart, faith in your soul, and wings of determination.

Congratulations, Class of 2024! Go forth and soar.

Embracing the Future with Faith, Excellence, and a Commitment to Global Impact

By Ms. Linda Akitela

To the exceptional Class of 2024, congratulations on reaching this significant milestone. Your journey has been one of perseverance, dedication, and faith. You have navigated challenges with resilience and emerged stronger, ready to embark on new adventures. As you step into this new chapter, remember that your education at PAC University has equipped you with the knowledge, skills, and values to reach new heights and make a meaningful impact in the world. Soar confidently, pursue your passions, and continue to grow in wisdom and character.

Over the past year, the PACUSA has achieved remarkable milestones that reflect their leadership and commitment to student success. One of the most notable achievements was organizing the first-ever Career and Innovation Fair. It marks a significant step towards bridging the gap between academic learning and professional application, fostering an environment where students can thrive and excel. We are committed to making this fair an annual tradition and embedding it into the culture of PAC University. This initiative will ensure that every student has access to the resources and networks needed to succeed beyond the classroom.

This integration will not only recognize and celebrate the outstanding achievements of our students but also set a standard of excellence that all students can aspire to.

Looking ahead, PACUSA is poised to soar even higher with ambitious plans that align with our strategic vision of academic excellence and holistic development as an Institution. One such plan is the incorporation of the Dean's Academic Excellence Awards into the Annual Academic Year Launch. This integration will not only recognize and celebrate the outstanding achievements of our students but also set a standard of excellence that all students can aspire to.



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Chair, Student Council

The Career and Innovation Fair and the Dean's Academic Excellence Awards are pivotal in advancing academic excellence at PAC University. They provide students with opportunities to showcase their skills, gain recognition for their hard work, and connect with a broader community. Together, they foster an environment where academic achievements are celebrated and students are encouraged to push their boundaries.

As we celebrate the Class of 2024 and reflect on our achievements, we are filled with hope and excitement for the future. Together, we can achieve extraordinary things, driven by our shared values and a dedication to making a difference in the world. Congratulations once again to the Class of 2024! May your journey ahead be filled with success, fulfillment, and boundless opportunities.

Staying Committed to Soaring Higher in Christ

By Samuel Kabugi

As we gather to celebrate the achievements of the Class of 2024, we are reminded of the timeless words from Isaiah 40:31: "But they that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run and not be weary; and they shall walk and not faint." This scripture embodies the spirit of resilience, perseverance, and divine empowerment that our graduates have demonstrated throughout their academic journey.

To the Class of 2024, you stand at the threshold of an exciting new chapter in your lives. Your dedication, hard work, and faith have brought you to this great moment. As you prepare to soar beyond the horizons of PAC University, remember that you carry with you the values and principles that have been instilled in you during your time here. The world awaits your unique talents and contributions, and we are confident that you will continue to excel and make a positive impact wherever you go.

Your journey has not been without challenges, but each obstacle has only served to strengthen your resolve and sharpen your skills. As you embark on this new adventure, embrace the unknown with courage and optimism, knowing that you have been equipped with the tools to navigate the complexities of the future. Your potential is limitless, and we look forward to witnessing the great achievements that lie ahead for each of you.

This past year has been an amazing period of growth and impact for the Christian Union. Our community has flourished, thanks to the dedication and passion of its members. Here are a few highlights:

1. Spiritual Growth and Fellowship: We have seen a tremendous increase in participation in our weekly Bible studies and prayer meetings. These gatherings have become a cornerstone for spiritual nourishment and fellowship, fostering a deeper connection with God and one another. It has also been a platform where students grow and become better each day.

2. Outreach Programs: Our outreach initiatives have made a significant impact both on campus and in the surrounding community. The recent outreach mission was in April 2024, when the Christian Union participated in a mission in Budalangi Constituency, Busia County. This provided students with an invaluable opportunity to apply their faith in practical ways, fostering personal growth and a deeper sense of empathy and community. Engaging in



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Chair, Christian Union

outreach also helps students develop essential leadership and teamwork skills, preparing them to make a positive impact in the world beyond campus.

Looking ahead, the Christian Union plans to achieve several key initiatives aimed at expanding our reach and impact, including:

1. Expansion of Outreach Programs: We plan to broaden our community service efforts, establishing partnerships with Christian organizations to address pressing social issues. By doing so, we aim to bring hope and transformation to even more lives.

2. Digital Ministry: In response to the growing need for digital engagement, we will be launching a comprehensive online platform. This will include virtual Bible studies and online prayer groups to support spiritual growth for students regardless of their location.

3. Campus-Wide Worship Events: To build a greater sense of unity and shared faith, we will be organizing campus-wide worship nights and conferences. These events will provide powerful opportunities for collective worship, inspiration, and spiritual renewal.

As we celebrate the achievements of the Class of 2024 and reflect on the accomplishments of the Christian Union, we are reminded of the boundless possibilities that lie ahead. With our faith as our foundation and the support of our community, we are poised to soar beyond horizons, embracing the future with courage and conviction. Congratulations, Class of 2024! May you continue to shine brightly, inspired by the hope and strength that comes from the Lord.

PICTORIAL



Dr. Edwin Tarno cuts the ribbon to officially launch the PAC Institute of Technology and Social Sciences



Elder Tanki and Prof. Kiambi shake hands following the signing of the MOU between the University and CITAM Business Forum



Mr and Miss PAC, Julius and Tanya, cut the cake after being crowned the winners in October last year



Prof. Kiambi displays the mace during his installation in February this year



Staff and students donating various items to flood victims at Mathare in May this year



Staff members having fun during a retreat in January this year



Media students during a practical lessons at the communication studio.



Official opening of Eden Restaurant in October last year



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