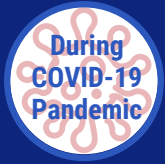


Monday Messages to Students from Alumni



From Steven M. Goodpaster, MAI, MRE, Class of 2003: *Life's challenges will always exist; and change; and sometimes knock you off your feet. Perseverance, help from your friends, contemplative prayer and time will bring things around. As an alum, I have the benefit of time-distance from the college life. From this vantage point I can see how truly amazing a place Berea is - and how great college life was. Be bold in living out your dreams while a student. Don't let fear or others hold you back. Now is your time! Pour your heart and soul into your studies, enjoy our beautiful campus and share joy with friends and acquaintances. And Long Live Berea!*

From Cathy (Phillips) Brinkley, Class of 1977: *When I was at Berea I was one of the few city students and often felt like an outcast. But even with that, I thrived at Berea. I know this is a unique time in history and though I regret that you won't have the same college experience I had, you can take pride in the fact that you attend BEREA COLLEGE. I am constantly proud of what our college stands for and what it is doing in the country and state. The things you learn at Berea will leave an influence on the rest of your life and this ordeal will help prepare you for the rest of your lives. You will thrive due to the strength you are gaining from these trying times. Hang in there. Life is good. Berea is a great place to be living that life. Make the best of each day and you will be successful, however you see success.*