

FIRST COMMENCEMENT PROGRAM



MARIETTA, GEORGIA

DECEMBER FOURTH

NINETEEN HUNDRED SEVENTY-SEVEN

WORLD CONGRESS CENTER AUDITORIUM

285 MAGNOLIA STREET, N.W.

ATLANTA, GEORGIA

SEQUENCE

PRELUDE Frances Shaffer Edwards, Organ
Steven Winick, Trumpet
Scott Douglas, Tympani

Trumpet Tune Henry Purcell

Toccatà in D Minor J. S. Bach

Prelude and Fugue in F. J. S. Bach

(The audience will please stand for the processional and remain standing until those in the procession are seated.)

PROCESSIONAL *Trumpet Voluntary* — Henry Purcell

Color Guard

The Faculty Marshalls

The Candidates for Degrees

The Board of Trustees

The Faculty of the College

The Administrative Officers

The Speakers and Distinguished Guests

The President of the College

PRESENTATION OF THE COLORS National Anthem
United States Marine Corp Color Guard

INVOCATION John T. Boutwell, D.C.
Trustee
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Hymn H. Eugene Soulsby, D.C.
Soloist

America, the Beautiful

Oh beautiful for spacious skies, For amber waves of grain,
For purple mountain majesties Above the fruited plain.
America! America! God shed His grace on thee,
And crown thy good with brotherhood From sea to shining sea.

O beautiful for pilgrim feet Whose stern impassioned stress,
A thoroughfare for freedom beat Across the wilderness.
America! America! God mend thine every flaw,
Confirm thy good in self control, Thy liberty in law.

O beautiful for heroes proved In liberating strife,
Who more than self their country loved,
And mercy more than life.
America! America! May God thy gold refine
Till all success be nobleness and every gain divine.

O beautiful for patriot dream That sees beyond the years
Thine alabaster cities gleam Undimmed by human tears,
America! America! God shed His grace on thee,
And crown thy good with brotherhood From sea to shining sea.

WELCOME	D. D. Humber, D.C. Chairman of the Board of Trustees Life Chiropractic College
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INTRODUCTION OF DAY "1" FACULTY AND ORIGINAL TRUSTEES	Sid E. Williams, B.S., D.C. President Life Chiropractic College
VOCAL SELECTION.	<i>Impossible Dream</i> — H. Eugene Soulsby, D.C.
INTRODUCTION OF VALEDICTORIAN.	Donald L. Frye, Ph.D. Academic Dean Life Chiropractic College
VALEDICTORY ADDRESS	James A. Fambrough, B.S., M.S.
INTRODUCTION OF SALUTATORIAN.	Donald L. Frye, Ph.D. Academic Dean Life Chiropractic College
SALUTATORY ADDRESS.	Steven Warfield
VOCAL SELECTIONS.	Doy Ott Soloist
INTRODUCTION OF THE SPEAKER	Sid E. Williams, B.S., D.C. President Life Chiropractic College
THE COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS.	The Honorable Herman E. Talmadge United States Senator, Georgia

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TURNING OF THE HOODS

Gerard W. Clum, D.C.
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The Candidates for the degree of Doctor of Chiropractic will be presented in the following order: Day "1" Class will be presented in the order in which application for admission was received followed in alphabetical order by the remaining members of the pioneer class.

Day "1" Class

Home State

Steven Warfield	Michigan
Stanley Yarnot	Wisconsin
Wynett Scott	Oklahoma
Mark K. Flynn	Florida
Doy Willis Ott.	Georgia
Sanford L. Hopkins	Arizona
Michael L. Ungerank	Arkansas
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C. William Kelly	Florida
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J. H. Burnham	Georgia
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Monte R. Gansborg	New York
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Those select graduates who are members of the national honor society, are wearing the "GOLD CORD" of Pi Tau Delta.

THE CONFERRING OF HONORARY DEGREES Sid E. Williams, B.S., D.C.
President
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VOCAL SELECTION. *Stouthearted Men* — H. Eugene Soulsby, D.C.

THE CHIROPRACTOR'S OATH Sid E. Williams, B.S., D.C.
President
Life Chiropractic College

CHIROPRACTOR'S OATH

In accordance with the Law of Nature, that law which God has prescribed to all men; and in consequence of my dedication to restoration of the sick to health by the application of that Law, I promise and swear to keep to the best of my ability and judgment, the following oath:

I, _____ will observe and practice every acknowledged rule of professional conduct in relation with my profession, my patient, my colleague, and myself.

I will keep an open mind regarding the progress of my profession, provided that this progression shall be confined within the boundaries of the Chiropractic Science Philosophy, and Art.

I will serve my patient to the best of my ability, violating neither his confidence nor his dignity, and in my association with patients I shall not violate that which is moral and right.

I shall regard and refer to my fellow Chiropractor with honor, giving credit where it is due.

I shall improve my knowledge and skill, firm in my resolution to justify the responsibility which the degree of Doctor of Chiropractic symbolizes and imposes.

To all this I pledge myself, knowing these ideals are prescribed by the dictates of Reason alone.

THE CHANGING OF THE TASSELS. Gerard W. Clum, D.C.
Registrar/Director of Admissions

THE RECESSIONAL. *Pomp and Circumstance* — Elgar

(The audience will remain standing while the faculty and graduating class leave the auditorium.)

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ACADEMIC DRESS

Academic Dress has an interesting but vague history. The colorful array seen at graduations today had its origin not singularly in finery but rather from need. During the Middle Ages classrooms were not heated as ours today and the scholars literally wore coats to maintain their body warmth while they lectured. One of the problems created by this situation was the image being presented, which was less than the earned esteem associated with such educators. Consequently a dress code was devised to provide a better image while incorporating practicality. There remains question as to whether academic dress style comes from ecclesiastical origin or civilian dress. The code can be applied with no tolerance of variation or it can be relaxed depending upon the philosophy and setting of the institution or organization.

The gown worn by doctors is traditionally black rayon or silk with a black velvet facing and three matching bars across each sleeve. Each field of education has a color assigned to it such as: light blue representing education majors, purple representing law majors, lemon for library science, scarlet for theology and on and on. Usually the velvet facing and bars are black although color can be altered under special circumstances or in accordance with the symbolic color of the field of education.

The hood originated as a useful garment to protect against the elements and probably from ecclesiastical teachings as well; however, it remains today to serve tradition and esteem. The hood for each degree is different, the doctor's hood being four and one half feet long and fuller than that of any other degree. The hood is always of the same fabric as the gown. The hood is bound by a five inch velvet binding indicative of the subject to which the degree pertains according to the colors described above. The lining of the hood is designed in various styles utilizing the colors of the institution granting the degree. Each institution designs its own individual hood and maintains that design throughout its history. Today is the first time anyone has worn a Life Chiropractic College hood in any procession. Life Chiropractic College hoods have a grey velvet binding representing life and vitality separated by a chevron of white representing purity of principle.

HISTORY OF LIFE

An institution is but the lengthening shadow of a man. The history of Life Chiropractic College would not be complete without knowledge of the man who is its founder and developer, Dr. Sid E. Williams.

For many years Dr. Williams had known that a chiropractic college would be established in Metropolitan Atlanta, the hub of the Southeast. He knew in his heart that each thing has its season and he would be shown the right time and right place to start this endeavor, as well as the means to make it a reality.

The college he envisioned would be dedicated to the principles of chiropractic as established by the Palmers and other dedicated pioneers. It would provide facilities and guidance for young men and women, not only with a spirit of dedication and service which would speed the day when chiropractic — like the Phoenix — would rise from the flames as Atlanta had, and the universal truths about Life and Health discovered and developed within the profession, would be accepted universally.

At last, the dream has been realized! The modern 57,700 square-foot facility teems with young students in love with "Life". Dr. Sid, his wife, Dr. Nell, and their lifelong friend, Dr. D.D. Humber, working together with a great Life Team have achieved a great beginning with the help of thousands of friends who believe as they do that chiropractic is a separate and distinct science and philosophy belonging to the people who have the right to know about and experience its benefits.

There is no quick ascent to a mountain's peak. It is always a long and arduous journey with setbacks, dangers, disappointments and heartbreaks. One needs courage and stamina to conquer mountains or accomplish anything worthwhile.

Though Dr. Sid's lifelong ambition had been to become a doctor, it was not until he became aware of the chiropractic philosophy which coincided with his Innate understanding of life that he decided to become a chiropractor. A football injury, suffered when he played on Georgia Tech's Championship 1951 Orange Bowl Team, made him keenly aware of the marvelous benefits of chiropractic and influenced his final decision.

Shortly after his graduation from Georgia Tech, Dr. Sid and Dr. Nell married and entered Palmer College together. The couple graduated in 1956 and opened a joint practice in Austell, Georgia, a suburb of Atlanta. Immediately, they began a dynamic many faceted program which eventually spread internationally. Its purpose was to inform the public about the wonderful benefits of regular chiropractic care. Their practice soared as they brought the message directly to the public in a language they could understand. The Williams had found in chiropractic a new way of life based on service and dedication.

The Williams' practice grew to include eighteen clinics in the Southeast. Their Austell practice soared to 1000 - 1500 patient visits a week with a staff adequate to handle the task.

At this time, chiropractic literature for patients was outdated and inadequate. Dr. Williams founded Si-Nel Publishing and Sales which provided hundreds of new informative brochures and pamphlets for patients plus supplies and equipment for the chiropractors. Dr. Sid pioneered a new approach which was positive, emphasizing that regular chiropractic care would insure that "healthy — happy feeling" which accompanies excellent health.

In 1964, Dr. Sid was inspired to begin meetings for chiropractors, their wives and assistants to combat the negative attitudes prevalent among many chiropractors. His philosophy spread throughout the profession because the ideas were deep rooted in the truth of chiropractic and offered positive solutions to attacks by the A.M.A. and the profession's failing to be included in the federal Medicare program. Several million letters were sent to the U.S. Congress urging the inclusion of chiropractic in Medicare. Through the leadership and efforts of Dr. Sid and many others in the profession, chiropractic was included in the Medicare program in 1971.

The meeting grew into four-day seminars held quarterly. The principles of chiropractic and the best procedures to be used in its practice are taught, including the "missing link" which emphasized the original philosophy and "bigness" of the chiropractic idea. Thousands attend to learn how to become dedicated, self-disciplined doctors, imbued with the spirit of service which brings success in all facets of life.

Earlier in 1966, Dr. Williams founded the Life Foundation, a non-profit I.R.S. approved chiropractic organization dedicated to the purpose of service, education and research. An immediate project was "Health for Life", a newspaper which is distributed by chiropractors to their patients and read by millions. Under Dr. Williams' leadership, famous celebrities who are chiropractic boosters, were contacted for feature stories published together with the testimonials of grateful patients.

Life Foundation also publishes magazines featuring the "Best of Health for Life", plus other magazines, booklets and pamphlets.

Robert Goulet, a chiropractic booster, made TV tapes about chiropractic for the Life Foundation and a special TV tape publicizing a brochure "How to Stop Smoking", produced by the Foundation, and available to the public without charge.

Today, 1977, the Life Chiropractic College exists as a separate, distinct, independent and autonomous body fulfilling its purpose as dictated by its own charter. It is well underway with students from over 45 different states.

When the college opened its doors January 20, 1975 the total enrollment was 32. The portion of those 32 graduating in today's ceremonies have been called the Day "1" class and proud we are to have them and the other daring students who have since joined the ranks of young people seeking a principled, chiropractic education.

Enrollment has increased from 32 in 1975 to nearly 600 in three calendar years. As though this is not accomplishment enough to exemplify the nature of the institution, its leaders and supporters, during this three year period the college has also gained approval by the Board of Education of the State of Georgia, Correspondent Status with the Council on Chiropractic Education (CCE), approval by the International Chiropractors Association (ICA), by the Veterans Administration, and the Department of Immigration and Naturalization.

People who greatly desire to be of service to their fellow man have the opportunity at Life Chiropractic College to gain the skills, techniques, and scientific knowledge necessary to become excellent chiropractors. More significantly, they are learning the importance of sacrifice and dedicated service if one is to be worthy as a representative of the chiropractic profession.

In spite of his many achievements in and for the chiropractic profession, Dr. Williams does not take personal credit for these outstanding accomplishments. It is his conviction that all which has transpired is the result of his following the guidance of the Innate Spirit which will guide all men whose purpose is the desire to serve others with love and dedication, if they are willing to practice discipline and self-sacrifice. Training such men is the goal of Life Chiropractic College.

