

# COMMUNITY

The atmosphere of the College could not be accomplished outside of authentic context of Christian community. The work of the college relies heavily upon its organic relationship to the Church and to the local community of evangelical and orthodox Christians in the Memphis area. This wider community of saints is essential to encouraging godly living and to sustaining the many facets of life that are relevant to higher education. Such a core community is especially important as students engage with the secular community in the area. Academic, ecclesiastical, and social isolation is discouraged. Separating academic pursuits from other areas of life is a tendency common in the unreal, ivory-tower culture of many residential campuses. At Praxis Bible College students are encouraged to live and to work as responsible members of the local community. For this reason, the College offers no on-campus housing. Rather, students are encouraged to patronize local businesses and to seek out living arrangements and job situations where they can interact regularly with diverse members of the local community.