...Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have.

- 1 Peter 3:15 (NIV)
Monday, September 16
2019 - 2020: Year of Evangelism

5:00 p.m. Local Ministry Leaders’ Dinner — Anschutz Student Center Great Room
    Welcome to Pastors & School of Theology Students
    CCU Update: Overview of the Thriving Church Initiative & New Academic Year

6:30 p.m. Dr. Donald W. Sweeting, President
    Welcome and Overview of the Symposium

6:40 p.m. CCU University Choir directed by David McNeil
    The Lord is My Salvation
    Ain’-a That Good News!
    In Christ Alone

6:55 p.m. Dr. Kyle Usrey, Vice President of Academic Affairs, CUS
    Introduction of the Speaker

7:00 p.m. Steve Douglass, President of Cru/Campus Crusade for Christ International
    My Journey in Becoming More Effective in Evangelism

7:30 p.m. Dr. Donald W. Sweeting
    Introduction of the Keynote Speaker

7:35 p.m. Keynote Speaker: Lee Strobel, Founding Director of the Lee Strobel Center for Evangelism and Applied Apologetics
    Revisiting The Case for Christ

8:20 p.m. Lee Strobel & Dr. Donald W. Sweeting
    Q & A Session (text or email questions to ccusymposium@gmail.com)

8:30 a.m. Dr. Matt Jones, Assistant Professor of New Testament Studies
    Welcome and Overview of the Day

8:40 a.m. Music Team: Praise and Worship
    Oh, Praise the Name (Anastasis)
    All the Poor and Powerless
    Great Are You, Lord

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10:05 a.m. Coffee Break

10:20 a.m. Professor David Bosworth, Associate Professor of New Testament Studies and Missions
Introduction of the Speaker

10:25 a.m. Zane Black, Creator & Owner of Lovin Life Ministries
“Let’s Go!” Mark 1:35-42

11:10 a.m. Zane Black & Professor David Bosworth
Q & A Session (text or email questions to ccusymposium@gmail.com)

11:30 a.m. Dr. Kevin Turner, Professor of Youth Ministry and Theology
Closing and Instructions for Lunch

11:45 a.m. School & Department Lunches [all over campus]

School of Business and Leadership: Event Center
School of Education: Anschutz Student Center Stadium
School of Humanities and Social Sciences:
   Communication: Leprino 204
   English: Patrick Henry Hall 305
   Psychology: Leprino 170
   Social Sciences: Leprino 307
School of Music: Leprino 104
School of Science and Engineering: Anschutz Student Center Great Room
School of Theology: Leprino 172
Undeclared Majors: Leprino 303

1:00 p.m. Workshop #1 [see schedule of topics and locations]

2:00 p.m. Q & A Session

2:15 p.m. Break

2:30 p.m. Workshop #2 [see schedule of topics and locations]

3:30 p.m. Q & A Session

3:45 p.m. Symposium Concludes

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Speaker: Lee Strobel  
*Revisiting The Case for Christ*

Atheist-turned-Christian Lee Strobel is the founding director of the Lee Strobel Center for Evangelism and Applied Apologetics at Colorado Christian University. Strobel is a former award-winning legal editor of the *Chicago Tribune* and best-selling author of more than 20 books. His classic, *The Case for Christ*, is a perennial favorite which details his conversion to Christianity. Strobel's recent release, *The Case for Grace*, won the 2016 Nonfiction Book of the Year from the EPCA. Strobel earned a bachelor's degree in journalism from the University of Missouri and a Master of Studies in Law at Yale Law School. He also led a team that won UPI's top award for investigative reporting in Illinois. Strobel and his wife, Leslie, have been married for more than 40 years.

Speaker: Steve Douglass  
*My Journey in Becoming More Effective in Evangelism*

Steve Douglass is president of both Campus Crusade for Christ International and Cru, as the ministry is known in the United States. Douglass came to the ministry after graduating from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and Harvard Business School. Through almost 50 years of service, he has held a variety of positions, including Vice President, as well as Administration Director for U.S. ministries. In July 2001, Douglass took over as the president of Campus Crusade for Christ International from founder Bill Bright. Douglass is the author or co-author of several books, including *Managing Yourself, How to Achieve Your Potential and Enjoy Life, How to Get Better Grades and Have More Fun*, and *Enjoying Your Walk with God*. His radio program, “Making Your Life Count,” airs daily on 900 stations. Douglas and his wife, Judy, reside in Orlando, Florida. They have three grown children and nine grandchildren.

Speaker: Zane Black  
*“Let’s Go!” Mark 1:35-42*

Zane Black is the founder of Lovin Life, a youth-focus organization dedicated to spreading the gospel message so that individuals can have “life and life to the fullest.” He is an in-demand speaker, author, and tours frequently with Dare 2 Share. Black looked for all the crazy excitement and adventure life had to offer. But he ended up “going all in” for the wrong things. It almost cost him his life. After years of living for cheap thrills and temporary highs, Black experienced a radical encounter with Jesus that changed his life forever. With a heart that is on fire for Jesus, Black has a unique way of relating to teens about the struggles they’re going through. Then he shows them the freedom they can have in Christ and how to live life to the fullest. He is passionate about knowing and sharing Jesus. Black and his wife, Rachel, have two children.
In the Gospel of Luke, Jesus relates the parable of the lost sheep and the "joy in heaven" over the repentance of one sinner. But how far will we go to evangelize that sinner, especially if he has been deemed hopeless in the eyes of the world? The film "Dead Man Walking" tells the story of one such lost sheep and his road to repentance. In this session we will watch a long excerpt of the film to feel the impact of such a journey.

In an increasingly secular world often skeptical of Christianity, artists and pilgrims present an inviting and disarming alternative, offering beauty and grace and, ultimately, the irresistible aroma of Christ. This workshop will explore the unique allure of beauty (the calling of an artist) and the gentle invitation of a journey (the posture of a fellow pilgrim) in drawing others to the gospel.

Learn some ways you can explain what God has done in your life, in order to connect better with those who don’t know Christ. Steve Douglass will have shared Monday evening how he has learned to do that. In this workshop you will take practical steps to stimulate interest in the gospel among non-Christians you meet.

Three professors, three scientific disciplines, and three different countries. We will offer three different experiences of being a Christian in the countries in which we grew up and discuss how other cultures can shape one’s faith and develop a broader worldview. We hope to engage with students who have insights from their experiences in other cultures and find common ground for what being a Christian means.

When we think about the desire and even encouragement to share the good news of the gospel, we can often fall into a mindset of a task to be completed rather than a person to meet. If the good news is actually good, then it has to be wrapped in a relationship just like when the original "good news" (Jesus) came to earth to live among us. This workshop will examine relational strategies to connect with people, and allow them the opportunity to discover the good news through you.

At the foundations of Western civilization stand two powerful accounts, both of which offer an anthropology that rejects transhumanism beforehand, while inviting us to embrace the limits of our humanity and to live them out in political community. We will explore these themes briefly in the careers of Homer’s Achilles and Odysseus and then focus primarily on the political implications of the biblical anthropology that emerge from the early chapters of Genesis.
Professor Susan Pahlau & Dr. Heather Thompson Day
Being a Christian in the Secular Workplace
Leprino Hall 106

“Help! I go to a Christian school, volunteer at a Christian church, and I’m not sure I’m prepared to go out and work with people who do not know Jesus. What will help me with this transition? How can I stay strong, without being pulled into a culture with values different than my own? How much should I talk about Jesus vs. showing my allegiance to Him in the way I work and relate to my co-workers?” Come to this workshop to learn practical communication strategies to be better equipped to share the love of Jesus wherever you work!

Dr. Debora Scheffel & School of Education Faculty
Challenges in Education in the 21st Century
Leprino Hall 307

This session for Christian teachers that serve at secular schools will address current trends and challenges to K-12 and post-secondary education in the 21st century including data privacy, use of technology, knowledge transmission, and religious freedom.

Dr. Steve Shumaker
Speaking Truth to Power: A Biblical Guide to Evangelizing Caesar
Leprino Hall 305

Speaking truth to power is the central challenge of politics, and declaring the gospel to those in power is the most ambitious attempt to confront that challenge. The Bible shows us how to speak effectively to power; following its lead, we can learn to declare the Good News of God’s redemption to the “great and mighty” with courage and grace.

Dr. Matt Jones
It’s That Simple!
Patrick Henry 109

This workshop provides an accessible and memorable way to share the Gospel through key passages in Romans.

LOCAL MINISTRY LEADERS’ WORKSHOP TRACK:

Pastor James Hoxworth
Who does Evangelism Anymore? Perspectives on Evangelism and the Local Church from a Pastor’s Perspective
Leprino Hall 303

How can churches think about evangelism in the 21st Century? Are there ways we are helping or hurting our gospel witness, and how do we equip people for faithful proclamation and demonstration of the love of Christ? Join local church leaders in a conversation about how we can structure our churches evangelistically, and think critically about how we engage the world around us.