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Larry Bryan and John Brummitt to Coach at FWBBC

NASHVILLE, TN—Two Free Will Baptist Bible College graduates, Larry Bryan and John Brummitt, have been named to the college's coaching staff, according to Athletic Director Gary Turner. Mr. Bryan will coach the Lady Flames basketball team, while Mr. Brummitt comes aboard as FWBBC's first intercollegiate cross country coach.

"This is a great move for the college's athletic program," Mr. Turner said. "These men are respected leaders in their local church and in the business community. They have strong ties with FWBBC, understand the college's mission, and share its Christian worldview. They are committed to biblical principles in lifestyle and to a solid athletic program for our students."

Lady Flames Basketball

Mr. Bryan, a Nashville business owner and North Carolina native, is a 1983 FWBBC graduate. Following a brief tenure at Randall House Publications, he relocated to Greenville (NC) for 17 years where he worked in Christian and public schools and in real estate, and served six years assistant coach at Trinity Christian School. He returned to Tennessee in 2001 to join Lewis Letterworks, a graphic design, print and mail company. Larry's wife Kristi is an FWBBC alumna. Their daughter Jennifer (Altom) is a 2005 graduate, and daughter Katie, is an FWBBC Nursing/Missions major. Their son Jeffrey is a financial aid consultant at Cumberland University.

Bryan said, "My goal is to build a basketball program that will represent the college and our Lord in a positive way. I hope to create an atmosphere in which young women understand the importance of hard work in order to compete on the collegiate level. If we can do that, the team will attract other students to FWBBC and to Christ."

Cross Country

As the college's first varsity cross country coach, John Brummitt will set the standard at FWBBC. The Tennessee native is ready to accept the challenge. Although he has no formal coaching experience, Mr. Brummitt has run competitively since high school and is the founder of Temple Builders Running Club. The 2004 FWBBC graduate has an MBA in Finance from Tennessee Technological University, and has served as chief financial officer for the Board of Retirement since 2006. John and Ashley Brummitt are members of Donelson Free Will Baptist Church (Nashville).

"I am excited to be the first cross country coach for FWBBC," Brummitt said. "The addition of this sport will be an excellent fit for the college, since it does not require building more facilities. Plus, it will attract more student athletes from our local churches. I look forward to working with runners as they transition from high school and participate in a developing collegiate program. These first cross country athletes will be making history for us at FWBBC."