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GWU Dimensions Program to Feature Tanya Hobbs on Oct. 4

By Bryton Mitchell, ('17) GWU Intern for Communications

BOILING SPRINGS, N.C.— A Gardner-Webb University staff member will share her story about overcoming cancer through her faith in God during the weekly Dimensions program on Oct. 4. This event, which is free and open to the public, will start at 9:25 a.m. in Stewart Hall of the Tucker Student Center on the GWU campus.

Tanya Hobbs, a former University of Georgia All-American swimmer, is currently serving as assistant coach for GWU Men's and Women's Swimming team. She is a former Olympic Trials qualifier and Rutherford County (N.C.) Athlete of the Year in 1998, and was also previously a volunteer coach at GWU from 2004-07.

Dr. Tracy Jessup, vice president of Christian Life and Service and senior minister to the University, believes it is important for members of the GWU community to share their testimonies.

"Students have told me that they enjoy hearing from faculty and staff," Jessup shares. "It adds a personal touch to the Dimensions Program when we include speakers who are part of the University family. I hope students will be inspired by Coach Hobbs' testimony as a cancer survivor and the important role of faith in God, which is a part of her story."

Gardner-Webb's Dimensions program seeks to enhance the spiritual, intellectual, and cultural life at the University and to promote a sense of community. More information is available by calling the GWU Office of Christian Life & Service at 704-406-4277 or visiting gardner-webb.edu.

Auxiliary aids will be made available to persons with disabilities upon request 10 days prior to the event. Please call 704-406-4253 or email servicerequests@gardner-webb.edu.

Located in Boiling Springs, N.C., Gardner-Webb University's purpose is to advance the Kingdom of God through Christian higher education by preparing graduates for professional and personal success, instilling in them a deep commitment to service and

leadership, and equipping them for well-rounded lives of lasting impact, Pro Deo et Humanitate (For God and Humanity).