DBU’s international student population has grown by leaps and bounds over the years, totaling some 528 students in the fall of 2013, representing more than 66 countries. Because of this rapid growth, DBU created a new facility that could house not only the international department, but also classroom and fellowship space for both international and American students. Named in honor of former DBU trustee David Moon and his wife, In Sun, the Moon International Center provides a home away from home for so many.

**MOON INTERNATIONAL CENTER**

$2.54 MILLION

**WHITE HALL**

$2.55 million

In no time, the new apartment buildings reached capacity and new apartments were needed, so plans began for two new apartment buildings, which would be located on the southeast side of the campus, adjacent to Bush Park.

The first of these two was named in memory of the late Dr. Fred White, and his wife, Mary Lou. Dr. White was instrumental in helping DBU relocate from Decatur to Dallas, and through the years, he was a beacon of encouragement to the DBU family.

**COOK HALL**

$2.6 million

The second of these buildings opened in 2005 and was named in honor of Sheila Cook, wife of DBU president Dr. Gary Cook. The apartments overlook a beautiful running trail and landscaped area, complete with a duck pond and fountain.

Since its construction, Sheila Cook Hall has become a vital part of DBU’s Global Village, with international and American students living together in the various apartments.
In the spring of 2005, a major storm front passed through North Texas, bringing with it straight-line winds that wreaked havoc on the DBU campus late one evening. Nobody was injured, but many buildings suffered damage, especially the former admissions building and lab school building.

As the cleanup went forward, the decision was made to rebuild the lab school building as a new home for the College of Education, which had at that point been housed in Spence Hall. By the end of 2005, a new College of Education building was in place, complete with classrooms, several faculty offices, and a dean’s suite.

It did not take long before the other four apartments reached capacity, and soon, a new building was opened up for apartment dwellers - J. Blair Blackburn Hall.

The building was named in honor of DBU’s executive vice president, Dr. Blair Blackburn, whose guidance and leadership helped in the planning and construction of each of the new buildings on campus, and who oversaw the campus beautification project. Blackburn Hall stands across from the Burg Center and overlooks the Patriot Soccer Field.

The spring storm in 2005, which damaged many buildings on campus, also impacted the Burg Center. This multi-purpose facility housed not only the DBU athletic department, basketball games, and fitness center but also weekly chapel services and major special events, such as the Homecoming Extravaganza, the Hymn Sing, and DBU Commencement Services.

The entire building was renovated, with new flooring installed, a new basketball court, new seating, new lighting, and a new sound system. On the lower level, the fitness center was expanded, and the faculty and staff offices were updated.
The Patriot Baseball Program has long been known for its production of victories and talented players; however, the facilities often did not match the high-caliber of play. Therefore, a Champions for Christ Campaign was begun with the goal of improving the program, and in 2006, thanks to the generous support of DBU trustee Harold Sadler, and his wife, Mildred, the new Sadler Patriot Clubhouse was opened, providing lockers, a training room, lounge, and coaches' offices right next to the field.

$750,000

The construction of the Colonial Village Apartments was met with great response from DBU students who wanted to remain a part of campus life but experience the freedom of apartment living. In 2007, DBU began a new phase in the development of its campus life by providing upperclassmen with a new option - townhomes. Over the course of three years, some 10 townhomes were constructed, each containing four separate two-story units equipped with three bedrooms, two baths, a kitchen, and a large living room. As of the fall of 2013, some 282 students lived in the Mabee Village townhomes.

$3.49 Million

$2.6 Million

$1.99 Million
In 2008, DBU dedicated a new building in honor of Baptist statesman and noted author Henry Blackaby, most known for his work *Experiencing God*. The inspiration for this latest replication came from its next door neighbor, the Mahler Student Center. While the Student Center is modeled after the south elevation of Independence Hall, this new building is based on the north elevation, which faces Chestnut Street in Philadelphia. Housed in Blackaby Hall is the Online Education Department, the Patriot Store, and several music classrooms and faculty offices.

$5.14 MILLION

For years, DBU offered classrooms in a variety of locations across the Metroplex, including churches, office buildings, companies, and schools. Yet, in 2009, DBU opened the doors to its first permanent building off campus, thanks to the generosity of DBU trustee Patsy Smith. Located in the Hurst-Colleyville area, the Patsy and Herman Smith Center is a 12,000-square-foot building that currently houses DBU’s College of Professional Studies, as well as classroom space, a student lounge, and faculty offices.

$3.61 MILLION