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ARKADELPHIA, Ark.—Coach Danny Prescott, who has served as Ouachita Baptist University's head volleyball coach for 14 seasons, has announced his resignation effective Dec. 31.

"I am grateful to David Sharp for the opportunity to coach a sport I love at my alma mater, to which I have been fortunate to invest 23 years in various capacities," Prescott said. "While I am extremely proud of the athletic and academic successes of the teams during my tenure and foresee many years of continued growth, I feel God's calling to devote more time to my loving wife, Amber, and the development of our three amazing children.

"I would like to thank the entire Ouachita family for their support during this journey, especially my assistant coaches, student athletes and the families who have contributed to the advancement of the OBU volleyball program. I pray that God will continue to be glorified through the endeavors of each life impacted through this special place."

"I am deeply grateful for the 14 years Coach Prescott has led our volleyball team," said Athletic Director David Sharp. "He has raised the bar in regards to Ouachita volleyball in the Great American Conference, competing for and this year winning the GAC championship. He and his teams have always represented Ouachita well on the court, in the classroom and in the community. We wish Danny well as he spends more time with his family."

During his 14-year career as head volleyball coach, Prescott amassed 208 wins and compiled an overall 58.5 percent winning record since the Tigers joined the NCAA Division II Great American Conference in 2011. Prescott was named the 2016 GAC Volleyball Coach of the Year after leading his team to a share of the regular season conference championship with a career high 23-7 record (12-4 GAC). His teams have advanced to the GAC Championship Tournament every year since 2011.

Many of Coach Prescott's players have represented Ouachita volleyball with distinguished awards, including:

Kori Bullard, GAC Scholar Athlete of the Year (2016)
Ashley Wake, Daktronics/D2CCA All-Region Team (2016)
Tabatha Huckabee, GAC All-Tournament Team (2016)
Stormi Leonard, GAC Setter of the Year (2016)
Adrianna Nolly, GAC Freshman of the Year (2016)
Abby Pickett, GAC Player of the Year (2015)
Breanne Garrett, Gulf South Conference All-Decade Team (2004-2007) and GSC Freshman of the Year (2004)

Prescott emphasized the importance of scholastic achievement with his student athletes. He led the GAC with the most players named to the Academic All-Conference Teams with 37 (2011-2016), and produced six GAC Distinguished Scholar Athletes, two GAC Elite Scholar Athletes, one GAC Scholar Athlete of the

Year, two Capital One Academic All-District Team members and one CoSIDA Division II Academic All-American.

Coach Sharp said the university will begin a search immediately to select a new volleyball coach. For information about the search process, contact David Sharp at sharpd@obu.edu or 870-245-5181.