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ARKADELPHIA, Ark. – Gregory Bryant spent a lot of time at Ouachita as a high school student, visiting his older sister Sarah Ashley Bryant Rutherford '19. He discovered early on that there was more "family" than he could have possibly imagined waiting to welcome him to campus.

Despite the fact that Gregory was in high school, he says, "The faculty, staff and students were great to me. I knew then that I wanted to come to Ouachita."

Three years later, Gregory is a rising senior who has thrown himself into life at Ouachita. In the classroom, he's encountered professors who "go the extra mile" in their field—willing to help students in any way possible, challenging them to grow intellectually and spiritually. As a member of Beta Beta Men's Social Club, Gregory got to participate in Tiger Tunes and enjoy a second-place finish. He's taken part in "buzzer-beater" intramural games, leads a weekly small-group Bible study through Campus Ministries and gives back to the Arkadelphia community on Tiger Serve Day.

"There never is a dull day at Ouachita," Gregory says, "and I love getting to enjoy it with some of the best people around."

"Everything changes so fast in this stage of life, but the one thing that is constant and steadfast is the Lord," he adds. "God's presence has been with me since the very first day I walked on campus. He has been guiding me on how to live the best way while I'm at Ouachita."

When Gregory reflects on his many Ouachita experiences, he credits the generosity of donors—including those who support the Cornerstone Fund—with making them possible.

"With Ouachita being an elite liberal arts school and its traditions, I knew I wanted to be part of it but didn't know if it would be possible," he says. "Because of donors, I'm able to enjoy Ouachita without drowning in student debt. And for that, I am so thankful."

Gifts to the Cornerstone Fund support Ouachita students like Gregory each year.

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