

 **Dave Christian**

First Last
Principal
School
1234 Street
Nashville, TN 37214

May 18, 2009

Dear Principal,

Jesus said, "... I have set before thee an open door ..."
([Revelation 3:8](#))

Therefore, I was wondering if you would be open to praying for and interviewing me as a [Volunteer Christian Teaching Assistant](#).

My name is [Dave Christian](#).

I'm a [Bible-believing](#), [conservative](#), [evangelical](#), [born-again Christian](#) (since 1998) with [biblical love](#) for [Jesus](#) and [people](#), and a [calling](#) from [God](#) to [serve](#) Him as a [Christian teacher](#).

My experience combined with a [B.S. in Organizational Leadership](#) and a [Minor in Biblical Studies](#) from [Biola University](#) may help bring your students outstanding success!

Furthermore, I am currently working toward the [Online M.A. in Educational Technology](#) at [Azusa Pacific University](#) and have been recently accepted into the [Teaching Licensure](#) in [Biblical Studies](#) at [Free Will Baptist Bible College](#).

However, my teaching gifts are not for every school.

Jesus said, "He that is not with me is against me ..."
([Matthew 12:30](#))

Therefore, the [Lord](#) is leading me to [humbly serve](#) Him only where [God's Word](#) is [obeyed](#) and the [Lord Jesus Christ](#) is [loved](#).

Where do you think we should go from here?

[Love in Jesus](#),



[Dave Christian](#)

P.S. If we can [help](#) each other in any way, just let me know.

"[Sanctify](#) them [through](#) thy [truth](#): thy [word](#) is [truth](#)."
([John 17:17](#))





Dave Christian

Objective: [Volunteer Christian Teaching Assistant](#)

Experience: [Helpology.org](#) - [Christian Servant](#), Temecula, CA (1/00 - Present)
· Founded [Helpology](#) - "the biblical study of the most helpful products and services"
· Biblically researches, uses, and recommends the most helpful products and services
· Biblically solves problems - "What's the most helpful and simplest way that works?"

[Target Corporation](#) - [Executive Team Leader](#), Menifee, CA (6/07 - 7/08)
· Taught, trained, and mentored a 175-employee team and \$40M per year store
· Role-modeled "Safe and Secure" and "Fast, Fun, and Friendly" service
· Communicated effectively, maximized relationships, taught best practices

[Welk Resort](#) - [Real Estate Agent](#), Escondido, CA (9/05 - 12/06)
· Helped teach and mentor a 55-employee team and \$30M per year resort
· Closed 21% of 243 sales presentations (each tour lasted 2 to 6 hours)
· Produced \$1,101,364 in sales volume during first year

[Total Training](#) - [Sales Representative](#), Carlsbad, CA (8/04 - 4/05)
· Sold [Adobe](#) software training videos - highest sales at convention (\$12,453)
· Prospected more than 100 potential clients per day by phone and e-mail
· Earned several client compliments and repeat business each week

[U.S. Marine Corps](#) - [Public Relations Specialist](#), Oceanside, CA (7/97 - 1/04)
· Taught, trained, and mentored 51 U.S. Marines
· Supervised 105 community relation events
· Organized 19 base tours and guided 959 visitors
· Wrote and produced 149 stories for newspaper and TV
· Delivered 9 speeches as most-requested public speaker on base

Education: [M.A., Educational Technology, Azusa Pacific University](#), CA (Expected 6/2010)
[B.S., Organizational Leadership, Minor in Biblical Studies, Biola University](#), CA
[Teaching License, Biblical Studies, Free Will Baptist Bible College](#), TN (Expected 9/2010)

Gifts: [Teaching](#) - effective communicator, listener, speaker, writer, and educator
[Counseling](#) - biblical love for Jesus and people, plus passion for helping
[Mentoring](#) - open, honest, genuine, trustworthy, likable, and influential
[Relationship Building](#) - encourages others through sincere love, respect, and service
[Problem Solving](#) - biblically helps save pain, time, energy, and money
[Management](#) - quickly organizes and accomplishes multiple tasks
[Servant Leadership](#) - leads by example and inspires self and others to productivity

Awards: Great Team Hero, Target Corporation, CA
1st Place Thomas Jefferson Award for Photojournalism, Department of Defense, CA
1st Place Television Program, U.S. Marine Corps, CA
Letter of Appreciation for Narration, U.S. Marine Corps, CA
Letter of Appreciation for Community Relations, U.S. Marine Corps, CA
Highest Sales Volume Per Guest, Welk Resort, CA

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Free Will Baptist Bible College

A Christian Community of Faith and Learning

April 28, 2009

Mr. Dave Christian
208 Stewart's Ferry Pike
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Dear Dave:

Congratulations! This letter is to inform you that you have been granted **provisional acceptance** for the fall 2009 semester. We are so excited that you enrolled at Free Will Baptist Bible College and are part of the College family.

There are still a few things missing from your application file. Once your file is complete and the admissions committee reviews it, the provisional status will be changed to regular admission and we will be able to apply any financial aid that you may be eligible for. If you have any questions about what is still missing from your file, please do not hesitate to call me at (615) 844-5222.

We believe you have chosen wisely and look forward to helping you with your educational needs as you prepare for a life of service. May the Lord bless you as you serve here at FWBBC. We are looking forward to the contribution you will make to our student body.

Sincerely,

Lynsey Riggs
Enrollment Management
lriggs@fwbbc.edu

**Transcript**

Name: David Christian

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Summer II 2008 - GR		Hours Earned	Hours Atmpd	Grade Points	GPA
	Term Totals	3.000	3.000	12.000	4.000
	Cumulative Totals	3.000	3.000	12.000	4.000
EDUC511	Essent.in Ed.Tech.and Learning		A	3.000	12.000
Fall I 2008 - GR		Hours Earned	Hours Atmpd	Grade Points	GPA
	Term Totals	3.000	3.000	12.000	4.000
	Cumulative Totals	6.000	6.000	24.000	4.000
EDUC512	Instr.Appl/Productivity Softwr		A	3.000	12.000
Fall II 2008 - GR		Hours Earned	Hours Atmpd	Grade Points	GPA
	Term Totals	3.000	3.000	12.000	4.000
	Cumulative Totals	9.000	9.000	36.000	4.000
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	Term Totals	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
	Cumulative Totals	9.000	9.000	36.000	4.000
				0.000	

Student Name: Christian, David
 Former Name:
 Birthplace: Detroit, Michigan

SSN: 371-94-8455
 ID: 0001177271
 Birthdate: 12/10/1969
 Sex: Male

High School: Henry Ford II HS
 HS Location: Sterling HI, Michigan

HS Grad Date: 06/05/1998
 SAT:
 ACT: 26c 24e

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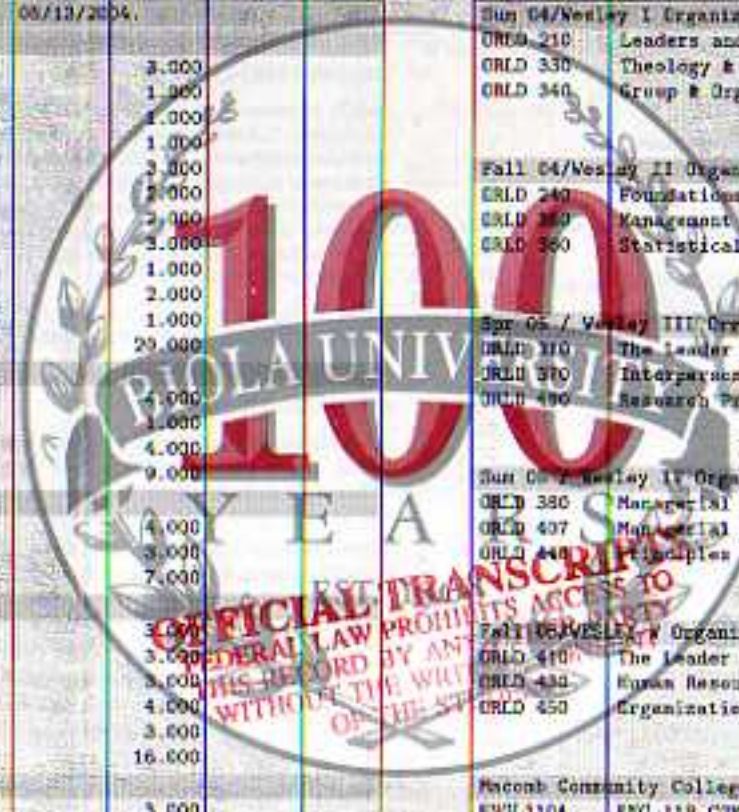
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OFFICE OF THE REGISTRAR
Permanent Academic Record

Degree: B.S. 12/14/2007 Degree:
 Honors: Honors
 Major: Organizational Leadership

Student is in good standing and is eligible to return unless otherwise stated.
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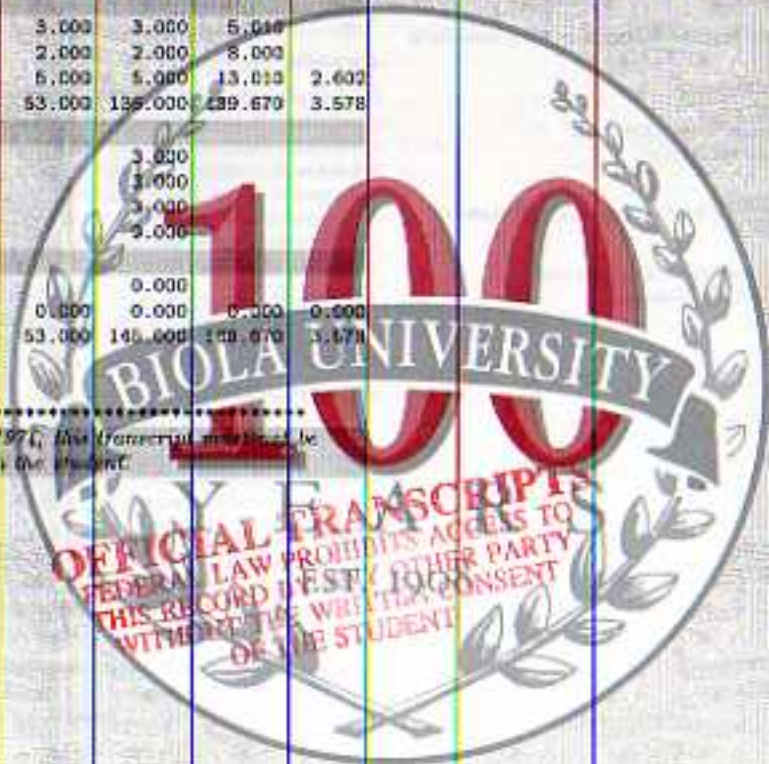
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	Transfer Totals			9.000									
FALL 2007 GRADUATION	Organizational Leadership												
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	Term Totals		0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000							
	Cumulative Totals		53.000	145.000	489.670	3.578							
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 TO STUDENT**

Wayne Chitt

 **Dave Christian**



11 January 2002

Dear Sergeant Christian,

I want to share with you an e-mail I received from a retired Marine officer. It seems that he was asked by several Marine families to forward food and clothing to Afghanistan, but hit a bureaucratic brick wall...until he called you. In his e-mail Colonel Coulter praises you for your enthusiasm, professionalism and helpful can-do attitude. He calls you "the cream of the crop."

Well done, Marine. You are clearly taking seriously the service mission of public affairs community relations. For all your good work, please accept Col. Coulter's thanks and my praise. Keep it up. You're making a difference.

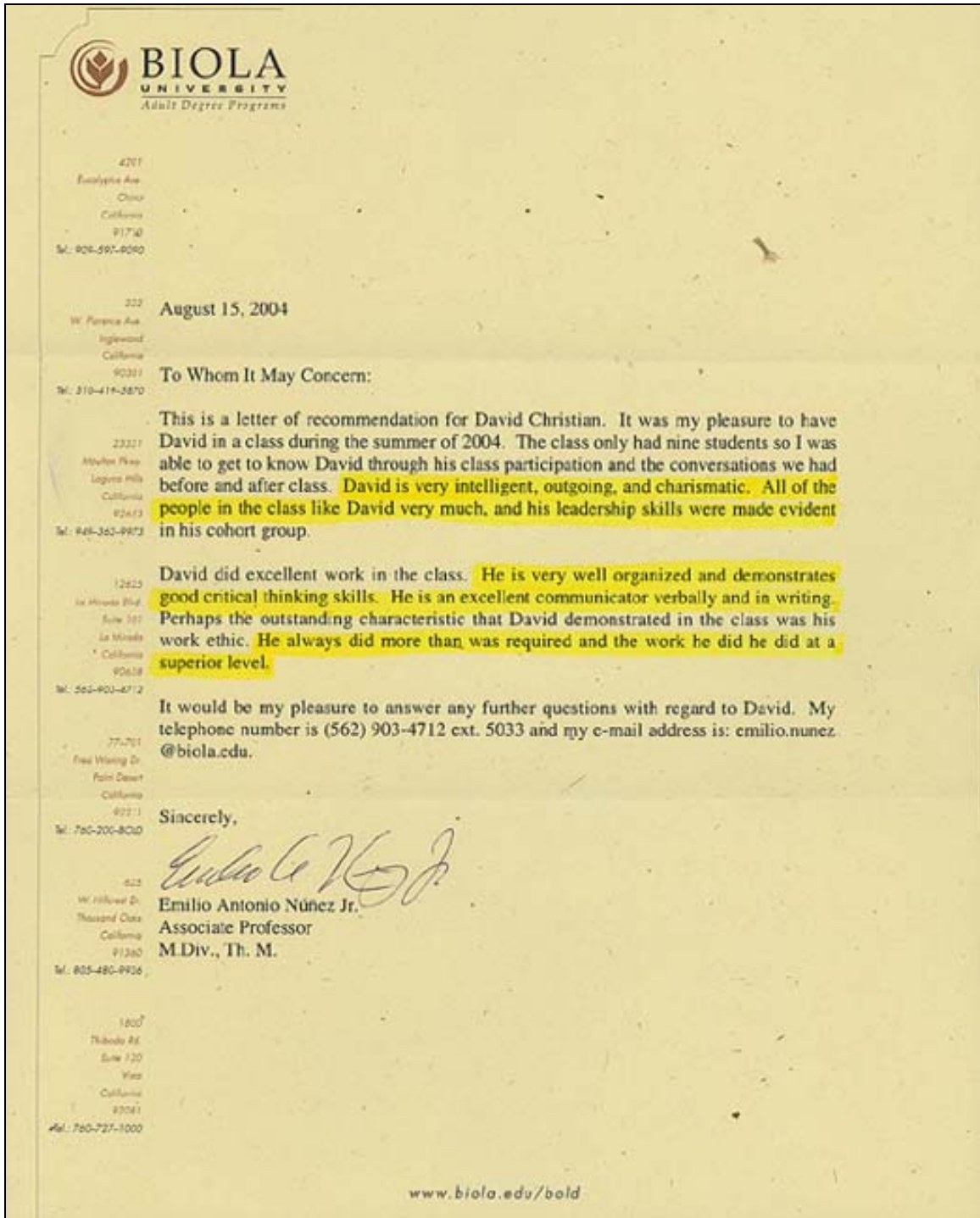
Sincerely,



A. B. DAVIS
Brigadier General, U.S. Marine Corps
Director of Public Affairs

Sergeant David Christian
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August 22, 2004

To Whom It May Concern:

It is my great pleasure to recommend Mr. David Christian to your organization. Mr. Christian was a student in my Small Group Communication course at Mira Costa College. I can wholeheartedly say he was one of the most dynamic and enthusiastic students I have ever had! Mr. Christian was eager to take on task assignments and looked forward to interacting with his peers in the class. I was fortunate to view some of Mr. Christian's work in a scholastic environment that closely mirrors business assignments.

Mr. Christian is competent and professional and the quality of his work is first rate. One of the assignments the class participated in was developing an original board game concept and then selling the game to the rest of the class. The assignment demonstrates students' abilities to interact in small groups, work as a team, exhibit creativity, and practice salesmanship. Without a doubt, the board game that Mr. Christian's group created was one of the best games presented. The rest of the class agreed and voted favorably for his group's game. Mr. Christian stepped into a leadership role and was an exceptional motivator for his team. It was very clear that many of the other students in class looked to Mr. Christian to lead by example.

Based on class assignments, I had firsthand experience in evaluating Mr. Christian's written and oral communication abilities. His presentations were always viewed very favorably among the other members of the class. In addition to his well-honed oral communication skill, Mr. Christian consistently submitted well written, thought provoking pieces to accompany his oral presentations.

Beyond Mr. Christian's academic accomplishments he is also a pleasant, conscientious, organized, and team-motivated individual. He possesses the leadership abilities and professional acumen requisite to succeed in an organization such as yours. I have found Mr. Christian to be a true pleasure to be around and I am sure the other members of your organization will feel the same.

In short, I strongly recommend Mr. Christian and would welcome the opportunity to expound more upon his qualifications and skills. Thank you for the opportunity to rave.

Sincerely,

Nickie Smith
Faculty Member
Mira Costa College

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 **Dave Christian**

the Scout

Serving the Community of Camp Pendleton



Published by South Coast Newspapers, Inc.

From: Brian La May, Managing Editor, the Scout newspaper
To: Seaver College Admission
Pepperdine University
Re: Letter of Recommendation for David Christian

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Conscientious, humble and purposeful yet cheerful, compassionate and boiling over with enthusiasm -- those characteristics are foremost when I contemplate Dave, whom I've worked with, talked with, commiserated with and laughed with for the past two years.

Dave's great work as a reporter/photographer for our paper is overshadowed only by his virtue as a human being. He's just a wonderful, delightful guy who inspires hope through his faith and idealism.

Dave's an idea man -- with the fortitude and work ethic to transform concepts into concrete. His backlog of accomplished projects -- the book he wrote, the ministry he founded, the Web site he created -- attest to his perseverance.

He's not only motivated but coachable. I've edited his copy and critiqued his work; he listens well and effusively appreciates genuine counsel meant to help him improve.


Personal virtues aside, Dave is also a results-getter. He was a reliable go-to guy for the paper who not only got the job done but did it well. We're proud not only that Dave's work won him the U.S. military's highest individual journalistic honor -- the Thomas Jefferson Award Photojournalist of the Year for 2001 -- but gratified that it helped us win the armed services' highest newspaper accolade -- also known as the "TJ."

His award, which includes the entire Department of Defense -- the Army, Navy, Air Force and Marine Corps -- is equivalent to winning an Oscar for top military photojournalist.

I believe if you accept Dave into your program, he'll devote himself with a fervor driven by both heart and soul. I say that because I know Dave is driven not by a desire for riches or fame, but by a calling to serve humanity as a Christian. That's the real deal with this guy.

I'll also add that I think David is ready for the challenge your program offers. I've heard and seen in recent months his burgeoning passion for visual arts and, specifically, television production. I've no doubt it's a mission not only of purpose, but a labor of love. I know he wouldn't squander this opportunity; on the contrary, he'd run with it.

Thank you,


Brian LaMay

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 **Dave Christian**



TOTAL TRAINING

April 4, 2005

To Whom It May Concern:

David Christian is one of the most outgoing and enthusiastic people I have ever had the pleasure of working with. It was very evident from the first time we met that Dave's infectious, positive attitude was extremely well suited to evangelizing a company in the marketplace. Dave applied himself conscientiously and constantly strove to find new and innovative ways to align the customer's interest with the interest of the company. His effervescent personality is unmatched and would serve any company well.

Please do not hesitate to contact me directly if I can be of any assistance but suffice it to say I recommend Dave Christian to any employer.



Dan Collins
Director of Sales

♥ Dave Christian



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IN REPLY REFER TO:
CPAO
14 May 01

From: Alison L. Ake, 1stLt, Internal Information Officer
To: President of Meritorious Commissioning Program Board

Subj: LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION FOR CPL. DAVID CHRISTIAN 371 94 8455/4341

1. Corporal Christian has been a combat correspondent for the Scout newspaper at Camp Pendleton since he reported aboard in August 2000. I have worked with him since I became the Internal Information officer in December 2000. As officer-in-charge of the Scout, I oversee and help acquire news information, which the combat correspondents go out and develop into news articles. As his OIC, my day-to-day interaction with Cpl. Christian consists of coordinating efforts to ensure good news coverage for the paper.

2. Corporal Christian has shown a level of maturity and judgment that is necessary to be a Marine Corps officer. His strengths are in communication and energy. He is bright and articulate; he communicates well with everyone regardless of rank or billet. He is a self-motivated learner who is curious about subjects that are new to him. When given the opportunity to lead his peers and junior Marines, he leads with confidence and competency.

Cpl. Christian's experiences before entering the Marine Corps have given him a balanced, seasoned perspective that he brings to his writing and to his contact with the Marines in the shop. He is older than the average corporal, and it works in his favor. He displays a maturity and confidence that is lacking in other young Marines.

Cpl. Christian is a team player. He goes out of his way to make sure that the team mission is accomplished, and he's willing to take on extra stories and sacrifice his liberty time in the evenings and on weekends to make sure the job gets done. He spends time conferring and giving advice to other Marines.

I have not observed Cpl Christian in a field setting, but can judge his physical stamina from observing him in our physical training program. I believe that if accepted into the MCP program, Cpl. Christian could be physically and mentally ready to embark on the rigorous training schedule that would be expected of him as an OCS candidate and a TBS student.

3. Over the past year, Cpl. Christian has built a website, which he continues to maintain, that offers Christian literature to anyone that requests it. While the site generates only a small amount of visitors, he has a vision to see the website grow in the future. Right now, he is realistic about his limitations to maintain a large site during his Marine Corps career.

Alison L. Ake

1stLt, USMCR



Dave Christian

Letter of Recommendation

From: Brian LaMay, Managing Editor, Scout Newspaper
To: President of Meritorious Commissioning Program Board

Subj: LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION FOR
CPL. DAVID CHRISTIAN 371 94 8455/4341

1. As an editor, I've worked with Cpl. Christian, a staff reporter, fairly closely on many stories. He has been on staff for 10 months. During that time, I've come to know him as a conscientious, capable journalist with a genuine desire to improve his craft. He loves to learn and is eager to expand his skill-set; consequently, he is making great progress in all areas of the profession.
2. He's a pleasure to work for. He's affable, humble and energetic. He genuinely cares about people and respects the chain of command. For example, he was contemplating running a picture of himself in dress blues on his personal Web site -- a site that outlines his personal transformation through religious faith. Though running a photo of a Marine in dress blues on a religious Web site does not constitute or imply official Marine Corps endorsement of a belief system, his CO advised against it. It was not a direct order, wasn't based on official policy, and wasn't rooted in regulations. But Cpl. Christian complied out of humility and respect for his CO.
3. Christian is a guy who pulls his weight at work while expanding his career horizons through higher education. He's a dynamo who's self-motivated enough to become self-engrossed; yet, he avoids such excesses, balancing his work ethic with a heartfelt compassion for others, including co-workers. He's always quick with a smile and an encouraging word. He's a pleasure to work with and would be a pleasure to work for.

Respectfully,

Brian LaMay
Managing Editor, Scout Newspaper



Dave Christian

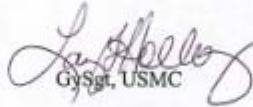
Letter Of Recommendation

From: Holloway, Larry G., GySgt

To: President of Meritorious Commissioning Program Board

Subj: LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION FOR
CPL. DAVID CHRISTAN 371 94 8455/ 4341

1. I have worked in the Consolidated Public Affairs Office with Cpl. Christian for nearly three months. During this time I have had the opportunity to observe him on a daily basis, in various settings and during various task assignments.
2. Cpl. Christian's maturity and motivation is demonstrated with billboard clarity in everything he applies himself to. His determination to excel as a Marine and, more importantly, a person is noteworthy. This Marine's age and maturity have catapulted him toward goals above and beyond the normal scope of a Marine corporal.
3. Unique to his style of leadership are his backbreaking efforts to help others. His daily doses of motivation and esprit de corps are distributed throughout the office as soon as he walks into the room. His eagerness to assist others in their assigned tasks and his patient ability to teach others the job skills of photojournalism is, again, uncharacteristic of the average corporal. One of the first Marines to step forward when volunteers are needed, Cpl. Christian is one of the finest noncommissioned officers the Marine Corps Public Affairs community has to offer. Cpl. Christian is recommended with enthusiasm for the Meritorious Commissioning Program.


GySgt, USMC

♥ Dave Christian



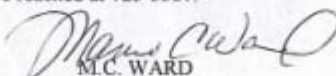
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IN REPLY REFER TO
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05 Feb 01

From: First Lieutenant Mamie C. Ward, Public Affairs Officer, Marine Corps Base Camp Pendleton, California
To: Scholarship Committee

Subj: LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION CASE OF CORPORAL DAVID CHRISTIAN

1. I had the opportunity to work with Corporal Christian during my assignment for 8 months as the Press Officer for the Scout Newspaper at Marine Corps Base, Camp Pendleton. As the Officer-In-Charge of the section, I was responsible for the weekly production of the newspaper and the overall development of the young Marines working for me.
2. Corporal Christian came into the press section with no past experience in the field and made heads spin in just a matter of weeks. His positive attitude, positive aura, and strong work ethics made him an instant role model to fellow Marines. He is well rounded and a team player. He would eagerly offer to pitch in to help a Marine in covering a story, whether on base or off base. During group physical training sessions, he was always actively engaged in making everyone feel like a winner.
3. Corporal Christian became a valuable asset to the press section by producing solid news stories which often received rave view from high-ranking leaders, to include the Commanding General of the base. On his off-duty time, he could be found spending endless hours working to get his Christian ministry organization off the ground. He used his own public relations skills to get media publicity for the organization and is still currently undertaking this mission.
4. The word leader for a Marine has very strong connotations. It is more than just taking charge of a mission. It means having ethics like honor and integrity. It means setting the example for fellow Marines on and off duty. It means having the courage to face failure and take risks. These are the qualities that Corporal Christian possesses and the qualities which make him an outstanding candidate to receive this scholarship. All of these qualities are necessary to complete a college curriculum when so many factors are known to sway students off the path to success.
5. I highly recommend Corporal Christian to be awarded this scholarship. I am the point of contact for this letter. I can be reached at 725-5567.


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LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION

From: Mariel Lahesa, Lance Corporal, Combat Correspondant
To: President of Meritorious Commissioning Program Board

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CPL. DAVID CHRISTAN 371 94 8455/4341

1. I am a part of the press section with Cpl. Christian. In fact, we sit next to each other in the office. He was the first Marine to greet me into the Scout.
2. Cpl. Christian has been a great example of a Marine for me. During PT he motivates me to complete runs, even when I feel like I can't go anymore. At work, he made me feel comfortable when I was new to the office. He suggested a great filing system for our stories. He also showed me easier ways to organize the stories themselves. I **always see him working and never slacking off**. He takes all emotions and rationalizations into considerations all the time and makes the right decision.
3. Unlike other NCOs and SNCOs I have been exposed to, Cpl. Christian has been there to **help me out and make me feel comfortable**. Recently I was informed about a possible early discharge. Unlike my SNCOs, Cpl. Christian tried to help me in whatever way necessary. He offered to write a letter of recommendation to help me stay in the Corps. This should say a lot. Not one of my SNCOs or officers within the shop wanted to write a letter to help me out. During PT, he consistently motivates me to continue going no matter how much I hurt, no matter how slow I have to go, no matter what it takes to finish. Unlike the other Marines in the shop, he's very logical. He understands when something's wrong with one of the Marines and at least tries to help them out. He's a great person to come and just talk to. He makes you feel like there is always something to make you feel better about yourself. He's a very positive thinker, which is very rare within this branch of service. I can't imagine anyone else that would make a better officer.



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