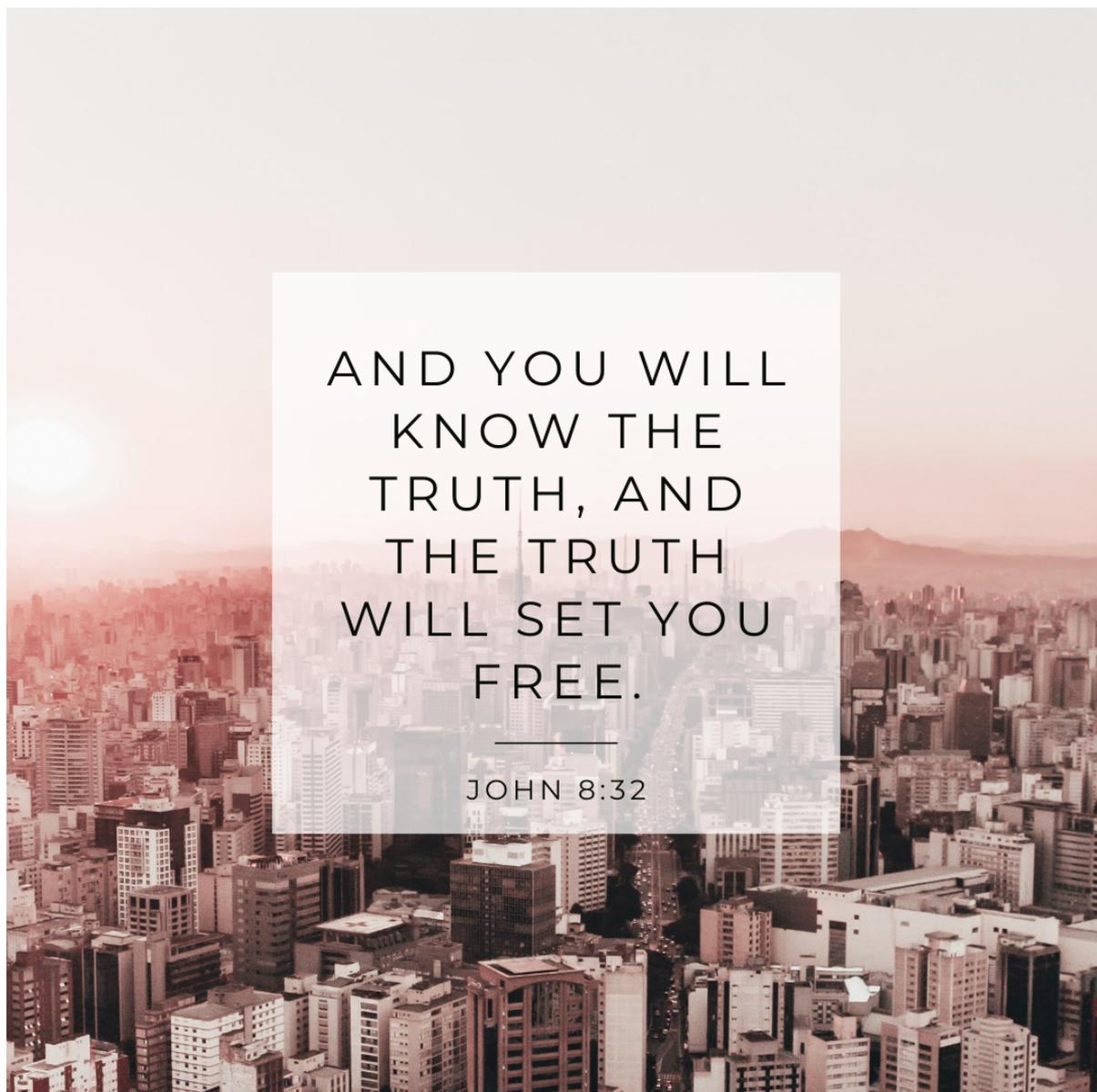




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A Christian View of Knowledge

This morning I was thinking about the following topic: why should a Christian be interested in knowledge. Soon, several verses that describe our salvation or the right relationship with God in terms of knowledge came to my mind:

- " and you will know **the truth**, and the truth will set you free." (John 8:32)
- "I am the way, and **the truth**, and the life" (John 14:6)

... speak; and He will disclose to you what is to come." (John 16:13)

I understand that a Christian is a person who has passed from death to life and from lie to the truth, and from ignorance to knowledge. Therefore, every Christian should be inspired by a passion for truth and *a thirsty mind for knowledge*. This spirit gave birth to the most developed civilization in history, from a pagan Roman Empire that was transformed by Christianity to the Protestant Reformation when millions of Christians became interested in the study of the Holy Scriptures. Eventually, the truth of Scripture has laid the foundation for the economic, social, and moral development of the people who have embraced the Christian faith.

We thank God that at Emanuel University, He has given us a passion for truth, a passion shared for over 32 years by thousands of professors, students, and graduates. In this citadel of knowledge, we gather each week to discover more of God's truth, both in terms of our salvation and the realities of the professions in which we will be "salt and light" for the world in which we live. The knowledge gained at Emanuel University is a blessing:

- **For students and graduates.** The EUO ethos motivated thousands of young people to put God first, guide their lives according to the Holy Scriptures, serve the church of God, and become missionaries in their workplace.
- **For the church.** We have dedicated ourselves to forming generations that serve the church faithfully, according to their spiritual gifts received from the Lord. Many of Emanuel University graduates serve as pastors and missionaries who are dedicated to studying, living, and preaching the gospel, God's Word.
- **For society.** Through thousands of graduates who seek to fulfill their mission with integrity, excellence and passion, Emanuel University spreads the values of the Kingdom of God in over 40 countries around the world. While serving on church pulpits, in school chairs, near those suffering in orphanages or nursing homes, near the sick, in companies and businesses, in publishing houses and radio or TV studios, in philharmonics or public institutions, we are called to accompany them with our prayers.

Being the only creature created in the image of God, man has a great grace and a great responsibility: to know the true God and to make Him known to others.

Marcus Buzle, EUO Development Office

Meet our professors!



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Lecturer Dr. Maria Duțu

I have always loved singing, and even when I was able to choose to do something else with my life, my steps were sovereignly guided to music. I was counseled by my father to study at Emanuel University. I did not choose Emanuel University; Emanuel University chose me. I just answered the call. But I wholeheartedly believe that this opportunity - to be a professor in this unique university - is due to God's choice and my passion for this art-profession that was born in my heart as a child. I believe that beyond the duty of transmitting intellectual information, a Christian professor must pass on to his students sound values, principles that will be imprinted in their characters by the power of example, principles that they will use in life after graduation, wherever they will be, each called by God, being a witness through all what they do.

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Stories of Faith



Studying at Emanuel University has enriched my vocabulary and understanding of the Word. At Emanuel University I learned the Christian language, I learned to communicate in the language of Christ.

Doru Mărțiș, Legal advisor

Q: In a world where the attention of many people is focused on material things and the benefits they bring, you have chosen to pursue a master's degree in Pastoral Theology. What determined you to make this decision?

A: It all started with the simple questions: where do I come from and where am I going? Having been interested in the Scripture for a while (baptized in 2009), like any novice student, I began asking myself questions as I read and reread the Bible. Sometimes I managed to get answers, other times I didn't. Then, from what I understood, I tried to pass it on to others. However, with this communication, other questions arose, both in my mind and in the minds of others. From there sprang the thirst for knowledge and understanding of the Divine Word. I read one book, then another, slowly discovering that some authors dealt with a Scriptural subject in an entire book, that other authors

Scriptures, how little I knew about God, or the work of the Lord Jesus, and its role in people's lives, but especially its role in my life.

Where could I learn from? From people who know more than me! Professors are those who are meant to teach those who want to gain knowledge! So, I looked for those professors and found them at Emanuel University. The seed of the desire to gain knowledge was planted by Him, and I understood His will and my need. So, for some time now, I have been reaping the fruits of this seed of the desire for knowledge. Interestingly, the seed bears fruit continuously.

Q: Are you involved in the local church ministry? How did your studies at Emanuel University of Oradea equip you for this work?

A: The local church is where I enrich my knowledge. My involvement in the ministry is commensurate with my knowledge. Studying at Emanuel University has enriched my vocabulary and understanding of the Word. When people communicate, they can understand each other much better if they speak the same language. At Emanuel University I learned the Christian language, I learned to communicate in the language of Christ. It's not a small thing. Before, I only communicated in Romanian and sometimes in English. Now I can communicate in two languages at the same time, of course I sometimes still stutter, but less often.

**Interview with Brother Doru Mărțiș, Legal advisor
Graduate of the Master's Program in Pastoral Theology and Missiology**

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