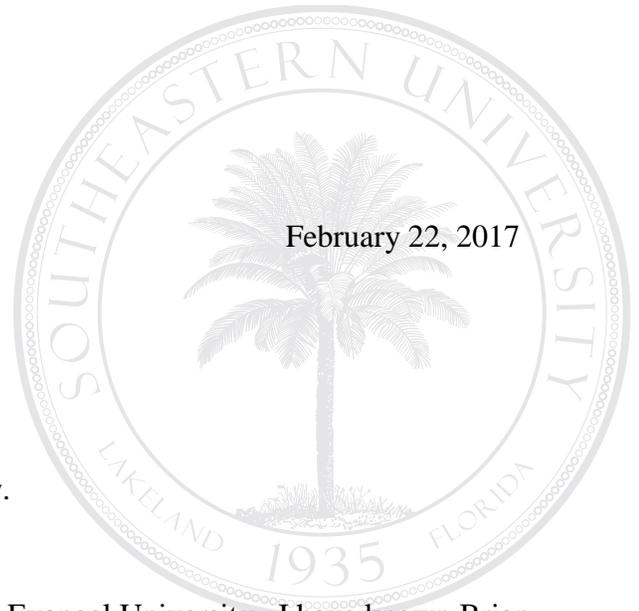


SOUTHEASTERN UNIVERSITY



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Evangel University Provost
Dr. Mike McCorcle
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R.E. Letter of recommendation for Dr. Brian Kelly.
Dear Dr. McCorcle,

It is a privilege to recommend Dr. Kelly to you and Evangel University. I have known Brian for the last ten years and hired him when I was the dean of the College of Christian Ministry and Religion. Because of his unique set of gifts and skills, Brian was an integral part of my leadership team. For over five years, he served as the associate dean and carried many of the responsibilities of my office as the college grew in faculty and students.

Because of Brian's skill in statistics and assessments, he was one of the main reasons our college passed the ten-year study of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission with no notations. Since our college was the first college in our university to be assessed, what Brian did was a pattern other colleges followed. In fact, the director of institutional effectiveness for SEU said the Brian knew more about university assessments than any other leader on campus.

Brian and I worked closely together during this time and I always found him to be a person of integrity. Many times we would sit together and discuss how we could make our college a better learning community for students and faculty. He seemed to thrive on these kind of challenges. As you know from his CV, he is an excellent and talented scholar, but what you may not know is that Brian has the heart of an equipping evangelist. His desire is to raise up students to do the work of the ministry on the streets and homes of local communities.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely in Christ,
Dr. Bob Houlihan
Professor of World Missions