

Monday Messages to Students from Alumni

From John Horton '78: Hey Berea Guys, You are currently in one of the best places to be on this planet and also in your life journey. Berea loves you and looks out for you and yes, it is difficult but anything worthwhile is. Like all things, one day this Pandemic will be over and you can go back to being a regular college student. For now... you are loved and looked after and you have around you the best friends you will have in your whole life. Keep the faith and push forward.

From Bob Compton '60: Just a note to let students know that the country had another bad flu epidemic in 1957, my freshman year. Infected students were placed in the Berea hospital and the Woods-Penniman gymnasium. I would like to thank all of the beautiful Berea nurses that took care of me and my roommate the week we were in the hospital. Wear your mask and isolate as much as possible.

From Peter Thoms '55: At your young age these trying times may seem like mountainous obstructions to your aspersions. But life is not a smooth and I would liken what you are experiencing to a rock strewn path that is negotiated by careful attention and the opportunity to learn from it the important lesson of how to overcome adversaries of life. This, then, is a good time to count your blessings. You were picked to receive the very best education not only academically but also socially. As one chosen to become a Berea Alumnus you become one of a very elite cohort of people blessed by the life changing experience that Berea affords you. Yes! Berea made each one of uniquely special. Welcome to the "club".

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