

Monday Messages to Students from Alumni

From Robert "Hutch" Hutchins Class of 1977: Dear Bereans: Hang in there! We have entered the Big Change. We are forced to act as a whole earth system. To survive our world pandemic and climate change, we are being pushed to make fundamental changes. COVID-19, the fires in the west and the hurricanes in the east are the clear message. Berea and you are part of the solution. Take gentle good care of yourselves and each other. Breath deep, stay present and act from loving awareness. We need you, we need each other to show up and care.

From Cindy Artist, Class of 1979: Dear Students, Small things can make all the difference. Look out your window or take a walk each day to experience nature: the sunrise or sunset, dark storm clouds and high transparent clouds, listen to the the rustle of leaves as they swirl on the ground and crunch under your feet, see the beauty of tree bark, shuffle through sparkling snow, and feel the crispness of the air which breathes life into you. Berea is a special place, the campus, the staff, and... you. Without you, there would be no Berea. Your relationship with Berea is certainly evident on campus and even when remotely learning, but your relationship with Berea is even broader. All alumni think about you and know that you will come out of this pandemic stronger and more resilient. There will be rough times, but please know we are here for you and hope you feel the warmth we are sending in our thoughts. Berea is a blanket you will be wrapped in your entire life. Thinking of you.

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