

The Rice Bell Tower at the center of Taylor's Upland campus was dedicated in 1986. Its twin spires symbolize faith and learning.

**What students receive at graduation:**

Diploma, Bible and a servant's towel, symbolizing their life's work as a servant leader.

**Three things Habecker always shares with others about Taylor:**

Global focus (three top 10 national rankings in international studies); uniqueness of Taylor community; remarkable relationships of faculty and staff (they are "mentors, peers, teachers and colleagues") with students.

**Mission statement:**

"To develop servant leaders marked with a passion to minister Christ's redemptive love and truth to a world in need."

**Academic facts:**

Nearly 2,000 undergraduates from 44 states and 22 foreign countries; more than one-third of incoming freshmen were in the top 10% of their high school classes; more than 90% of faculty have doctoral degrees.

**Three favorite places on campus:**

Rediger Chapel Auditorium ("in that place, as a young student at Taylor, my life was profoundly changed"); Odle Arena (see below); Hodson Dining Commons (home of the Habecker Hallapalooza, a special holiday party).

**'All is calm:'**

Silent Night at Odle Arena, celebrated at a men's basketball game each year. All attendees are quiet until Taylor scores its 10th point of the game, prompting a loud celebration. Students sing "Silent Night" to end the game and a Christmas party follows prior to students preparing for final exams.

# Taylor University

## Developing Leaders to Serve the World

**"A former university president noted that many campuses have buildings named after the people who gave money to build the facilities," adding that at Taylor "our buildings are named after people that you can build your life around their values."**

*– Dr. Eugene B. Habecker, 1968 graduate and president since 2005; [www.taylor.edu](http://www.taylor.edu)*