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STATE CONVENTION

Walnut Ridge,
Arkansas

**WILLIAMS BAPTIST
UNIVERSITY**

Sara Smith knew that Williams Baptist University was where she wanted to attend, but neither she nor her family knew how they could afford it until a bold new initiative at the school opened an opportunity no one saw coming.

The idea of work education is not new, but it is new to the state of Arkansas. Williams Baptist University (WBU) is looking to help students and their families lessen the burden of receiving an academically challenging and Christ-centered education through its Williams Works program. Students in this ground-breaking initiative have a real opportunity to graduate DEBT-FREE.

Williams Works requires students to work 16 hours a week on WBU's newly launched Eagle Farms or at one of the many community partners in Walnut Ridge in exchange for having their cost of tuition and fees covered. In addition, they can choose to work 40 hours a week in the summer months and have the cost of room and board covered as well, thus providing a real opportunity to receive an education at zero cost to them.

"Without the Williams Works program I wouldn't even be at Williams," Smith said. "I knew I wanted to come here but I didn't want to put that financial burden on myself or my family but then God provided an opportunity for myself and others like me to attend the school of my dreams."

PRAYER POINTS: Pray that God will continue to grow the Williams Works program to allow all students to receive a Christ-centered education at no cost to them or their families. Pray for the students, faculty and staff of WBU as we continue to prepare our students for the next season of their lives.



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