

Kem Hall



A place where women journey together in God's grace and love, learning to root, grow, and bloom in the freedom of simplicity, authenticity, discipline, discovery and courage.

Culture

Kem Hall makes an effort to create a home away from home by building authentic relationships. In this home environment, there is also a strong effort to help take care of our world through efforts in keeping Kem environmentally conscious as well as maintaining a healthy awareness of social justice.

Vision

Kem Hall is a place where women come to learn what it truly means to be a woman of God. Becoming a woman of God is a journey, a beautiful process where women first learn what it means to be daughters of the living Savior. Through that understanding, God gifts us with opportunities that shape and mold daughters into women of God through His love and grace.



History

Kem Hall is named after Philip and Evelyn Kem, who were benefactors to the University. They invested in the youth, and were active dairy farmers, music lovers, Baptists, and conservatives.

Kem Hall opened in the fall of 2001, along with its brother hall "Scripture Hall." Like many of the new buildings on campus, it was called "New Hall" at first.



Facilities

This four story building offers residents a comfortable living arrangement, similar to apartments, yet offers a residence hall feel. There are 4-person (2 bedrooms) and 8-person (4 bedrooms) suites which share a common living area and bathroom. Every room has a walk-in closet and high ceilings.

Kem has a common desk area, family room, Bistro (full kitchen and lounging area), work-out room, prayer chapel, and a computer lab. On each floor there are laundry facilities, including a sink and microwave, trash rooms with recycling areas, and study areas.

Values

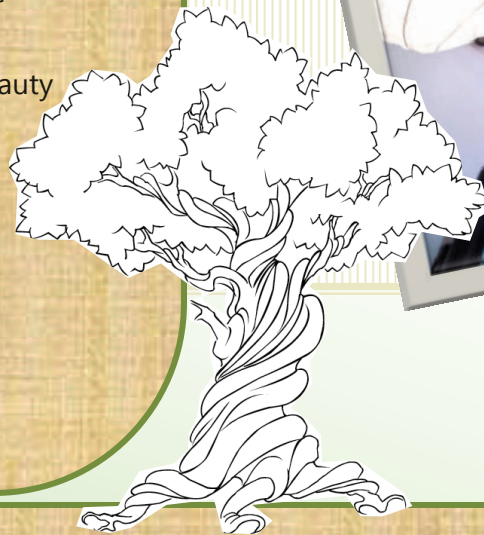
Simplicity. Seeking first the kingdom of God. By seeing things through the eyes and hearts of Jesus, women at Kem will be able to cultivate a heart for the world and local community.

Authenticity. Striving to see that greater whole as it is loved by our living Savior. Rooted in the African philosophy "*Ubuntu*," women are encouraged to hold a welcoming, hospitable, and generous spirit – a willingness to share and be vulnerable and know that they are already a part of His Beloved.

Discipline. By disciplining ourselves (academically and spiritually), we recognize our capabilities, boundaries, and understanding of the larger picture set our hearts.

Discovery. Committed to encouraging true beauty and celebrating other's and self-uniqueness.

Courage. Through understanding God's unique design for each person, we are called to act courageously in accordance to what we believe and who we are.



Traditional Events

The Awakening – celebration of the beginning of the year

Simplicity Week – teaching and practicing simplicity and how to seek first the kingdom of God

Sold Project – raising social awareness

Teaching Tuesdays - focuses on preparation for future and environmental education

TACOs – "Talk About Culture Openly"

International Dinner – adopt a country and learn about it!

100 Mile Club – year-long program that encourages students to exercise and take care of themselves physically

Woman Series - service, worship, and fellowship among peers and colleagues