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## From Remedial Reading to PhD: The Making of an Engineer! An Evening with Dr. Calvin Mackie



After starting college in remedial reading because of weak SAT scores, Dr. Calvin Mackie earned a Bachelor of Mechanical Engineering from Georgia Tech and a BS in Mathematics from Morehouse College in 1990, a MS in 1992 and the PhD in 1996 in Mechanical Engineering from Georgia Tech.

Following graduation he joined the faculty at Tulane University, where he researched heat transfer, fluid dynamics, energy efficiency, and renewable energy. In 2002, he was promoted to Associate Professor with tenure. Mackie's eleven-year academic career ended in June 2007, when Tulane University disbanded the engineering school in response to financial hardship induced by Hurricane Katrina.

Dr. Mackie's inspirational memoir *A View from the Roof: Lessons for Life and Business* has been adopted as educational course material by numerous secondary and college teachers throughout the country. His newest book *Grandma's Hands: Cherished Moments of Faith and Wisdom* will publish in 2011, followed by *When Oil and Water Mix: Leadership in the Wake of Catastrophe*.

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