Safaa Fahmi was born in Sudan 1951. He graduated from the Theological Evangelical Seminary in Cairo Egypt in May of 1973. Soon afterwards he became a youth minister for the Second Evangelical Church of Assiut, Egypt, serving from 1974 to 1976. He then served as senior minister of the Second Evangelical Church of Assiut from 1976 to 2003.

It was during this time that Safaa came to Cincinnati to study at Cincinnati Christian University, graduating with an MA in Counseling in 1985 and an M.Div. in 1996. During his studies Safaa was listed in the “Who’s Who” book of students in 1992 and was recognized on the National Dean’s List in 1996.

Safaa received an honorary doctorate in theology from “Hope International University” in Fullerton, California. He now serves as Academic Dean of Hope International University – Egypt, a position he has held since 2009.

Since 1986 Safaa has been the executive director of Christian Arabic Services (CAS) in Egypt. He has helped in training and teaching tens of thousands of Christian church leaders (Sunday school teachers, youth, women, elders, deacons, ministers, and priests) of all denominations in Egypt. He has translated more than 80 books and textbooks by restoration movement writers. He has written VBS curriculum and general Bible Sunday school curriculum for all ages (4-16 years old) for the past 18 years.

Recently Safaa has been working on producing an Arabic Bible Commentary. So far the book of Acts (1500 pages) and the book of Hebrews (600 pages) are on the market. The finished commentary will contain approximately 30,000 pages.

Safaa says, “I will continue to be a minister and a servant of the Lord until I die.”

It is thus with great pleasure and pride that the Alumni Association of Cincinnati Christian University recognizes Safaa Fahmi as a Distinguished Alumnus.