just being smart has never been enough for us—we came here to invent the world. **BECAUSE** this place transformed higher education and redefined “access.” **BECAUSE** the freedom—the challenge—to make our own paths would be overwhelming to some. But not us. Not fifty years ago. Not a century ago. Not today. **BECAUSE** every one of us has found a different way to change the status quo for the better. **BECAUSE** Wesleyan taught us not only to fight for the causes we believe in but how to win. **BECAUSE** Wesleyan is our cause.