

Dear Alumni,

It seems that another summer has flown by all too quickly! As the temperature declines, and the leaves change color, I'm reminded of God's faithfulness and promise of renewal. Just as seasons constantly fade into one another in the continual quest of renewing our world, Christ's will for our lives is to be in a constant state of renewal and growth as we flourish in Him and bear fruit! There are times, however, when this renewal can be difficult. At times like these, I praise God knowing that not only can we rely on Him, but also the community of believers that surrounds us. This is why I believe that remaining a close, tightly-knit group of alumni is so important. The people that I met at NBC have become lifelong friends, and a great support group! I am so thankful for each one.

This brings me to my next item... Alumni Weekend! This year, we have another great lineup planned for November 18 - 20! The weekend will be full of fun, fellowship, and free time! **Our theme for the weekend is "Many Hearts, One Desire" and is taken from Romans 15:5-6.** We are also privileged to have Charles Audette as our guest speaker for the weekend, and Martin Blumrich and Andrew Dyck will be making guest appearances as the featured live entertainment at the afternoon coffee house! This year's Obah night theme will be "Storybook Characters Come To Life" and everyone is encouraged to dress up as their favorite storybook character! All this is amidst a plethora of food, activities, a student talent show, and opportunities to reconnect with old friends. Childcare will also be provided throughout the weekend.

I would like to encourage people to not only come out for the weekend, but to register ahead of time if possible. This gives NBC the ability to arrange for the proper amounts of food and activities. There are many easy ways that you can register ahead of time:

1. Mail in the completed form included in this newsletter
2. Call 1-888-862-5095 and ask for Jenny
3. Email: jenny@nipawin.org
4. Facebook: Jenny Dyck

Also, some of you may have noticed that the NBC Alumni Group now has a Facebook page! If you're on Facebook, you can find the page by searching: "**Nipawin Bible College Alumni**". It's a great way to stay informed about what's going on at school, and an excellent way to reconnect with fellow alumni! Jason Elford has taken the leadership role on the Facebook page, and is doing a great job of sending updates and making sure that everyone is able remain informed about the school and other events!

Lastly, I would like to repeat our theme for Alumni Weekend, "**Many Hearts, One Desire**" taken from Romans 15:5-6: "**5 May the God who gives endurance and encouragement give you the same attitude of mind toward each other that Christ Jesus had, 6 so that with one mind and one voice you may glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.**" I find that although we come from an amazing variety of different backgrounds, I know that we ultimately share **one goal: to glorify God!** I look forward to seeing each of you at Alumni Weekend on November 18 -20 as we truly come together as "**Many Hearts, One Desire**".

God bless,



Ryan Jansen