## Nipawin Bible College Alumni,

Thank you for giving your time to read this letter. First, I'd like to introduce myself. My name is Josh Lees, and I am the new Alumni President as of this past November. I put my name forward for the role because I desire to stay connected with NBC and be part of the work that God is doing in the current students and the alumni. I graduated following three years at NBC in 2018. Despite growing up as a pastor's kid, the spiritual leadership of the staff and Biblical teaching at NBC changed my life.

If you're of an older generation and don't know me personally as of yet, you may know of my parents — Murray and Glenda Lees, or my grandparents from the Melfort area — Lloyd and Doreen Lees. For those who've been NBC students since 2005 you may have attended with one of my four older sisters. I am connected to NBC because of my own experience and my siblings before me. While I am "young" as an alumnus I have a knowledgeable and willing Alumni Executive to work with as we prepare Alumni Weekend 2019 for your betterment. The Alumni Executive consists of Shelby Desharnais (2012), Joshua Nickel (2008), Allan Klippenstein (1983), and Crystal Pelletier (2001), along with Jason Elford (1995) as the NBC staff liaison.

We've begun planning for November already, taken feedback from this past fall into consideration, and look forward to hosting a weekend that honours our God and encourages everyone attending in their relationship with Him. In Alumni Weekend reviews I enjoyed reading how thankful those in attendance are for the event, how the weekend fosters an environment to connect with friends from the past. I'd suggest that seeing familiar faces and having transparent conversations is a critical part of Alumni Weekend and that alumni getting to meet current students in the midst of God's intensive work is also a joy. As an Alumni Exec we want the upcoming Alumni Weekend to be a refreshment, featuring moments of relaxation, rich teaching, and conviction from the Holy Spirit.

Please pray for us as we plan, and pray for the alumni attending that the Weekend would be a catalyst for the growth already taking place year round. Pray for NBC, its students, staff, and board. Let us be able to pray as Paul prayed for the Colossians.

"And so, from the day we heard, we have not ceased to pray for you, asking that you may be filled with the knowledge of his will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, so as to walk in a manner worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to him: bearing fruit in every good work and increasing in the knowledge of God;" Colossians 1:9-10 ESV

You can stay connected to the Alumni of NBC through the Facebook page or find information at https://nipawin.org/alumni. I hope to see and hear of God's work in those connected with NBC and meet many of you. Please shoot me an email (or even personal letter if you wish) to say "hi" - you'll notice my contact info below...

Sincerely.

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