

RIVERS

OF LIVING WATER

October 2017

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Jeremiah 17:7-8



Students & Staff 2017/18

First Row (L-R): Jennifer Enns, Myra Schmidt, Janelle Pope (Prince Albert, SK), Harmony Giesbrecht (Nipawin, SK), Emily Reimer (Hague, SK), SaraLyn Andres (Osler, SK), Kaylee McGillivray (Rapid View, SK), Bridget Fehr (Hague, SK), Jayme Knutson (Naicam, SK), Caitlyn Watson (Langenburg, SK).

Second Row (L-R): Alisha Morton (Regina, SK), Hayley Zacharias (Meadow Lake, SK), Maggie Wilson (Nipawin, SK), Amanda Anderson, Melisa Dyck, Bryn Lees (Nipawin, SK), Julie Desharnais (St. Pierre, MB), Jennifer Wielinga (Rosthern, SK), Kelly Fehr (Osler, SK), Brittany Sawatzky (MacGregor, MB), Kelsey Driedger (Plumas, MB), Sharmyn Abrahamson (Pelly, SK), AnnaRose Lawrence (Estevan, SK), Ruth Reimer (Hague, SK), Joanna Schroder (Goroka, EHP, Papua New Guinea), Rebecca Tully (Newton, MB), Blaze Schmidt (Prud'homme, SK), Shania Bueckert (Austin, MB), Emma McKersie (Estevan, SK), Destiny Sawatzky (MacGregor, MB), Ciera Schreiner (Nipawin, SK), Mary Yanke (Preeceville, SK).

Third Row (L-R): Kyle Kulas (Nipawin, SK), Noah Wahlstrom, Hope Vion, Elfe Smith, David Smith, Adam Yadowsky, Joel Houston, Timothy Lenko, Josh Lees (Nipawin, SK), Jeremy Wall (Langham, SK), Joel Hollands (Prince Albert, SK), Tim Fehr (Hague, SK), Colten Abrahamson (Pelly, SK), Ted Siddons (Okla, SK), Jordan Tymchak (Regina, SK), Campbell Tieszen (Shellbrook, SK), Dallas Mehrer (Langenburg, SK), Daniel Tully (Newton, MB), Joshua Thiessen (Hague, SK), Matthias Mierau (Langham, SK).

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Missing in Photo: Joël Desharnais (St. Pierre, MB), Andrea Fehr (Hague, SK), Janeil Mehrer (Langenburg, SK), Graham Moulton (Melfort, SK).

UPCOMING EVENTS

MISSIONS CONFERENCE

NOVEMBER 3-4

Keynote Speaker: Mark Wollenberg
Sessions • Mission Reps • Workshops



SEMESTER BREAK

NOVEMBER 6-10



CAMPUS DAYS

NOVEMBER 12 & 13

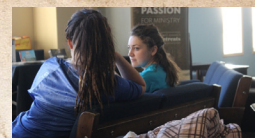
Come and check out NBC
in the life of a student



ALUMNI WEEKEND

NOVEMBER 17-19

Dave & Sharon Dyck
Under the Sea Obah Night



CHRISTMAS CANTATA

DECEMBER 8 & 9

Theme: Where Are You Now?



three60five YOUTH RETREAT

MARCH 9-11

A youth retreat for Grades 9-12





FROM THE PRESIDENT

LANCE & MELANIE SCHUBERT

It is with excitement that I write for the first time in the Rivers. I am excited, that in Jesus, I get to partner with you; our supporters, our alumni, our staff and with our students, to increase and strengthen the ambassadorship of Christ, in our world. Today, standing in and for Jesus, within the world can look overwhelming, perhaps daunting. However as Paul says in Phil. 2, *"we are to become a children of God without fault in a crooked and depraved generation in which we shine like stars in the universe."* With that in mind I had the privilege to share the following from Ecclesiastes 11, on opening weekend.

Vs.1 says, *"cast your bread upon the waters"*. Cast is the word *shalach*, which means send, bade, farewell... Bread is the word *lechem*, which means bread or grain for the making of food. That is why some translations say ship your grain across the seas. This passage has the sense of investing what God has entrusted to us and in us. We are called to invest in the kingdom of God.

Further the passage calls us to invest without fear of the unknown. Vs. 4-5 say, *"Whoever watches the wind will not plant; whoever looks at the clouds will not reap. As you do not know the path of the wind or how the body is formed in a mother's womb so you cannot understand the work of God the maker of all things"*. God's word states that there are unknowns in this world, but we are not to stop investing in and for Him, we are not to let the fear of the unknown stop us.

Additionally, vs. 6 says, *"sow your seed in the morning & do not be idle in the evening, for you do not know whether morning or evening will succeed or whether both will do equally well."* God's word clarifies that

we are not to be immobilized by a fear of failure but rather we are to continue investing in the kingdom, in and thru Jesus.

We can confidently invest in the kingdom of God because when Jesus called us in Mt. 28, *"to go and make disciples of all nations"*, He said, *"and surely I will be with you always..."*. Therefore it is as William Frey shared, of the blind man. "One day I asked him, how did you lose your sight? A chemical explosion at the age of thirteen, he replied. How did that make you feel? Life was over, I felt helpless, I hated God. For the first six months I did nothing to improve my life. I would eat my meals alone in my room. One day my father said, winter's coming and the storm windows need to be up—that's your job. I want those hung by the time I get back this evening or else! Then he turned, walked out and slammed the door. I thought, "who does he think I am? I'm blind!" I was so angry, I decided to do it. I felt my way to the garage, found the windows, tools, and ladder, all the while muttering, 'I'll show them. I'll fall, then they'll have a blind and paralyzed son.' I got the windows up. I found out later that never at any moment was my father more than four or five feet away from my side."

Like that story, in spite of the challenges in our generation and our world, it remains exciting in 2017 that a new group of NBC students, staff, alumni, and supporters, are confidently investing in the Kingdom of God, knowing God is with us.

Lance Schubert
President, Faculty



MISSIONS CONFERENCE

JUSTICE ^{and the} MISSION OF GOD

The Gospel Demonstrated in a Broken World

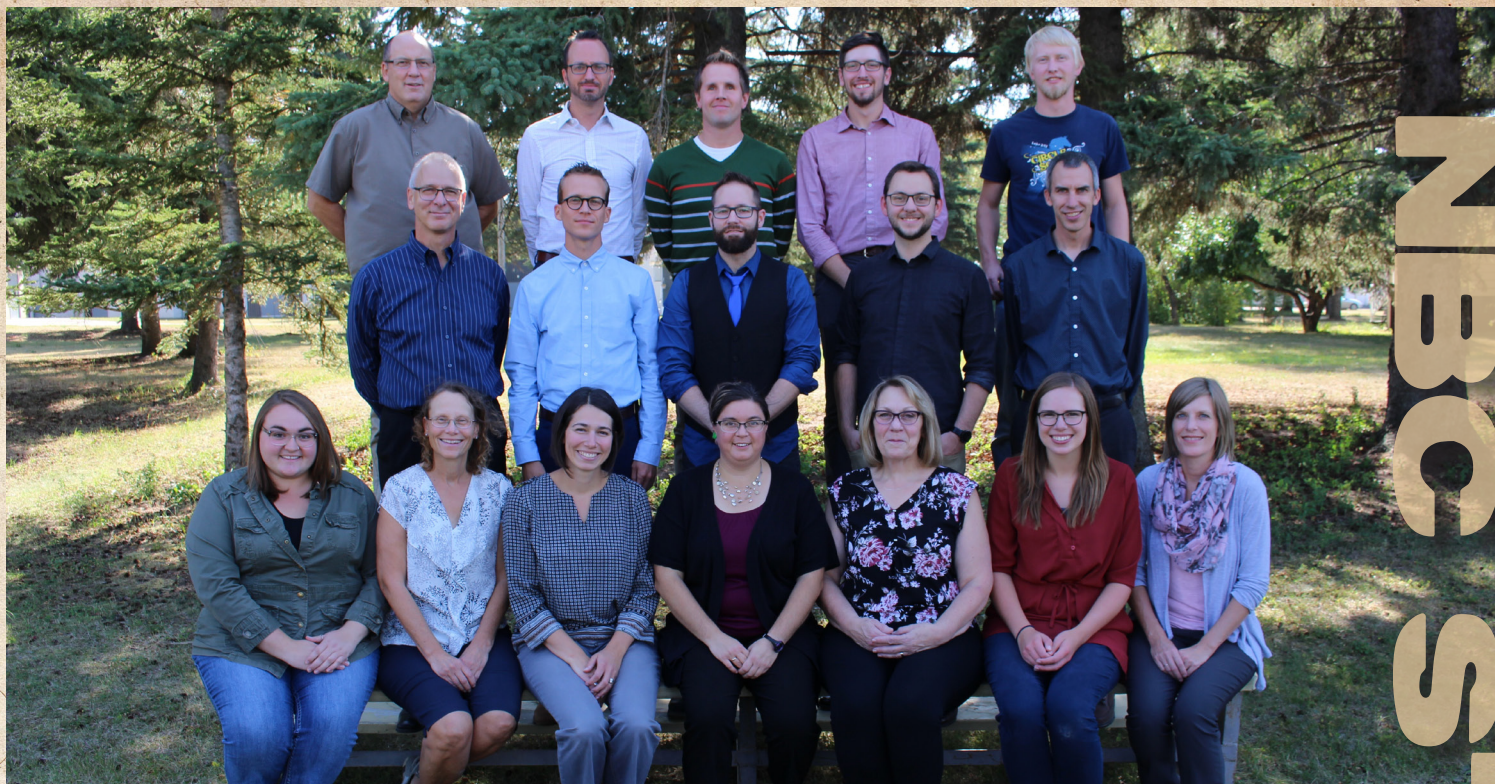
Keynote sessions • Workshops
Mission Reps • Prayer & Worship

**NOV
3-4
2017**



KEYNOTE SPEAKER
Mark Wollenberg

*National Director for Church Mobilization
International Justice Mission Canada*



Front Row (L-R): Hope Vion, Elfe Smith, Amanda Anderson, Myra Schmidt, Val Moulton, Jennifer Enns, Melisa Dyck
 Middle Row (L-R): David Smith, Joel Houston, Adam Yadowsky, Tim Lenko, Kendall Dyck
 Back Row (L-R): Lance Schubert, Lindsay Anderson, Jason Elford, Bradly Lytle, Noah Wahlstrom

Changes to the team...



LANCE SCHUBERT
PRESIDENT

Starting in early August, Lance joined the NBC team with an excitement and expectation of what God will do in the days ahead. Lance is not completely new to the NBC community as he has taught classes as an adjunct faculty, been on the receiving end of tour team visits as a pastor, and has been the parent of a student.

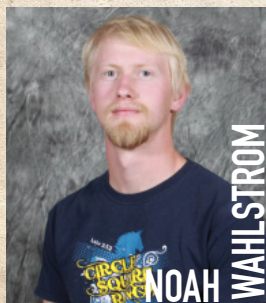
"Jesus said he came to seek and to save the lost. Our core purpose at NBC is to develop passionate followers of Jesus Christ with a heart to serve. Under that banner I am passionate about and pray for our students, as Paul said to Philemon in vs.6 of that letter, 'I pray you may be active in sharing your faith so that you may grow into a full understanding of every good thing in Christ Jesus.'"

Hope Vion is back at Nipawin Bible College! She attended NBC from 2012-2015 and graduated with a Bachelor of Christian Ministry. She went on to serve with UpsideDown Ministries and this spring accepted the call to serve on the NBC team. We're excited to have her passion and enthusiasm on the team.

"I look forward to working with Val in the kitchen this year and learning from her! I am excited to see how God works in people's lives, to see Him building His kingdom. I am also passionate to see hearts softened and drawn towards Christ."



HOPE VION
ASSISTANT COOK



NOAH WAHLSTROM
MAINTENANCE MANGER

Noah is no stranger to the NBC community—having spent the last three years here as a student and graduating last spring. Long before that he visited older siblings when they were students. We're excited to have Noah join the team and bring, not only his abilities to the maintenance department but his passion for Christ and to help disciple young men along the way.

"I have always enjoyed working with my hands, and this has been a place in which God is at work and has taught me a lot through those who work(ed) here. This year I'm excited to continue to grow and stretch, while at the same time using the opportunity to give back a little and continue learning how to pass forward the blessings God has given me through interacting with students and through the physical up-keep of the campus."

ALUMNI WEEKEND 2017

November 17-19



Guest Speaker:
Dave & Sharon Dyck
(NBI Alumni 1989)

Featuring:
Under the Sea Obah Night
Hockey Game
Silent Auction
Indoor Soccer Tournament
Alumni-led Mini Sessions
Presidential Pie Challenge
Coffee House
Childcare & Activities

There is no cost to attend but we ask
that you please register online at
www.nipawin.org
(click on the 2017
Alumni Weekend banner).

STUDENT HANDBOOK REVISION

Kissing on campus? Now, before you get too worried, I want to share with you my thoughts on this change. To be clear, the kissing we are talking about is limited to a quick hello or goodbye kiss that is discrete and appropriate.

Our aim is to give students an appropriate understanding of physical touch and interaction within a dating relationship. As student's approach milestones in their relationships like, dating, holding hands, engagement and kissing, dialog with their discipleship leaders (deans, 7-24Group leaders) takes place. We discuss the appropriate feelings and intentions that accompany or should accompany these relational milestones.

In the past our policy of no physical contact, "No PC on campus" has protected the reputation of NBC but I believe has left the students themselves vulnerable. In fact, I bet many of you alumni who attended NBC and dated during your time here, even during the "no PC" years, did engage in acts of holding hands, hugging and even kissing.

I want to allow the couples that are mature to properly show physical contact and be examples of Christ-centered dating. When we push the physical aspect of dating into the shadows, the shadows often cover more than we intend. The danger is that we encourage students to hide their physical relationships, unintentionally encouraging them to be physical where no one can see them. The darkness and the place of secret is a very dangerous place—often the enemy's playground.

This will no doubt be harder for us as deans, so do be praying for us. It could look negative for a Christian college, but it will help guard many of our students. One of our cultural values at NBC is "refuse to fake reality". We realize that even in our Christian culture there is much we have trained ourselves to hide in shadows. Our heart is to see our students honor Christ in all area of their relationships.

Adam Yadowsky
Dean of Student Life



ALUMNI PROFILE: DAVE & SHARON DYCK (NBI, 1989)

Tell us about your family

We would like to tell you a little about our family. We have five adult children. Four of them have attended Millar College of the Bible. Two of them are currently students there, one in first year and one in third year. Our oldest son is married and they just had their first child, so we now have a new title as Grandparents.

What has God been teaching you personally?

This past year has been one of change, challenges and uncertainties. Many times we would have wished to be in control and just make everything work out smoothly from our perspective. But in the midst of these changes, we have been challenged to lay our concerns and plans completely in God's control and trust Him that the end result will be the best for us.

What have you been reading lately?

With Dave having a fulltime job besides pastor of a small church, it seems reading for fun or education is hard to come by. This is when being able to catch a few Christian radio broadcasts here and there is very uplifting.

How did your time at NBI prepare you?

We look back on our time at NBI as an invaluable training ground for the ministries we have been involved in. Dave, as a pastor, often refers back to his training in teaching and preaching that he received at the school. Sharon has been involved in children's ministries. The teaching strategies that we learned in Mr. Kroeker's classes have often come in handy. Those three years that we spent



there, are years that we feel have helped establish our faith and laid a foundation upon which we've raised a family and served in ministry.

What's a fun memory from your time at NBI?

A humorous story we would like to share with you took place in Dave's third year in Mr. Dunn's Theology class. They decided to tie a fish line to the pulpit prior to a class on demonic warfare and pulled the pulpit ahead at strategic points of the lesson—making him wonder what was happening directly in front of him. Meanwhile a remote controlled car under a garbage can made the can move along the classroom wall. It may have distracted from the lesson, but brought lots of laughter. (And this is not intended to spark more ideas)

NBC ALUMNI & FRIENDS PLEASE PRAY...

1. For **Kirby & Bernie James ('13)** as Bernie raises support as she recently joined the NCEM mission and works in the Tribal Trails department.
2. For the **NBC students** that they will grow deeper in their love for Jesus while they diligently study and serve others.
3. For **Michael & Katrina (Howard) Rowland ('07)** that everything will go smoothly as they expect their fourth child, due in early October.
4. For the **NBC Mission Leadership Team** and president, Lance Schubert as they bring leadership to the different departments at NBC.
5. For **Walter & Cindy Selke ('85)** as they have been part of their daughter, Caylea's cancer journey and have taken on the General Director role for NCEM. For wisdom and perseverance as they look into the future for their family and ministry.
6. For **7-24 Discipleship Groups** that students and staff will be open and honest with God, themselves and others as they meet weekly to pray and dig into God's Word together.
7. For **Laura Drake ('07)** as she continues to support local churches in the Napanee, ON area—two kids clubs, a youth group, young adult Bible study/prayer time and monthly pastor's breakfasts.
8. For **NBC Faculty** as they prepare for classes and meet with students to discuss assignments.
9. For continued wisdom and direction for the **Board of Directors** as they bring leadership to NBC.
10. For **Bill & Janice Dyck ('79)** for continued health and patience with language learning as they adjust to life and ministry in Bolivia with Canadian Baptist Ministries.
11. For **NBC's Student Council** that they would work well as a team to serve the student body.
12. For **4th year off-site internship students: Andrea Fehr, Joël Desharnais, and Janeil Mehrer** as they work in ministries around the province, attend classes at NBC, and complete course work.
13. For the **NBC Students** as they serve in their Student Work roles on campus throughout the week, growing in maturity and servanthood.
14. For **Jordan & Danielle (Lees '07) Bergen** as they praise God for the safe arrival of their daughter Annabelle in June.
15. For the **Admissions Department** as they speak with potential students, challenging them to consider a Biblical education at NBC.
16. For **Daniel & Erin (Leppington) Hertz ('00)** as they parent their three children: Colby, Audrey, and Quinn.
17. For **Chris & Alex Neudorf ('11)** as Alex awaits surgery to have a tumour removed from her ovary and to remove any endometrial lesions.
18. For the **NBC Student Life Department** as they meet with students on a regular basis, working on issues in their lives.
19. For **Greg Waddy ('10)** and the Penhold Church of Hope as the kids and youth programs have started up this fall. Pray that seeds will be planted in the kids during the fun.
20. For **Michael & Sharlene McDonald ('95)** as they praise God for providing all they needed to get started on their missionary and pastors school in Mexico. Pray that students will be equipped to serve Jesus well.
21. For **Ken & Dorothy (Wolff '86) Schmidt** as Dorothy goes for two knee surgeries while currently trying to recover from an extensive ankle/foot injury. Pray as they help Ken's mom who has dementia and will be making a move that will be very difficult for her.
22. For **NBC Student Ministry** as students learn and grow as they minister each week in local ministries.
23. For the **children of NBC Staff & Faculty** that attend public school in Nipawin. That they would grow in their faith and stand for what they believe.
24. For **Abe & Debbie Koop ('67)** for direction as they serve with Wycliffe and anticipate a move out west from ON in 2019—location unknown.
25. For the **Adjunct Faculty** that teach courses this semester—Josiah Meyer, John Feakes and Wes Dobson.
26. For **Irv & Mari Penner ('93)** as they prepare to return with YUGO to Mexico in early 2018 and need to be as close as possible to 100% support prior to return. At the beginning of August they were at 70%.
27. For the **NBC Alumni Executive** as they meet throughout the year and seek to help alumni engage with what God is doing at the College.
28. For **Brenden & Helena Peters ('10)** and the families in the community of Boyle, AB that have expressed interest in attending the church—that God would be working.
29. For **4th year Biblical Studies student, Jordan Lepine** as he completes independent studies as well as module courses with other 4th year students.
30. For **Josiah & Anne Jisca (Gaucher) Meyer ('03)** that the Spirit would move in their ministry this year at the University of Sherbrooke and for an increase in financial support.
31. For the **finances of NBC** that donors would rise up and give to both the General Fund and Capital Development Project (gym roof shingling).
32. For the **Cantata choir, band, pianists, and drama participants** as they prepare for the performances in December—that the Gospel will be heard and received well.
33. For **Tim & Laurel (Abrahamson, '82) Schroder** as they head back to Papua New Guinea and for the first time leave all their children back in Canada. They return to PNG but to a different area (Hoskins, West New Britain) to fill a critical need in support ministries.
34. For the **staff and their families** that serve at Nipawin Bible College. As they seek to properly balance time at home with ministry at the college, and local church involvement.

We invite you to submit your requests throughout the year by calling NBC or by visiting the Praise & Prayer page under "get involved" on the Alumni tab on our website.



INVITE US OVER!

Nipawin Bible College wants to connect with you and partner in your ministry. Whether it be a youth night, Sunday morning service, or another event, we have a few teams that might fit well in your setting. Our Access gym-blast team is set to lead a youth group or event with various activities that fit in a gym or youth room setting. Living Proof, our drama team is ready to perform Biblical, biographical, time flexible dramas with your group of any age, while our worship band, FaceDown, is able to lead music for a youth group, Sunday service, or other event. There is also potential for us to offer pulpit supply or teaching workshops in your setting.

Please contact the College at 888.862.5095 for more information.



CAPITAL PROJECT UPDATE

In the fall of 2016, NBC began a capital project fundraising campaign to see roofing projects completed on campus—Art Linsey Education Centre and Rempel Auditorium. Following graduation this spring, the work began to replace the Education Centre roof and now we seek to complete the next roof. Spring 2018, staff and alumni volunteers will work to replace the tin on the Rempel Auditorium with shingles. An estimated \$20,000 will see the Rempel Auditorium roof replaced and to date, \$13,000 has been received. Would you consider how you can help see this need met before the work begins in April?



Rempel Auditorium Roof



CAMPUS DAYS

FREE!

at Nipawin Bible College

Come get a taste of life at NBC on November 12 & 13, 2017!

At Campus Days you'll meet our staff, spend time with our students and overnight in dorms, get a campus tour and take in some classes. Campus Days is for any Grade 11&12 student or any recent grad.

Check out our website www.nipawin.org to find out more!

with at least 20 in attendance, we will give away an iPad mini

ENROLL IN A COURSE AT NBC

November 20-24 Classes (2 credit hours each)

Issues in Missions—Josiah Meyer

Issues in Theology: Creation Evidence—Rev. John Feakes



January 8-19 Classes (3 credit hours each)

Ethics & Culture—Lindsay Anderson

Corinthians—David Smith

Interpersonal Care & Counseling—Dr. Wes Dobson

March 19-23 Classes (2 credit hours each)

Christian/Muslim Relations—Dr. Alan Guenther

Family Life & Finances—Rev. Rod Barks

Registration Deadline is a week prior to the start of class and fees are \$290/credit or \$145/credit to audit. Please contact Lindsay Anderson at 888.862.5095 if you would like to register or have any questions.



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