

With summer winding down, and everyone looking towards the upcoming school year, I want to acknowledge the hard work of various NBC staff, students, and alumni who have been representing the College over the summer whether in their churches, Bible camps, or right on campus. It has been a blessing to see their efforts in continuing to further the Kingdom of God. In addition to PR there has been much going on over this spring and summer including facility up-keep, finding a new President, Overflow camp tours, Rekindle 2017, and the first ever Nipawin Country Mile -- just to name a few.

We now have the honour of welcoming new NBC president Lance Schubert. Lance and Melanie recently moved onto campus and are settling in. We will be hosting an installation service during Opening Weekend on September 3rd at 4pm. I want to acknowledge the NBC board who have diligently taken the required time to invest in such a decision seeking who God wanted to fill the role. Let me encourage you to consider coming out on opening weekend for the installation and BBQ immediately following. This will also allow you to meet or see the student body and staff for this coming school year.

The College year is fast approaching and the 4th year students will arrive back August 28th for their first module class. Student leadership arrives that week with the freshmen moving on Saturday September 2nd. I'd like to make sure you know about three60fiveJUNIOR on September 22-24, and invite you to consider how you can encourage or bring Grade 7-9 students to this event. Perhaps you can promote this at your church, or make sure your youth leadership knows about it.

A couple months later you are invited to join us for our annual Alumni Weekend event November 17-19. We are glad to have Dave (& Sharon) Dyck as our guest alumni speaker. Dave has been serving in pastoral ministry in Two Hills, AB for many years. We are making an effort to have interesting and applicable workshops on relevant topics, and additionally we will have soccer, hockey, and time for visiting in coffee house settings as well as throughout the weekend as per usual.

Personally, this summer has gone by quickly with many distractions attempting to take priority in my life over what is of most value...I am sure some of you can relate. Work, vacation, side projects, unexpected problems, or even family can be a negative distraction from fixing our eyes on our Saviour. I have been challenged lately by Hebrews 12:1-2, "Therefore, since we have so great a cloud of witnesses surrounding us, let us also lay aside every encumbrance and the sin which so easily entangles us, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, fixing our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of faith, who for the joy set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and has sat down at the right hand of the throne of God."

Enjoy the rest of your summer and God bless,
Alumni President

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