

RIVERS

O F L I V I N G W A T E R

OCTOBER 2022

Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will tribulation, or trouble, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or danger, or sword? Just as it is written: "For Your sake we are killed all day long; We were regarded as sheep to be slaughtered."

INSEPARABLE

ROMANS 8:35-39



But in all these things we overwhelmingly conquer through Him who loved us. For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor any other created thing will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord. (NASB)

Partnering in the Hard Work of Shepherding

A Message from the Interim President
Jason Elford



PARTNERING IN THE HARD WORK OF SHEPHERDING

Be shepherds of God's flock that is under your care, watching over them—not because you must, but because you are willing, as God wants you to be; not pursuing dishonest gain, but eager to serve; not lording it over those entrusted to you, but being examples to the flock. 1 Pet 5:2-3

God has been so faithful to NBC this summer. He gave our leadership team wisdom as some existing staff shuffled into new roles, and He faithfully provided the new staff we needed, at just the right time.

What an opportunity now lays before us to care for our students! We have taken this responsibility seriously, to be examples to this flock. Already this fall, much time has been spent instructing, listening, having personal conversations, praying and reading the Word together, and bringing clarity in understanding the gospel and its power to transform lives.

As we strive for the sake of the gospel, we entrust our students to the ultimate Shepherd. We pray that as we do life together, He would draw our students to Himself. And we have already seen God's faithfulness over the first part of this year. Our students have completed the first two-week module, faithfully served at events like three60fiveJUNIOR, and there have been ongoing and encouraging signs of growth in their lives. Pray that NBC staff would exercise godly wisdom in all matters. Pray that we would lead with humility and out of the overflow of God's work in our own hearts.

As you might expect, there have been some hard difficulties to work through with students as well. But we **know** that spiritual training is **hard work**. And 1 Timothy 4:7-8 reminds us that it is worth it in every way! Would you please continue to partner with us in this important work? In your giving, through your prayer, and by encouraging men and women toward coming to NBC you so greatly help us in this call toward shepherding our students, better equipping them for the work to which God is calling them.

Lastly, would you pray for me in the role of leading well as Interim President. I cherish your partnership. Nipawin Bible College can't do this without you serving with us.

For further ways to pray for NBC, please see the the Prayer & Praise requests on page 10.

What has made the greatest impact on your walk with the Lord so far this year and why?

Being surrounded by people who care about me and live in community with me in new ways. (Olivia K., 1st year)

God is showing me what it's like to trust Him on a deeper level. I've grown to be really confident in knowing that in God I will find victory through Him. (Kaylee R., 2nd year)

The classes have impacted how I read the Bible and walk with God because they have taught me about context and culture. (Sam Burns, 1st year)



2022-23 Stats

- 49 Full Time Students
- 3 Part Time Students
- 26 Freshmen Students
- 6 Fourth Year Students
- 6 Deacons Track Students
- 17 Staff Members
- 1st Day of Classes: September 5

Inseparable

2022-23 StuCo Theme

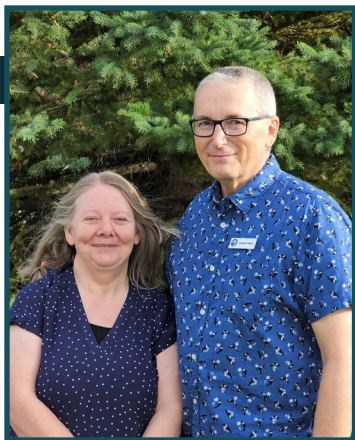
Through much prayer and discussion, NBC's student leadership team decided on the theme we hope to emphasize this year among the student body: *Inseparable*! Based on Romans 8:35-39, *Inseparable* focuses on how nothing can separate believers from the love of God. No matter what circumstances we face, we have assurance that God is with us. By focusing on this passage, we hope to encourage one another to seek God in the midst of difficulties. We seek to be joyful in all circumstances because of the fact that, through Jesus, we have assurance that nothing can separate us from the love of God. As the students study God's Word this year, we hope that they will come to a fuller understanding of what it means to be secure in God and grow in the confidence found in Christ.



Jelena Mak
StuCo President

Staff Introduction:

Richard & Janet Friedt



Richard joined us this fall as an instructor and will be teaching a variety of courses throughout this year.

Richard, briefly, tell us a bit about yourself.

I was born in Saskatchewan and grew up on a farm near Moose Jaw. After attending the University of Regina, I taught school for a few years before moving on to a career in engineering and IT. After 30 years in the business world, I left to study theology at Briercrest Seminary in Caronport.

Before coming to NBC I served as a pastor for eleven years. My wife and I have three grown children and ten grandchildren.

How did God lead you to NBC?

For more than a year, we had been prayerfully seeking God for direction as to where we might continue to serve after retiring as a pastor. Although I had never been to NBC before this year, I knew of the college from a few people who had attended here and when I saw the posting for an instructor we both recognized the position as an opportunity to use the training and the gifts God has given me. The first interview went well and confirmed to us that it was a good decision.

What is a memorable ministry moment for you?

Although there have been many great moments in my years as a pastor, some of the most memorable are those when you recognize how much someone has persevered in their faith and grown spiritually.

What has made the greatest impact on your walk with the Lord so far this year and why?

*Learning about the importance of using study tools to best see God's instruction and power in His living Word.
(Ryan C., 1st Year)*



CAMPUS DAYS October 30-31



Come get a taste of life at NBC!

At Campus Days you'll meet our staff, spend time with our students, stay 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.

www.nipawin.org

or talk to Jordan Lepine (888.862.5095) for more information.



Coming Events

CHRISTMAS CANTATA

DECEMBER 9 & 10

Theme: O Night Divine

MISSIONS CONFERENCE

FEBRUARY 11-12

Keynote Speaker:

Gracia Burnham

three60five

YOUTH RETREAT

MARCH 11-13

A youth retreat for Grades 9-12

for more details www.nipawin.org

JANUARY MODULE COURSES January 2-6

Youth Ministry

Phil Houston

Church Dynamics

Wes Dobson

8:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

2 credit hours - On campus only

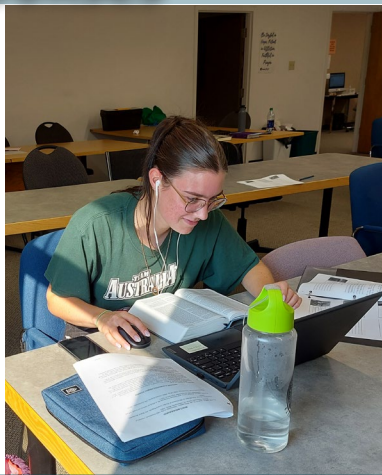
FEES:

Audit: \$200/course

Credit: \$325/credit hour

Registration Deadline is December 21, 2022. Please contact the registrar if you have any questions (888.862.5095).

Register online at www.nipawin.org



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 would love to join you in your ministry. Our student ministry music team, FaceDown, or drama team, Living Proof, are able to lead 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.

NBC Students & Staff 2022-2023



Staff Team





Back Row (L-R): Richard Friedt, Timothy Dyck, Simon Hildebrandt, Skyler Knudtson, Marlow Masich, Isaac Wood, Jacob Stead, Jordan Dudgeon, Judah Braun, Isaac Parsons, Hanan Johnson, Austin Dyck, Darvin Friesen, Lorenda Friesen, Doug Harkness, Jordan Lepine, Morgan Allen, Sam Burns; **3rd Row (L-R):** Marijke Schnee, Asha Regnault, Teresa Regnault, Allison Dyck, Jordan Bergen, Damian Neudorf, Micah Hildebrandt, Kaleb Geddert, Ryan Cameron, Jeremiah Odusanya, Caleb Neufeld, Marla Bueckert, Louise Leonard, Angela Hutchison, Tina Kroeker, Marybeth Boucher, Olivia Knutson, Sheylyn Dooley, Leigh Klassen; **2nd Row (L-R):** Michael Rowland, Levi Sinclair, Myles Harms, Ronny Browning, Brendan Willson, Michael Toovey, Nathan Egert, Josh Bondoc, Samuel Harder, Jason Elford, Ezra Lefthand, Harlan Scott, Katie Bueckert, Rachel Marchbank, Natalie Driedger, Afifa Farooqi, Jelena Mak, Kimberly Bell, Kaylee Reimer, Sierra Sawatzky; **Front Row (L-R):** Myra Schmidt, Bradly Lytle, Zane Abrahamson, Makenna Abrahamson, Abigail Hyde, Taylor Dobson, Johnny Mirasty, Araunah Wahlstrom. **Missing:** Tim Stodolka, Dana Willson, Geoff Lucas

STAFF TEAM - Back Row (L-R): Jordan Bergen (*Academic Dean*), Bradly Lytle (*Dean of Student Life*), Doug Harkness (*Campus Chaplain*), Taylor Dobson (*Food Service Manager*); **Middle Row (L-R):** Morgan Allen (*Instructor*), Zane Abrahamson (*Maintenance Manager*), Richard Friedt (*Instructor*), Louise Leonard (*Cook/Tutor*), Angela Hutchison (*Registrar/Admin*), Darvin Friesen (*Facilities Manager*); **Front Row (L-R):** Myra Schmidt (*Music Director/Admin*), Michael Rowland (*Events Coordinator/IT Manager*), Jordan Lepine (*Admissions Counsellor*); Jason Elford (*Interim President*), Josh Bondoc (*Admissions Counsellor*), Tina Kroeker (*Finances Manager*), Lorenda Friesen (*Dean of Women*).

I have already been placed in many situations that have forced me to rely on the Lord. I am constantly reminded of my weakness and His strength, resulting in a deepening relationship with and growing dependency on Him. (Makenna A., 4th Year)

We encourage you to remove this page and use it as a prayer aid.



COMING SOON...



"...A must-attend experience for the whole family"

Josh Lees

"it's not a film, it's a live-action event you won't want to miss"

Jason Elford

ALUMNI WEEKEND

NOVEMBER 18-20, 2022

STARRING...

OBAH NIGHT - "A NIGHT AT THE MOVIES"

**WORKSHOPS WITH LORENDA FRIESEN, MELISA WILLSON,
JORDAN BERGEN AND MORE!**

WORSHIP SERVICE GUEST SPEAKER: LANDON SCHUBERT (NBC ALUM '14)

SILENT AUCTION | SOCCER & BASKETBALL TOURNAMENTS

RECONNECT MEETING | ALUMNI NETWORK | KIDS ACTIVITIES



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Register by Nov 4 to come for free!

Alumni Newsletter

A Message from Josh Lees, Alumni President

Alumni of NBC,

Hello and thank you for your time and attention. I have had the privilege to meet my second son two weeks ago (September 12), Jacob Murray Lees! I am convinced that a new baby can teach so much about my own short comings and how good our God is. Thankfully our Father is patient, just, slow to anger, and abounding in love. As well as the new life of our son, my family went through our first year of my Dad being in Heaven (September 25). What should our response be to these milestones? My hope is to pray in every good and difficult moment. We as Christians can rely on the body of Christ and be comforted by fellow believers. As alumni of Nipawin Bible College we have an additional common ground to connect with each other and offer comfort and help.

As we look forward to meeting at Alumni Weekend please be praying for the people who will be participating (staff, students, alumni). Pray that God will use the weekend to push people out of complacency and stoke the passion of pursuing God and His will. We hope to have a full campus where meaningful conversations and connections can take place, both with previous friends and new ones.

With the Weekend fast approaching I want to remind you to register now at nipawin.org. Any questions you have about Alumni Weekend will either be on the website or you can contact me directly via email or Facebook.

We will continue to look for alumni executive nominations, as well as nominations for the position of alumni president, since I am finishing my full term of 4 years this November. We will be voting a new president into place this coming Alumni Weekend - please be in prayer about that.

I look forward to seeing you this year at Alumni Weekend! Bring your Obah Night costumes, your money for the Presidential Pie Challenge & Silent Auction, and a willingness to commune with fellow believers.

Sincerely,



Josh Lees
NBC Alumni President
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What has made the greatest impact on your walk with the Lord so far this year and why?

*The fellowship with my sisters of Snider Hall has been very impactful because it shows that I am not alone in my struggles and other people have dealt with the same issues.
(Abigail H., 1st year)*



Prayer & Praise

NBC Alumni & Friends Please Pray For...

1. **Sharmyn Abrahamson ('15)** as she raises support to go to the Phillipines in 2023 with Ethnos Canada. Praise for how God is providing for her.
2. **Bill & Janice Dyck ('79)** as they serve with Canadian Baptist Ministries in Bolivia. Pray for the upcoming trip to Bolivia from October 25-November 17 to lead a pastor's retreat.
3. **Irvin & Mari Penner ('93)** as they serve with Commission to Every Nation in El Cacolote, Mexico. Pray for God to draw the people of Cacalote to Himself and for Casa Esperanza to be a part of discipleship as more people seek Him.
4. **Laurel & Tim Schroder ('82)** as they serve in Canada with Ethnos Canada. Pray for wisdom and an open door for all that is involved in their temporary move to Port Moresby, PNG to serve for a year as Government Representatives. Pray for their visa and travel as they plan to go in January 2023.
5. **Jason Elford, Jordan Bergen & Bradly Lytle (NBC Mission Leadership Team)** as they give direction. Pray for wisdom and discernment as they lead staff and students.
6. The **NBC Board of Directors** as they seek a new president. Pray for wisdom and discernment.
7. The **NBC students** - that they will grow deeper in their love for Jesus while they diligently study. Pray that they will serve well in their student work and student ministry areas. Pray that they will grow strong friendships that challenge and encourage them in their walk with the Lord.
8. **NBC Admissions (Jordan Lepine & Josh Bondoc)** that they would be sensitive to God's leading as they seek to connect with the right individuals, churches, youth groups, camps, etc. Pray that God would stir in many people's hearts and lives and direct them to invest intentionally in equipping themselves at a place like Nipawin.
9. Praise for the success of our first **Off-The-Grid bus trip** from Nipawin to Durham, ON in August. Seven NBC students traveled to the Ethnos training centre where they heard presentations from veteran missionaries about the challenges and opportunities of church planting among unreached people groups, spent two nights in Jungle Camp (plastic houses) and got some practical hands-on experience. A side trip to Niagara Falls and hiking along the Niagara Escarpment were added bonuses. Pray for youth and students for next year's trip, Aug. 4-13, 2023.
10. **Snider Hall (Ladies Dorm)** that God would draw the ladies to Himself through their dorm meetings and as they do life together, providing opportunities for them to practice faith with one another.
11. **Baxter Hall (Men's Dorm)** that God would raise up faithful men who desire to worship God with their lives, and who work to build up and bear witness to Christ's work in them to one another through dorm meetings and dorm life.
12. **7-24 Groups (Discipleship Groups)** that staff and students would develop meaningful relationship and find joy in going deeper into knowing and loving Jesus through developing the spiritual disciplines of regularly engaging in God's word and prayer.
13. The **Education Department** as they seek to help every student succeed and grow in their study of God's Word regardless of the challenges that each student must overcome.

We invite you to submit your requests throughout the year at 888-862-5095 or info@nipawin.org. Find more requests at www.nipawin.org/praise-n-prayer

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Donations may be designated to programs or projects approved by Nipawin Bible College. Designated contributions will be used as designated until the need has been met or the college determines that the project cannot be completed. Any surplus funds will be used for other NBC ministry needs. Gifts are acknowledged and receipted with an official receipt for income tax purpose.

 *Please cut and mail this card with your donation in the envelope provided.*

REKINDLE 2023

**A reunion for students and staff who
attended Nipawin in the 1970's**

**Friday, June 2 - Monday, June 5, 2023
at Nipawin Bible College**

A relaxed weekend of reconnection and fellowship:

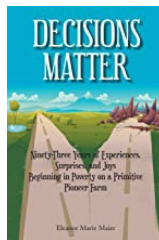
- kickoff BBQ at Friday supper
- lots of time for visiting
- Campus Tour and NBC information session
- free time for local leisure
- games or gym use as you feel led
- sharing, worship, and prayer time
- free lodging in dorms
- breakfast Monday to close weekend

Contact Myra for more info at 306-862-5095 or
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facebook group page.

Please RSVP by Monday, March 3rd, 2023



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