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EVANGEL

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Here to Serve

Stanley N. Helton, President

When the disciples of Jesus, James and John, requested the most powerful seats in Jesus' coming kingdom—though at the time they did not know the true nature of that kingdom—Jesus was clear that leadership would look different among his disciples:

“But it is not so among you; but whoever wishes to become great among you must be your servant, and whoever wishes to be first among you must be slave of all. For the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many” (Mark 10:43–45 NIV).

When I consider what this means for Alberta Bible College, I'm reminded that ABC exists to serve. We seek therefore to serve God's kingdom and then churches who seek first that kingdom. Furthermore, we want to serve our students, both current and past, as a resource for continued work in God's kingdom. Because we seek to be used by God, we work to position the



college to serve the needs of our local community and communities where we have alumni around the world.

We believe strongly that Jesus is our model for a life well lived, and for that reason, we do not seek to be served but to serve and, like Jesus, to give our lives so others can live. In this *Evangel*, we celebrate those who have been prepared to serve in the Spirit of Jesus.

“...we do not seek to be served but to serve...”

Our Mission: To equip people for effective service and witness for Christ.

GRADUATION WEEKEND HIGHLIGHTS



Our **Youth Alive In Christ** team will be on the road again by the time of publication of this *Evangel*. They will be working across Western Canada this summer, landing in such places as Pine Lake Christian Camp, Spruston Road Bible Camp on Vancouver Island (with the Heltons), Double VM Teen Camp, Kids Power Up Camp (Edmonton), Vacation Bible School in Vulcan, Hope Mission in Calgary, Pine Ridge Youth Camp in Grande Prairie, Jasper Youth Camp, and finally at Oak Park Church of Christ in Calgary.

Every year we have been able to count on receiving federal summer grants to offset the cost of this ministry, which we believe is essential for developing servant-leaders. However, this year the government reported back to us that they did not have enough funds so we are not receiving federal funds this year. Because we believe in the value of this experience for our students and for the lives they touch, we are staying with the original plan.

If you believe in Youth Alive In Christ, would you consider a gift to help us cover what we have been able to cover with grants in the past?



President Stan Helton opens the 2017 graduation ceremony.



Pastor Steve McMillan calls on graduates to live in the wisdom of God.



Andrea Elliott (BRE, General Studies) receives her degree from Sandra Osborne, Interim Academic Dean, while Rick Rehn, Chair of the Board of Trustees, looks on.



Podium officials capped and gowned for Sunday's graduation ceremony.



A Calgary small group, all ABC alumni, helped host the graduation reception on Sunday afternoon. Back l to r: Judi (Myers) Ringuette, Sue (Luloff) Cryer, Tanyia (Christopherson) Pelham, Christine (Entwisle) Schill, Anne Kuykendall, Renée Hill; front l to r: Mavis (Matheson) Wiebe, Kara (Baker) Plett

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GRADUATING CLASS OF 2017



Tracy Bartel
Bachelor of Theology



Andrea Elliott
Bachelor of Religious
Education
General Studies



Susan Ruzek
Bachelor of Arts
Leadership & Ministry



Ola Adeleye
Bachelor of Arts
Counselling & Ministry



Bob Farstad
Bachelor of Arts
Counselling & Ministry



Luz Tugade
Bachelor of Arts
Counselling & Ministry



Abraham Adeleye
Diploma in Leadership
& Ministry



Chris Caponero
Diploma in Leadership
& Ministry



Chris Cobbler
Diploma in Leadership
& Ministry



Zachary Eagle
Diploma in Leadership
& Ministry



Jim McLeod †
Diploma in Leadership
& Ministry



Tubosun Sowunmi
Diploma in Leadership
& Ministry

HONOUR ROLL

FIRST CLASS HONOURS

Ola Adeleye
Tracy Bartel
Chris Cobbler
Tamzen Davidsen
Zach Eagle
Mark Flores
Ginelle Graham
Wendy Phillips
David Ross
Susan Ruzek
Launa Usselman
Kelly Vegso

HONOURS

Abraham Adeleye
Chris Caponero
Daniel Kortzman
Jim McLeod
Kim Salcedo
Luz Tugade



Launa Usselman
Diploma in Leadership
& Ministry



Kelly Vegso
Diploma in Leadership
& Ministry



Ginelle Graham
Diploma in Counselling
& Ministry



Tamzen Davidsen
Certificate in Christian
Foundations



Daniel Kortzman
Certificate in Christian
Foundations

AWARDS PRESENTED

College Program Valedictorian	Tracy Bartel
PACE Program Valedictorian	Susan Ruzek
Graduating Senior Award	Tracy Bartel
Church Growth Award	Ola Adeleye
Excellence in Christian Ministry Award	Zach Eagle
Outstanding Student Award	Daniel Kortzman
Dorothy Chapman Scholarship	Heather Limb
PACE Academic Excellence	Susan Ruzek
PACE Christian Service	Abraham & Ola Adeleye
PACE Achievement	Jim McLeod
Student Body Leader Award	Micah Briones
Beyond Borders	David Ross
Service Award	Tamzen Davidsen
Faculty Award	Alison Hofstede

“ It is because of [God] that you are in Christ Jesus, who has become for us wisdom from God—that is, our righteousness, holiness and redemption.

(1 Corinthians 1:30 NIV)

ALBERTA BIBLE COLLEGE COURSES

College Program Courses in Calgary [September – December]

DAY	TIME	COURSE	PROFESSOR
TUES/THURS	8:00 am – 9:15 am	G311 Greek I	Dr. Stan Helton
	11:00 am – 12:15 pm	B111 Old Testament Literature	Cory Pytlarz
TUESDAY	9:30 am – 12:15 pm	B324 Pastoral Epistles	Dr. Stan Helton
WEDNESDAY	8:00 am – 10:45 am	B122 Life & Teachings of Jesus	Marnie Hoetmer
WED/FRI	8:00 am – 9:15 am	B211 The Pentateuch	Cory Pytlarz
THURSDAY	9:30 am – 12:15 pm	P245 Worship and the Arts	Jonathan Straker
	6:00 pm – 8:30 pm	G220 History of Christianity	Dan Hardock
FRIDAY	9:30 am – 12:15 pm	B101 Grasping God's Word	Cal Hultgren
	9:30 am – 12:15 pm	B231 Christian Theology	Dr. Kelly Carter

The above 3-credit courses are being offered at the Calgary campus. The classes run between September 5 and December 15. Please call the College at 403.282.2994 for more information or to register for any of the above courses.

PACE Program Courses in Calgary [August or September starts]

DAY & COURSE DATES	COURSE
TUESDAY Aug 1 – Sept 5	B3275 Life & Teachings of Jesus
	G3215 Christian History
	P3545 Counselling Skills
TUESDAY Sept 19 – Oct 24	P3515 Life Planning Strategies
	B4115 The Books of Poetry and Wisdom
	G4425 Spiritual Disciplines and Discipleship
	P4545 Conflict Resolution

The above 3-credit courses are being offered on Tuesday from 6-10 p.m. at the Calgary campus. Each course runs for 6 weeks, but registration must happen prior to the start of the class, as there is preparation for the first class. Please call the college at 403.282.2994 or toll free 1.877.542.9492.

PACE Program Courses in Grande Prairie [July or September starts]

DAY & COURSE DATES	COURSE
MONDAY July 31– Sept 4	B3285 Acts of the Apostles
MONDAY Sept 18 – Oct 23	P3125 Homiletics I
	P3535 Counselling Theory

The above 3-credit courses are being offered on Monday from 6-10 p.m. in Grande Prairie. Each course runs for 6 weeks, but registration must happen prior to the start of the class, as there is preparation for the first class. Please call the college at 403.282.2994 or toll free 1.877.542.9492.

Their Works Shall Follow Them...

MEMORIAL GIFTS HONOURING THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE:

**Inez Bogner, Ruth Greeno, Sharon Kuykendall, Harry Matheson,
Ernest & Mildred McGowan, Marion McKenzie, Tom Rutherford,
Nat Whitrow, and Ralph Whitrow**

HAVE BEEN RECEIVED FROM APRIL 4 TO JUNE 12, 2017 FROM THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE:

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SUMMIT SUMMARY: LIKE JESUS



Summit guest speaker, Randy Harris

Western Canadian Leadership Summit, May 8–10, 2017, was a spiritually refreshing time of recalibrating our walk with Jesus. Randy Harris, the spiritual director for the College of Biblical Studies at Abilene Christian University, brought a series of presentations, around the theme “Like Jesus.” His lessons included “Praying Like Jesus,” “Mentoring like Jesus,” “Dying like Jesus,” and finally “Partying Like Jesus.” These messages were interspersed with engaging Table Talk among the participants around these themes.

Marnie Hoetmer, who serves as an adjunct professor at ABC, gave us a summary and review of James K. A. Smith’s *How (Not) to Be Secular*, a work that seeks to help Christians locate themselves within Western culture. Additionally, John Nicholson, who mentored ABC students this past year, led us in a time of mutual prayer on Tuesday afternoon and Keith Shields, executive pastor at Bow Valley Christian Church, hosted a time of “Tribal Connections” where those in attendance shared news of ministry happening across Canada from east to west.

Participants included leaders from all three streams of the Restoration movement as well as representation from the Brethren. We are grateful to the sponsors who make this possible each year. Besides Alberta Bible College, sponsors include Lifeline Christian Ministries, the Pension Fund of the Christian Church, Church of Christ Development Company, Vision Ministries Canada, and one anonymous sponsor.