

# GOODNEWS@ABC



## ABC IS 90!

We are so excited about our upcoming 90th year and we want you to **SAVE THE DATE!**

The weekend of September 16-18, 2022, we will be celebrating ABC's 90th academic year and we hope you can join us as we honour and thank God for His grace in helping ABC navigate nine decades.

### **September 16**

6 - 9:30pm - Book Sale

6 - 7:30pm - Hymn Sing

7:30 - 9:30pm - ABC Alumni & Supporters Reunion (RSVP to [admissions@abccampus.ca](mailto:admissions@abccampus.ca))

### **September 17**

1 - 5pm - Carnival

- Carnival Games
- Food Trucks (1 - 4pm; Food and drinks for purchase)
- Performances

### **September 18**

4 - 6pm - ABC Students, Staff, Faculty and Board Meet and Greet (RSVP to [admissions@abccampus.ca](mailto:admissions@abccampus.ca))

### UPCOMING PACE COURSES:

SEPT 13 - OCT 18 (Register by Sept 6)

- B3025 Grasping God's Word (PACE@Home)
- B3286 Introduction to Paul
- B3325 Christian Theology
- P3206 Thriving in Transition
- P3315 Intro to Non-Profit Leadership
- P3545 Counselling Skills

FALL INTENSIVES (Register by Oct 24)

- Romans and Galatians (Oct 31 - Nov 4)
- Spiritual Care of Older Adults (Nov 3 - 5)

NOV 8 - DEC 13 (Register by Nov 1)

- B3025 Grasping God's Word
- B3325 Christian Theology (PACE@Home)
- B4115 The Books of Poetry and Wisdom
- P3206 Thriving in Transition (PACE@Home)
- P3535 Counselling Theory
- P4125 Pastoral Work
- P4425 Spiritual Formation



## Meet David

*By David Ross*



I recently began teaching at ABC after having graduated with my MA in Theological Studies from Wycliffe College in Toronto. Making the transition from student to teacher is certainly a daunting one. It is almost as if all your insecurities have been waiting for the perfect moment to rear their ugly heads, and finally the moment has arrived. At the same time however, this transition has been extremely exciting and profoundly rewarding. After having invested myself so diligently in practical ministry work and academic studies for so many years, God is now graciously giving me the fearful task of communicating biblical truth to new, emerging Christian leaders. This is where the reward in teaching truly resides for me – seeing God use me in small ways to shape and mould his people such that they can then go and do the same thing for others. In this sense, teaching at a place like ABC is quite different from teaching in other contexts. Whilst all education has a kind of mentor/mentee flavour to it, Christian education is, in essence, discipleship. As I help my students grow academically in terms of both knowledge and skills, I am ultimately equipping them to follow Christ wholeheartedly and to reproduce other faithful followers of Christ.

In this season I am beginning to discern that God may be calling me to the vocation of theological teaching in a much more involved and long-term sense than I had ever previously imagined. I feel very blessed to be able to do this in a place like ABC, where high quality academic theology and real, heartfelt faith and love go hand in hand. I am extremely grateful to David Ford, our Academic Dean, for his guidance and mentorship during the past six months. As I enter into the role of discipling students in the classroom, I too need to be discipled by those more experienced than myself. David has filled this need in a crucial way, always going above and beyond the call of duty. As we hit our 90th year of Christian higher education, I am very excited to be a part of this beautiful work of God we call Alberta Bible College.

## Upcoming College Courses

September 6 - December 16 (Register by Aug 30)

- B101 Grasping God's Word
- B111 Old Testament Literature
- B122 Life & Teachings of Jesus
- B231 Christian Theology
- B324 The Pastoral Epistles
- B334 Mission: Theology and Practice
- B432 Theology of Church and Spirit
- G101 Communications Theory
- G220 History of Christianity
- G311 Introductory Greek I
- P101 Spiritual Formation
- P103 Youth Evangelism and Discipleship



## Meet Dee

*By Dee Du Somme*



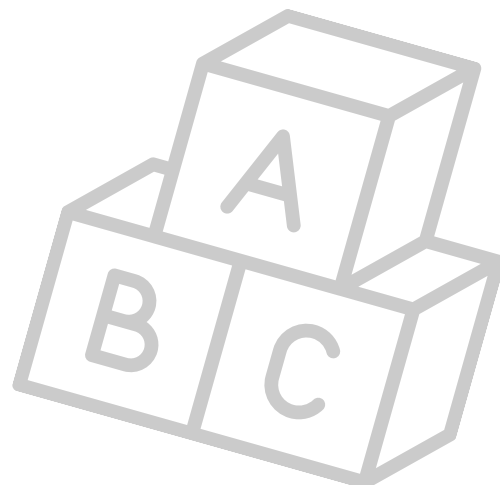
Hey there, my name is Dee and I have been attending Alberta Bible College (ABC) for three years, completing a Diploma of Christian Ministry—Counseling. I have been so blessed attending ABC, more than I can fit into this space. I will, however, say it has been absolutely life-changing and life-giving for me, and I am so thankful to have been led here. I love the community atmosphere the school offers. Being around like-minded individuals, from the staff to the students, is great.

When I first started attending ABC, I was unsure of what my calling was. I knew I had a heart to help people and was drawn to counselling. I stepped out in faith as I started attending ABC and about a year ago, the Lord told me He wanted me to be a spiritual abuse counsellor. Now I have a clearer picture of what it is the Lord has called me to do, and I am excited about where this journey will take me.

The classes have been great. The staff at ABC have a really good understanding that many PACE students have been away from school for a lot of years, so there is a lot of grace extended to us when we start the program and as we learn or relearn how to write academic papers and conduct proper research. My favourite class so far has been Pentateuch with Professor Rick Love. In this class, I received more revelation and understanding about the Old Testament than ever before and learned about who God truly is, how much He deeply loves us and wants what is absolutely best for us. It was the most challenging and the most fulfilling class that I have had the pleasure of attending.

Alberta Bible College has been foundational for me in many, many ways. Before I attended here, I was unknowingly pretty lost and broken. I have received healing and freedom through relationships I have gained at ABC. The growth I have experienced in my relationship with the Lord has been tangible, and I will be forever grateful for ABC and how the Lord has blessed me through attending here.

Once I graduate with my diploma in April, I am going to continue my education until I receive my master's degree. I look forward to being able to counsel, from a place of experience and compassion, those in the church, and those who do not yet know Jesus, any who need to have their stories heard and their hearts healed.







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